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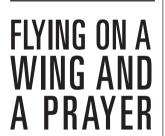


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Assistant Chief to **Retire; Input** Sought on Succesor



By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) Assistant Chief of Police Paul Solomon will retire from the Elk Grove Police Department after nearly three decades of service, prompting the department to begin the process of selecting his replacement.

Community members are invited to participate in the selection process by attending a public forum from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday,

May 13 at District 56. The event will feature final candidates for the assistant chief position, giving residents the opportunity to meet them, ask questions and share input that will help inform the department's final decision. According to an online job posting for the position, the assistant chief of police is expected to assume full management responsibility for all department programs, services and activities, while managing and participating in the development and administration of the department's budget. They are also responsible for forecasting funds needed for staffing, equipment and supplies and relieving the chief of police in a supervisory role for day-to-day administrative work and overseeing labor relations. The individual is expected to have a bachelor's degree and at least six years of experience in law enforcement, with at least three of those being in an executive or command-level capacity, according to the posting. The position pays \$202,661 to \$271,600 depending on the applicant's qualifications. Solomon was appointed assistant chief in April 2022 following a nearly three-decade career in law enforcement. Since joining the Elk Grove Police Department in 2006, he has held leadership roles including sergeant, lieutenant and captain. Solomon has served in every service area of the department and is also the current board president and treasurer of Law Enforcement Chaplaincy Continued on Page 10

Rendering courtesy of City of Elk Grove/Sacramento Zoological Society

By Sean P. Thomas **City Editor**

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - A highly anticipated plan to relocate the Sacramento Zoo to Elk Grove has been shelved, prompting disappointment among city leaders and residents who had hoped the \$300 million project would bring economic and cultural benefits

The Sacramento Zoological Society announced last week it would not move forward with the relocation, citing concerns over the financial viability of the project. The decision ends a multi-year partnership with the City of Elk Grove, which had already invested approximately \$4.5 million into land acquisition and planaccording to city officials.

"It was disappointing. There's no other way to say it," Councilmember Rod Brewer said. "We enthusiastically supported the project and had been working to excite the public on bringing the zoo to Elk Grove. Even with some of the rumors and financial uncertainty, I didn't expect

this outcome." The proposed relocation

was intended to address major challenges faced by the Sacramento Zoo at its current 14-acre site in William Land Park. The Elk Grove plan included a phased buildout on a 65-acre portion of a 100acre parcel the city had purchased specifically for the project on Kammerer Road.

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Line-dancers shuffle in the shade during "Country in the Plaza" on May 2 in Old Elk Grove.

Story and photo bv Sean P. Thomas **City Editor**

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Elk Grove's 2025 "Fridays in the Grove" series returned on May 2 with "Country in the Plaza," a lively evening of line dancing and live country music at Old Town Plaza.

The event featured performances by Dancing with Rhonda and the Nor Cal Stompers, along with music from the All Hat No Cattle Band.

Attendees were encouraged to bring low-back chairs or blankets to enjoy the festivities comfortably and learn a few line dancing moves in between songs. Food trucks were on site as well at the free event.

Below is the schedule for the rest of the Friday in the Grove series:

Friday, May 16: Wag n' Walk: Bring your pooch out to enjoy a variety of dog-centered activities while taking a 1.6 mile walk around the District56 preserve. Pet Club will be on-site with complimentary dogfriendly goodie bags. The Preserve at District56, 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Friday, June 6: Party on the Plaza: Take a trip to the not-so-distant past

when a roller rink is set up at Old Town Plaza. Equipment is provided at the all-ages event and is free to attend. Tikiz on the River will be on-site with a food truck. Old Town Plaza, 9615 Railroad St.

Friday, June 20: Paint at the Preserve: Lend your artistic talents at The Preserve at District56 by adding to the various rock gardens at the site. All ages are welcome while supplies last, with a limit of one to two rocks per person. No food or drinks will be available for purchase at this one, but a water fountain is on-site.

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'Fill the Boots for Burns' is Back in Elk Grove



A Cosumnes firefighter collects donations during a previous "Fill the Boots for Burns" fundraiser on Laguna Boulevard. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Fire Department

Cosumnes Fire Department News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) -Cosumnes Fire Department crews are once again suiting up and hitting the streets for a cause close to their hearts. The 2025 "Fill the Boot for Burns" Drive will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 17 at the intersection of Laguna Boulevard and Bruceville Road.

Off-duty Cosumnes firefighters will spend the day collecting donations in their boots from passing drivers and pedestrians. All proceeds benefit the Firefighters Burn Institute, supporting critical burn treatment and recovery programs in Northern and Central California.

Since the department began participating in the annual drive 20 years ago, the community has helped raise over \$634,752. Last year's one-day drive alone brought in \$29,069, thanks to the generosity of Elk Grove residents.

"This event represents the very best of our community," said Fire Chief Felipe Rodríguez. "Our firefighters are proud to partner with the public in support of burn survivors and their families. Every dollar dropped in a boot makes a real difference."

Founded in 1973 by Sacramento Area Fire Fighters Local 522, the Firefighters Burn Institute helped to establish Sacramento's first burn unit in 1974. Today, the organization funds ongoing improvements in burn care and offers free recovery programs, including camps for young burn survivors.

The Cosumnes Fire Department encourages the public to come out, show support and help fill the boots.

To learn more about the Firefighters Burn Institute, visit ffburn.org. ★

Fridays in the Grove Kicks off with Line Dancing

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Last year the event ran out of paint, so show up early to get your supplies. *The Preserve at District56*, 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Friday, July 18: Christmas in July: Christmas comes early in Elk Grove at the Preserve at District56. Take part in a pop-up ice skating rink, enjoy beats from a live DJ and enjoy the festival air six months before St. Nicholas hits the chimneys. All skate equipment is provided (please, wear socks). Waivers are required on-site and guests under 18 will need a parent or guardian's signature to skate. The Preserve at District56, 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Friday, Aug. 15: Dive in Movie with CSD:



Hang out with Moana and Maui when the Cosumnes Services District brings Dive-in Movie with CSD to the District56 swim complex. Kick back and

watch Disney's "Moana" while enjoying the pool and dodging the late summer heat. Admissions are \$8 for anyone 5 and up, \$5 for anyone 2 to 4,

and kids under 2 are free. The Cosumnes Services District snack bar will be open. *District56*, 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Friday, Sept. 5: Silent



"Country in the Plaza" patrons, above and at left, could learn a few line dancing moves in between songs by Dancing with Rhonda and the Nor Cal Stompers and All Hat No Cattle Band.

Disco: Slip on a pair of headphones and dance to your own beat at the Silent Disco at Old Town Plaza. Two live DJs will be on site mixing up the tunes from three different channels and genres of music. *Old Town Plaza*, 9615 *Railroad St.*

Friday, Sept. 19: Cultural Dance Lessons: Step into the captivating and graceful world of hula dancing at Old Town Plaza. Begin by watching a live hula dancing performance before instructor Makamae Melia 'O Polynesia leads a hands-on lesson where you can learn the basic steps and hand movements, as well as the meanings behind each motion. Kona Ice will be on-site as well. *The Center at District56*, 8230 Civic Center Drive.



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Thank A Veteran Today

Elk Grove Celebrates Asian and Pacific Islander Month

Story and photos by Emanuel Espinoza

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Asian American Pacific Islander Month is here and the City of Elk Grove kicked it off with its fourth annual Asian and Pacific Islander CultureFest on May 4.

The event was organized by The Creative Space and Sacramento Pacific Cultural Village. The Creative Space is a gathering place in Midtown Sacramento that hosts classes and events for people to enjoy. With the event in its fourth year, Creative Space co-owner Remy Tokunaga said the first event was held at the Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation, and from the second event onward, it has been held at District56.

Jen Tokunaga, co-owner of Creative Space and sister of Remy Tokunaga, said that in the event's first year, there were fewer than 100 vendors but, in the years since the first event, it has grown increasingly with this year's event having 150 vendors as well as a lineup of live performers and artists who came to showcase their work.

"We've been growing not only the vendor community, but also our performer and artist community," Jen Tokunaga said. "Year after year, we seem to be growing."

Remy Tokunaga noted that she and her sister are big Disney fans, and with the event being held on May 4, the District56 community center hosted a meet-and-greet and photo opportunity with "Moana" and "Star Wars" cosplayers.

"We had the opportunity



The Teng Fei Lion Dance group kicked off the Asian and Pacific Islander CultureFest with a live performance.



Yoshinkan Aikido instructor Steven Miranda (center to left) demonstrated his skills with his students in performance.

to host our event today, big 'Star Wars' holiday," May the 4th, which is a Remy Tokunaga said. we wanted to do something

"Since we've expanded,

fun in honor of the day. So we decided to put the meet-and-greet inside, along with Moana to represent Hawaiian and Pacific Islander heritage."

Many different acts performed at the event. The first act was the Teng Fei Lion Dance team. The stage was set for the likes of the Koyasan Spirit of Children Taiko Group and the Aikido Yoshinkan Sacramento martial arts school.

Steven Miranda, an instructor for the Yoshinkan Aikido style, said he heard of the event after seeing an online ad, and being that Aikido is a traditional Japanese martial art, he reached out to the organizers to see if

they were interested in a demonstration.

