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Pictured from left are Shy Scheidegger, Steve Reed, Jean Withers and Jim Withers at WellQuest senior living community during Reed's honorary dinner on Jan. 22. Photo courtesy of WellQuest

By Idaly Valencia

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - An evening at WellQuest of Elk Grove celebrated Steve Reed, 78, a Vietnam War combat veteran and volunteer, for his ongoing commitment to supporting fellow veterans, many of whom reside at the senior community.

WellQuest management and staff surprised Reed with a dinner in his honor on Jan. 22, recognizing his dedication as a volunteer

who consistently supports veteran residents.

For about a year, Reed has served as a steady source of support for local senior veterans, helping them with everything from rides to doctor appointments at the Veterans Affairs hospital to navigating benefits and filing paperwork.

Drawing on his own experiences as a Vietnam War veteran, Reed understands the process firsthand and has long advocated

for fellow veterans. In a 2016 interview with the Sacramento Public Library titled "Valley to Vietnam: Steve Reed," he said many veterans just need "their hand held" and someone to walk them through the process with care, something he said he's been good at.

The event welcomed guests from American Legion Post 55, Honor Flight Bay Area, senior residents and local Girl Scout Troop 584, who greeted veterans and Reed

as they entered the dining hall.

"What Steve does goes far beyond volunteering," WellQuest Executive Director Elena Cuevas said at the dinner. "He listens. He cares. He reminds our veterans that they are not alone, and that matters more than words can express."

Cuevas told the Elk Grove Citizen that WellQuest houses a large veteran population, a point

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CITY OF ELK GROVE

By John McCallum

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Owners of the Bartholomew Winery can now offer more and larger events along with events with amplified music after the City Council unanimously approved changes to the city's Municipal Code for Agricultural-Residential (AR) uses, a new Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and amendments to an existing CUP at its Jan. 28 meeting.

The approvals come despite complaints from nearby residents about the potential for disruption from amplified music as well as from expanded hours. Council members justified their votes by pointing to several conditions of approval putting restrictions on amplified music as well as one allowing revoking the changes upon review of the CUP in the future.

The amended code now lists "Outdoor Event Center" as an allowable use, with approved CUP, in the AR-10, AR-5, AR-2 and AR-1 zones. Centers are allowed on parcels of 10 gross acres or larger, have one to two major arterials as direct primary public access "and where the Outdoor Event Center use is ancillary to an approved winery or agricultural tourism use on the site." Outdoor event centers were previously not permitted in the AR zoning districts.

Elk Grove senior planner Sarah Kirschgessner said the Bartholomew project includes a request for a new CUP for up to 18 events at the event center. It also includes amendments to the current CUP to increase the number of events at the wine tasting facility from 24 to 48 per year and allow amplified music at the winery.

"We're before you tonight for the amendment of my client's CUP to attract more business and expand their business model, making it more viable," Darren Wilson of Wilson Land Development Solutions said.

Besides amplified music and additional wine-tasting associated events, the amendments to the current

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Point Quest Expands Access to Student Therapy



Point Quest Group, a local company offering special education services nationwide, announced its acquisition of LinkUp Teletherapy, a provider of pre-K through 12th-grade online speech teletherapy, to help school districts deliver consistent therapy services as budget and hiring challenges persist. Photos courtesy of Point Quest Group

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - A 2025 McKinsey survey found that school districts nationwide are grappling with widespread staffing shortages, rising costs and stagnant funding, making it increasingly difficult to maintain required student services. Those pressures are being felt across California and Sacramento County,

particularly in specialized education roles such as speech-language pathologists that are often hard to fill.

As districts continue to navigate those challenges, Elk Grove-based company Point Quest Group is expanding its reach to help close service gaps through virtual solutions.

Point Quest Group is a national provider of special education services, headquartered off East

Stockton Boulevard, that acquired LinkUp Teletherapy in November 2025. Company leaders said the move was designed to help school districts deliver consistent therapy services as budgets tighten and hiring challenges persist.

Founded in 2018 by Tracie Beckmann and Janet Kickham, LinkUp Teletherapy is a

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Police Emphasize E-Bike and Scooter Safety Near Schools

Elk Grove Police Department News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - The Elk Grove Police Department is shifting into high gear to address a growing safety concern involving e-bikes and scooters.

In collaboration with the Elk Grove Unified School District, police are launching a coordinated, two-pronged initiative aimed at reducing e-bike and scooter collisions as these devices become an increasingly common part of students' daily commutes. The initiative comes in response to an increase in e-bike and scooter-related collisions as well as safety concerns near school campuses.

As of Thursday, Jan. 29 officers from Youth Services, Traffic, Problem Oriented

Policing (POP), School Resource Officers (SRO) and Patrol will begin focused efforts at middle and high schools throughout the City of Elk Grove.

Officers will contact juveniles riding e-motorcycles, motorized scooters and Class 3 e-bikes at school bike racks and in surrounding neighborhoods. Officers will also be present during school arrivals and dismissals to engage with students and parents and distribute safety pamphlets.

The first phase of the initiative will consist of a 30-day education campaign. During this period, safety messaging will be shared through Elk Grove Police Department and Elk Grove Unified School District social media platforms to maximize community awareness.

Parents are encouraged to familiarize

themselves with e-bike and scooter laws and to speak with their children about legal requirements, the importance of wearing safety equipment, and responsible riding behaviors.

Following the conclusion of the education phase, the department will transition to an enforcement phase. Officers will conduct zero-tolerance enforcement in and around school areas and will take enforcement action when illegal or unsafe operation of e-bikes or scooters is observed.

This combined education and enforcement approach is intended to promote awareness, improve compliance, and ultimately enhance safety for students and the broader community.

For more information, visit elkgrove.gov/police or follow the Elk Grove Police Department on social media. ★



Elk Grove Police Department announced that as of Thursday, Jan. 29 officers from Youth Services, Traffic, Problem Oriented Policing (POP), School Resource Officers (SRO) and Patrol will begin focused efforts at middle and high schools throughout the City of Elk Grove. Photo courtesy of Elk Grove Police Department

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Teen Arrested Following Multi-Hour Standoff

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Elk Grove police responded to a domestic disturbance the evening of Jan. 25 in the 9000 block of Almondwillow Way near Pleasant Grove High School, prompting a multi-hour law enforcement response that ended without injuries.

According to the Elk Grove Police Department, officers were called to the area shortly after 7 p.m. following reports that a 17-year-old was attempting



to attack family members with a knife. When officers arrived, the teen barricaded himself inside the family home and refused to come out.

“Our Crisis Response Unit, consisting of SWAT

and Crisis Negotiators, were called in,” police said in a social media post addressing the incident.

After several hours, police officers were able to safely detain the teen without injury to officers, the teen or family members.

Authorities said the scene was eventually cleared and everyone involved was safe.

The 17-year-old was taken into custody and booked into juvenile Hall on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon. ★

Matsui Wins Majority Vote of Party Delegates

Office of Rep. Doris Matsui News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - U.S. Rep. Doris Matsui earned a commanding majority (57%) of votes in the California Democratic Party's pre-endorsement process, demonstrating strong grassroots support and significantly outpacing her nearest opponent's 34%. The final endorsement decision will be made at the California Democratic Party convention later this month.

“This overwhelming result demonstrates how Congresswoman Matsui's proven track record of delivering results and her unwavering commitment to standing up against Donald Trump's dangerous

attacks on health care and immigrants are resonating throughout our region,” said Will Antinetti, campaign manager for Matsui for Congress. “Her broad coalition of support, from progressive party delegates to community leaders and local small businesses, clearly shows she's the right person to continue championing our values and priorities in Congress.”

As a result of Proposition 50, the boundaries of Matsui's 7th Congressional District will change, retaining areas such as downtown Sacramento, Elk Grove, Galt and Rancho Murietta, while incorporating areas in and around Lodi, El Dorado Hills and Placerville.

For more information, visit MatsuiForCongress.com. ★

Winery's Event Permit Approved Despite Noise Concerns

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CUP expand the days and times for events and their size. Wine tasting events are now allowed from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week instead of the previous staggered schedule.

Winery fundraising, marketing, tours, dinners and other events are increased to seven days a week, growing from a maximum of 50 to now 125 people, but keep the same 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. hours. Event center activities, including weddings, “live” theater and concerts, are allowed Friday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. for up to 125 people.

Wilson said he did an online search of wineries within a 25-mile radius of Bartholomew and found eight with outdoor event centers that offer amplified music. Not all were near single-family residential developments like Bartholomew's.

Bartholomew Winery, located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Elk Grove Boulevard and Bradshaw Road, is surrounded by residential uses to the west and south, vacant commercial land to the north and commercial and industrial uses to the east.

As part of the project, Bartholomew had a noise study performed by Bollard Consultants. The study included four simulations of amplified music with a

measuring device placed 50 feet from speakers, a reference point, in the outdoor seating area and four devices placed at winery boundaries, two on the west and two on the south near residences.

Sound pushed through the speakers in the simulations between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. was measured at 85 dB (decibels) at the seating area reference point. At the two southern points, levels ranged from 59 to 61 dB, with levels at the two western stations ranging from 45 to 47 dB.

According to the website noiseawareness.org, devices generating around 85 dB include a coffee grinder, vacuum cleaner, hair dryer, manual machine tools, freeway traffic and a noisy restaurant. Sounds in the 40 to 60 dB range include a library, refrigerator, electric toothbrush, washing machine, large office and a quiet residential area.

At the Nov. 4 Elk Grove Planning Commission meeting on the winery project, three individuals spoke against the changes, with 18 written correspondences and a petition with 44 signees also submitted in opposition.

The commission voted 4-1 to approve the project, recommending reducing winery events to 36 and outdoor center events to 12, along with reducing performance days and times.

Based upon results of the study and comments at the commission meeting, Bartholomew agreed to additional regulations on amplified music including prohibiting subwoofers, which are speakers transmitting sound at very low, often vibrating frequencies, and amplified drums at wine-tasting events only.

They also agreed to ending live music by 8 p.m., 9 p.m. for the event center; and limiting decibels to 75 dB for wine tasting events and 85 dB for winery and outdoor events.

At the Jan. 28 meeting, staff recommended council approve the original request with the above changes.

“Based on the characteristics of the operation, the proposed conditions of approval from the noise study as well as these additional conditions of approval and the compliance with city standards, staff supports the applicant's request as proposed and believes the project would not be detrimental to the public health and safety of the residents and adjacent uses,” Kirschgessner said.

Six residents spoke at the January meeting, four in opposition and two in support. All who spoke had positive comments about Bartholomew's business, but opposed the changes mainly based on impacts to the neighborhoods from

amplified music.

“Even having the amplified music stop at 9 is an imposition on the quality of the homes,” Katherine McLain said.

McLain asked council to reconsider the 66 total events and instead limit them to 48. Chandler Bender, who said he has children ages 5, 3 and 1 and lives about 200 feet from the winery, suggested allowing the 66 events but prohibiting amplified music.

Wilson, speaking for Bartholomew, said in his survey of nearby wineries providing amplified music, four had residences within an estimated 150 to 215 feet from the winery boundary. As to reducing the number of events, he said the proposed winery events are needed to allow Bartholomew to expand its business and compete with other wineries.

“This would be a complete disadvantage to our client against other wineries,” he added about any further restrictions.

Council members said they felt comfortable approving the code and current CUP amendments as well as the new CUP. The CUPs carry 39 conditions of approval, with 12 addressing the noise issue.

The only change proposed was by Councilmember Kevin Spease, who suggested a condition requiring the winery keep a log of events be limited to 60 days. Council agreed.

