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Sign for the times

A new electronic display has been installed on the lawn in front of Wasco Independence High School. This allows the school to update the community on what is going on at the school, school officials say.

WUESD takes registrations

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

Wasco elementary schools will accept kindergarten and transitional kindergarten registrations this year only by appointment, WUESD Superintendent Kelly Richers announced this week.

The Wasco Union Elementary School District now is accepting the applications. "This is by appointment only

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at the school site offices," Richers said.

The numbers for appointments are:
Teresa Burke, 1301 Filburn, 661-758-7180.
James Forrest, 401 N. Griffith, 661-758-7490.
John L. Pruiett, 3501 7th St., 661-758-7180.

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Shafter getting Stronger

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

Despite being separated by distance, masks and a stay-at-home order, members of the Shafter community are confident this

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can still be a time to come together.

The month of May has been dedicated as Shafter Strong Month.



Craig and Debbie Haley show their Shafter spirit with a patriotic home.

There will be a different theme each week, giving opportunity for the community to show unity and strength.

This first week in May, residents are encouraged to decorate their houses with patriotic items, such as flags, windsocks, door decorations and bunting. May 10-16, the second week, is Chalk Art Week. Residents can add patriotic or Shafter Strong-themed chalk art to their driveways and sidewalks, as well as use chalk to thank first responders and health care workers for their service to the community.

The third week in May is Light the Night Week. Community members are invited to display red, white and blue lights to their houses, windows and yards.

May 24-31, the fourth week, is Shafter Strong Patriotic Parade Week. Residents are encouraged to greet their neighbors while walking, biking, skate-

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It's still a crisis

Council extends coronavirus emergency

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

With 29 cases of the coronavirus confirmed in the city, the Shafter City Council Tuesday night unanimously voted to extend the Proclamation of Local Emergency for the coronavirus pandemic.

City Manager Gabriel Gonzales said that the need to continue the proclamation was evident after reviewing the situation. "As of April 29, 2020, there were 847 confirmed cases and five deaths in Kern County related to COVID-19. Of those 847, 29 of those have been confirmed to originate in Shafter within the 93263 area code. Further, there is still need to maintain emergency powers to respond to any COVID impacts. As a result, it is recommended the City Council extend the proclamation for as long as the date declared by the Governor."

This proclamation is to be revisited every 60 days and

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Council deals with HSR conflict

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

The city is moving forward on its grievances on compensation for the High Speed Rail project here.

At Tuesday night's City Council meeting, City Manager Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez presented a letter that was sent to the California High Speed Rail Authority from the City of Wasco. It addresses the city's concerns and im-

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BUSINESS SURVEY

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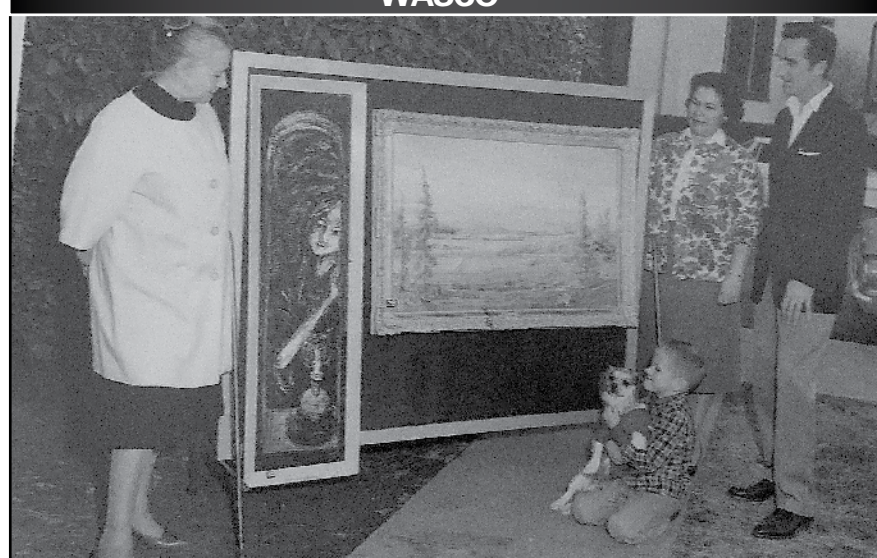
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HEADLINES IN HISTORY



The Shafter Press front page, May 23, 1990.

10 years ago: 2010

Richland School District honored 2000 retirees. Amongst honored were Frances Garcia, Susanne Franz and Cris Little.

20 years ago: 2000

Joaquin and Eva Patino were honored as grand marshals at the Bakersfield Cinco De Mayo Parade.

30 years ago: 1990

Jennifer Nelson was crowned Young Woman of the Year at the Shafter May Festival.

40 years ago: 1980

Billy Gladden Trucking celebrated its 25th anniversary. They specialized in agriculture trucking.

—Compiled by Erica Soriano

CORRECTIONS

Due to an production error, two captions accompanying a front-page story on businesses in Wasco were misplaced in last week's paper. The correct captions and the pictures are reprinted below:

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The owner of Catrina's Restaurant, Cesar Marquez, and his wife, Marcela, and son, Daniel.



The staff of H&H Automotive, from left, includes Jose Robledo, Bradley Hoover and Misael Cepeda.

ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

MAY 3

Jose Alberto Barajas, 24, of Shafter, was arrested for a broken headlight and DUI.