"They are very happy to have us," Miranda said. "We're here and we are very grateful for that."

Sacramento artist Jackie Wada said she was invited to have her art displayed given the Tokunaga sisters were friends of her family. Wada said her art is Asianthemed given her heritage of being half-Japanese and half-Chinese and is inspired in different ways.

Wada said she felt the event did a good job at bringing the community together.

"This event did an amazing job," Wada said. "It gives everyone something to do on this beautiful windy day."

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Galt Man Killed in Elk Grove Crash Remembered for Kindness, Talent

By Sean P. Thomas **City Editor**

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) -Connor Lopez, a beloved Elk Grove piano teacher and musician from Galt, was identified as the 23-year-old motorcyclist killed in a crash earlier this month in Elk Grove. His family and friends are mourning the sudden loss of a man they described as warm, witty and extraordinarily gifted.

Lopez died at the scene after his motorcycle collided with an SUV around 3:50 p.m. April 23 on the 8100 block of Sheldon Road, according to the Elk Grove Police Department. Investigators said the circumstances of the crash are still under investigation.

A GoFundMe page launched by his family raised tens of thousands of dollars to help cover funeral expenses and support his loved ones, a reflection of how deeply Lopez was loved in his community.

"Connor was really special," his mother, Allison Lyman, said. "He was

probably the kindest person you would have ever met."

Connor Lopez was a classically trained pianist who taught lessons at NewSongs School of Music in Elk Grove and often filled his family home with music.

"He loved that," Lyman said. "He would come home and talk about ways to kind of challenge his students or teach them, and we will forever miss hearing him play at home or at family gatherings."

Lopez graduated from Liberty Ranch High School in 2019 and was studying communications at Sacramento City College. He had recently moved into his first apartment and took pride in caring for his cat, Benny, a beloved and grumpy feline he even had tattooed on his body.

His younger sister Ella Lopez, 20, described her older brother as "so genuine and so humble" with a quick sense of humor and a magnetic personality.

"He was just not afraid of being himself," Lopez said. "Anyone who briefly

encountered him, he would leave an impression."

His family says the outpouring of community support has been overwhelming.

"Connor would be shocked to see how many lives he touched," his mother said. "I wish he did."

Outside of playing music, Lopez said, her brother enjoyed playing soccer, hanging out with his siblings and playing video games.

"He was effortlessly cool, never afraid to be himself," said Ella Lopez. "You just felt better around him. He was so full of life."

He is survived by his siblings Vincent Lopez, 10; Ava Lyman, 11; Julia Lyman, 12; Roman Lopez, 12; Ofelia Lopez, 16; and Ella Lopez, 20; and his mother, Allison Lyman and his father, Vidal Lopez.

Lyman said NewSongs School of Music closed for a week to honor Connor's memory, and friends have shared story after story with the family about his kindness, humor and



Connor Lopez, center, pictured with his mother, Allison Lyman, left and his sister, Ella Lopez. Photo courtesy of Ella Lopez

generosity.

The GoFundMe, just five days after it was launched, raised \$24,200 out of the \$25,000 goal to help cover funeral costs. It has since surpassed its goal, raising almost \$26,700 for his funeral expenses.

Allison Lyman said it has "meant the world" to their family to see the support.

"We are just devastated, and it has been such a source of comfort to know how many people loved him," Lopez said.



In Loving Memory of Guy Luther Brown

Guy Luther Brown, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, peacefully entered into the presence of the Lord on April 15, 2025, at the age of 95. A longtime resident of Elk Grove and Rancho Murieta, California, Guy lived a full and joyful life rooted in faith, family, and laughter. He was preceded in death by his mother Ruth Slimkoski (Stevens), father Luther Brown, sister Shirley Hodson, and nephew Russ Pistole. Guy is survived by his devoted wife of 67 years, Beverly Brown (Pistole), who daughters, Cheryl Barron (Bill) and Debra Focht (Dan), and



Guy had a beautiful tenor voice that could lift spirits and fill a room with warmth. He loved to entertain, share a laugh, and make everyone feel at home. A true outdoorsman at heart, he found delight in cruising the fairways searching for his golf ball or casting a line into quiet waters-always taking time to soak in the beauty of God's creation. To know Guy was to know kindness, a broad smile, and a heart full of gold. He had a gift for making every person feel seen, valued, and deeply loved. He will be missed more than words can express, but we reioice in knowing he is now at peace-singing with the angels. The memorial will be May 13th, 11:00 am at Thrive Church Elk Grove, 3109 Dwight Rd, Elk Grove, Ca. 95758

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built a legacy of love that now spans generations.

He was a proud grandfather to Laura Barron (Andy), Chad Focht (Alayna), John Focht (Veronika), Adam Barron, and Becky Focht (Jenny), and a joyful great-grandfather to Audrey, Emma, Haley, Annabel, stood faithfully by his side Hannah, Tekoah, Melavia & through every season of life. Adalynn. He is also lovingly Together, they raised two remembered by his nieces Julie, April, and Deanne, and nephews Rick, Mike, and Tom.

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MEETING MINDERS

Community members can watch these meetings online and submit public comments for the officials to review.

The Elk Grove City Council has its regular meetings at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. To view the meeting, visit the city of Elk Grove's website, www.ElkGroveCity.org.

The Elk Grove Planning Commission has its online meetings at 6 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of the month.

A live video stream of this meeting can be viewed at the city of Elk Grove's website, www.ElkGroveCity.org.

The Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors has in-person meetings at 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

It governs the Cosumnes Fire Department as well as Elk Grove's parks and recreation system.

The CSD board meetings can be

watched live at www.CosumnesCSD.gov and they are held at 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.

The Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Trustees meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. This meeting is in-person at the Robert L. Trigg Education Center Board Room, 9510 Elk Grove Florin Road.

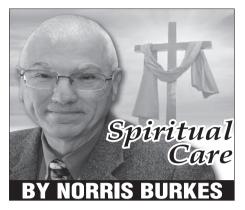
Members of the public can also view it by using the Zoom application and visiting the school district's website, www. EGUSD.net.

Past board meetings can be watched on the district's YouTube channel, "ElkGroveUnified."

The Florin Resource Conservation District Board, which governs the Elk Grove Water District, holds online meetings every third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. These meetings are held via the Zoom application.

To access them, visit www.egwd.org. \star

Flying on a Wing and a Prayer



Amidst the Cinco de Mayo celebrations last Monday, I couldn't avoid thinking of May 6, 2009, the day I returned from deployment in Iraq on a chartered World Airways DC-10.

After spending four months serving the wounded at the Air Force Field Hospital in Balad Iraq, my only thoughts on final approach into Baltimore/Washington International Airport, were of home.

Our landing attempt was anything but welcoming as our plane bounced like a porpoise on the waves. Security cameras recorded a large puff of smoke from our wheels. Eyewitnesses would later tell FAA investigators that they thought the plane was going to flip.

A second bounce delivered at an estimated 3.2 Gs and plastic ceiling molding fell on us as oxygen generators swung like piñatas. Several seat backs snapped backward while passengers along the left windows watched the yellow centerline, and I watched our wing drift over the grass.

We sailed back into the air as the cockpit voice recorder captured pilot Craig Gatch asserting: "8535 heavy declaring an emergency go-around."

When we regained some altitude, my fellow passengers spoke in muffled voices. No one wanted to be the first to cry, but clearly no one wanted to die without protest. Some were praying or holding hands or just staring at their feet.

I rested my forehead on my seatback to pray, even as I wondered if I heard a judgmental voice in it all. My shortcomings felt as though they were being weighed on the scale of a spiritual assayer. Was there a deity omewhere with a one-niece evenlass assess

"Amazing Grace?"

I kept praying, spending the next few minutes asking God, "What about all these passengers?" A soldier was about to meet his new son for the first time. An airman was trying to make a marriage work again. They all wanted another chance. Would they get that chance?

In a center aisle seat, catty-corner from me, a young officer was wiping her tears. I stretched across the aisle to offer my hand as a reminder she wasn't alone. I wanted to hold it until we landed, but the awkwardly angled reach caused me to break loose and rejoin her hand with the chaplain assistant sitting beside her.

As we reapproached the airport, the flight attendants told us to grab our ankles and lower our heads. Then the pilot added his instruction to "brace for impact!" But instead of impact, we landed as calmly as if we were sailing across a mountain lake.

Slowly we looked up from our crash/prayer position and started clapping like we had never expected another tomorrow.

Before we deplaned down portable stairways, five people were removed for medical care, including the first officer with a broken back. Behind us, debris littered an unusable runway.

Few of us could make much sense of the incident. Many would say to me things like, "Chaplain, we expected to die in Iraq, but never in Baltimore."

FAA investigators declared the plane a total loss because the main spar was broken, (the structural member that supports the wings.)

This meant our pilot literally risked losing our wings during his 10-minute go-around. But I suppose that's what airmen mean when they describe a harrowing flight as "flying on a wing and a prayer."

Even today, my airplane remains at the airport where its continentally stippled for parts. For those curious, I posted links to the security footage and the accident report on my website This column is excerpted from my book

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RELIGION NEWS

Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Services

Community members are invited to the Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Sunday worship service at 10:30 a.m. at 9624 Melrose Ave., Elk Grove.