“You can lose a conditional use permit if you don't maintain the conditions laid out,” Spease added. ★

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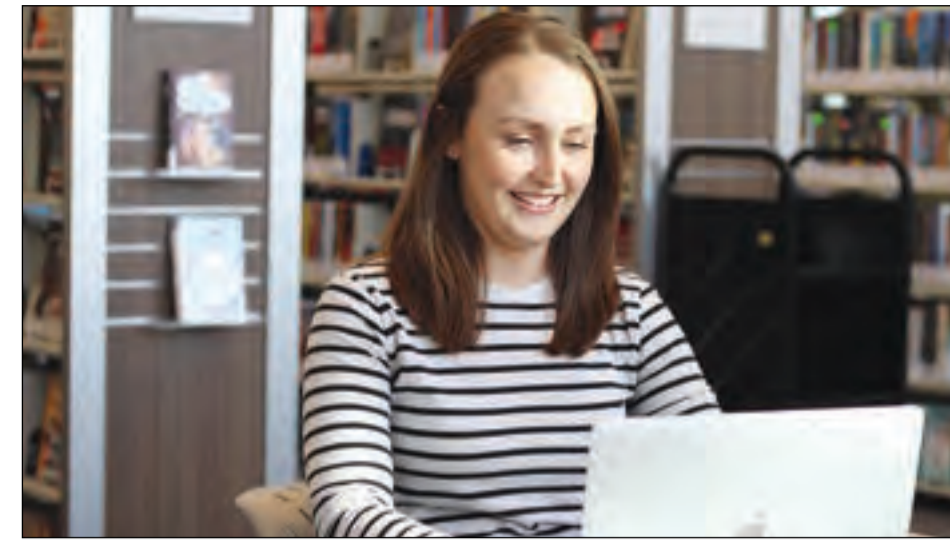
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Point Quest Expands Access to Student Therapy



With districts facing limited resources for student services like speech therapy, Point Quest Group Chief Executive Officer Chris Miller said teletherapy has shifted from a short-term fix to a strategic tool, especially for rural districts with limited access to licensed professionals. Photo courtesy of Point Quest Group

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therapist-owned company that provides online speech teletherapy services to pre-K through 12th-grade students in districts with speech therapy needs.

“When a platform is designed by therapists, it transcends being a video conferencing tool and becomes a clinical environment,” said Point Quest Chief Executive Officer Chris Miller.

Miller said the platform offers virtual speech and occupational therapy services for students while also providing real-time oversight for educators and administrators.

“It also features an administrative dashboard that allows school leaders to monitor sessions and data in real time, ensuring the same level of accountability as an on-site program,” he said.

With districts facing limited resources to provide services such as speech therapy, Miller said teletherapy has shifted from a short-term solution to a strategic tool, particularly for rural districts that already struggle with

limited access to licensed professionals.

He explained that by outsourcing services, school districts can address funding challenges by paying only for the hours they need while avoiding the overhead costs tied to full-time staffing, allowing vacancies to be filled more quickly and consistently.

Miller also emphasized that virtual services are intended to complement, not replace, in-person support, addressing parent and educator concerns about teletherapy’s effectiveness compared to traditional models.

“Virtual services are not a replacement for the hands-on work our paraprofessionals and therapists do in our schools; they are an expansion of our toolkit,” Miller said.

He added that virtual services can also provide continuity for students who are homebound or during localized staffing shortages, ensuring therapy remains consistent regardless of circumstances.

“Our goal is to meet the student where they are,” Miller said, “...whether

that is in a classroom in Sacramento or a virtual session in Missouri.”

As Point Quest continues to expand and offer its services nationwide, Miller said its Elk Grove roots remain central to the company’s mission and its continued support of local students.

“Elk Grove is our home, and our legacy is built on the high-intensity, hands-on work we’ve done in our non-public schools here for over a decade,” he said. “This expansion is about taking that Elk Grove ‘spirit of care’ and giving it wings.”

Addressing concerns local parents and teachers may have about a shift toward teletherapy and the acquisition of LinkUp Teletherapy, Miller said, “To the parents, I want you to know that this acquisition means your child has access to the best specialists in the country... To our educators, we are here to be your partner, not just a vendor.”

To learn more about Point West Group, please visit pointquestgroup.com.



Gathered in Gratitude

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of pride for the organization, and wanted to honor Reed for volunteering his time and efforts.

She said the dinner was the first of many planned by the five-year-old senior living community to honor local partners like Reed and celebrate occasions that foster togetherness among residents.

“For the last year and a half, Steve has helped over 20 of our residents with veterans’ benefits, driving them to and from Mather. He’s just been an incredible asset,” Cuevas said. “This our small way of saying, ‘We appreciate you.’”

As a token of appreciation, WellQuest presented Reed with a custom coin during the dinner, a nod to his own tradition of giving coins to veterans in thanks for their service. He received it for helping fellow veterans with “honor and heart.”

Originally from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Reed moved to Sacramento with his family in June 1961 and enrolled as a sophomore at Bella Vista High School in Fair Oaks. After about a year from his graduation, Reed volunteered for the Army, serving in the 4th Infantry Division as part of a Long-Range Reconnaissance Patrol during the Vietnam War in 1967 and 1968.

After returning from Vietnam, Reed attended American River College and Sacramento State, earning a degree in communications in 1972 before going to build a long career in public service. His work included teaching in the San Juan Unified School District, serving as a Sacramento police officer



Local Girl Scout Troop 584 greets a veteran resident at WellQuest, assisted by fellow veteran and community volunteer Steve Reed. Photo courtesy of Well Quest

and heading security at Arden Fair Mall.

Though retired professionally, Reed has continued to serve the community by helping local veterans in need for several years. His connection to WellQuest began when he helped Cleve Cushing, a 99-year-old veteran at the time, secure residency there, and led to his involvement with the broader veteran population at the senior community.

Cushing, now 101, is one of the veterans Reed has assisted for the past eight years.

Reed said he is just a phone call away for other veterans at WellQuest whenever they need a ride or help filing for benefits.

“I love these guys, these

veterans, and a lot of them didn’t have an advocate,” Reed said. “I’m an advocate for them; that’s my job now.”

Ron Reanu of Honor Flight Bay Area attended the dinner and is a long-time friend of Reed.

They met at a veterans center in Carmichael and later served as ambassadors for Honor Flight Bay Area, a nonprofit organization that takes World War II veterans to visit the memorial in Washington, D.C.

Reanu reflected on the night, noting it was great to see Reed honored for his community service as a vet and for veterans.

“It’s very rewarding,” Reanu said. “It’s what I like to call giving back.” ★

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RELIGION NEWS

Chabad of Elk Grove Offers Torah Classes

Local community members are invited to attend free weekly Torah Classes offered by Chabad of Elk Grove from 6:45-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at a private location.

The course, "Flashbacks in Jewish History," will examine how our past informs our future. Rabbi Chaim Groner leads the discussion. For location, call (917) 724-4443.

Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Services

Community members are invited to Sunday worship services 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.

Events at Elk Grove Presbyterian Church

Rev. McNamara welcomes members and visitors every Sunday at 10 a.m. Our church is at 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite 50, facing Big Horn. The church has open Communion

the first Sunday of the month.

For more information, Rev. McNamara can be reached at (916) 683-1435 or elk-grovepres@gmail.com.

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church's Mass Schedule

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church invites everyone to celebrations of Holy Mass at 8700 Bradshaw Road. Mass are at 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sundays. Also Masses at 9 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. For more information, call (916) 647-4538 or visitsMGCC.net.

Grace Church Hosts Celebrate Recovery

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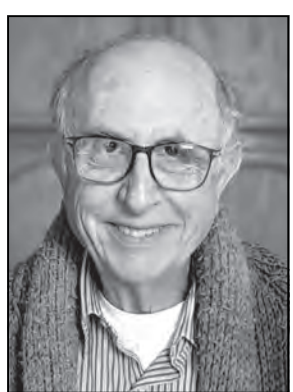
Meetings are 7 p.m. Fridays at 9766 Waterman Road, next to Mel Dogs.

Sunday Worship at 10 a.m. For more information, call (916) 714 3444) or visit GraceChurchEG.org. ★

MEMORIAL

DAVID B. BEALES - 03/03/1951 - 01/29/2026

David Beales passed away on January 29, 2026 at home in Elk Grove, CA. He was born on March 3, 1951 in Oakland, Ca. The only child of Benjamin Beales and Anne Marengo Beales. He leaves behind his wife of 44 years, Charlotte Sato.



Pre-Covid, David attended the fascinating presentations of the Elk Grove Civil War Roundtable. David and Charlotte visited many states and countries together as independent travelers. Gardens and bookstores were always targeted. He was a life-long learner - history, languages and religion sparked energy even when physical activity was limited by pancreatic cancer which he fought bravely for nearly 12 months. His fighting spirit provided many occasions of joy, especially Christmas 2025.

David's father passed away when David was 12, and his mother died in 1987. He graduated from Acalanes High School in Lafayette, CA in 1969 and Pomona College in Claremont in 1973. After college graduation, he worked in VISTA in rural Indiana and on Capitol Hill for Rep. Lee Hamilton of Indiana. He graduated from USC law school in 1979 where he met Charlotte.

David resided 4 years in Pomona (firm of Jones, Mahoney & Brayton), 5 years in Anaheim (Deputy County Counsel), and 35 years (since 1991) in Elk Grove, California.

David served as a Judge Pro Tempore in Small Claims Court and as Chairman of the Elk Grove Water District's Board.

A celebration of life is planned for the future. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the charity of your choice.

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 ElkGroveCity.org.

The Elk Grove Planning Commission has its 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.

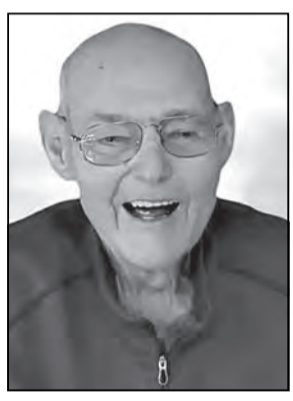
Members of the public can also view it by using the Zoom application and visiting the school district's website, www.EGUSD.net.

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

MEMORIAL

WARREN WEAVER - 02/14/1946 - 01/03/2026

Warren Weaver, 79, of Elk Grove, California, peacefully passed away on January 3, surrounded by his loving family. A devoted husband, father, grandfather, teacher, friend, and community servant, Warren lived a life rooted in service, integrity, and kindness.



Warren dedicated 37 years to education as a highly respected Agriculture Teacher at Elk Grove High School. Through his passion for teaching, unwavering patience, and deep love for FFA, he inspired generations of students- not only to learn, but to grow into responsible, compassionate leaders. His impact continues to be felt throughout the community and beyond.

Beyond his career, Warren was deeply committed to serving others. He volunteered his time generously and was a proud and active member of the Lions Club, where he exemplified the organization's mission of service compassion, and community involvement. Whether mentoring youth, lending a helping hand, or quietly supporting those in need, Warren led by example and left a lasting impression on everyone he encountered.

A Celebration of Life will be held on February 19th at 11:00 a.m. at Creekside Cristian Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Warren Weaver Scholarship Fund in his memory, honoring his lifelong commitment to education and students.

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



In the land of the Sacramento Kings there is good news and bad news.

The bad news is the Sac Town boys lost to the lowly Washington Wizards Sunday night by a score of 116-112 to not only extend their current losing streak to nine games, but to also take over solo position as the team with the worst record in the NBA this season.

The good news is, as bad as that sounds, the Kings played a high-tempo competitive game against the Wizards, and more importantly, have just finalized a trade that has the potential to breathe life into a team that's on the ropes.

The Kings landed DeAndre Hunter from the Cleveland Cavaliers, while trading Dennis Schroder, Keon Ellis and little-used Dario Saric. Once again, the Chicago Bulls were involved, acquiring Dario Saric and two second round picks, one coming from the Kings in 2029.

What this trade accomplishes is finally getting a true NBA forward that can play the 4 and allow Keegan Murray to move to the 3 where he is more comfortable and more suited.

The Kings are hoping that Hunter's six seasons in the NBA will fit nicely into a lineup with both youth and veterans, and his 14.7 scoring average during his career will be a welcome addition to a team that has been recently struggling to reach 100 points per night.

In addition to scoring Hunter will be bringing a defensive presence as well, and in 2019 while playing for the Virginia Wildcats he was given the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) award for the most outstanding defensive player in division I basketball.

While not a big forward at 6'7" DeAndre has an impressive wingspan of 7'2" and will fill a need the Sacramento Kings have longed for.

With Dennis Schoder and Keon Ellis gone, so is the logjam coach Christie has been talking about, so look for rookie Nique Clifford to get all the playing time he wants.

After years of being guard heavy, will Sacramento finally have solved the conundrum at the forward position.