MAY 2

Javier Lule Quiroz, 31, of Shafter, was arrested for DUI and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

MAY 1

Jose Everarado Bernal, 36, of Shafter, was arrested for inflicting corporal injury spouse.

Uriel Isai Barrios, 25, of Shafter, was arrested for obstruction of a public officer, driving without license and avoiding basic speed law.

APRIL 28

Estrellita Rice, 33, of Shafter, was arrested for obstruction of a public officer and disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Daniel Gomez Jr., of Shafter, was arrested obstruction of a public officer and disorderly conduct: alcohol.

Blanca Cecilia Soto, 41, of Shafter, was arrested for obstruction of a public officer and disorderly conduct: alcohol.

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As reported by the Kern County Sheriff's Department, Wasco substation[END ITAL]

APRIL 28

Shawn Hasty, 24, of Wasco, was arrested on the 1200 block of Poplar Avenue in Wasco for violating the city park curfew. He was cited and released at the scene.

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Rose Queen Pageant looks for sponsors



TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

Wasco High School Activities Assistant Hailey Coyle has been busy at work on the **WASCO** 2020-2021 Rose Queen pageant.

"The sign-up process for Rose Queen was done prior to quarantine," Coyle wrote. "Luckily, we were able to have our orientation meeting in person at the beginning of March."

"Since then, we have met with the contestants on Zoom and Google Hangouts," Coyle said. "We have met with the girls individually to approve their talents, and we have met with the girls as a group."

Twenty-three girls met the grade requirements and officially signed up to be contestants.

The pageant committee is currently seeking sponsors for the 23 girls.

Coyle asks that anyone interested call her at 661-292-0071 for more information.

Zoom photo of the 23 girls selected for the Rose Queen pageant. Top row, from left: Hailey Coyle (director), Sydney and Debbie Mehlberg (directors), Daisy Cendejas, Mackinley Wankum and Irene Vargas. Second row: Idaly Flores, Cassandra Hinojosa, Yesenia Padilla, Jennifer Luna and Natalie Guerrero. Third row: Kimberly Gonzalez, Stephanie Garcia, Crystal Raya, Ray Hernandez and Bianca Rodriguez. Fourth row: Jordan Abernathy, Talitha Arellano, Isabella Garcia, Maybeth Lopez and Mikayla Orozco. Bottom row: Leslie Bolin, Milagros Vargas, Marilyn Memis and Elizabeth Padilla. Not pictured: Nicole Sanchez (director) and Marlen Paredes Ruiz. (Photo by Hailey Coyle)

Seniors are thriving at Carrington

JAMIE STEWART
The Shafter Press

With the city of Shafter facing the Coronavirus pandemic, including a Stay at Home order by Governor Newsom and the closure of the schools and many businesses in town, one of the groups that the Health Department says is a high-risk group is those individuals 65 and over.

Handling the pandemic in Shafter's assisted living facilities includes facing challenges to keep the residents safe and healthy, while still allowing them to thrive in this unprecedented environment.

Meeting those challenges head-on is the staff at the Carrington House in Shafter. Led by Carrington Executive Director Alicia Webb, the staff at Carrington have dedicated their efforts to making their residents' lives as unaffected as possible by the current situation.

With their residents particularly vulnerable to the COVID-19 due to age and other health concerns, the facility staff has implemented some changes to day-to-day operations. Webb said that they hope through minimizing contact and practicing social distancing, they can ensure the health and safety of their residents and employees during this difficult time.

They have also altered their meal procedures to effectively safeguard them even further. There are three different dining areas for meal times. With two to four residents at a table, the tables are set six feet apart from each other.

The facility's Activity Program also has seen some changes. The different activities are limited to five residents at a time for each activity.

For those who do not want to come out for activities during the pandemic, individual activity packets are available.

One of the biggest impacts the virus situation has made is in visiting procedures and policies. For the safety of the residents and the staff, accommodations for family visits consist of writing weekly letters, Facetime with family members, and texting families with pictures and updates. Those in-person visits consist of porch visits with family members six feet away from the residents.

"I am truly blessed and grateful for my employees and how they have dealt with this pandemic to ensure our residents' health and safety," Webb said.

The pandemic has affected residents, as well as staff members to a certain degree, while still keeping the morale and spirits of the residents up. Medical Tech Amanda Jaime commented, "COVID-19 has made me more conscientious of where I go after leaving work for the health and safety of our residents."

The residents sometimes struggle with the situation, but are getting by with the help of the staff and the other residents. Resident Jack West said, "Sometimes it can get depressing because I can't go out with my friends for breakfast, coffee or go get goodies from the grocery store, or even to have friends come for a visit."

But, West said, that there are good things, too. "A big positive is the activities. They are great and get our mind off of things for a bit. We also get to communicate with everyone else in the facility."

Activity Director Teresa Hernandez said that keeping their residents' spirits up during this difficult time is one of their top priorities. Hernandez echoed a sentiment that resonates throughout the facility. "We have a saying at Carrington that we always tell our residents, 'We will get through this together.'"



Executive Director Alicia Webb, in mask, along with Activity Director Teresa Hernandez, right in mask, with residents Marylan Miller, Ellen Rexius, Doris Unruh and Jack West.

Walmart big on giving back

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

Walmart employees volunteer time to assist businesses, schools and non-profit organizations at four different causes determined by each Walmart.