Sunday School and nursery services are available.

For more information, visit www. FieldOfHopeUCC.org.

Chabad of Elk Grove **Torah Classes** Local community mem-

bers are invited to attend free weekly Torah Classes that will be offered by Chabad of Elk Grove. Each class will be held from 6:45-7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at a private location.

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St. Maria Goretti **Catholic Church's Mass Schedule** Elk Grove's St. Maria

Goretti Catholic Church

Mass will be held there at 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sundays.

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through November.

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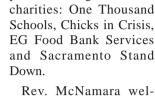
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Events at Elk Grove Presbyterian Church

Community Events: Our Jazz & Blues Concerts resumed on March 2 with Jazz music by Claudette Stone. The May 4 concert will feature Sinatra music by Larry Ski. These 4 p.m. concerts are held the first Sunday of every month



comes members and visitors every Sunday at 10 a.m. Our church is located at 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite 50, facing Big Horn Boulevard.

have open We Communion the first Sunday of the month. For more, Rev. McNamara can be reached at (916) 683-1435, or email elkgrovepres@gmail.com.

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April 25

2:46 a.m., Laguna Boulevard/Di Lusso Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Danjuan Rollins, 36, on non-current registration, no proof of insurance and misuse of registration charges.

3:07 a.m., Kammerer Road/Promenade Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Nicole Stallings, 34, on possession of drug paraphernalia and warrant charges.

7:10 p.m., 9400 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Brian Turner, 61, on public intoxication and warrant charges.10:51 a.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/Harbour Point Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Jamie Chapin, 41, on possession of cocaine or heroin, driving without a license and non-current registration charges.

1:44 p.m., Highway 99/Grant Line Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Cuong Nguyen, 35, on possession of cocaine or heroin, driving without a license and no proof of insurance charges.

3:13 p.m., Auberry Drive/Sundance Lane, Elk Grove Police arrested Vang Thao, 44, on driving without a seatbelt and warrant charges.

3:49 p.m., Midsummer Way/Lochinvar Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Jonathan Pittman, 36; and Reina Melendez, 42, on warrant charges.

April 26

9:44 p.m., 100 block of Sky River Parkway,Elk Grove Police arrested Rodrigo Ramirez, 46, on DUI/drug and resisting arrest charges.

11:03 p.m., 8200 block of Calvine Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Summer Tackwood, 29, on warrant charges.

9 p.m., 9300 block of Roan Ranch Circle, Elk Grove Police arrested Junior Gaines, 44, on parole violation and resisting arrest charges.

2:27 p.m., 7500 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Crystal Leo, 42, on shoplifting and petty theft with priors charges.

3:07 p.m., Big Horn Boulevard/Lotz Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Vincent Fonseca, 21, on DUI charges.

4:34 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Roberto Hernandez, 33, on domestic violence charges.

April 27

1 a.m., Highway 99/Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Paul Jarukasem,

29, on DUI/drug and driving without a license charges.

1:02 a.m., 8900 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Rashamah Howard, 39, on DUI/drug and warrant charges.

3:18 a.m., Blossom Ridge Drive/ Cliffhouse Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Kiara Ross, 26; and Shegun Barlatt, 30, on DUI/drug, resisting arrest and warrant charges.

April 28

1:48 a.m., Sheldon Road/Royal View Court, Elk Grove Police arrested Jorge Castillo, 54, on falsifying identity, DUI and DUI on probation charges.

2:20 a.m., 9100 block of Waterman Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Anthony Taylor, 44, on warrant charges.

3:53 p.m., 8500 block of Elk Grove Florin Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Christopher Coleman, 58; and Joseph Weatherspoon, 23, on receiving a stolen vehicle, resisting arrest, possession of cocaine or heroin, possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of methamphetamine for sale, possession of hard drugs by a felon, possession of drug paraphernalia and warrant charges.

April 29

4:58 a.m., 9070 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Richard Prevolos, 71, on vandalism, trespassing and warrant charges.

7:06 a.m., 8400 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Khyree Ross, 30, on assault with a deadly weapon charges.

11:54 p.m., Elk Grove Florin Road/ Bond Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Aston Belgarde, 41, on parole violation charges.

April 30

1:20 p.m., Laguna Park Drive/Laguna Villa Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Diego Baltazar, 24, on possession of cocaine or heroin charges.

5:01 p.m., Bradshaw Road/Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Joseph Lolengsmith, 19, on possession of cocaine or heroin and driving without a license charges.

8:52 p.m., 7500 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Tomas Jauregui, 32, on public intoxication charges.

May 1

1:04 a.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road. Elk Grove Police arrested Darrell Clark, 36, on shoplifting and warrant charges.

9:17 a.m., 10600 block of Promenade Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Kenneth Gregory, 57, on possession of a controlled substance, possession of cocaine or heroin, possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of methamphetamine for sale, possession of hard drugs with priors, felon in possession of ammunition and warrant charges.

10:09 a.m., 8300 block of Power Inn Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Brandon Foley, 40, on possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of prescription drugs, possession of drugs by a felon and warrant charges.

11:38 a.m., 8500 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Ernesto Olguin, 61, on possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

2:46 p.m., 8900 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Reginald Johnson, 44, on trespassing charges.

3:52 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Kevin Uffelman, 58, on violation of a restraining order charges.

5:13 p.m., 8700 block of Calvine Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Christopher Coleman, 58, on receiving a stolen vehicle charges.

6:52 p.m., 8900 block of Great Rock Circle, Elk Grove Police arrested Rayshell Woodard, 48, on warrant charges.

11:34 p.m., 8500 block of Vizela Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Arturo Ponce, 59, DUI/drug and resisting arrest charges.

May 2

8:26 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Jesse Soto, 47, on domestic battery charges.

10:01 a.m., 7700 block of Cordially Way, Elk Grove Police arrested a male juvenile, 15, possession of cocaine or heroin charges.

1:24 p.m., Laguna Boulevard/Bruceville Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Bruce Walters, 65, on brandishing a weapon charges.

3:03 p.m., 7200 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Aniyah Jenings Benoit, 21, on conspiracy charges.

7:21 p.m., 8600 block of Heritage Hill Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Antoine

Morre, 44, on resisting an executive officer, resisting arrest and violation of a court order charges.

8:55 p.m., 7700 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Jessy Goodwin, 37, on possession of cocaine or heroin charges.

9:30 p.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/Big Timber Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Alejandro Maytorena, 31, on reckless driving charges.

May 3

6:33 a.m., Backer Ranch Road/ Bruceville Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Horace Houston, 31, on DUI/drug charges.

11:22 p.m., 9200 block of Odyssey Circle, Elk Grove Police arrested a male juvenile, 16, on assault with a deadly weapon, making criminal threats and brandishing a weapon charges.

12:15 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Giovanella Avilezurbina, 39, on domestic abuse and warrant charges.

3:04 p.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/ 3rd Avenue, Elk Grove Police arrested Cu Ho, 43, on DUI/drug charges.

5:55 p.m., 4900 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Jeffrey Johnson, 34, on violation of parole charges.

7:39 p.m., 9100 block of East Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Rayanne Trejo, 42; and Santos Bernardino, 36, on resisting arrest, conspiracy and petty theft charges.

12:37 a.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Jack Kirkman, 29, on shoplifting charges.

2:43 a.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Jaylenese Johnson, 23; and Tobias Eagle, 24, on robbery and conspiracy charges.

May 4

5:17 p.m., 100 block of Sky River Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Juan Gonzalez, 34; and Victor Perez, 44, on grand theft, vandalism and resisting arrest charges.

8:22 p.m., 4700 block of Coppola Circle, Elk Grove Police arrested Kamal Singh, 47, on criminal threats, violation of a court order, elder abuse, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

ABOUT TOWN

Saturday, May 10 **Cosumnes CSD's RAD Games** – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: This free recreation adventure program is an dress for the Best Hat or Ensemble awards.

Information and tickets: elkgrovehistoricalsociety. com/2025-annual-springdog-friendly goodie bags. Registration is not required but please ensure all dogs are leashed.

Old Town Plaza, 9615 Railroad St.

Wednesday, May 21 **Big Truck Day** – 10

More information at 916-627-3747. The Preserve at District56, 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Monday, May 19 **Elk Grove Community** Concert Band – 7 p.m., Joseph Kerr Middle School. The concert is free;

Unit 233 have general meetings 7 p.m. fourth Thursday at Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove. Dinner at 6 p.m. Next meeting May 22. Family Breakfast, first Saturday at Mimi's Café on the corner of Laguna and West Stockton boulevards. For information, call Henry at 916-205-9296 or Sue at 916-683-6128. American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units: fourth Wednesday (May 28). Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive. Marine Corps League: first Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive.

opportunity for kids and adults with disabilities to try a variety of sports and fun activities. All ages and abilities welcome. Minors must be chaperoned by an onsite guardian or companion. Pre-registration is encouraged as supplies are limited.

Information and registration at 916-405-5600. Wackford Community and Aquatics Complex, 9014 Bruceville Road.

Elk Grove Historical Society Annual Spring **Tea** – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.: This year's theme is "Vintage Roses," and the gazebo will be lavishly decorated: a great place to have your picture taken. Guests are encouraged to

tea-vintage-roses. Elk Grove House & Stage Stop Museum, 9941 E. Stockton Blvd.