At 28 DeAndre's best years may be still

ahead, and the Kings are banking on the same when it comes to Keegan Murray.

Will the 12-39 Sacramento Kings end the 9-game drought and look like a winning franchise?

More likely is that Scott Perry has more in store, and Sacramento fans want to know if heralded big man Domantas Sabonis is in any way a part of his thinking.

Without question, Sacramento has a post presence. Rebounding and double-double champion Domantas Sabonis is the reason why.

Maxime Raynaud is making noises and has shown promise, but make no mistake about it, Sabonis is the real deal.

Building around this big man makes all kinds of sense, but I simply don't know if Perry and the Kings franchise appreciate what they already have. Trades in the past have shown a total lack in judging NBA talent, and I hope for once, Sacramento gets it right.

Do I like the acquisition of DeAndre Hunter? You bet I do, and it represents a piece in a puzzle that hasn't so far made much sense.

So, let's give Scott Perry an attaboy, and collectively hold our breath, because I don't believe this is over with.

Talent is critical for certain, but leadership and personality cannot be overlooked.

The leadership that Domantas brings with him every night is incalculable, but it's there and difficult to replace. In addition, he is beloved by the fans, so let's remember DeAaron Fox, and build the new iteration of this team around Sabonis.

It's entirely possible to give the rookies and younger players more looks in the second half of the season, but working to develop this team into a winning franchise is what I want to see.

Am I concerned about finishing with a lottery pick in the upcoming draft? I try not to think too much about how the Kings will finish and focus on playing competitive basketball. Develop the youngsters and win games!

Stay together Kings fans, because the second half could be a roller-coaster! Let's all root for a win and bring this losing streak to a halt.

All the best! ★

California Lawmakers Can't Resist Writing Performative Legislation



By Dan Walters,
CALMatters.org

California legislators introduce hundreds of bills during their biennial sessions. While some are serious efforts to address real issues, many are performative — offered to please political constituencies that their authors want to cultivate, align themselves with popular trends, or repay political debts.

The easiest species of performative legislation are resolutions that express support for some cause. Many hours of taxpayer-financed time are wasted on hearings and debate, even though such measures have absolutely no impact.

A cousin of the impotent resolution is legislation that purports to impact a situation ripped from the headlines, but is highly unlikely to be enacted, or if passed would probably be voided by the courts.

This week, for example, Democratic legislators are scrambling for measures that would, their authors say, repress or punish federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers who are conducting abusive sweeps in major cities, supposedly seeking undocumented immigrants. The state Senate spent 90 minutes this week debating a bill that would supposedly make it easier for Californians to sue federal agents over civil rights violations, arising out of two fatal

shootings of U.S. citizens by immigration authorities in Minneapolis.

The measure, Senate Bill 747, passed on a party-line vote. If it eventually becomes law, it's doubtful that it would survive due to federal laws shielding federal officers from being prosecuted or sued in state courts, as a legislative staff analysis of the measure pointed out.

Thus, SB 747 and other anti-ICE measures unlikely to be enforceable, and are really just expressions of political opinion, however justified.

The most frustrating performative measures address real problems weakly but allow politicians to claim success. That brings us to Senate Bill 417, which was also passed by the Senate this week.

Carried by Sen. Christopher Cabaldon, a Napa Democrat, and backed by dozens of pro-housing groups and advocates for the poor, SB 417 would place a \$10 billion bond issue on the November ballot for housing low-income families.

"California, over the last several years has enacted landmark housing policies to provide affordable housing developers with tools enabled to enable them to build hundreds of thousands of units across the state," Cabaldon said. "But those homes don't build themselves and it's time to finish the job.

"So to unlock the full promise of these reforms requires cash. It requires sufficient capital, as it always has, to move these affordable housing projects from approval and permitting to construct."

California's housing shortage is real, especially for

low-income families. The state has removed some procedural roadblocks, but the most resilient barrier is very high development costs.

A 2025 Rand Corp. study found that it costs between \$500,000 and \$1 million — and sometimes even more — to build a unit of low-income housing, the highest cost of any state.

Rand's study also determined that it takes 22 months longer to produce housing in California than in Texas, local fees average \$29,000 a unit in California but just \$1,000 in Texas, and "substantially above-market wages and unusually large architectural and engineering fees, likely related to highly prescriptive design requirements" are "key drivers" of California's extraordinarily high costs.

If, as Rand implies, it costs an average of about \$750,000 per unit to build low-income housing in California, the \$10 billion bond issue being proposed would finance about 13,000 apartments. It's not nothing, but it's tiny compared to the 180,000 units the state says we should be building each year.

The researchers argued that, were California to reduce costs to those in Colorado, it could build four times as much housing for the same money. The Legislature should be cutting costs, not just passing token bond issues that will have little real world impact.

Dan Walters is one of the most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. ★

Social Security Matters

Am I Entitled to More Social Security as a Veteran?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I served in the U.S. Army from July 1964 to July 1967. Am I eligible for a higher Social Security payment? Thank you. **Signed: Vietnam Era Army Vet**

Dear Army Vet: Please accept my sincere thanks for your military service. I believe you are referring to the "Special Extra Credit for Military Service" which has been the subject of many published articles. That refers to a special Social Security accommodation available only to those who served in the military during specific periods of time - but it does not add to your monthly Social Security payment. Rather, it adds to your military earnings record for the years you served, which may (or may not) result in a higher Social Security benefit when you later claim Social Security.

Here's how it works in your case:

Serving between 1964 and 1967, if you told Social Security of your military service when you applied for Social Security benefits (or gave them a copy of your DD-214), they would have added up to \$1,200 per year to your military

pay record (FYI, those who served after 1966 were automatically given earnings credit for their military service years). However, whether those special extra credits would affect your monthly Social Security benefit depends on your lifetime earnings record when you later claimed Social Security.

When you applied for benefits, Social Security reviewed your lifetime earnings and used the highest earning 35 years of earnings over your lifetime (adjusted for inflation) to calculate your "Primary Insurance Amount" (or "PIA," which is what you get if you claim benefits to start at your Social Security full retirement age). If, after your military service, you had 35 or more years of earnings which were higher than your earnings while serving in the military, Social Security would have used your later higher earning years to calculate your benefit, and your military earnings would not have had an effect on your Social Security benefit. However, if any of your military earnings (including the "special extra credits") were among the highest over your lifetime, then those higher military earnings would be included when calculating your Social Security benefit.

So, whether you would benefit from these "special extra credits for military service" depends largely on your earnings history after you were discharged from active duty. If your military earnings were among the highest earning years

over your lifetime, and you provided SSA with a copy of your DD-214 when you applied for Social Security, then your current SS benefit already includes consideration of your military service (FYI, Social Security should have asked about your military service when you applied). If you didn't tell SS about your military service when you applied for Social Security, or if you aren't sure, you should contact the SSA at 1.800.772.1213 and ask if you were given those "special extra credits for military service" for your 1960s military service years when you applied for Social Security. But if you had at least 35 years of higher earnings after you left military service, your current SS benefit is already based on those later higher earning years, and you will not get any additional /Social Security benefit because of the "special extra credits" for your military service years.

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Does Trump need a portrait of James K. Polk?

rious. It also insisted that its border with Texas was at the Nueces River, two hundred miles north of the Rio Grande.

When Polk sent troops into the area between the Nueces River and the Rio Grande, Mexican cavalry ambushed a party of U.S. dragoons.

We ended up occupying Mexico City and forcing a deal. Mexico conceded to the United States a border at the Rio Grande, running all the way to the Pacific, giving us California, inclusive of San Diego, in exchange for the assumption of Mexico's debts and the price of \$15 million.

There's no doubt that Polk had been spoiling for a fight. The view of the war as simple U.S. plunder is much too simplistic, though. We were within our rights to deal with an independent Texas, which had achieved independence via a just revolution, and Mexico -- in the grips of a foolish war fever -- fired the first shots.

In his book on the war, "A Country of Vast Designs," Robert W. Merry describes the underlying dynamic. Mexico, he notes, "was a dysfunctional, unstable, weak nation whose population was insufficient to control all the lands within its domain." The United States, on the other hand, "was a vibrant, expanding, exuberant experiment in democracy whose burgeoning population thrilled to the notion that it was engaging in something big and historically momentous." This created a drive "toward expansion into largely unpopulated lands that seemed

to beckon with irresistible enticement."

Today, it is Trump personally, rather than the nation at large, tempted by historic acquisitions of territory. He, too, could be a Thomas Jefferson, or a William Seward -- or a Polk, although hopefully without the war.

But there's a difference between a young 19th-century country surging into loosely governed territory around its perimeter -- or buying territory that European nations are eager to sell -- and a mature 21st century world power invested in stable borders and important alliance systems.

Mexico circa 1846 wasn't a treaty ally of the United States, and there were enormous benefits to actually acquiring the Southwest, whereas we can presumably get the military bases and mineral extraction we want out of frozen Greenland without formal ownership.

If Trump is going to look to Polk, a more apt antecedent is his handling of the dispute with the Brits over the Oregon territory. After making maximalist demands, Polk agreed to an equitable compromise at the 49th parallel.

Polk's example is worth marking in another respect. He really did play 3D chess. There's no way he'd let ego or emotion get in the way of pursuing the national interest, which in this case includes not needlessly alienating long-time allies when other means are available to achieve our strategic ends.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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POLICE LOGS

Jan. 27

4:17 p.m., 7200 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Joshua Hill, 41, on possession of dirk or dagger and warrant charges.

4:41 p.m., Laguna Lake/Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Kelle Vanreed, 43, on warrant charges.

5:38 p.m., Calvine Road/Winterberry Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Christina Srisavathay, 42; and Mychale Lee, 40, on possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, drug possession with priors, possession of burglary tools and mail theft charges.

6:55 p.m., Bradshaw Road/Calvine Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Corney Logue, 37, on DUI/drug, DUI causing injury and warrant charges.

8:25 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Yonatan Zometaayala, 34, on domestic violence charges.

Jan. 28

11:58 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Susanne Gomez, 39, on domestic violence charges.

2:49 p.m., Elk Grove Boulevard /Elk Grove Florin Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Breonna Busby, 30, on DUI/drug charges.

9:12 p.m., Bond Road/Egret Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Yasar Aqel, 49, on resisting an executive officer and threatening a public officer charges.

Jan. 29

12:25 8600 block of Windsor Point Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Xavier Brutus, 26, on vandalism and warrant charges.

1:24 a.m., 7500 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Moneeta Kumar, 48, on grand theft and grand theft with priors charges.

1:26 a.m., 8200 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Dustin Begaye, 32, on battery charges.

1:47 a.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Danny Lockett, 27; and Reeco Myers, 35, on shoplifting, shoplifting with priors, criminal conspiracy and resisting arrest charges.

2:56 a.m., 8700 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Juan Garcia, 65, on warrant charges.

6:52 p.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Kavika Calagno, 34, on embezzlement and warrant charges.

8:03 p.m., 100 block of Sky River Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Sabrina Solis, 47, on trespassing charges.

10:13 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Parker McIntosh, 19, on domestic violence charges.

Jan. 30

1:39 p.m., 9100 block of East Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Jonathan Lum, 35, on vandalism charges.

3:13 p.m., 10000 block of Vespas Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Charles Timothy, 33, on vandalism charges.

8:08 p.m., Franklin Boulevard/Tegan Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Alvaro Ortega Gomez, 25, on speed contest charges.

11:11 p.m., 2300 block of Longport Court, Elk Grove Police arrested Ignacio Herrera, 21; Alejandro Alvarez Villa, 20; and Osvaldo Roman Rodriguez, 20, on public intoxication and resisting arrest charges.

Jan. 31

12:39 a.m., 9100 block of East Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Dylan Goodman, 23, on DUI charges.

9:55 a.m., 7200 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Kamariye Taylor, 20, on shoplifting charges.

4:40 p.m., Vintage Park Drive/Waterman Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Kyle Massoni, 42, on reckless driving charges.

5:03 p.m., Kammerer Road/Promenade Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Joaquin Mejias, 47, on warrant charges.

Feb. 1

2:57 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Joshua Carter, 36, on domestic violence charges.