People Lead Veronica Bristow often gets to hand-deliver checks to nonprofit groups. As head of human resources for the store, Bristow is a familiar face whenever Walmart gives back to local groups, businesses and schools. For example, the store's last public donations went to Hoyett's Sandwich Shop, the VFW and Teresa Burke Elementary School just before the coronavirus pandemic hit.

Bristow is originally from Albuquerque, N.M., and lived in Brooklyn, N.Y., until she was 8 years old. Her family made its way to Delano, where Bristow attended Delano High until she ran away to Bakersfield at 16. She later received her high school diploma and took college business classes online.

"I had my first daughter at 18, then worked several jobs until I was hired by Walmart at 19 as an overnight cashier," Bristow said. Bristow explained that for her, the best thing about working for Walmart is the job security and benefits. "I have been able to provide for my family and have never had to worry about my next check."

She said the benefits provide her with peace of mind knowing that her daughters have healthcare insurance whenever needed. "I have had medical coverage through Walmart since my oldest daughter was two years old – even when I still qualified for welfare

benefits," she said. "I had an emergency situation with my oldest daughter when she was a baby and because I only had state medical coverage, I had to wait for a doctor for a long time. I swore that day that I was going to get off welfare and get my own insurance. Walmart was able to do that for me."

Bristow described Walmart's Volunteerism Always Pays program, where each store picks four non-profit organizations from the community. Associates can volunteer their time to help in any events that those organizations have during the year. "Then, at the end of the year, we tally the hours each associate volunteered and submit that to our home office to get a grant for the hours submitted," she said. "The more hours we submit, the bigger the grant."

According to Bristow, the Wasco store did not have any VAP events when she arrived about two years ago.

"So, I involved some associates in picking some nonprofit organizations and started volunteering in the community," Bristow said. "For me, it is important that we give back to the community. I also work with Cole Vocational Services and Valley Achievement Center, which are or-



Walmart People Lead Veronica Bristow.

ganizations that help disabled people find employment. I believe that all individuals have value and should not be discriminated against because of any disability. I have seen many individuals that have been deemed disabled accomplish things I never thought could be done.

"I am proud to work for a company that encourages, enforces and supports an inclusive and diverse workforce."

She added that in five years she sees herself continuing to work at Walmart and is hopeful that by then she will have finished college and obtained her bachelor's degree.

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Scruffy to Fluffy puts service on the road

Grooming van comes to Wasco twice a month

TONI DEROSA
Wasco Tribune

Scruffy to Fluffy Pet Spa has been open for seven years, and their mobile grooming bus has been operating about two years.

A recent story about Leticia Rivera shared about the many face masks she recently sewed for local hospitals and doctor's offices. Her husband, Chris Rivera, is a former Wasco High graduate and tries to make sure his hometown is part of whatever business his family is involved in.

Leticia Rivera is not only the owner, but she

is also the manager and principal groomer; her husband helps by washing the animals when needed.

"We have six experienced groomers working in the shop, which is located at 10530 Rosedale Highway, Bakersfield," Chris said. "We usually service Wasco and Shafter area twice a month."

The mobile van provides full-service grooming.

Chris Rivera said that many prefer a mobile pet service because of the convenience of them bringing their service

to the customer instead of the customer having to bring their pet to the service. "Because of the COVID-19 pandemic and state guidelines, no one can come inside the van or the shop," Chris said. "We currently use drop-off and pick-up service from the customer's curb."

"We reopened both the shop and the mobile van April 24," Chris said. "Scruffy to Fluffy has been extremely busy since we re-opened," he

said. "Both the shop and mobile are booked out for weeks."

The Riveras have plans for expanding the business.

"We are planning on purchasing a second mobile bus to help with the demand," Chris said. "The mobile bus idea came when customers from outlying areas requested our service. Our philosophy is we treat every pet like family."

The telephone number for the mobile unit is 661-333-2291.



ABOVE: Scruffy to Fluffy Pet Spa mobile pet groomer. **RIGHT:** Chris and Leticia Rivera.

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EDITOR'S NOTE | JAMIE STEWART

Take care of those who take care of you

The coronavirus pandemic has affected not only the city's different businesses, the schools, and city of office buildings, but it is also touching other phases of everyday life. For the individuals who pick up our garbage, there is an added challenge to their already demanding job, as they must navigate their way through the process of emptying our trash, not knowing if that household had been touched by the virus or not.

Coupled with this challenge is the fact that so many residents are either staying at home on their days off from work, or might not be going to work at all, with their place of employment either closed temporarily or with abbreviated hours.

With that free time, many residents are using it to do home improvement projects at their homes, or doing major spring cleaning, gathering a more trash and debris that is slated for the landfill.

Unfortunately, as the COVID-19 cases seem to be growing, so are the instances when that trash is not making it to the local landfill, instead being dumped in residents' trash containers or into the alleys beside the trash containers.

On a recent Tuesday morning, in a five-block radius, there were a collection of mattresses, a television, a washing machine and other debris littering the alleys behind Atlantic Avenue.

Contrary to popular belief, the City of Shafter does not have a designated crew to handle items that have been illegally dumped in our alleyways.

According to Public Works Direc-

tor Michael James, this has become a problem that has grown especially since the Stay at Home order had been given, with an increase of people involved in DIY projects around their homes. Residents are encouraged to make sure to dispose of their garbage in a legal manner, be it regular trash or construction material or bulky items.