Laguna-Elk Grove **American Legion Post** 55's annual fundraising dinner – doors open at 4 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. Tickets available at: post-55-laguna-elk-groveamerican-legion.square. site. 8230 Civic Center Drive.

Friday, May 16 Fridays in the Grove -"Wag n Walk" - 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.: Enjoy a variety of dog-centered activities as you and your pooch take the 1.6-mile walk around the District56 Preserve.

Pet Club will be onsite with complimentary

Saturday, May 17 **Movies in the Park** – 6 p.m.: This month, we'll be showing "Lilo & Stitch" (2002). Bring your snacks. picnic blanket and lowback chairs. Seating opens at 6 p.m.; movie around sundown. Kammerer Park, 8801 Upbeat Way.

Thriftathon – Urban Reclaim Market - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Find more than 30 unique vendors offering a variety of styles, prices, and one-of-a-kind treasures.

Enjoy a DJ, delicious snacks and drinks, shopping and community fun. a.m. to 2 p.m.: Celebrating National Public Works Week. Bring the kids and let them explore all the trucks that run our city. Kids can also play in giant sand pits, grab lunch and have big fun. at District56 Aquatics lot, 8230 Civic Center Drive.

Monday, May 26 **Memorial Day Service** & Walk for Veterans – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: The ceremony will begin at the Elk Grove Historic Cemetery, followed by a walk for veterans to the parking lot of the Elk Grove Historical Society in Elk Grove Park. There will be a community BBQ and shuttle service provided by Cosumnes CSD. 8540 Elk Grove Blvd.

doors open at 6:30 p.m. Learn more at elkgrovecommunityband.org. 8865 Elk Grove Blvd.

Ongoing Activities Widowed Persons Social Club: May 15, 11:30 a.m.: Lunch & 12:30 p.m. General Meeting at Golden Corral, 7700 W. Stockton, Blvd. \$24 includes lunch. Contact is

Pat at 916-802-4524. May 16, 10 a.m.: Pinochle at Elk Grove UMC, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact is Jim at 916-768-1923.

American Legion Post 233: American Legion Post 233 and Auxiliary

VFW Post 2073: second Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive.



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 - * Nature hikes through the picturesque wetlands & forests
- 🏶 A Kids Zone packed with games, crafts, & hands-on activities
 - * Food vendors and dozens of environmental and conservation exhibits
 - Puppet shows by Pop and Go Puppets



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License to Kill

By Robert Lewis, CalMatters.org

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - Ivan Dimov was convicted of reckless driving in 2013, after fleeing police in Washington state while his passenger allegedly dumped heroin out the window. Before that, he got six driving under the influence (DUI) convictions in California over a six-year period. None of that would keep him off the road.

The California Department of Motor Vehicles reissued him a driver's license in 2017. The next year, on Christmas Eve, he drove drunk again, running stop signs and a traffic light in midtown Sacramento, going more than 80 miles per hour, court records show. He T-boned another car, killing a 28-year-old man who was going home to feed the cat before heading to his mom's for the holiday.

Kostas Linardos had 17 tickets, including for speeding, reckless driving and street racing, and had been in four collisions. Then, in November 2022, he gunned his Ram 2500 truck as he entered a Placer County highway and slammed into the back of a disabled sedan, killing a toddler, court records show. He's now facing felony manslaughter charges.

In December of last year, while that case was open, the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) renewed his driver's license.

The California Department of Motor Vehicles routinely allows drivers like these, with horrifying histories of dangerous driving, including driving under the influence, crashes and numerous tickets, to continue to operate on our roadways, a CalMatters investigation has found. Too often they go on to kill. Many keep driving even after they kill. Some go on to kill again.

With state lawmakers grappling with how to address the death toll on our roads, CalMatters wanted to understand how California handles dangerous drivers. We first asked the district attorneys for all 58 counties to provide us with a list of their vehicular manslaughter cases from 2019 through early last year. Every county but Santa Cruz provided the information.

Because California has no centralized court system and records aren't online, we then traveled to courthouses up and down the state



Jerrod Tejeda holds a framed photo of his daughter Cassi Tejeda, at his home in Visalia on March 6. Photo by Larry Valenzuela, CalMatters

simply don't list convictions for manslaughter or another crime related to a fatal crash, we found. The apparent error means some drivers who should have their driving privileges suspended instead show up in Department of Motor Vehicles records as having a valid license.

The cases we reviewed cut across demographics and geography. Defendants include farmworkers and a farm owner. They include off-duty police officers and people with lengthy rap sheets, drivers who killed in a fit of rage and others whose recklessness took the lives of those they loved most, high school sweethearts, siblings and children.

The tragedies span this vast state. From twisty two-lane mountain roads near the Oregon border to the dusty scrubland touching Mexico. From the crowded streets of San Francisco to the highways of the Inland Empire. From Gold Country to Timber Country, to Silicon Valley, to the almond capital of the world. So much death. More people than are killed by guns.

Dangerous drivers are able to stay on the roads for many reasons. The state system that targets motorists who rack up tickets is designed to catch clusters of reckless behavior, not long-term patterns. And while there are laws requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to suspend a driver's license for certain crimes, like driving under the influence, there is no such requirement for many vehicular manslaughter convictions.



Cassi Tejeda and Courtney Kendall. Photo courtesy of Butte County District Attorney

his life.

"It's just another accident as far as they're concerned," Kowana Strong said.

Young people think they're invincible. It's the old who know how unfair life is, Jerrod Tejeda said.

His daughter Cassi Tejeda was just 22. She was months from graduating from Chico State with a bachelor's degree in history and a plan to be a teacher. Outgoing and athletic, she wanted to travel, see the world and make her own life.

She had a girlfriend who was visiting. Courtney Kendall was 24 and a student at Louisiana State University.

On a Sunday afternoon in January

accruing points for various types of traffic violations and thresholds for when the state will take away a motorist's driving privileges. But like many, California has such high limits that drivers with a pattern of reckless behavior can avoid punishment.

The state suspends a driver's license for accumulating four points in a year, six points in two years or eight points in three years. What does it take to get that many points? Using a cellphone while driving is zero points. A speeding ticket is a point. Vehicular manslaughter is two points.

Between March 2017 and March 022, Trevor Cook received two citations for running red lights, got two speeding tickets and was deemed responsible for two collisions, including one in which someone was injured, court records show. (A third red light ticket was dismissed.) At-fault collisions add a point to a driver's license, according to the Department of Motor Vehicles. But the incidents were spaced out enough that none resulted in a suspension. So Cook had a valid license on April 14, 2022, just a month after his last speeding ticket, when he blew through a Yolo County stop sign at more than 100 miles per hour. At that exact moment, Prajal Bista passed through the intersection on his way to work after dinner and a movie with his wife, according to details of the crash that prosecutors included in court filings. Bista was driving the speed limit and on track to make it to work 30 minutes early. The force of the collision nearly split Bista's Honda Civic in half. Investigators determined Bista had been wearing his seat belt, but the crash tore it apart. They found his body 75 feet from the intersection. On March 28, 2024, Cook pleaded no contest to felony vehicular manslaughter. Just a month later, on April 30, the Department of Motor Vehicles issued Cook his current driver's license, agency records show. Less than two weeks after that, he got a ticket for disobeying a traffic signal. Melinda Aiello, chief deputy district attorney in Yolo County, said her office didn't know anything about the new license or the red light ticket until contacted by CalMatters. What's more, the manslaughter conviction, like hundreds of others we found, isn't listed on Cook's driving record.

the roadways. Last summer, Cook started serving time in state prison.

"It's stunning to me that eight months later, his license is still showing as valid and the conviction for killing someone while driving is not reflected in his driving record," Aiello said. "You killed somebody. I'd think there might be some license implications."

Orrock, the Department of Motor Vehicles spokesperson, said he couldn't speak directly to why so many convictions are missing. But, he said, "we acknowledge that the process and coordination between the judicial system and the Department of Motor Vehicles must continually evolve to address any gaps that have been identified. And we're looking into that."

Roughly 400 drivers accused of causing a fatal crash since 2019 received a ticket, got in another collision or did both after the date they allegedly killed someone on the road. (The reports don't show whether the drivers were found at fault, only that they were involved in an accident.) That's about 15% of the drivers for whom we could get Department of Motor Vehicles reports.

Drivers like William Beasley.

From 2011 to 2016, Beasley collected five speeding tickets and a citation for running a red light in Sacramento County, court records show. Then around 9 a.m. on a sunny Tuesday in October 2019, he killed a man.

William and Deborah Hester were crossing the street to go to a dentist appointment at a veterans facility when Beasley's silver pickup sped toward them. They thought they would make it across. But the truck didn't stop. At the last minute, William Hester shoved his wife out of the way. She heard the truck smash into her husband's body and screamed, according to court records.

Beasley still didn't stop. He fled the area and tried to hide his truck. Investigators used nearby cameras and license plate readers to track him down days later. Beasley admitted to being in a collision.

He later pleaded no contest in Sacramento to hit-and-run and misdemeanor vehicular manslaughter. A probation report in the case revealed Beasley was nearly blind in his left eye.