4:46 a.m., 8800 block of Sheldon Creek Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Chia Lee, 41, on warrant charges.

6:44 a.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/Ginther Drive, Grove Police arrested Arturo Urena, 36, on possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of Xanax

and possession of burglary tools charges.

12:05 p.m., Promenade Parkway/Kammerer Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Marisa Maisonet Beltran, 31; and Michael Palacios, 57, on possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and warrant charges.

1:55 p.m., 10000 block of Ogleshorpe Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Julian Martinelli, 30, on violation of court order charges.

3:30 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Isaiah Costello, 18, on domestic violence charges.

11:21 confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Shaylah Garcia-Tapia, 37, on violation of restraining order charges.

Feb. 2

1 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested David Duong, 42, on burglary and domestic violence charges.

10:01 a.m., Franklin High Road/Whitelock Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Maria Mosqueda, 56, on possession of controlled substance charges.

6:59 p.m., 8700 block of Center Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Dennis Williams, 54; and Robert Thomas, 48, on shoplifting, resisting arrest, criminal conspiracy, shoplifting with priors, robbery, bringing drugs into a jail or prison and possession of drugs in a jail or prison charges.

7:20 p.m., 9800 block of Black Swan Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Steven Armstrong, 37, on DUI charges. ★

ARTS CALENDAR

David Peterson Aquacolorist at Fine Arts Center

David Peterson portrays familiar scenes in a humorous and enigmatic way. Peterson shows California landmarks, including urban scenes, the American River and our neighborhood differently, simply and in a unique manner. Through Jan. 29. Details at elkgrovefineartscenter.org.

View Artwork from Elk Grove

The Elk Grove Arts and Creative Economy Commission has created a virtual Citywide Art Guide to art pieces and art events in Elk Grove. Visit webmaps.elkgrovecity.org/publicartelkgrove.

Art Workshops for Adults

Enhance your visual arts skills or learn a new technique in an art class or workshop at the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center.

The center periodically offers workshops for younger people, dependent upon the instructor and type of class.

If you're looking for basic to advanced instruction in Batiking, Ceramics, Clay, Encaustics, Fabric Art, Mixed-Media, Mosaics, Plein Air, or Watercolor (and more!), you will find it here. To learn more, visit elkgrovefineartscenter.org/workshop.

The arts center is at 9020 Elk Grove Blvd., Suite 101. They are open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays through Saturdays, and Sundays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. ★

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February 2026

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Light Body Toning 8:30	Gentle Yoga 8:30	Standing Pilates 8:30	Open Games 8:00	Tai Chi Flow 8:30 <small>No Class 2/20 & 2/27</small>
Chair Exercise 8:30	Knit & Crochet 9:30	Brain & Body 8:30 <small>Wk 2 & 4</small>	Gentle Yoga 8:30	Quilting 8:30
Chair Exercise 9:00	Men's Talk Group 9:30	Beginning Ukulele 9:00 <small>Wk 1 & 2</small>	Chair Exercise 9:00	Chair Exercise 9:00
Open Games 9:00	Zumba Gold 10:00	Chair Exercise 9:00	Open Artist Studio 9:00	Mahjong 9:30
Chair Exercise 10:00	Guitar Workshop 11:00	Chair Exercise 10:00	Zumba 30/30 10:00	Chair Exercise 10:00
Standing Pilates 10:00	Zumba Chair 11:30	Traditional Tai Chi 10:00	Chair Exercise 10:30	Parkinson's Caregivers Support 10:15 <small>3rd Fri</small>
Women's Talk Group 10:00	Chair Exercise 11:30	Alzheimer's Caregivers Support 10:30 <small>Wk 1</small>	Improv 11:30 <small>No Class 02/12</small>	Bingo 12:00
Oil Paint Bob Ross Style 11:00	Mahjong 1:00	Parkinson's Support Group 10:30 <small>Wk 2</small>	Light Body Toning 11:30	Walk Strong FIT 12:00
Aerobics 11:30	Hawaiian Hula 1:00	Ukulele Practice 10:30	Scrabble 12:00	Bridge 1:00
Core & Strength 11:30	Line Dancing 2:00	Spanish Class 10:30	Rhythm & Motion 1:00	Healing Art 2:00 <small>No class in February</small>
Bridge 1:00	Genealogy 2:00	Book Group 11:00 <small>Wk 2</small>	Rock Painting 1:00	
Writing Group 1:00	Mindfulness & Meditation 2:00	Chair Pilates 11:00	Men's Talk Group 1:00	
Intermediate Matha Yoga 1:30		Aerobics 11:30	Grief Support Group 2:00 <small>Wk 2 & 4</small>	
		Chair Yoga 12:15	Line Dancing 2:00	
		Zumba Chair 12:30		
		Bunco 12:45		
		Cardmaking 1:00 <small>Wk 2, 4 & 5</small>		
		Women Supporting Women 1:00		
		Open Dance 2:00 <small>No Class 2/18 & 2/25</small>		

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CITY OF ELK GROVE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMISSION



The City of Elk Grove encourages residents to apply to fill one (1) voting member vacancy on the Diversity and Inclusion Commission

Qualifications. Each member of the Commission shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age, reside in the City of Elk Grove, and be

registered to vote. A member may not be an officer or employee of the City of Elk Grove.

Specific Tasks or Objectives: The Diversity and Inclusion Commission will: 1) Serve as a resource for City government and the community by providing information, education, and communication that facilitates a better understanding and celebrates our differences, providing education regarding the community's overall diversity; 2) Engage the community as Diversity and Inclusion Ambassadors to solicit feedback and information and assist the City in supporting and working with all areas of government and the community to eliminate and prevent all forms of discrimination, hate or bias; and 3) provide recommendations and information to the City Council that would identify opportunities to address issues of diversity, promote diversity programs, and/or provide guidance to create a more equitable, accessible, safe, welcoming and inclusive government and community. (Note: This is a non-paid, volunteer position.)

The Disability Advisory Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove.

Appointment and Term. Appointment will be made by the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council; the initial term will go to February 10, 2027.

The Diversity and Inclusion Commission meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove.

APPLICATIONS: A Fact Sheet and application are available at the Office of the City Clerk, 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, California 95758 and are posted on the City's website at <https://www.elkgrovecity.org/commissions-and-committees/vacancies-appointment-opportunities>. Applications may be emailed, mailed, or hand-delivered to the Office of the City Clerk.

The deadline to submit an application is February 18, 2026 or until such time as sufficient applications have been received.

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Planet Fitness Announces Grand Opening



A Planet Fitness 20,000-square-foot location recently opened at 8457 Elk Grove Blvd. and will host a grand opening ceremony on Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 4 p.m. Citizen file photo

Planet Fitness News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Planet Fitness, one of the largest and fastest-growing franchisors and operators of fitness centers with more members than any other fitness brand, on Jan. 16 announced the grand opening of its Elk Grove club at 8457 Elk Grove Blvd.

New members can join now for just \$1 down, then \$15 per month or \$1 down and \$24.99 a month for a Planet Fitness Black Card®, with no commitment through the end of the year.

To commemorate the newly opened club, Planet Fitness will host a Grand Opening Celebration 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11 at the new location. The event will feature local snacks and giveaways and will be open to the community.

The new club will be open and staffed 24/7 and

have the following features and amenities: strength equipment including free weights, expansive strength machines and plate-loaded bench presses, hack squats, glute trainer, leg press and a seated calf machine; More than 50 pieces of cardio equipment; Free fitness training included in all memberships; Functional training room; Dedicated mobility and stretching space; Black Card Spa® for Planet Fitness Black Card® members; Free Wi-Fi; Full locker rooms with day lockers, showers and personal changing stalls; and televisions with wireless connections to all cardio equipment.

"Planet Fitness is the gym for all fitness levels, and we are excited to welcome the community in to grow stronger together at this new location," said Tim Kelleher, chief executive officer of Taymax Group, LP, a Planet Fitness franchise division.

"Planet Fitness offers a high value membership and believes that everyone can get strong no matter where they are on their fitness journey. We encourage the local community to come check out our new Elk Grove location and see what our unique, non-intimidating, and Judgement Free environment is all about," Kelleher added.

Every Planet Fitness membership includes free fitness training with a certified fitness trainer and access to strength and brand-name cardio equipment, and the free Planet Fitness App featuring hundreds of on-demand digital exercises.

The balanced mix of cardio and strength equipment ensures members of all fitness levels have everything they need to meet their fitness goals, all in a comfortable, non-intimidating environment.

For more information, visit PlanetFitness.com. ★

CITY OF ELK GROVE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE

DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE



The City of Elk Grove is seeking applications to fill a vacancy on the Disability Advisory Committee. Applicants must have an interest in the City and disability issues, and be a person with a disability. The Committee acts in an advisory capacity to the City Council.

Qualifications. Applicants must be 18 years or older and reside within the City of Elk Grove. The Committee shall include members drawn from persons with disabilities or their immediate families, persons from organizations serving or representing persons with disabilities, and persons with interest and/or knowledge about disability issues and who have a broad community perspective. At least three of the members shall be persons with a disability, the current vacancy position does require an applicant to be a person with a disability. (Note: This is a non-paid, volunteer position.)

Disability Advisory Committee Specific Tasks and Objectives

The scope of the Disability Advisory Committee is as follows:

- Review the accessibility of services, programs, facilities and/or employment of City departments, and advise the City Council accordingly;
- Review relevant City policies, guidelines, procedures, reports and state or federal legislation to advise the City Council accordingly;
- Act as a liaison to community groups, governmental agencies, and individuals in addressing disability issues related to the City of Elk Grove, however, the committee shall not proactively seek out persons, community groups, governmental agencies or issues unrelated to those brought to its attention by staff, and the committee shall not act as a hearing or an appeals board; and
- Review and make recommendations to the City Council with regard to legislative policy.

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If you require the application in an accessible format please contact Jim Ramsey, at 916-478-2250, jramsey@elkgrove.gov, TTY/TDD: 1-888-435-6092 or the California Relay Service 711.

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk

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DO YOU KNOW THESE GUYS?

Navigating The Invisible: The Mental Impact of a Car Crash

A car crash is often measured by twisted metal and broken bones, but the most enduring damage frequently remains hidden. While emergency responders prioritize physical trauma, the psychological scars can linger long after the sirens fade. For many survivors, a collision is not just a single event; it is a recurring nightmare that reshapes their daily reality.

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) is a profound response to the overwhelming shock of an accident. It is both a biological and emotional reaction to terrifying sensory inputs, such as the screech of tires or the sudden, violent impact. Affecting roughly six percent of the population, PTSD manifests through intrusive memories and vivid flashbacks. These symptoms often lead to avoidance behaviors, such as an intense fear of driving or being near traffic, while hypervigilance and sleep disturbances make returning to a normal routine feel nearly impossible.

Recognizing the need for help is the first step toward healing. While feeling shaken is a natural reaction, persistent anxiety or emotional numbness suggests a deeper issue. Fortunately, treatments like Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and EMDR offer a path forward. However, the path to legal recovery is often as complex as the clinical one. In California, PTSD is recognized as a compensable injury, but proving psychological trauma is inherently more difficult than documenting a physical wound. It requires a meticulous approach involving formal diagnoses, expert testimony, and consistent documentation of one's emotional struggles.