Residents who wish to dump regular trash at the local landfill will not be charged anything for the load. "As long as the trash is separated, and the

those items not considered regular trash, without a fee for the service. Unfortunately, the bulky waste event that was originally scheduled for last month had to be cancelled due to the coronavirus issue." This has resulted in an increase in the amount of trash that is being found in our alleys sitting beside the barrel cans.

This may not be a problem in the not-so-distant future, as James said that the state is implementing state legislation that will ultimately result in the stoppage of using the big barrel cans used in alley collection. "Eventually, all residents will be given their own containers that they will be responsible for. We are hoping that this will help alleviate the issue of illegal dumping, with the absence of the big cans in the alleys.

In the meantime, residents can help make their neighborhood look great and help the hard-working drivers and collectors who pick up the city's garbage. Lynnda Martin of American Refuse said, "People can make sure not to overfill their containers, as well as avoiding putting trash and debris beside the cans, which make it necessary for the drivers to get out of their truck and handle the garbage to get it into the truck."

As the city of Shafter unites to face this pandemic by showing our solidarity and strength, we also need to help the workers who serve us keep our city clean and safe.

Jamie Stewart is editor of The Shafter Press. The opinions expressed here do not necessarily represent the paper or its management.



An alleyway off Atlantic Avenue in Shafter.

load is all regular garbage, there is no fee," explained James. "Unfortunately, it seems that a lot of people are unaware that they can dump their trash at the landfill at no charge."

When items are dumped illegally in the alleys of a neighborhood, funds have to be taken out of the city's General Fund to cover the act of picking up the items and disposing of them properly. "We don't have a crew that is designated to pick up illegally dumped items," said James. "We have been fortunate enough in the past to have American Refuse hold a couple of bulky waste events in Shafter that allows the residents to dispose of

Registration for K, T-K

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Palm Avenue, 1017 Palm Ave., 661-758-7130.

Thomas Jefferson, 305 Griffith Ave., 661-758-7140.

"At this time, the plan is to continue serving lunch across the summer," Richers said. "Times will move up due to the heat. Times are posted on the website."

He added that lunch is provided Monday through Thursday, with two meals

given on Thursdays to cover Friday's meals.

Meals are available from 10:30 a.m. to noon Monday-Thursday.

Updates are available on the district's website.

Wasco Independence High School is sporting a new marquee in front of the school on the front lawn. This allows the school to update the community on what is going on at the school.

Letter addresses HSR conflict

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impacts the HSR has had on the city.

Ortiz-Hernandez said that the city has incurred security and maintenance costs and the cost of purchasing the building at the corner of Poso/J and Wasco Streets because of the HSR.

In earlier correspondence, the HSR said that it would work with the city to discuss any negative impact the HSR has on the city.

Ortiz-Hernandez also brought the council up to date with changes being made before the city reopens. "We have ordered and are waiting for the installation of glass shields for counters," he said. "Meanwhile,

we will wait for updates from the governor and the Health Department about the next step the city takes."

Ortiz-Hernandez isn't sure what modifications will need to be in place once the city gets back to full time.

He also said that the city will continue with modified services. "Things should be changing by the end of this week," Ortiz-Hernandez said.

In other business, Kern County Sheriff's Department Sergeant Peter Martinez presented a report on crime in the city. He noted that arrests, theft and crime have gone down during the quarantine period.

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RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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2020 - 2021

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DATE: APRIL 23, 2020
TIME: 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Location:
RW: Staff Meeting Room
GO: School Office
SQ: School Office

TK= Students must be turning five from Sept 2, 2020 - Dec 2, 2020
KG= Students must be 5 by September 1, 2020

PLEASE BRING:

- Birth Certificate
- Proof of Address
- Immunizations (Up to Date)
- Medical Physical (Dated after Feb. 15)
- Dental Exam
- TB Test or TB Risk Assessment Questionnaire

You may pick up a registration packet from these offices starting March 9, 2020.

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Redwood Elementary School	331 Shafter Ave.	(661) 746-8650
Richland Junior High School	331 Shafter Ave.	(661) 746-8630
Richland District Office	300 N. Valley St.	(661) 746-8600
Sequoia Elementary School	500 E. Fresno Ave.	(661) 746-8740
Migrant Office	300 N. Valley St.	(661) 746-8647
Healthy Start Office	300 N. Valley St.	(661) 746-8690



Colleen Diltz has her home decked out in red, white and blue.

May is Shafter Strong month

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boarding or driving a car decorated patriotically. Flags, bandanas and posters are some of the possibilities.

The idea for the project was conceived by some residents who were frustrated with the inability to go about daily routines, meetings, etc., and wanted to do something.

Local photographer Colleen Diltz mentioned the idea to Captain Diana Barnett of the Shafter Police Department, as well as Debbie Haley of the Shafter Chamber of Commerce. She thought a themed project might help lift the spirit of the community and allow members to do something in this time of inactivity.

With ideas formed, Colleen con-

tacted *The Shafter Press* and the project was born.

Lynnda Martin of American Refuse, for one, is very excited. "As a community, we are lucky to have such wonderful community members like Colleen who want to help lift the spirit of the community. What a positive way for us all to be together when we are all supposed to be apart. I hope this gathers participation throughout our community as it will be an inspiring way to see how united we are as we drive or walk through our great town."