"Mr. Hester is with me every

to read through tens of thousands of pages of files. Once we had defendants' names and other information, we were able to get Department of Motor Vehicles driver reports for more than 2,600 of the defendants, providing details on their recent collisions, citations and license status.

The court records and driving histories reveal a state so concerned with people having access to motor vehicles for work and life that it allows deadly drivers to share our roads, despite the cost. Officials may call driving a privilege, but they treat it as a right, often failing to take drivers' licenses even after they kill someone on the road.

We found nearly 40% of the drivers charged with vehicular manslaughter since 2019 have a valid license.

That includes a driver with two separate convictions for vehicular manslaughter, for crashes that killed a 16-year-old girl in 2009 and a 25-year-old woman in 2020. In July of last year, the Department of Motor Vehicles issued him a driver's license.

The agency gave licenses to nearly 150 people less than a year after they allegedly killed someone on the road, CalMatters found. And many drivers accused of causing roadway deaths don't appear to have stopped driving recklessly. Records show that nearly 400 got a ticket or were in another crash, or both, after their deadly collisions.

"It is somewhat shocking to see how much you can get away with and still be a licensed driver in the state of California," Placer County District Attorney Morgan Gire said. "I don't think anyone fully understands what you need to do behind the wheel to lose your driving privilege."

Almost as interesting as the information in the drivers' Department of Motor Vehicles records is what' not there.

Hundreds of drivers' Department of Motor Vehicles records It's often up to the Department of Motor Vehicles whether to act. Routinely, it doesn't.

The Department of Motor Vehicles declined to make its director, Steve Gordon, who has been in charge since Governor Gavin Newsom appointed him in 2019, available for an interview to discuss our findings.

Chris Orrock, a Department of Motor Vehicles spokesperson, said the agency follows the law when issuing licenses. "We use our authority as mandated and as necessary," he said.

Even when the Department of Motor Vehicles does take away motorists' driving privileges, state officials, law enforcement and the courts are often unable or unwilling to keep them off the road. We found cases where drivers racked up numerous tickets while driving on a suspended license and faced little more than fines before eventually causing a fatal crash, even though authorities could have sent them to jail.

Taking away someone's driving privilege is no small decision. It can consign a family to poverty, affecting job prospects, childcare and medical decisions.

Still, the stakes couldn't be higher. More than 20,000 people died on the roads of California from 2019 to early 2024.

Kowana Strong thinks part of the problem is that lawmakers and regulators are too quick to treat fatal crashes as an unfortunate fact of life, as opposed to something they can address.

Her son Melvin Strong the Third, who went by his middle name, Kwaun, was finishing college and planning to start a master's program in kinesiology. He was killed by Dimov, the driver with six prior driving under the influence convictions.

Kwaun was a bright and innocent young man, she said, just starting

2022, a Volvo sports utility vehicle (SUV) topping speeds of 75 miles per hour ran a red light and smashed into their Jeep, court records show. The collision killed them both.

"The most difficult part, besides the incident, is every day that goes by you're always wondering what if. What would they be doing today?" Jerrod Tejeda said. "Would they be married? Would they have developed into the career that they chose? Where would she be living?"

Tanya Kendall lamented not being there to protect her daughter, hold her hand or say goodbye.

"Instead, I was left with the unbearable task of choosing what outfit she would be buried in. Buried, Your Honor. Not the gown she would wear to her graduation from Louisiana State University, the one she will never attend," the mother wrote in a letter to a Butte County judge. She added that she and her husband stood in their daughter's place, accepting her diploma.

Such pain was preventable.

The driver of the Volvo, Matthew Moen, had a blood alcohol level more than three times the legal limit, according to court filings. And it wasn't his first time drinking and driving. Moen was caught driving drunk in Oregon in 2016. He never completed the requirements of a diversion program and had an outstanding warrant at the time of the fatal crash, the Butte County district attorney's office said. In January 2020, he was convicted of driving under the influence in Nevada County for driving with a blood alcohol level more than twice the legal limit, given a couple of weeks in jail and put on probation for three vears.

His license was valid at the time of the fatal 2022 crash, records show.

Across the country, states grapple with how to effectively spot and punish drivers who could be a danger on the road. Often they rely on a basic point system, with drivers

Cook's license was still listed as valid in California Department of Motor Vehicles records as of early 2025. But for now, he's off moment of my life," Beasley said in an interview. "I took away a father, a grandfather, a husband, and they consider me a murderer. That's not who I am."

"My accident with Mr. Hester was just that, an accident. Nothing more," he said, adding that he worked as a courier for years and sometimes got speeding tickets because he was rushing.

In May 2020, the Department of Motor Vehicles took away his driving privileges.

In November 2022, Beasley got his license back, "because I could and I needed to," he said, adding that people deserve second chances, particularly for accidents.

Almost immediately, less than three weeks after getting his license, he was in another collision, his Department of Motor Vehicles report shows. In early 2024, he got in yet another. His license was suspended when his car insurance was canceled, records show.

"It makes no sense to me that they would give him a license and give him the opportunity to hurt someone else," said Loriann Hester Page, William Hester's daughter.

Her father's death broke the family, she said. He drove a tank in the Army, played guitar in a band, and liked to ride horses.

"My dad was such a wonderful, kind man," she said. "He would always walk in a room and wanted to make everyone smile."

Beasley said he doesn't plan to drive again.

"I am 75 years old," he said. "I am blind in one eye. I have had a situation where a man was killed, he lost his life. I am not going to repeat that situation at all."

This is the first piece in a series about how California lets dangerous drivers stay on the road. Sign up for our License to Kill newsletter to be notified when the next story comes out and to get more behindthe-scenes information from our reporting. Legal Advertising Hotline 916-483-2299 Legal Advertising Fax 916-773-2999

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Way, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Loaf and Cookie Co." 8025 Tucker Way, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 8, 2025

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2025-01888 Marina Nguyen, 8763 Elk Grove Boulevard, Suite 1, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Finding Mina, Mina's Meowwoof" 8763 Elk Grove Boulevard, Suite 1, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 12, 2025

Publish: April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2025 5-16-25 MINA

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2025-01983 Reign Wear LLC, 5018 Ocean Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sactown's Finest Vinyl & Print/Sactown's Finest" 5018 Ocean Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 14, 2025

Publish: April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2025 SACTOWN 5-16-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02823

Nepomuceno, 8619 Oscar Snapdragon Court, Elk Grove, 95624 is doing business CA under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Oscar the Handyman" Snapdragon Court, Elk 8619 Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 11, 2025

Publish: April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2025 OSCAR 5-16-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03066 TN Top Nails & Spa. 900 Day Lilly Drive, Vacaville, CA 95687 doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Eco Nail Lounge" 9667 East Stockton Boulevard. Elk Grove. CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 22, 2025

April 9, 2025 Publish: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 2025 5-23-25 D.E.B.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03284 Blue Summit Winery & Lounge, LLC, PO Box 582431, Elk Grove, 95758 is doing business CA under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Blue Summit Wines" 10050 Richard Ibarra Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 30, 2025

Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025 5-30-25 BLUE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03001 William Andrew Mecham, 9252 Rancho Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624 and William Crosby Mecham, 9676 Gamay Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Printing 9110 Union Park Frontier" Way, Suite 104, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 21, 2025

Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025 5-30-25 PRINTING

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02952 Melissa Balagtas, 8961 Vista Campo Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SoulSpeak Speech Therapy["] 8961 Vista Campo Way, Elk 8961 Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 17, 2025

Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025 5-30-25 SOUL

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV008536

Lula May Dauphenie has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Lula May Dauphenie to Eulah Mae Pierre.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 5, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: April 10, 2025 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of

the Superior Court Publish: April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 2025

5-9-25 PIERRE SUPERIOR COURT OF

CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV008698

Jose Juan Aguilera has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jose Juan Aguilera to Joe Robert Aguilera.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 6, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at Lawrence Gavton

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 18, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: April 22, 2025 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025 GAYTON 5-30-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF NANCY JOANNE FERI CASE NO. 25PR001173

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Nancy Joanne Feri.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Laura McFarland. Jeffrev Paul Feri, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Laura McFarland, Jeffrey Paul Feri be appointed as personal representative(s) 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 have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant

the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows May 14, 2025, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written obiections 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 de-livery 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

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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are 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. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Michael Yee, 4010 S. Land Park Drive, Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95822; (916) 927-9001

Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 2025 5-23-25 KING

SUMMONS

IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 49D22-2412-CAUSE NO. DN-011849 STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF MARION JASPREET SINGH, Petitioner, GURPREET KAUR,

Respondent. NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Respondent above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court named above. The nature of the suit against you is: A dissolution of marriage filed by Jaspreet

Singh This summons by publication in the ELK GROVE CITIZEN is specifically directed to the fol lowing named Respondent(s) whose addresses are: No is known of said address Respondent and to the following Respondent whose whereabouts are unknown:

Gurpreet Kaur

In addition to the above named Respondent being served by this summons there may be other Respondents who have an interest in this lawsuit. If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by your or your attorney, on or before the 16th day of May, 2025. (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias. la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion.