Because insurance companies often attempt to minimize non-physical injuries, having a dedicated legal advocate is essential. A comprehensive claim must account for therapy costs, lost earning capacity, and the profound loss of enjoyment in life. If you are suffering, seek medical attention immediately to create a record of your symptoms. By securing experienced counsel, you ensure your mental health is treated with the same importance as your physical well-being.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00004
MT HVAC, 8707 Banton Circle, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "HVAC Headquarters" 8707 Banton Circle, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2026
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
HVAC 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00066
Clifford Isamu Ota, 9792 Carico Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Also Lawn Sprinkler SVC/Also Lawn Sprinklers SVC & Install" 9792 Carico Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
ALSCO 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09470
Elk Grove Prosthetics and Orthotics, LLC, 10910 Domain Drive, Suite 300, Austin, TX 78758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hanger Clinic" 10481 Grant Line Road, Suite 175, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 31, 2025
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
HANGER 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09436
Thi My Hanh Duong, 4801 Laguna Boulevard #103, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Galaxy Nail Spa" 4801 Laguna Boulevard #103, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 30, 2025
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
GALAXY 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09237
Engine & Transportation Repair Inc., 8830 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ENT Auto Sales" 3812 Florin Road 102, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 23, 2025
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
ENT 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00050
Capstone Orthopedic, Inc., 10910 Domain Drive, Suite 300, Austin, TX 75758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hanger Clinic" 10481 Grant Line Road, Suite 175, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
CLINIC 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00307
F2, Project & Dave Novak Ministries, 9388 Lombardy Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fearless Mens Movement" 9388 Lombardy Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2026
Publish: Jan 23, 30 Feb 6, 13, 2026
FEARLESS 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09220
Platinum Alliance, 10333 Beleza Court, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Platinum Properties" 8788 Elk Grove Boulevard, Building 2, Suite B, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025
Publish: Jan 23, 30 Feb 6, 13, 2026
PLATINUM 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00384
Jerry Wilbur Sandlin, Jr, 7688 Chappelle Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sandlin Financial", 7688 Chappelle Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026
Publish: Jan 23, 30 Feb 6, 13, 2026
SANDLIN 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00487
360 Express LLC, 8193 Kramer Ranch Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "360 E Medical Courier/360 Express Logistics Group" 8193 Kramer Ranch Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 14, 2026
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2026
MEDICAL 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00007
Jian Ping Li, 6335 Laguna Villa Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Facial by Jennifer" 6911 Stockton Boulevard Suite 500, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2026
Publish: Jan 23, 30 Feb 6, 13, 2026
FACIAL 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00531
Jessica Marshall, 8790 Owlet Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Marshmallow Home Daycare" 8790 Owlet Court, Elk Grove,

CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026
Publish: Jan 23, 30 Feb 6, 13, 2026
MARSHMALLOW 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00060
Jose Omar Rocha Alvarez, 9288 Emerald Vista Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "J R Janitorial" 9288 Emerald Vista Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026
JR 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09127
Ruby Michelle Andres Riego, 10048 Schuler Ranch, Road, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Blank Story Creative Studio" 10048 Schuler Ranch, Road, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 18, 2025
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026
BLANK 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00513
Dorsey Acland Griffith, 2524 8th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95818 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "In A Word Communications" 2524 8th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 15, 2026
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026
WORD 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00537
Chi Nguyen, 10137 Pleasant Grove School Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TLC Aging Life Consulting Services" 10137 Pleasant Grove School Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
TLC 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09359
Jennifer Cooper, 14909 Venado Drive, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "J Cooper Photography" 14909 Venado Drive, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2025
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
COOPER 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00721
Ruben Venegas, 5330 Bonsai Court, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "V Mobile Bar/ V Bar" 5330 Bonsai Court, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 26, 2026
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
MOBILE 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00563
Matlock Enterprises, Inc., 9165 E. Laguna Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Marathon Home Services/Matlock Corporation" 9165 E. Laguna Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
MARATHON 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00779
Rosa Anguiano, 10121 Mosaic Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rosie's Cleaning Services" 10121 Mosaic Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 27, 2026
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
ROSIES 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00546
26 Gvwr & Under Trucks & Buses LLC, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "26 Gvwr & Under Trucks & Buses" 8283 Oakbark Court, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
GVWR 2-27-26

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2024-05426

The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: D&B Nail Spa, 4801 Laguna Boulevard #103, Elk Grove, CA 95758.
Denny Duong, 8422 Villeneuve Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624.
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on July 15, 2024 in the County of Sacramento.
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: July 15, 2024.
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
NAIL 2-6-26

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2025-02565

The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Integrated Processing Solutions, 9987 Spring View Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757.

Grenadacci LLC, 6203 San Ignacio Avenue #110, San Jose, CA 95119.
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on April 3, 2025 in the County of Sacramento.
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: April 3, 2025.
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
INTEGRATED 2-6-26

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV022562

Ashleigh Holmes has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Seane James King to Deshawn Anthony Holmes.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 25, 2026, 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: September 22, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
HOLMES 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV031053

Jerry Meng Hsi Huang has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jerry Meng Hsi Huang to Meng Hsi Huang.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 27, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, 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: December 19, 2025
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 23, 30 Feb 6, 13, 2026
HUANG 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV000350

Hung Duong Tran has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Hung Duong Tran to Hung Duong.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 17, 2026, 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: January 9, 2026
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2026
TRAN 2-13-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV001063

Harleen Singh Pabla has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Harleen Singh Pabla to Harleen Kaur Sohal.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 14, 2026, 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: January 16, 2026
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026
PABLA 2-20-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV001160

Tony Linh Hoang Nguyen & Taylor Thuy Thi Nguyen has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Theodore Linh Nguyen to Theo Hien Nguyen and Tyler Khanh Nguyen.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 15, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, 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: January 20, 2026
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
NGUYEN 2-27-26

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

CASE NUMBER: 30-2024-01383612-CU-NP-CJC
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: Robert D. McClure dba McClure Appraisal Service
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: Thayer Properties, Inc., dba Residential First Capital.
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 to 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 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 DE 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 y 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 presentacion, 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 extras 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): Orange County Superior Court, 700 Civic Center Drive, Santa Ana, CA 92701
The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Patrick J. Darcy AP/CL, 1 Park Plaza, Suite 380, Irvine, CA 92614.
Date: (Fecha) June 12, 2025
David H. Yamasaki Clerk (Secretario) A. Burton, Deputy (Adjunto)
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026
THAYER 2-27-26

TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No.: 2025-00442-CA A.P.N.:116-0350-035-0000
Property Address: 8222 PRIMOAK WAY,ELK GROVE, CA 95758
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) and (d), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/25/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Trustor: THOMAS MCGEE, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: Western Progressive, LLC Deed of Trust Recorded 08/11/2005 as Instrument No. --- in book 20050811, page2272 and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, Date of Sale: 03/05/2026 at 01:30 PM Place of Sale:AT THE EAST MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE 720 9TH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$ 513,923.21 THE TRUSTEE 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 SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: 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 as: More fully described in said Deed of Trust, Street Address or other common designation of real property: 8222 PRIMOAK WAY, ELK GROVE, CA 95758 A.P.N.: 116-0350-035-0000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. 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 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 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: \$ 513,923.21. Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt. 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 of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned caused a 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 this 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 (866)-960-8299 or visit this Internet Web site https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx using the file number assigned to this case 2025-00442-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 the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You 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 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 (866)-960-8299, or visit this internet website https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx, using the file number assigned to this case 2025-00442-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, 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. Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee for beneficiary C/O 1500 Palma Drive, Suite 238 Ventura, CA 93003 Sale Information Line: (866) 960-8299 https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx Date: January 13, 2026
Published 01/23/2026, 01/30/2026, 02/06/2026
ELK GROVE CITIZEN 2-6-26

T.S. No.: 25-15806 Loan No.: *****5899 APN: 134-0930-078-0000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/24/2012. 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: Remedios M De Luna, a single person Duly Appointed Trustee: Prestige Default Services, LLC Recorded 4/30/2012 as Instrument No. in book 20120430, page 0420 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, Date of Sale: 2/17/2026 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: East main entrance Gordon D. Schaber Sacramento County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$206,551.69 Street Address or other common designation of real property 9680 APPLE MILL ELK GROVE, California 95624 A.P.N.: 134-0930-078-0000 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. 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. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services, LLC. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times

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TRUSTEE SALE

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 (800) 793-6107 or visit this Internet Website www.auction.com, using the file number assigned to this case 25-15806. 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. 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 trustee sale, you can call (800) 793-6107, or visit this internet website www.auction.com, using the file number assigned to this case 25-15806 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 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: 1/9/2026 Prestige Default Services, LLC 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Questions: 949-427-2010 Sale Line: (800) 793-6107 Martha Nuno, Senior Foreclosure Coordinator PPP #26-000296
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ELK GROVE CITIZEN 2-6-2026

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE File No.:25-293000 A.P.N.:073-0490-020-0000
Property Address.: 6862 DOMINGO DRIVE, RANCHO MURIETA, CA 95683. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED JULY 06, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. 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. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorse as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. The property described heretofore is being sold "as is". 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 Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor(s): BRENDA PERSONIUS SMITH, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid and Crane, LLP CO DEED OF TRUST Recorded on July 13, 2005 at Book 20050713, Page 2135 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of SACRAMENTO County, California Sale Date: 2/19/2026 Sale Time: 1:30 PM Sale Location: At the East Main entrance to the County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$290,742.14 (Estimated) Street Address or other common designation of real property: 6862 DOMINGO DRIVE,RANCHO MURIETA, CA 95683. See Legal Description - Exhibit "A" attached here to and made a part hereof. LEGAL DESCRIPTION- EXHIBIT A LOT 872, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN MAP ENTITLED "PLAT OF RANCHO MURIETA UNIT NO. 2", RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA ON JUNE Section, 1978, IN BOOK 121 OF MAPS, MAP NO. 8. 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. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDER(S): 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(S): 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 (866-684-2727) or visit the website <http://www.servicelinkasap.com>, using the file number assigned to this case 25-293000. 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. NOTICE TO TENANT(S): Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2924m. 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 (866-684-2727) or visit the website <http://www.servicelinkasap.com>, using the file number assigned to this case 25-293000 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 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. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid and Crane, LLP Date:1/9/2026 By: Marisol Nagata, Esq. Authorized Signatory 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450 Alpharetta, GA 30004 Phone: 858-997-1304 SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT HTTP://WWW.SERVICELINKASAP.COM. FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (866-684-2727). The above-named trustee may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. CA DPFI Debt Collection License # 11461-99; NMLS ID 2591653. To the extent your original obligation was discharged or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy under Title 11 of the United States Code, this notice is for compliance and/or informational purposes only and does not constitute an attempt to collect a debt or to impose personal liability for such obligation. However, a secured party retains rights under its security instrument, including the right to foreclose its lien. A-4861938 01/30/2026, 02/06/2026, 02/13/2026
ELK GROVE CITIZEN 2-13-26

T.S. No.: 2025-18450-CA APN: 132-1260-032-0000
Property Address: 10311 PEDRA DO SOL WAY, ELK GROVE, CA 95757
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/25/2021. 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, 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: CRAIG LOFTIN, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: Nestor Solutions, LLC Deed of Trust Recorded 8/30/2021 as Instrument No. 202108301514 in Book - Page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California Date of Sale: 3/5/2026 at 1:00 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: \$363,199.97 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 10311 PEDRA DO SOL WAY ELK GROVE, CA 95757 A.P.N.: 132-1260-032-0000 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. 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. Please be advised that the Trustee may require entity or trust bidders at this trustee's sale to provide information, documentation and/or certification of the vesting instructions and the data required to be reported pursuant to FinCEN regulations effective for transfers of residential real property to covered transferees on or after March 1, 2026. The required information must be provided to the trustee before a trustee's deed upon sale will be issued for covered transfers. These federal regulations will require reporting if a trustee's deed is issued on or after March 1, 2026, even if the foreclosure sale is conducted prior to March 1, 2026. Additional information regarding these regulations and the required transferee information and certifications can be found at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers>

and https://www.fincen.gov/rre-faqs#D_5. 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 or (888) 902-3989 or visit these internet websites or www.nestortrustee.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2025-18450-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 the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: 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 trustee sale, you can call or (888) 902-3989 or visit these internet websites or www.nestortrustee.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2025-18450-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, 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 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: 1/30/2026 Nestor Solutions, LLC 214 5th Street, Suite 205 Huntington Beach, California 92648 Sale Line: (888) 902-3989 Amanda Guillen, Trustee Sale Officer This communication is from a debt collector. It is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you are a California resident, you may have additional rights under the Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. You may request, in writing, detailed information about your debt, including the balance, interest, fees, assignment history, and date of delinquency, at no cost to you. If you are currently in bankruptcy or have received a discharge in bankruptcy, this communication is not an attempt to collect a debt. It is for informational purposes only. EPP 46713
Pub Dates 02/06, 02/13, 02/20/2026
ELK GROVE CITIZEN 2-20-26

City of Elk Grove INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that electronic bids will be received at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids prior to 10:00 a.m. local time (09:59:59 – according to the PlanetBids official Bid clock) on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, for furnishing all labor, materials, tax, transportation, equipment and services necessary for the:

Class II Bike Lane Installation on Various Streets Project (WAM039)

Bids submitted after the time specified will not be accepted.