Residents are encouraged to send photos of their houses and sidewalks to *Shafter Press* Editor Jamie Stewart at jstewart@theshafterpress.com.



This American flag is flown at the home of Police Captain Diana Barnett.

City emergency extended

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extended until the local emergency ends.

It was determined by the council that there still remains a threat of further spread of COVID-19 that

could severely impair the public health safety within the City of Shafter. This threat could also be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the City of Shafter. The main reason for the extension proposed is the ability of the city to act if needed without having to hold a special council meeting, and it would also ease the process of reimbursement for costs incurred due to actions and services provided by the city in the light of the pandemic.

City Manager Gonzales also stated that they would be taking direction from the governor and the Kern County Public Health Department and their recommendations. "Governor Newsom will be addressing the issue of Phase II of his plan on Thursday, so we will see what happens in that address."

Gonzales said that when the governor decides to begin re-opening nonessential businesses, there will still be certain protocols and

safety procedures in place. The specifics of the procedures have not been specified, but should be forthcoming in the Phase II plan.

In other action, the council voted to transfer \$40,000 from the Water Capital Improvement Program, which was earmarked for future work to be done on Well 12, to close the books on the Well 20 Site Development Project. The council had authorized the public works director to file a notice of completion and acceptance of work for the project at its April 21 meeting. At that time, the director, Michael James, advised the council that the project would likely require budget action in the immediate future to ensure that all project expenditures are fully funded.

The entire development of Well 20 was a multiphase project completed through several contracts and purchase orders over approximately three fiscal years.



Mayor Pro-Tem Cesar Lopez made a motion to extend the declaration.

To cover current invoicing and potential future project closeout work with consultants and vendors, a budget increase of \$40,000 was required.



RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Kínder de Transición - KINDERGARTEN
2020 - 2021

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GO: Oficina de la Escuela
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PASTOR'S CORNER

In other news...

PASTOR STEVE DOBBS

Have you ever been watching a news report on television and heard the anchor say, "In other news..."? The report might sound something like this, "Today the police arrested a suspect in the grocery store robbery. In other news, city leaders were at a ribbon cutting for a new wing of the local hospital."

The phrase "in other news" connects the two stories. We would probably never put the two stories together until the anchor links them together with, "In other news."

Can I encourage you a little today? All of the problems and situations we have endured; there is good to come out of it.

Let me explain. We would never know that we need a deliverer if we never needed deliverance. We would never know we needed a healer if we never needed healing. We would never know we needed a savior if

we never needed saving.

I believe it is safe to say that when we rang 2020 in back in January nobody would have ever guessed in their wildest imagination what our city, state, country and world would be going through just a few months later.

Who could have ever predicted the shutdown of businesses all over the country? Did anybody think that you couldn't get your haircut, nails done or even sit down to a meal in a restaurant?

But it has happened. Like it or not, that is the world we find ourselves in today.

However, God has not been surprised by

any of this. He is still on the throne. COVID 19 did not catch God off-guard.

If God is not surprised by it, if He knew it was coming, why did He allow it?

The reason is, "In other news..."

There are so many of us who have been so distracted we have forgotten God.

If you read through the Old Testament, whenever Israel walked away from God, He allowed hardships in their lives to

bring them back to Him.

Remember, "In other news..."

There are people who have grown cold in their relationship with God and the sud-

denly cried out to Him.

In other news, there were people who God sent deliverance to.

There are those who have become deathly sick.

In other news God sent healing.

People have turned to God and asked for His help.

In other news God sent a Savior to save.

Just like the news anchor connected two stories that we may have never connected ourselves, God does the same thing.

When you are up against it; when you are going crazy because you are off work and your kids are home all day; when there is way more month than there is money; when you just can't stand it anymore; remember, "In other news..."

Steve Dobbs is pastor of Community Circle Church in Shafter.

We would never know that we need a deliverer if we never needed deliverance.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF HEARING AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE COMMERCIAL ZONE 1 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CHARGES AND RECYCLING SURCHARGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

On the 19th day of May, 2020, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, in the Kern County Administrative Center, located at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, a Public Hearing will be conducted to consider the enactment of, and hear any objections to, an Ordinance establishing the schedule of Solid Waste Collection Charges and the Recycling Surcharge for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for commercial property in Garbage Franchise Zone 1. The Board of Supervisors will also consider a Report filed by the Public Works Department titled "Commercial Zone 1 Solid Waste Collection Charges for Fiscal Year 2020-2021." Issues and recommendations in the report include the following:

1. Designate the use of each parcel of real property in Commercial Zone 1 area as commercial (non-residential);
2. Describe the amount of the proposed service charge for each parcel of real property in the Commercial Zone 1 area should the proposed Ordinance be enacted and the Report approved;
3. Maximum monthly rates for solid waste collection for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 in the Commercial Zone 1 area are to be set by container size as per Table A for commercial properties. This maximum rate includes the Solid Waste Administration fee which is charged on an account basis per provisions in County Ordinance and contracts with the individual haulers. In some instances, this maximum rate may be slightly lower per unit based on the number of accounts actually served on that property.
4. Recycling Services are a separate charge and will be set by container size as per Table A.
5. The Recycling Surcharge was established in Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and will be continued and will be set by container size as per Table A.