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

bienes sin mas advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte. ca.gov) o poniendose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperacion de \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesion de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Sacramento Superior Court, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion v el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Robert A. Piering, Esq., Piering Lw Firm, 775 University Avenue, Sacramento. CA 95825; (916) 446-1944. Date: (Fecha) 9/20/2023 Clerk (Secretario) J. Houston,

Deputy (Adjunto) Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025

STATEMENT OF DAMAGES (PERSONAL INJURY OR

Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025 **ESPARZA** 5-30-25

Attornevs for Plaintiff

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02738 Grewal Trans Inc, 9183 Survey Road #107. Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "GTI" 9183 Survey Road #107, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 9 2025

Publish: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 2025 5-23-25 GTI

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02927 Parlisha Watts Andrews, 8462 Mountain Bell Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PSOTA Realty Group" 8462 Mountain Bell Drive, Elk

Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 17, 2025 Publish: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 2025 5-23-25 **PSOTA**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03090 Jose Alvarado, 9608 Pasture Rose Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Specialty Pneumatic Solutions" 9608 Pasture Rose Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 22, 2025

Publish: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 2025 PNEU 5-23-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02985 Jennier Ryon, 7540 Colbert Drive. Rancho Murieta, CA 95683 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) 'Grace & Legacy" 7540 Colbert Drive, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 18,

Publish: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 2025 GRACE 5-23-25

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02741 Debra Lynn Stevenson, 9568 Dapple Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Data Entry Bookkeeping Services/D.E.B. Services" 9568 Dapple Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk County Sacramento of

813 6th Street, Sacra	mento, CA
95814, and show car	use, if any,
why the petition for	Change of
Name should not be g	ranted.
Dated: April 11, 2025	
Richard K. Sueyoshi	, Judge of
the Superior Court	
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV009441

Sahib Mandhir Arman has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sahib Mandhir Arman aka Mandhir Arman to Mandhir Singh.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 7, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54. located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: April 21, 2025 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 2025 MANDHIR 5-23-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV009635

Manoj Kumar has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of FNU Daizy to Avleen Kaur and FNU Harika to Harika Kaur and FNU Shalu to Shelly Kaur and Manoj Kumar to Manjot Singh.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 11, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: April 22, 2025 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 2025 5-23-25 KUMAR

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV009542 Tony Gayton has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tony Gayton to Anthony California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are 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. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Nolan Del Campo. 3900 Villa Court, Fair Oaks, CA 95628; (916) 969-4411 Publish: April 25, May 2, 9, 2025 5-9-25 FERI

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MICHEAL KING, AKA MICHAEL S KING. AKA MICHAEL STEVEN KING CASE NO. 25PR001435

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Michael King, aka Michael S. King, aka Michael Steven Kina.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Ryan King, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Ryan King be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows May 27, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

By: Larry Pleasants Attorney for Jaspreet Singh ATTEST: Clark of the Marion Superior Court 22 Name: Larry Pleasants Address: 7508 Madison Avenue. City and State: Indianapolis, IN 46227 Phone number: (317) 881-8900 Attorney for Plaintiff: Larry Pleasants Publish: April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2025 SINGH 5-16-25

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: 23CV008785

TO DEFENDANT: NOTICE Michael Irish; and Does 1 through 50; inclusive YOU ARE BEING SUED BY

PLAINTIFF: Madison Esparza. NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Website (www.lawhelpcalifornia. org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo. ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees IRISH 5-30-25 COMPLAINT FOR NEGLIGENCE

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE **OF CALIFORNIA** FOR THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO COMPLAINT FOR NEGLIGENCE (OVER \$25,000)

MADISON ESPARZA. Plaintiff MICHAEL IRISH; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive Defendants CASE NO.:23CV008785 COMPLAINT NEGLIGENCE (Over \$25,000) Plaintiff MADISON ESPARZA alleges as and for a cause of action as follows: 1. Plaintiff is informed and believe and thereon alleges that defendant MICHAE IRISH is, and at all times herein mentioned was, a resident of the county of Sacramento, California, and owner or permissive operator of that certain black 2002 Lexus SC430 bearing California license plate number 8AVH608. 2. Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of defendants sued herein as DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, and therefore sue these defendants by such fictitious names and capacities. Plaintiff will amend their complaint to allege their true names and capacities when the same is ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believe and thereon allege that each of the fictitiously named defendants is negligently responsible in some manner for the occurrences herein alleged, and that Plaintiff's injuries as herein alleged were legally caused by said negligence. 3. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that defendants, and each of them, are, and at all times here in mentioned were, employees, agents and/or representatives of each other, and in doing the things herein alleged, were acting within the course and scope of said employment, agency and/or representative capacity. 4. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the defendants, and each of them, were the owners, lessors, lessees and/or parties having an ownership interest or right to control that certain black 2002 Lexus SC430 bearing California license plate number 8AVH608. S. At all times mentioned herein, J Street and 26th Street are, and were, public roadways in the county of Sacramento, California. 6. On or about October 31, 2023, defendants, and each of them. violated California Vehicle Code

sections 22107, 22350, et seq.,

WRONGFUL DEATH) CASE # 23CV008785

To: Michael Irish, Defendant. Plaintiff's name is: Madison Esparza/ General damages: Pain, suffering, and inconvenience: \$75,000.00. Special damages: Medical expenses: \$25,000.00. Robert A. Piering, Esq. Attorney for the Plaintiff. Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025 5-30-25 PIERING

TRUSTEE SALE

No. 131217-CA APN: T.S. 132-0540-020-0000 NOTICE TRUSTEE'S OF SALE NOTICE IMPORTANT ТО OWNER: YOU PROPERTY ARE IN DEFAULT LINDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 7/26/2018. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU AN EXPLANATION NEED OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 5/22/2025 at 1:30 PM. CLEAR RECON CORP. as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 8/2/2018 as Instrument No. 201808021057 Deed of Trust Re-Recorded on 12/7/2018 as Instrument No. 201812070398 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Sacramento County, State of CALIFORNIA MAHMOUD executed by: I KHATTAB AND BAREA FAWAZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE JOINT TENANTS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL AND SAVINGS LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE OUTSIDE THE EAST MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 720 9TH ST., SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property

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of Trust, with interest thereon

as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said

Deed of Trust, fees, charges and

expenses of the Trustee and of

the trusts created by said Deed

of Trust. The total amount of the

unpaid balance of the obligation

TRUSTEE SALE

described above is purported to be: 2821 SEDGE COURT, ELK GROVE, CA 95757 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$324,689.95 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee. beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (855) 313-3319 or visit this Internet website www. clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 131217-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp com, using the file number assigned to this case 131217-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second. vou must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (855) 313-3319 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, California 92108 Publish 4/25/2025, 5/02/2025, 5/09/2025 ELK GROVE CITIZEN

T.S. No.: 24-32875 A.P.N.: NOTICE 132 1390-043-0000 OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED UNLESS 10/27/2022. YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION THE NATURE OF THE OF PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor: Ruselli Alvarado, An Unmarried Woman Duly Appointed Trustee: Vylla Solutions, LLC Recorded 10/31/2022 as Instrument No. 202210310999 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, Described as follows: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust Date of Sale: 5/29/2025 at 2:00 PM Place of Sale: At the Main entrance to the County Courthouse, 720 9th Street. Sacramento. CA 95814 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$569,575.81 (Estimated) Street Address or other common designation of real designation of real property: 10038 WATERFIELD DR ELK GROVE, CA 95757 A.P.N.: 132-1390-043-0000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, vou may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF THE HOLDER AND

OWNER OF THE NOTE ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction. you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, vou may call (800) 758-8052 or visit this Internet Web site www. Xome.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-32875. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. For sales conducted after January 1, 2021: NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second. vou must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: 04/24/2025 Vylla Solutions, LLC 1600 South Douglass Road, Suite 140 Anaheim, CA 92806 Automated Sale Information: (800) 758-8052 or www.Xome. com for NON-SALE informa-888-313-1969 LaTedran tion: Franklin, Trustee Sale Specialist Published 5/02/2025, 5/09/2025, 5/16/2025 ELK GROVE CITIZEN 5-16-25 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TSG No.: 91998902 TS No.: APN: 125-0310-

24-036118 061-0000 Property Address: 8787 VALLEY OAK LANE, ELK GROVE, CA 95624 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/28/2021. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, SHOULD CONTACT YOU A LAWYER. On 05/22/2025 at 01:30 P.M., America West Lender Services, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 08/30/2021, as Instrument No. 202108301612, in book , page , , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of SACRAMENTO County, State of California. Executed FELICISIMO RAMIREZ by: QUIPOT, A MARRIED MAN, AS HIS SOLE SEPERATE PROPERTY, AND NEHEMIAH RAMIREZ QUIPOT, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN AS JOINT TENANTS, WILL SELL PUBLIC AUCTION TO AT HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CHECK/CASH CASHIER'S EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the main entrance to the County Courthouse. 720 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814 All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State de-scribed as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 125-0310-061-0000 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8787 VALLEY OAK LANE, ELK GROVE, CA 95624 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation. if any, shown herein. Said sale

secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$ 609,138.72. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and pavable. and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. NOTICE TO PÓTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. All bids are subject to California Civil Code 2924h and are sold "AS-IS". NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 844-693-4761 or visit this internet website www. awest.us, using the file number assigned to this case 24-036118 Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled CF TO ANIT: V may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction if conducted after January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil

PUBLIC NOTICE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT PRE-QUALIFICATION PROCEDURES

Notice is hereby given that all contractors required to pre-qualify for Elk Grove Unified School District ("District") projects must adhere to the following procedures, submit the following documentation and information at least annually, with quarterly certifications or updates, and must be found by the District on a quarterly basis to pre-qualify, as a condition of bidding the District project during any quarterly period. The District is required to have a pre-qualification process pursuant to applicable California law (in particular Public Contracts Code sections 20111.5 and 20111.6) for any projects projected to cost \$1,000,000 or more. Any General Contractors (GCs) and Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (MEP) Subcontractors bidding on projects projected to cost \$1,000,000 or more are required to participate in the District's pre-qualification process. MEP is defined as subcontractors holding the following license classifications: C-4, C-7, C-10, C-16, C-20, C-34, C-36, C-38, C-42, C-43 and/or C-46. Pre-qualification application packages are available on our website at http://www.egusd.net/about/divisions-departments/business-services-and-facilities/facilities-and-planning/, www.egusdplans.com, or via email at facilitiesbids@egusd.net

It is mandatory that all GCs and MEP Subs who intend to submit bids fully complete the pre-qualification questionnaire, provide all materials requested herein, and be approved by the District. No bid will be accepted from a GC that has failed to comply with these requirements, or submits a bid that lists MEP Subs that have failed to comply with these requirements. If two or more business entities submit a bid on a project as 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.

Pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5, no contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations.

The pre-qualification packet includes, in part, a questionnaire and financial statement, to be verified under oath. The District will use the information and documentation required herein, as the basis for rating contractors in respect to the size and scope of contracts upon which each contractor is qualified to bid. The District reserves the right to check other sources available. The District's decision will be based, in part, on its uniform rating system, including, among other things, objective evaluation criteria and references.

While it is the intent of the pre-qualification questionnaire and documents required therewith to assist the District in determining bidder responsibility prior to the submission of bids and to aid the District in selecting the lowest responsible bidder, neither the fact of pre-qualification, nor any pre-qualification rating, will preclude the District from a post-bid consideration and determination on a specific project of whether a bidder has the quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the proposed work, and has demonstrated the requisite trustworthiness. Contractors are encouraged to submit pre-qualification packages as soon as possible, so that they may be notified of pre-qualification status well in advance of the bid process.

If the bidder, within the last calendar year, has submitted to the District a completed Pre-Qualification Application and the District has determined that the bidder is prequalified, the bidder must submit a **Quarterly Update** in each calendar quarter after the calendar quarter in which the initial Pre-Qualification Application was filed, certifying that nothing has changed in the interim period to make the Pre-Qualification Application materially untrue, inaccurate or misleading. If the bidder has been deemed prequalified by the District within the last calendar year but has failed to submit a Quarterly Update in order to maintain pre-qualification, the bidder will be automatically disqualified and must submit a full Pre-Qualification Application in order to be considered for pre-qualification.

The pre-qualification packages should be sealed, marked "CONFIDENTIAL PREQUALIFICATION", and delivered to: Facilities and Planning Department, Elk Grove Unified School District, 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Room 206, Elk Grove, CA 95624, Attention: Pre-Qualification, by 5:00 p.m. on June 30, 2025.

The questionnaire answers and financial statements included in the pre-qualification packages submitted by contractors are not public records and are not open to public inspection. All such information provided will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law, although the contents may be disclosed to third parties for the purpose of verification, investigation of substantial allegations, and in the process of any applicable appeal. State law requires that the names of contractors applying for pre-qualification status shall be public records subject to disclosure, and the first page of the questionnaire will be used for that purpose.

Each questionnaire must be signed under penalty of perjury in the manner designated at the end of the form, by an individual who has the legal authority to bind the contractor on whose behalf that person is signing. If any information provided by a contractor becomes inaccurate, the contractor must immediately notify the District and provide updated accurate information in writing, under penalty of perjury.

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758-8052, or visit this internet website www.Xome.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-32875 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was

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will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) has selected F&H Construction, Inc. of Lodi, California as the lease-leaseback prime contractor for the Restroom Renovations at the Robert L. Trigg Center.

F&H Construction requests: All Subcontractors bidding for the project to submit proposals no later than Thursday, June 5th, 2025 no later than 2:00 p.m. PST. All bids are to be submitted and received by F&H Construction, Inc. via email to estimating@f-hconst.com, Fax to 209-931-4427, or mailed to 1115 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi, California, 95240 Attention: Estimating.

Bids shall conform to all Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents, which may be obtained from: F&H Construction / estimating@f-hconst.com Local Builders Exchange Dodge Construction Network

Project Description:

This project involves the renovation and accessibility upgrades of the first and second floor restrooms. Work includes multiple trades and will require coordination among all subcontractors to meet schedule and quality expectations.

The existing ceramic floor and wall tile will remain in place. In lieu of removal, Sherwin Williams' *Bio-Flake Decorative Flooring System* will be installed directly over the tile.

Major scopes of work include:

- Plumbing: Demo and replacement of water closets, urinals, and solid surface vanities with integral ramp sinks.
- Electrical: Replacement of all lighting fixtures, switches, and trim.
- Partitions & Accessories: Installation of full-height Bobrick Sierra Series toilet partitions and restroom accessories.
- General Construction: Minor demolition, cold-formed metal framing, gypsum board, painting, doors and hardware, and signage.

All subcontractors must ensure compliance with ADA requirements and applicable local, state, and district codes.

Important Information for Bidders:

- Material Lead Times: Bidders must include estimated procurement durations for all critical materials with their proposals. This will be a factor in subcontractor selection.
- Skilled & Trained Workforce: Compliance with Education Code §17407.5 and Public Contract Code §§2600–2603 is required.
- **DIR Registration:** All contractors must be registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and maintain an active DIR number throughout the project.
- Prevailing Wage: This is a prevailing wage project.
- Union Requirements: F&H Construction is signatory to the Carpenters and Laborers Unions. All scopes falling under these trades must be performed by signatory subcontractors.
- Prime Contract: All subcontractors will be held to the terms and conditions of the prime contract.
- **DVBE Requirement:** A 3% Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Good Faith Effort is required.

A pre-bid job walk is scheduled for Wednesday May 28th, 2025, at 10:00 AM at the construction site located at 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Rd, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Attendance is not mandatory but strongly recommended.

All Requests for Information (RFI's), any and all questions must be submitted in writing to F&H Construction, Inc. (per CC) at estimating@f-hconst.com NO later than, Thursday, May 29th, 2025, 12:00 PM. Please label email "Robert L. Trigg Center – Restroom Renovation"

F&H requests that all interested contractors, planning on bidding, submit written descriptions of intentional provisions of **"Scopes Only"** two days before the bid date. This enables F&H Construction to review and identify any potential scope gaps that may need to be addressed prior to the bid submission deadline day of **Wednesday**, **May 28th**, **2025**.

If you have any questions, contact Joe George at jgeorge@f-hconst.com or 209-931-3738.

Thank you in advance for your proposal, and on behalf of F&H Construction and EGUSD, we look forward to working with you on this very important project and all future projects.

Elk Grove Citizen 5-9, 5-16-2025

Graduation Ceremonies at Golden 1 Center

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) -The Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) will celebrate the graduation of more than 4,900 seniors from its nine comprehensive high schools at Sacramento's Golden 1 Center later this month.

Ceremonies will take place over three days, from May 27 through May 29, with each school's event live streamed and available for free viewing online at egusdgrads.com.

Graduation ceremonies are scheduled as follows: Laguna Creek (11 a.m.), Elk Grove (3 p.m.) and Monterey Trail (7 p.m.) on May 27; Sheldon (11 a.m.), Pleasant Grove (3 p.m.), and Florin (7 p.m.) on May 28; and Cosumnes Oaks (11 a.m.), Franklin (3 p.m.), and Valley (7 p.m.) on May 29.

Graduation ceremonies for alternative education and charter schools will be held on May 30 at the Sheldon High School Performing Arts Center. Adult education graduates will celebrate earlier, on May 22, also at Sheldon High.

Digital recordings of the Golden 1 Center ceremonies are available for pre-order via EGUSDGrads.com. These recordings are not included in senior payment plans and will be delivered via download link within 24 to 72 hours after each ceremony. The ceremonies will also air on Comcast Channel 16.

Guests attending ceremonies at the Golden 1 Center are subject to security screening and must comply with strict bag and item regulations. The venue opens one hour

before each event and does not accept cash.

Parking and public transportation information is available through the City of Sacramento and SacRT services.

EGUSD is the largest school district in Northern California, serving approximately 63,000 students across 68 schools.

The district spans 320 square miles and offers more than 60 careerthemed programs to prepare students for life beyond graduation, according to a district news release.

Assistant Chief to Retire; Input Sought on Succesor

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Sacramento.

Solomon holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice with a minor in psychology, a master's degree in human relations and business, and has completed advanced law enforcement leadership programs including the Senior Management Institute for Police and



Assistant Chief of Police Paul Solomon is retiring after nearly three decades in law enforcement. Photo courtesy of Elk Grove Police Department

the POST Executive Development Course.