Description of Work:

The proposed work shall be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall consist of the following: installation of Class II bike lanes at six locations Citywide, including striping, markings and signs. Should the Bid Alternate be awarded, one additional location will be added, for a total of seven locations. The Base Bid includes Class II bike lane installation at six (6) locations: Apple Mill Drive, East Park Drive, East Taron Drive, Emerald Vista Drive, Heritage Hill Drive and Machado Ranch Drive. The Bid Alternate includes Class II bike lane installation at one (1) location: Black Kite Drive (Work).

The Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) for the work is \$156,614 (basis for award). The Opinion of Probable Cost for the Base Bid is \$131,930 and Bid Alternate A is \$24,684.

In order to bid on or to be listed on the bid proposal for this Public Works Project all Contractors and subcontractors shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and be qualified to perform Public Work pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code. Unregistered Contractors may still submit bids provided the bid is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by either Section 10164 and 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code and all Contractors including subcontractors are registered with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform Public Work pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1725.5 at the time the bid is submitted. DIR registration is not required on Projects that do not exceed \$25,000, which are for construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work or for public works projects for maintenance when \$15,000 or less.

Construction License:

Bidder must possess a current valid Class "A" General Engineering Contractor's Licenses issued by the State of California.

Pre-Bid:

This Project does not have a Pre-Bid Meeting scheduled.

For Pre-Bid Information and Information Pertaining to the Construction Plans and Specifications, Contact:

Travis Kuhn, Project Manager, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department
Telephone: (916) 627-3262 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

For Obtaining Bid Documents, Contact:

Kimberlee Marlan, Administrative Assistant, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department
Telephone: (916) 627-3315 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

Plans, specifications and other bid documents may be examined and/or obtained at the City of Elk Grove City Hall, Public Works Department, located on the second floor of 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. A copy of the bid documents may be obtained at the City Hall upon request and payment of \$15.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of \$25.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable. Bidders may also view and download the plans, specifications, and other bid documents at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. Any Addendum shall only be issued electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. In person requests for Addendum shall not be accepted by the City during the pandemic.

By: _____ Date: _____
Christina Castro, PE
Capital Program Division Manager

Elk Grove Citizen 1-30, 2-6, 2026

NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE SALE

Please take notice Laguna Self Storage located at 3000 Dwight Rd Elk Grove CA 95758 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.bid13.com on 2/26/2026 at 10:00 AM. Latoyna Grant; Benjamin Bantug; Benjamin Bantug. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply.

Elk Grove Citizen 2-6-2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) ENERGY CONSERVATION SERVICES

Notice is hereby given that the Elk Grove Unified School District ("District") is requesting Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) from qualified individuals or entities to establish a pool of Energy Service Providers capable of developing, designing, constructing, and implementing energy conservation and efficiency projects at various District sites, pursuant to Government Code section 4217.10 et seq.

Projects may include, but are not limited to, solar energy systems, battery storage, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and other energy efficiency upgrades intended to reduce energy consumption and operational costs. This RFQ will not result in the award of a specific project. As individual project needs arise, the District will select from the qualified pool based on project-specific requirements.

If your firm is interested in being considered for this project, the submittal requirements and deadline for the RFQ are as follows:

- RFQ packet can be accessed at: www.egusdplans.com
- Three (3) bound copies; and one (1) electronic copy in PDF format on a flash drive
- Completed RFQ must be received no later than **Thursday, March 5, 2026, by 3:00 p.m. PST** at:

Elk Grove Unified School District
Facilities and Planning Department, **Room 206**
Attention Pham Saechao/Shelley Bartlett
9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624

The District will not review submittals received after the time and date above. Facsimile (FAX) copies of the SOQ will not be accepted. The Administration reserves the right to accept or reject any and all SOQ, to negotiate with any and all-responsible firms, and to waive any informality in the process. The District is not responsible for any expenses related to the preparation or presentation of the RFQ, including travel costs. The RFQ may be withdrawn at any time prior to the closing date and time for receipt of RFQ.

In order to control information disseminated regarding this RFQ, firms interested in submitting RFQ are directed not to make personal contact with members of the Governing Board or District Administration with the exception of the individual or department staff listed on the RFQ packet. This includes unauthorized visits to District-educating facilities.

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 applies to this project.

Elk Grove Citizen 2-6, 2-13-2026

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Call 916-773-1111



ABOUT TOWN

Friday, Feb. 6 and Saturday, Feb. 7

Butterfly Ball – at Laguna Town Hall. Enjoy an evening of dancing and create beautiful memories together at this event, hosted by Cosumnes CSD. This dressy-casual affair includes DJ, dancing, professional portraits available for purchase and a special activity for each child. Choose from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday or 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday. Space is limited, and pre-registration is required for both parent and child at cosumnescsd.gov or by calling 916-405-5600. *3020 Renwick Ave.*

Saturday, Feb. 7

Lunar New Year Celebration – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Old Town Plaza. Learn how different cultures celebrate the new year with food and craft vendors and demonstrations. Brought to you by Creative Space Market. *9615 Railroad St.*

4th Annual Mardi Gras Madness

– 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Elk Grove Park Pavilion. All proceeds benefit Uplift People of Elk Grove and its mission to empower individuals and families to break the cycle of poverty. Tickets and more information at exploreelkgrove.com. *9950 Elk Grove Florin Road.*

Crab Feed Fundraiser

– 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at District56. Enjoy an unforgettable evening filled with delicious crab, drinks and great company. Participate in our exciting raffle for a chance to win amazing prizes. Proceeds benefit the Cosumnes Firefighters Community Support Foundation. Tickets and more information at firefoundation.net. *8230 Civic Center Drive, Suite 100.*

Sunday, Feb. 8

Creative Space Market: Magical Makers

– 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Old Town Plaza. Just a taste of magic from our favorite theme parks all around the world, inspired by vendors with themed products. *9615 Railroad St.*

Friday, Feb. 13 through Sunday, Feb. 15

From Shelter to Sweetheart – Noon to 6 p.m. each day at the Elk Grove Animal Shelter. Find your furever sweetheart this Valentine's Day Weekend. All pet adoptions are just \$14. Celebrate love with four paws. Sweetheart pets are also available at the adoption center at PetSmart-Laguna Boulevard. *9150 Union Park Way.*

Friday, Feb. 13

Parents Night Out – 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at DBAT. Celebrate Valentine's Day early: Drop the kids off with us for an evening of laughter, games and tons of fun while you enjoy some kid-free time. Lamppost Pizza and drinks are included, so come hungry! Register at dbatelkgrove.com. *3132 Dwight Road #400.*

Saturday, Feb. 14 and Sunday, Feb. 15

Lunar New Year Têt Festival and Parade – 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day at Elk Grove Regional Park. We welcome the Year of the Horse with a groundbreaking fusion of Lunar New Year traditions with Mardi Gras elements. Enjoy delicious Vietnamese and Asian-Cajun inspired cuisine. This free admission, family-friendly event includes carnival rides, lion dancers and more. *9950 Elk Grove Florin Road.*

Saturday, Feb. 14

Elk Grove Lions' 2nd Saturday Pancake Breakfast – 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Gil Albiani Recreation Center. You deserve a break today. The Elk Grove Lions are serving all-you-can-eat pancakes along with a side of scrambled eggs, bacon or sausage, and fruit. \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 12 and under. *8830 Sharkey Ave.*

Clothing Swap at Americana Vintage – 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. This free, community-driven

event is all about refreshing your wardrobe without buying new. Clean out your closet and find unwanted items in decent condition. Bring a maximum of 10 (see website for items not accepted). Claim your ticket at americanvintage-calif.com/clothing-swap. Mingle with like-minded fashion besties and take home your new favorites. All leftover items will be given to local charities helping the unhoused and those in need. *9615 E. Stockton Blvd.*

Sunday, Feb. 15

Rhythm & Spirit – 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Brick House Restaurant. Join us for a fun evening of line dancing and delicious bites, benefitting the Elk Grove High School Band Boosters. This event for 21 and over includes a tri-tip dinner, no-host bar and a fun raffle. Tickets are \$75 at the door. *9027 Elk Grove Blvd. Suite 100.*

Wednesday, Feb. 25

Assist Program Quarterly Golf Fundraiser – 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Bartley Cavanaugh Golf Course. This event raises funds for local youth school programs, with all proceeds supporting the expansion of services within Elk Grove Unified School District. Enjoy 18 holes in a scramble format, complete with on-course competitions and fun challenges throughout the round. Your registration fee includes course fees, golf cart, beverages, snacks and lunch. See assistprograms.org for more information or to register. *8301 Freepoint Blvd., Sacramento*

Ongoing Events

Caregiver Coffee – 10:30 a.m. the third Saturday each month at Elk Grove United Methodist Church. This is open to all as a way to share experiences in caregiving as well as resources. For more information, contact Ruth at 916-509-1414. Next meeting will be Saturday, Feb. 21. *8986 Elk Grove*

Blvd.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group – 10:30 a.m. every Tuesday at The Park at Laguna Springs. This is open to all Alzheimer's caregivers to learn more about the disease, helpful tips and shared experiences. For more information, contact Tracey at 916-826-9325. *9670 Laguna Springs Drive in the President's Room upstairs.*

Elk Grove Certified Farmers Market – every Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon at 8245 Laguna Blvd.

Rotary Club of Elk Grove – every Wednesday for lunch at noon, The Park at Laguna Springs, 9670 Laguna Springs Drive. More information at elkgroverotary.org.

Sunday Pop-Up Market at HomeGrown Inc. – every Sunday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the HomeGrown Inc. Farmers' Market "store." Enjoy music, delicious food, fresh baked goods, local shopping, and health and wellness vendors; there's something for everyone. *9120 Elk Grove Blvd.*

Widowed Persons Social Club – Feb. 6, 10 a.m.: Pinochle at Elk Grove United Methodist Church, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact is Jim at 916-768-1923.

Feb. 7, 10:30 a.m.: Coffee Gathering at Peets Coffee, 7127 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

Feb. 11, Noon: No-host Lunch followed by Beginners' Pinochle at Original Mike's, 9139 E. Stockton Blvd. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

Feb. 13, 10 a.m.: Hand and Foot card game at Elk Grove United Methodist Church, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact is Gerri at 916-698-1940.

A widowed person may attend up to three events while deciding if they wish to join WPSC. Contact Bonnie at 916-422-1522 if you are interested in membership.

Wilton Bingo – First Saturday each month. The next bingo will be on Saturday, Feb. 7 in the Wilton Community Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. with food available for sale and bingo starts at 6 p.m. All proceeds go to two non-profits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History Group. *9717 Colony Road at Dillard Road, Wilton.*

Library Events

Sacramento County Libraries have the following upcoming events: (EG) Elk Grove Library, 8900 Elk Grove Blvd.; (F) Franklin, 10055 Franklin High Road; (NW) Nonie Wetzel Library, 170 Primasing Ave., Courtland; (VH) Valley Hi/North Laguna, 7400 Imagination Parkway, Sacramento:

Friday, Feb. 6: Explore and learn, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F) Adult space, 10:30 a.m. to noon. (EG) AARP Tax-Aide, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. AARP will provide free tax preparation services to seniors and low-income households. Appointments required on the library website. (VH)

Saturday, Feb. 7: Adult space: modified yoga with Coach Sara, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (NW) Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F) Teen advisory board, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (VH) STEAM for kids, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EG)

Tuesday, Feb. 10: Homework zone, 3:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Students in kindergarten through 8th grade can get help with their homework. (F)

Wednesday, Feb. 11: Explore and learn, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (VH) Teen space, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (EG) STEAM for kids – paper cup carousel, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (NW) Homework zone, 3:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Students in kindergarten through 8th grade can get help with their homework. (F) Comic café, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. (F)

Thursday, Feb. 12: Family story time, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (EG) Adult space, 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (VH) Homework

zone, 3:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Students in kindergarten through 8th grade can get help with their homework. (F)

Friday, Feb. 13: Explore and learn, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F) Adult space, 10:30 a.m. to noon. (EG) AARP Tax-Aide, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. AARP will provide free tax preparation services to seniors and low-income households. Appointments required on the library website. (VH)

Saturday, Feb. 14: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F)

Call 916-264-2920 or 800-561-4636 for more information on any of these events.