Any affected person may submit written protests to the report. Written protests must be signed by the objecting party, indicate the subject property and be delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors prior to the conclusion of the public hearing.

Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Board of Supervisors may adopt, revise, change, reduce or modify any charge set forth in the Report filed by the Public Works Department or overrule any or all objections, and shall make its determination upon each charge as described in that Report.

The Director of the Public Works Department has considered the environmental impacts of this action and concluded that this action will not have a significant effect on the environment and the action is statutorily exempt from further CEQA review per Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8) and Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15273 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

Complete copies of the proposed Ordinance and the report filed by the Public Works Department are on file for inspection with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Fifth Floor, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California. Alternatively, you may request copies by calling the Public Works Department at (661) 862-8940 or by making a request via email at waste@kerncounty.com.

Anyone wishing to present evidence or be heard regarding this matter may appear at the hearing of this matter or any continuation thereof. However, in accordance with the current public health declarations, it is requested, and highly recommended, that any comments or concerns be submitted prior to the hearing via email at waste@kerncounty.com. If you challenge the action taken by the Board of Supervisors on this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Dated: April 21, 2020
KATHLEEN KRAUSE
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By: /s/Theresa M. Derouchie, Deputy Clerk

TABLE A

Commercial - Garbage Franchise Zone 1

Commercial Bin Service Monthly Rates	Size (CY)	First Commercial Container	Each Additional Container	Each Additional Service Pick-up
Trash Service				
July 1, 2020	1	\$88.13	\$83.31	\$50.92
July 1, 2020	1.5/300 gals	\$102.86	\$98.04	\$58.11
July 1, 2020	2	\$123.88	\$119.06	\$68.77
July 1, 2020	3	\$156.42	\$151.60	\$76.94
July 1, 2020	4	\$194.84	\$190.02	\$99.14
Recycling Service				
July 1, 2020	300 gals	\$52.94	\$52.94	\$48.94
July 1, 2020	3	\$90.74	\$90.74	\$76.74
July 1, 2020	6	\$121.31	\$121.31	\$101.31

Commercial Cart Service Monthly Rates	Size (gallons)	First commercial Container	Each Additional Container	Each Additional Service Pick-up
July 1, 2020 Trash Cart	96/101	\$41.34	\$36.52	\$17.53
July 1, 2020 Blue Recycling Cart	96/101	\$24.26	\$24.26	\$20.26

Commercial Organic Service Monthly Rates	Size	First commercial Container	Each Additional Container	Each Additional Service Pick-up
July 1, 2020 Organic Cart	96/101 gals	\$41.34	\$36.52	N/A
July 1, 2020 Organic Bin	3 CY	\$312.84	\$303.20	\$153.87

Commercial Recycling Surcharge Monthly Rates	Collection Frequency	Recycling Surcharge
96/101 gal Cart	Weekly	\$3.03
96/101 gal Cart	Bi-weekly	\$1.52
300 gal Cart	Weekly	\$9.10
300 gal Cart	Bi-weekly	\$4.55
3 CY Bin	Weekly	\$18.20
3 CY Bin	Bi-weekly	\$9.10
6 CY Bin	Weekly	\$36.40
6 CY Bin	Bi-weekly	\$18.20

Commercial Roll-Off Services Monthly Rates	Per Dump	Rental Rate	Delivery Charge	Per Hour Charge	Roll-off Compactor Service Fee
July 1, 2020	\$251.30	\$212.78	\$115.86	\$139.83	\$306.44

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By: /s/M Hernandez
Publish Shafter Press April 23, 30,
May 7, 14, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF HEARING AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM SERVICE CHARGES (LAND USE FEES) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 19th day of May, 2020, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, in the Kern County Administrative Center, located at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, a Public Hearing will be conducted to consider the enactment of, and hear any objections to, an Ordinance establishing the schedule of Solid Waste Management Program Service Charges (Land Use Fees) for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for residential property. This Ordinance will establish a schedule of service charges for residential property which will be collected along with the County's property taxes and will become a lien on the property, if unpaid. The Board of Supervisors will also consider a report filed by the Public Works Department that designates the use of each parcel of real property in Kern County as either residential with four units or less, residential with five units or more, or non-residential, and describes the amount of the proposed service charge for each parcel of residential real property in Kern County should the proposed Ordinance be enacted and the report approved. In accordance with this report, the Public Works Department does not propose to increase the Solid Waste Management Program Service charges imposed on residential property on the tax roll for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021) over the rates established for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. The charge imposed on a parcel of property used as a single-family residence will remain at \$82.89 per unit for one to four unit residential parcels and \$66.30 per unit for a five or more unit residential parcel. The service charges for waste generated on non-residential properties will not be collected on the tax roll but instead, will be paid through Gate Fees or Bin Fees, as appropriate. Any affected person may submit written protests to the report or the enactment of the proposed tax roll billing. Written protests must be signed by the objecting party, indicate the subject property and be delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors prior to the conclusion of the public hearing.

Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Board of Supervisors may adopt, revise, change, reduce or modify any service charge set forth in the report filed by the Public Works Department or overrule any or all objections, and shall make its determination upon each charge as described in that report. Should the owners of either a majority of the separate parcels of real property or a majority of the separate parcels of residential real property described in the report object to the report, the report will not be adopted and the service charges for residential real property described in the report will not be collected with the County's property taxes; otherwise, the Board of Supervisors may order the report filed with the Kern County Auditor-Controller-County Clerk, who will enter the amounts of the service charges against the respective parcels of residential real property as they appear on the assessment roll.