For more information about the upcoming community forum, visit https:// bit.ly/4m7oC8o.



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TRUSTEE SALE

Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 844-693-4761, or visit this internet website www.awest.us, using the file number assigned to this case 24-036118 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against

the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: America West Lender Services, LLC P.O. Box 23028 Tampa, FL 33623 America West Lender Services, LLC MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE FOR TRUSTEES SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL NPP0473433 844-693-4761 To: CITIZEN (ELK GROVE) 05/02/2025, 05/09/2025 05/16/2025 ELK GROVE CITIZEN 5-16-25 2023-05927-T.S. No.: APN: CA 127-1000-009-0000 Property Address 9234 ALMONDWILLOW WAY, ELK GROVE, C/ 95624-5402**NOTICE** CALIFORNIA OF SALEYOU TRUSTEE'S SALEYOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/1/2020. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102

of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Ricardo Julio Cazares and Marisol Cazares, husband and wife, as joint tenants Duly Appointed Trustee: Nestor Services. LLCDeed of Trust Recorded 5/6/2020 as Instrument No. 202005061450 in Book -- Page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, CaliforniaDate of Sale: 5/27/2025 at 1:30 PM Place of Sale: At the main entrance to the County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$601,528.19 Street Address or other common designation of real property:

9234 ALMONDWILLOW WAY ELK GROVE, CALIFORNIA 95624-5402A.P.N.: 127-1000-009-0000The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Elk Grove Unified School District, hereinafter referred to as the District, will receive sealed proposals for the Maintenance and Operations Department, Roofing 2025 project at Facilities and Planning Department, 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Room 206, Elk Grove, California 95624 until 1:30 p.m., local time, on Thursday, May 29, 2025, at which time bids will be opened.

Each bid must conform to the requirements of the Drawings and Project Manual and other documents comprising the Contract Documents, which are available from Signature Reprographics, 620 Sunbeam Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95811, (916) 454-0800. Prime Contractors may obtain copies for a non-refundable cost of \$25 per set. Signature Reprographics maintains the project plan holders' list, so it is a requirement that prospective bidders purchase their plans from Signature Reprographics to ensure that all potential bidders possess a complete set of documents including any addenda for the project. Plans may be previewed online at www.egusdplans.com

A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, 11:00 a.m. at the Maintenance and Operations Department, 8455 Gerber Road, Sacramento, CA 95828. The District's Representative will be present to discuss the project. Bids received from parties not attending this mandatory pre-bid conference will be rejected as non-responsive. All bidders are required to attend the pre-bid conference in its entirety.

This project involves the installation of new roof systems per specifications and details. This project requires a Class C-39 license.

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1770 et seq. payment of the appropriate general prevailing rate of wages for all crafts employed on the public works site is required of the Contractor and all subcontractors. Compliance with California Education Code Section 45125.1 mandating fingerprinting requirements apply to this project.

NOTE: The complete Notice to Contractors is included in the bid documents.

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Sacramento County, California

BY: Michael Bean Senior Construction Manager Elk Grove Unified School District

Elk Grove Citizen 5-9, 5-16-2025

City of Elk Grove – City Council NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CONCERNING STORM WATER DRAINAGE FEE ZONE 2 ASSESSMENTS

ANNEXATION NO. 73 INTO STORM WATER DRAINAGE FEE ZONE 2 FOR THE 9200 SURVEY ROAD PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the City Hall, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, California, the City Council of the City of Elk Grove shall hold a public hearing prepared and filed in connection with proposed Storm Water Drainage Fee Zone 2 assessments on properties identified in the resolution of intent adopted on March 26, 2025. The City has mailed a notice to each affected property owner specifying the amount of the proposed assessment on the owner's property. At the public hearing, the City Council shall hear and consider all protests.

Dated / Published: May 2, 2025 and May 9, 2025

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No Zoo for You

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have spanned 28 acres, about twice the size of the existing zoo, and featured large, open habitats including a savannah exhibit with multiple species such as giraffes, ostriches, antelopes and a full pride of lions.

"The current zoo only has one rhinoceros. The new zoo would have had as many as six, all in a shared environment," Brewer said. "This was going to be an entirely different level of experience."

The new facility also would have expanded conservation efforts and created more immersive visitor experiences. It was expected to draw as many as 1 million in annual visitors and \$249 million in economic impact in its first five years of operation, according to Elk Grove officials.

In a news release, Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen called the decision to shutter the zoo move "disappointing."

"This is a deeply disappointing outcome for all of us who believed in the vision for the zoo and what it could have meant



An illustration of what the proposed zoo could have been. Photo courtesy of City of Elk Grove

for our community and the region," Singh-Allen said.

Despite Elk Grove fulfilling its obligations under the cost-sharing agreement and drawing up preliminary designs, the zoo ultimately chose to recommit to its Sacramento location.

Officials from the Sacramento Zoological Society cited slow fundraising progress and financial instability as primary factors in pulling out of the deal.

The Zoological Society had raised \$17.5 million in

pledges, only \$1.9 million of which was actual cash on hand. The Zoological Society was supposed to raise \$50 million in actual cash donations before the shovels went into the ground in 2027. The \$1.9 million in cash that had been received by the city will be returned to the Zoological Society, which will return it to the donors.

"When both of those things didn't mesh, I definitely understand why they walked away," Brewer said.

City leaders made clear

that the decision was not theirs and emphasized their readiness to continue the partnership if the situation changed.

"They decided to pull back. We didn't say, 'Don't ever come back," Councilmember Darren Suen said. "If they wanted to talk about it again, or if someone else wanted to re-engage, we wouldn't turn them away."

Though disappointed, both Brewer and Suen remained optimistic. The land acquired for the project remains untouched and its value has increased, Brewer said, and it could yield returns if the land is sold or repurposed.

Both viewed the zoo's departure as a potential opportunity to pursue other developments or revisit the zoo project in the future if leadership changes. Zoo Director Jason Jacobs, a key figure in the partnership, left the post in October. Interim CEO Robert Churchill has been in the seat since.

"We weren't just taking a calculated risk on a civic amenity. We were trying to sustain something iconic for the region," Suen said. "Sometimes things don't work out, but the plans are still there. If the climate changes, we can dust them off."

Many Elk Grove residents had looked forward to the zoo as a positive addition to the community. The city's desire for more regional attractions made the zoo plan particularly appealing.

Outside of Safeway at the corner of Laguna and Franklin Boulevard, several residents voiced disappointment with the project's demise.

"It's disappointing; I would have liked it to move here," said Elk Grove resident Aaron Wells.

Bruce Wallace, another

resident, echoed the sentiment: "It would have been a lot of jobs for Elk Grove; it's a shame it fell apart."

Others were more measured in their reaction.

"I know a lot of people were looking forward to it moving here, but yeah, it's not the worst thing that it's not," said Mark Cramer, also of Elk Grove. "The cost was always a problem for me, and I've talked to a few people that were unsure of the traffic it might add."

Still, city officials stressed that they've learned from the experience and will remain focused on bringing a similar project to Elk Grove.

"We weren't trying to swing for the fences or grab the spotlight," Suen said. "We analyzed the zoo opportunity like we do every other project, with our residents in mind. That will always be our focus."

While the zoo won't be coming to Elk Grove, councilmembers highlighted ongoing efforts to develop other projects and amenities in the city.

"The desire to bring attractions and amenities that families and individuals can enjoy hasn't changed," Brewer said. "We're going to keep our options open. We're not in a hurry, and we're certainly not desperate." ★



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Elk Grove Named **Fourth-Best** City to Live in California

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Elk Grove was ranked as the fourth-best large city in California to live, according to a ranking released by Consumer Affairs last month.

Elk Grove, the second largest city in Sacramento County, is on the upper half of the top 10 mainly for low crime rates and its strong economy, as well as its list of amenities for families.

"As the second-largest city in the Sacramento region, Elk Grove offers an abundance of attractions, festivals and recreation without breaking the bank," Consumer Affairs said. "From the Stone Lakes National Wildlife Refuge to the Multicultural Festival every summer, there's something for everyone."

The website also noted Elk Grove's "impressive" population growth as a testament to its attractiveness as a city, increasing about 133 percent between 2001 and 2023, from 76,000 people to 177,000.

Historical Society's Annual Spring Tea Fundraiser Returns



Red Hat Society members enjoy the Elk Grove Historical Society's annual Spring Tea. Citizen file photo

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Looking for an elegant way to celebrate Mother's Day weekend? Why not dive back into the Victorian Era at the Elk Grove Historical Society's Spring Tea event?

The Elk Grove Historical Society is once again hosting the event on Saturday, May 10 in the garden next to the society's museum.

Wear your best Victorian-age tea party attire and take part in hot and cold tea, lemonade, finger food lunch and dessert. There will also be a silent auction raffle and an exquisitely decorated gazebo for photo opportunities.

Held every year the Saturday prior to

Mother's Day, the event serves as a fundraiser for the Historical Society; Cost is \$50 per person.

This year's event theme is "Vintage Roses" and gates will open at 11 a.m. Valet parking is also available.

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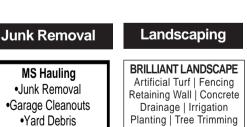
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