Veterans Meetings

American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units – fourth Wednesday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive. Breakfast: second Saturday, 8-10 a.m., 8830 Sharkey Ave.

American Legion Post 233 and Auxiliary Unit 233 – general meetings the fourth Thursday each month at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road. Dinner at 6 p.m.

Post 233 Family Breakfast – first Saturday each month at 9 a.m., Mimi's Café, corner of Laguna Boulevard and West Stockton Boulevard (just off Highway 99). For more information, call Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128 H.

Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 233 – first Monday each month at 5:45 p.m. at the Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive.

Marine Corps League Detachment #1238 – first Thursday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive.

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**ENGINEER'S REPORT AND SUPPLEMENT NO. 59
CONCERNING STREET MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS IN
DISTRICT 1, ZONE 3-AV (EASTERN AREA)
FOR THE 9362 FEICKERT DR. URBAN LOT SPLIT PROJECT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, **March 25, 2026**, 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 on the Engineer's Report and a supplement thereto prepared and filed in connection with proposed street maintenance assessments on property identified in the report as supplemented. 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: February 6, 2026 and February 13, 2026

JASON LINDGREN
CITY CLERK, CITY OF ELK GROVE

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**CONCERNING STORM WATER DRAINAGE FEE ZONE 2 ASSESSMENTS
ANNEXATION NO. 76 INTO STORM WATER DRAINAGE FEE ZONE 2
FOR THE 9362 FEICKERT DR. URBAN LOT SPLIT PROJECT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, **March 25, 2026**, 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 January 28, 2026. 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.

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CITY OF ELK GROVE - ORDINANCE NO. 01-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE AMENDING ELK GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 10.48.020 SPEED LIMITS, TO ESTABLISH SPEED LIMITS ON VARIOUS ROADS IN THE CITY. The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Elk Grove Municipal Code Section 10.48.020 Speed Limits as shown in Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, and M (on file in the Office of the City Clerk) to establish speed limits on Blossom Ridge Drive, Boa Nova Drive, Bovill Drive, Four Winds Drive, Gilliam Drive, Hampton Oaks Drive, Lewis Stein Road, Lotz Parkway, Power Inn Road, Promenade Parkway, W. Taron Drive, Waterman Road, and Wymark Drive. Introduced January 14, 2026; Adopted January 28, 2026; Effective February 27, 2026. **AYES: SINGH-ALLEN, SUEN, BREWER, ROBLES, SPEASE; NOES: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.**

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk, City of Elk Grove, February 6, 2026

A certified copy of this ordinance is available by request; email cityclerk@elkgrove.gov

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CITY OF ELK GROVE - ORDINANCE NO. 02-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE FINDING NO FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW IS NECESSARY UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15183 (PROJECTS CONSISTENT WITH A COMMUNITY PLAN, GENERAL PLAN, OR ZONING) OF TITLE 14 OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS (STATE CEQA GUIDELINES) AND AMENDING THE CITY OF ELK GROVE ZONING MAP FOR THE SHELDON MEADOWS MAP AND REZONE PROJECT (PLNG23-003) (ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 121-0210-012). The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend the City of Elk Grove Zoning Map for APN: 121-0210-012 from Agricultural Residential five-acre minimum (AR-5) to Agricultural Residential two-acre minimum (AR-2) for the Sheldon Meadows Map and Rezone Project (PLNG23-008), as described in Exhibit A of this Ordinance. (on file in the Office of the City Clerk). Introduced January 14, 2026; Adopted January 28, 2026; Effective February 27, 2026. **AYES: SINGH-ALLEN, SUEN, BREWER, ROBLES, SPEASE; NOES: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.**

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk, City of Elk Grove, February 6, 2026

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CITY OF ELK GROVE - ORDINANCE NO. 03-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE FINDING NO FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW IS NECESSARY UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15183 (PROJECTS CONSISTENT WITH A COMMUNITY PLAN, GENERAL PLAN, OR ZONING) OF TITLE 14 OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS (STATE CEQA GUIDELINES) AND AMENDING ELK GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 23, ZONING TABLE 23.27-1 (ALLOWED USES AND REQUIRED ENTITLEMENTS FOR BASE ZONING DISTRICTS) TO ALLOW OUTDOOR EVENT CENTER USE IN THE AGRICULTURAL-RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS (AR-10, AR-5, AR-2, AND AR-1) WITH CERTAIN PARAMETERS FOR THE BARTHOLOMEW WINERY AMENDMENT PROJECT (PLNG24-056). The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend the Elk Grove Municipal Code as described in Exhibit A (on file in the Office of the City Clerk) to allow Outdoor Event Center Use in the Agricultural-Residential Zoning Districts (AR-10, AR-5, AR-2, and AR-1) with approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) subject to certain parameters as described. Introduced January 28, 2026; to be adopted February 11, 2026. **AYES: SINGH-ALLEN, SUEN, BREWER, ROBLES, SPEASE; NOES: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.**

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk, City of Elk Grove, February 6, 2026

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New Year, New Roadside Safety Protections

California's Expanded "Slow Down, Move Over" Law Now Covers All Stopped Drivers and Passengers Roadside

California Office of Traffic Safety News Release

CALIFORNIA (MPG) - California's expanded "Slow Down, Move Over" law officially took effect Jan. 1, adding lifesaving protections for all stranded drivers and passengers on the roadside. The strengthened requirement compels drivers to move over, or slow down if unsafe to do so, for any stopped vehicle using hazard lights or emergency indicators, including everyday drivers experiencing mechanical trouble or emergencies.

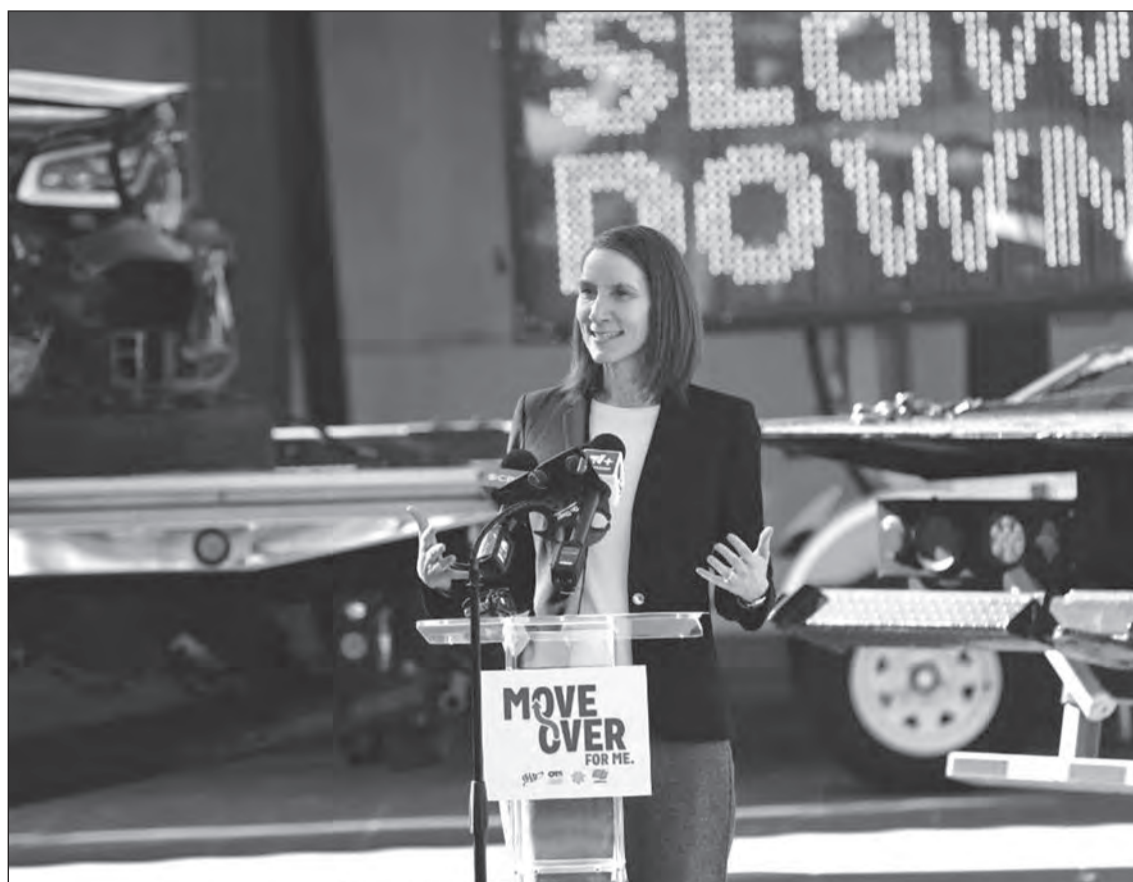
The change, authorized under Assembly Bill 390, legislation sponsored by AAA, comes during a nationwide spike in roadside deaths that safety leaders are calling a crisis.

"Whether you're a stranded driver or a first responder, standing just feet from high speed traffic has become increasingly deadly," said Auto Club Corporate Communications Manager Doug Shupe. "This law equips California drivers with a clear, enforceable rule that can prevent more needless deaths."

With AB 390 now in effect, California joins 28 other states, and the District of Columbia, with expanded Slow Down, Move Over protections to include all stopped vehicles.

Violations in California can result in fines up to \$1,000 and points on a driver's record for unsafe behavior near stopped vehicles.

"Too many Californians are losing their lives simply because passing drivers fail to slow down or move over," said CHP Commissioner Sean Duryee. "This expanded law makes clear that every person on the roadside, whether a driver or a passenger,



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deserves the same margin of safety. Obeying 'Slow Down, Move Over' is not just a courtesy; it is a legal responsibility that saves lives."

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, using data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Fatality Analysis Reporting System, reveals roadside fatalities are rising sharply. In California, the number of people killed roadside increased nearly 77% from 2014 to 2023. This alarming trend in people killed roadside is driven by higher speeds, distracted driving and limited shoulder space on modern freeways, data shows.

Additional recent national findings highlight the severity of

the problem. According to the Emergency Responder Safety Institute, 46 emergency responders were killed last year in the U.S. after being struck while assisting at roadside scenes — police officers, firefighters, EMTs and tow truck operators. Tow operators face some of the deadliest conditions on America's roadways. Hundreds of stranded drivers are killed every year while waiting for help or attempting simple fixes like changing a tire.

"Everyone traveling on California's roads and highways deserves to arrive safely at their destination," said Caltrans Director Dina El-Tawansy. "The provisions added to the Move

Over law will help keep more people safe and continue protecting the highway workers and first responders risking their lives to serve others. When we make conscious decisions to benefit the safety of our fellow travelers and dedicated public servants, it creates a safer, more enjoyable travel experience for all."

Daniel Lazaro, a tow truck operator for Preferred Towing, lost his friend at the roadside in October last year. Fifty-seven-year-old Carlos Trejo was struck and killed while helping a stranded Auto Club member on I-110.

"Carlos was a caring person who would always bring up his family in a joyful and proud

way, especially his grandchildren," said Lazaro. "As he would clock out every day to go home, he would always tell everyone clocking in to be careful and to be safe out there."

Many drivers don't understand the law and it's costing lives. An Oct. 2025 national study from the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety found the following. 36% of drivers captured on roadside video did not slow down or change lanes — violating the law entirely; drivers were least likely to protect tow operators, with only 58% complying near stopped tow trucks; and two thirds of drivers said they were familiar with "Slow Down, Move Over" laws, yet many could not accurately explain what was required.

The research also found that while some drivers do change lanes, many fail to reduce speed, leaving dangerously little margin if something goes wrong.

As of Jan. 1, drivers must take these simple actions when approaching a stopped vehicle. Change lanes away from the stopped vehicle, if safe to do so. If changing lanes is not possible, slow down to a safe, reasonable speed. The message is clear: See hazards or a stopped vehicle? Slow down. Move over. Save a life.