The Director of the Public Works Department has considered the environmental impacts of this action and concluded that this action will not have a significant effect on the environment and the action is statutorily exempt from further CEQA review per Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8) and Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15273 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

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Dated: April 21, 2020
KATHLEEN KRAUSE
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By: /s/Theresa M. Derouchie, Deputy Clerk
Publish Shafter Press April 30, May 7, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF HEARING AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE SOLID WASTE ADMINISTRATION FEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 19th day of May, 2020, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, in the Kern County Administrative Center, located at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, a Public Hearing will be conducted to consider the enactment of, and hear any objections to, an Ordinance establishing the Solid Waste Administration Fee for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for all residential and commercial property in Unincorporated Kern County that subscribes to the service of a Franchise Hauler. This Ordinance will establish a fee for residential property located in a Universal Collection Area (excepting an Alternate Universal Collection Area), on an account basis, which will be collected along with the County's property taxes and will become a lien on the property, if unpaid. This Ordinance

also establishes that the same fee will be paid on an account basis for all residential properties that are not located in a Universal Collection Area that subscribe to the services of a franchise hauler and all commercial properties that subscribe to the services of a franchise hauler. The Board of Supervisors will also consider a report filed by the Public Works Department that describes the amount of the proposed fee for each franchise hauler account should the proposed Ordinance be enacted and the report approved. In accordance with this report, the Public Works Department sets the Solid Waste Administration Fee at \$0.20 per hauler account per month for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. The fee for waste generated on non-Universal Collection Area residential and commercial properties that subscribe to the services of a franchise hauler will not be collected on the tax roll but instead, will be invoiced to the franchise hauler annually by the Public Works Department.

Any affected person may submit written protests to the report or the enactment of the proposed tax roll billing. Written protests must be signed by the objecting party, indicate the subject property and be delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors prior to the conclusion of the public hearing.

Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Board of Supervisors may adopt, revise, change, reduce or modify any fee set forth in the report filed by the Public Works Department or overrule any or all objections, and shall make its determination upon the fee as described in that report. Should the owners of a majority of the separate parcels of real property described in the report object to the report, the report will not be adopted and the fee described in the report will not be collected with the County's property taxes or invoiced; otherwise, the Board of Supervisors may order the report filed with the Kern County Auditor-Controller-County Clerk, who will enter the amounts of the fee against the respective parcels of residential real property as they appear on the assessment roll.

The Director of the Public Works Department has considered the environmental impacts of this action and concluded that this action will not have a significant effect on the environment and the action is statutorily exempt from further CEQA review per Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8) and Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15273 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

Complete copies of the proposed Ordinance and the report filed by the Public Works Department are on file for inspection with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Fifth Floor, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California. Alternatively, you may request copies by calling the Public Works Department at (661) 862-8900 or by making a request via email at waste@kerncounty.com.

Anyone wishing to present evidence or be heard regarding this matter may appear at the hearing of this matter or any continuation thereof. However, in accordance with the current public health declarations, it is requested, and highly recommended, that any comments or concerns be submitted prior to the hearing via email at waste@kerncounty.com. If you challenge the action taken by the Board of Supervisors on this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Dated: April 21, 2020
KATHLEEN KRAUSE
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By: /s/Theresa M. Derouchie, Deputy Clerk
Publish Shafter Press April 30, May 7, 2020

Body, marijuana lab found in Shafter home

An anonymous call led to police finding a body in a Gossamer Grove house being used for the extraction of marijuana oil.

The Kern County Sheriff's Office said the dead man was 39-year-old Daniel S. Baek.

The Shafter Police Department received a call April 29 about 4:38 p.m. last about a deceased person inside a residence. The officers went to the 9100 block of Woodbrook Drive, in the Gossamer Grove area of Shafter, where they found Baek inside a residence that also contained an industrial-sized marijuana extraction lab.

While conducting a search of the residence, officers found more than 2,400 edible marijuana products as well as more than 1,000 pounds of marijuana in various stages of production, according to Sergeant Joshua Stephens of the Shafter Police Department.

The lab was subsequently disassembled and rendered safe. There was no comment on if there had been any arrests, and the investigation is ongoing.

A cause of death was not given and an autopsy will be performed by the Kern County Coroner's Office.

—Jamie Stewart



The garage of a Shafter home contained equipment used to process marijuana, police said.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF HEARING AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE RESIDENTIAL NON-TAX ROLL BILLED ZONE 1 FRANCHISE AREA 17 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CHARGES AND RECYCLING SURCHARGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

On the 19th day of May, 2020, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, in the Kern County Administrative Center, located at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, a Public Hearing will be conducted

to consider the enactment of, and hear any objections to, an Ordinance establishing the schedule of Solid Waste Collection Charges and the Recycling Surcharge for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for residential property in Garbage Franchise Zone 1 Franchise Area 17 that is not located within any Universal Collection Area. This Ordinance will establish a schedule of service charges for all residential properties. The Board of Supervisors will also consider a Report filed by the Public Works Department titled "Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Area 17 Solid Waste Collection Charges for Fiscal Year 2020-

2021." Issues and recommendations in the report include the following:

1. Designate the use of each parcel of real property in the Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Area 17 as residential or non-residential;
2. Describe the amount of the proposed service charge for each parcel of real property in the Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Area 17 should the proposed Ordinance be enacted and the Report approved;
3. Maximum monthly rates for solid waste collection for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 in the Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Area 17 are

set forth in the following table for residential properties with four units or less. This maximum rate includes the Solid Waste Administration fee which is charged on an account basis per provisions in County Ordinance and contracts with the individual haulers. In some instances, this maximum rate may be slightly lower per unit based on the number of accounts actually served on that property.