"As you head out on your next trip, keep in mind that the driver with a flat tire or other roadside car trouble could very well be you," OTS Director Stephanie Dougherty said. "Please move over a lane or slow down for highway workers, first responders, tow truck drivers and other stopped vehicles on the side of the road or shoulder. Make safety the destination we all share by looking out for every vehicle and person on the roadside." ★

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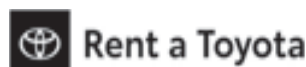
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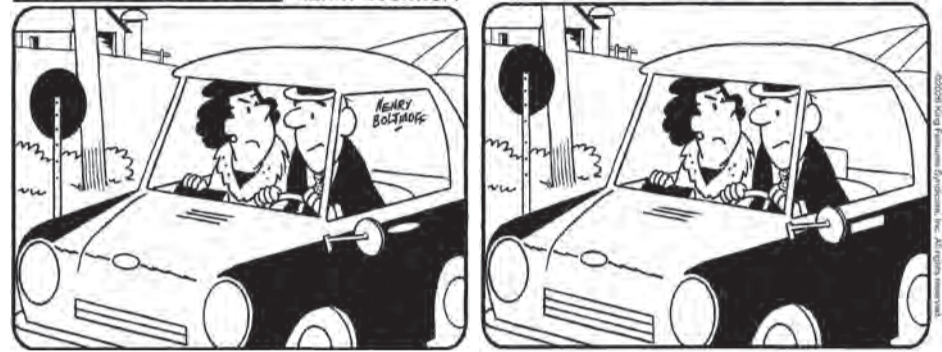


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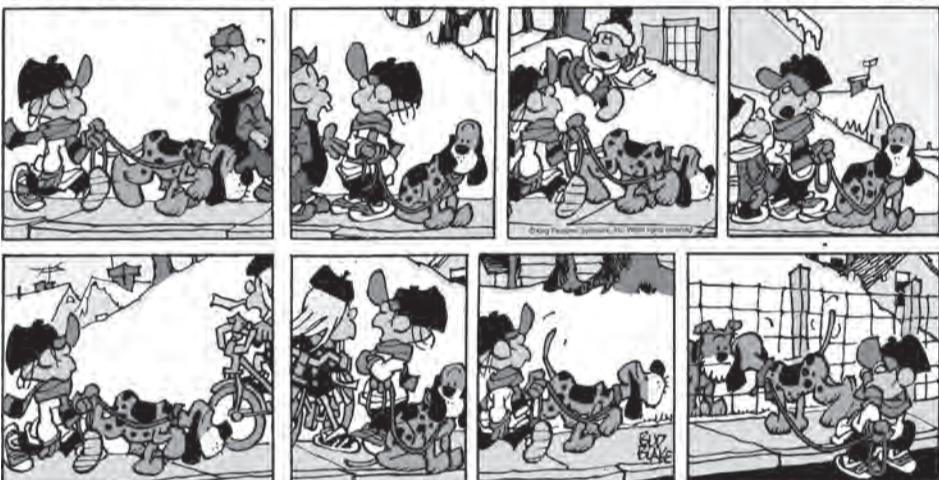
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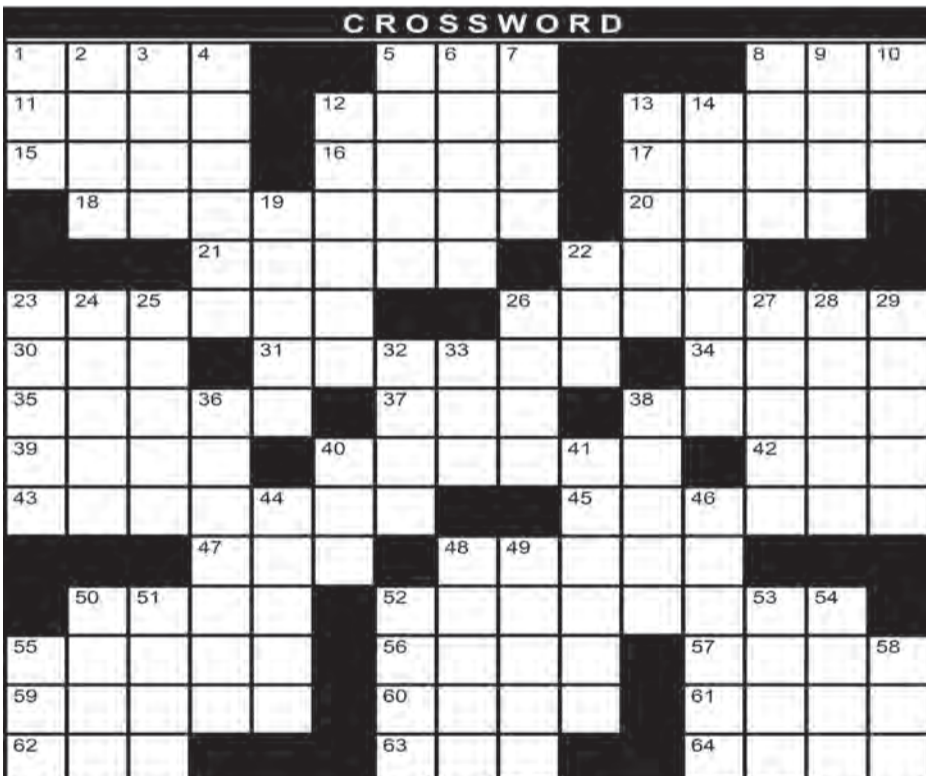
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 - "You don't bring me flowers"
 - Silvery-white, in heraldry
 - The night before
 - Add something extra (2 words)
 - Eye rakishly
 - *Millard's last name
 - Unwelcome software message
 - Double reed woodwind
 - Actress Sorvino
 - Carell on "The Office"
 - Falling out
 - Grand in scale
 - *Buchanan who ran for president in 1992 and 1996
 - Dental school alternative to MCAT
 - Tiresias in "Oedipus Rex," e.g.
- DOWN**
- Variable, abbr.
 - Twelfth month of Jewish civil year
 - *Attorney General under Bill Clinton
 - Panhandler
 - "My wife can vouch for me", e.g.
 - Ancient Romans' language
 - Julia Roberts' Academy Award-winning role
 - Went down slippery slope
 - Gene Simmons' rock band
 - Belief or philosophy
 - Popular flowering shrub
 - Deplete (2 words)
 - *Eisenhower or Grant, pre-presidency
 - Horse hoof sounds
 - One in Dean Martin's pack?
 - Means of mass communication
 - Belted starman
 - Highly unpleasant

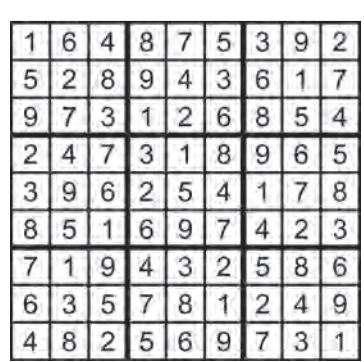


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History Made and Records Broken



Kate Myers receives her record plaque from Head Coach James McKeever. Myers became the all-time leading scorer in girls basketball at Pleasant Grove with 1,469 points.



Elk Grove High School's entire wrestling team poses after winning the Delta League Championship.

Story and photos by Nathan Felix Valencia

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Over the two days of Jan. 27 and 28, history was made on the wrestling mat while broken records were being honored on the basketball court and soccer field at Pleasant Grove High School.

The Jan. 27 wrestling duals were not just for Pleasant Grove's senior night but for the Delta League Championship.

The boys' teams for Pleasant Grove and Elk Grove were both 5-0, while the girls' teams from Elk Grove and Cosumnes Oaks were both 5-0. Whichever team won was going to be named the Delta League Champion.

All four teams had proven success throughout the year to get to this point.

The dual between the rivals of Elk Grove and Pleasant Grove was a battle with high energy on both sides. But the Thundering Herd was able to overpower the Eagles the longer the dual went on.

Elk Grove went on to win the Delta League Championship for the boys' team, making it the Herd's 24th consecutive year winning their league championship.

And although Pleasant Grove came in second in the Delta League, it still qualified to wrestle in the Section Dual Championships. This was the second time in school history that the Eagles qualified, following

Though the boys' dual was a battle, the girls' dual was a war. Each girl left it all on the mat, knowing that each match was important.

And once each match was over, the Wolfpack was standing as tall as they



Pleasant Grove's Kate Myers brings the ball up court against Monterey Trail.

were victorious. They were able to bring home the school's very first Delta League Championship, where all the hard work and dedication paid off in beating a dominant team like Elk Grove.

Then, on Jan. 28, Pleasant Grove Athletics was proud to honor two of its athletes as all-time leading scorers in their respective sports.

During senior night for the girls' soccer team before playing Monterey Trail, the Eagles recognized Adalynn Alley for her hard work and dedication in becoming the all-time leading goal scorer for girls' soccer at Pleasant Grove with 51, as well as being a three-time All Delta League player.

During the game, she was also able to score a goal to push her career goal count to 52 and counting, as this was not her last



Elk Grove and Pleasant Grove wrestlers shake hands before starting the Jan. 27 match.

game of the year.

While the soccer game was going on, Kate Myers was being honored for recently becoming the all-time leading scorer in girls basketball at Pleasant Grove with 1,469. Myers started all four years on varsity and became a three-time All Delta League Player.

Myers was able to push her total count to 1,491 after scoring 22 points in an overtime loss to Monterey Trail.

Both Alley and Myers look to continue to score as much as possible with their final senior games approaching. They aim to put exclamation points on their record-breaking high school careers. ★

Franklin Shuts Out Sheldon in Soccer

Story and photos by Nathan Felix Valencia

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Sheldon High boys' soccer team traveled to Franklin on Friday Jan. 30 for a game between two top-ranked teams in the Delta League.

Franklin entered the game riding a three-game win streak. The Wildcats beat Elk Grove High School 3-1 on Jan. 28. This pushed their overall record to be 13-0-3 and 6-0-2 in league play, and they were looking to stay undefeated as well as to extend their win streak to remain first in the league.

Sheldon came into this game ranked third in the Delta with 7-3-2 on the season and a 5-2-1 league record. The Huskies were also coming off a 5-2 win against Laguna Creek.

Once the game started, both teams prioritized ball movement, constantly keeping the ball away from the defense as well as not having one player hold onto the ball for too long.

However, neither team was able to gain a quality look to attack the goal. They were only getting opportunities to score on corner kicks and free kicks but were coming up empty.

With roughly 30 minutes left in the first half, Franklin was able to convert on a corner kick. No. 11 Landon Roberson was able to score off an assist by No. 10 Marcos Zarate, putting the Wildcats up 1-0.

Sheldon continued to move the ball once it got it



Franklin's Christian Azevedo throws the ball in from the sideline.

back after the score, but it found no opportunities to score as Franklin continued to play tight defense and even took control of the ball.

Late in the first half, Wildcat No. 12 Adnan Mohammad was able to score off a wild bounce after a free kick was stopped, making the score 2-0 going into halftime.

As the second half began, fog started to settle into the field. Both teams prioritized ball movement on offense while playing great defense, not allowing the other team to capitalize on the few opportunities

given.

With just under 20 minutes left in the game, Franklin was able to put the game out of reach when No. 9 Fernando Cisneros scored the third goal of the game.

Franklin did not allow any scoring opportunities after its third goal of the night.

The 3-0 win pushed Franklin to a 14-0-3 overall record and 7-0-2 in league, while also extending its win streak to four games.

Sheldon fell to an overall record of 7-4-2 and a league record of 5-3-1. ★



Franklin's Marcos Zarate, right, tries to get past Sheldon's Diego Alvarez.

Harris Girls are Champions Again



The Edward Harris Middle School 8th grade girls' basketball team celebrates its back-to-back championship. The players are, front row from left: Alaysia Her, Jayda Pompei-Lonaker, Aubrey Jackson, Joilena Fang, Ne'Lani Barbar and Iyanna Hollomon. Back row, from left: Olivia White, Coach Cliff, Ofa Hafoka, Naima Murphy, Precious Adaksma, Aniya Moye, Coach Brown, Kaden Cruz and Xirou Lin. Photo courtesy of Edward Harris Middle School