Res NTRB Zone 1 FA 17
Maximum Monthly Fees
Residential Service per unit
July 2019 Fee: \$22.64
July 2020 Fee: \$22.64
Recycling Service Per Unit

July 2019 Fee: \$7.17
July 2020 Fee: \$7.17
Recycling Surcharge per unit
July 2019 Fee: \$0.57
July 2020 Fee: \$1.14

4. Recycling Services (blue cart hauling and rental) are a separate charge and will be set at \$7.17 per month.

5. Continue the implementation of the Recycling Surcharge which is currently being phased in over three years. Fiscal Year 2020-2021 is year 2 of the implementation and the rate will be \$1.14 per unit per month.

Issues and recommendations in the report include the following:

1. Designate the use of each parcel of real property in the Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Areas 9 and 42 as residential or non-residential;
2. Describe the amount of the proposed service charge for each parcel of real property in the Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Areas 9 and 42 should the proposed Ordinance be enacted and the Report approved;
3. Maximum monthly rates for solid waste collection for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 in the Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Areas 9 and 42 are set forth in the following table for residential properties with four units or less. This maximum rate includes the Solid Waste Administration fee which is charged on an account basis per provisions in County Ordinance and contracts with the individual haulers. In some instances, this maximum rate may be slightly lower per unit based on the number of accounts actually served on that property.

Res NTRB Zone 1 FA 9 & 42
Maximum Monthly Fees
Residential Service per unit
July 2019 Fee: \$22.78
July 2020 Fee: \$22.78
Recycling Service per unit
July 2019 Fee: \$7.17
July 2020 Fee: \$7.17
Recycling Surcharge per unit
July 2019 Fee: \$0.57
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Any affected person may submit written protests to the report. Written protests must be signed by the objecting party, indicate the subject property and be delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors prior to the conclusion of the public hearing. Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Board of Supervisors may adopt, revise, change, reduce or modify any charge set forth in the Report filed by the Public Works Department or overrule any or all objections, and shall make its determination upon each charge as described in that Report. The Director of the Public Works Department has considered the environmental impacts of this action and concluded that this action will not have a significant effect on the environment and the action is statutorily exempt from further CEQA review per Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8) and Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15273 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

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Dated: April 21, 2020
KATHLEEN KRAUSE
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By: /s/Theresa M. Derouchie, Deputy Clerk
Publish *Shafter Press* April 30, May 7, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF HEARING AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE RESIDENTIAL NON-TAX ROLL BILLED ZONE 1 FRANCHISE AREAS 9 AND 42 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CHARGES AND RECYCLING SURCHARGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

On the 19th day of May, 2020, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, in the Kern County Administrative Center, located at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, a Public Hearing will be conducted to consider the enactment of, and hear any objections to, an Ordinance establishing the schedule of Solid Waste Collection Charges and the Recycling Surcharge for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for residential property in Garbage Franchise Zone 1 Franchise Areas 9 and 42 that is not located within any Universal Collection Area. This Ordinance will establish a schedule of service charges for all residential properties. The Board of Supervisors will also consider a Report filed by the Public Works Department titled "Residential Non-Tax Roll Billed Zone 1 Franchise Areas 9 and 42 Solid Waste Collection Charges for Fiscal Year 2020-2021."

PUBLIC NOTICE SEMIROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT Kern County, California NOTICE INVITING BIDS COX CANAL INTERTIE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS NO. 20-01

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT (hereinafter "District") until **2:00 p.m.** on **May 29, 2020**, for the construction of Specifications No. 20-01, Cox Canal Intertie Project ("Project") including, but not limited to, the furnishing of all labor, services, materials, tools, equipment, supplies, and facilities necessary therefore, and transportation, utilities, and all other items as provided in the Contract Documents associated herewith, of which each and every document comprising the entirety of the Contract Documents are incorporated at length as if fully set forth herein. The Project is located within Kern County and in the vicinity of Wasco, California. Bids will be received at the offices of the District, 1101 Central Avenue, Wasco, CA 93280, until the stated time and date, at which time and place the bids will be opened.

If a contract is awarded, it will be awarded to the responsive Bidder submitting the lowest responsive Bid Proposal on the basis of prices in the Bid. The bidding requirements and the Work are fully described in the Contract Documents. Electronic Adobe Acrobat ® Portable Document Format (PDF) of Contract Documents are being made available to Bidders either by email or a download link. No paper (hard) copies of Contract Documents will be provided to Bidders. Requests for electronic Contract Documents may be requested from Grace Martin, GEI Consultants, Inc. at gmartin@geiconsultants.com. Request must include company name, requesting person's name, requesting person's physical address, requesting person's email address, and requesting person's phone number. Addenda will only be distributed to requesting person. In light of the California Governor's March 19, 2020 executive order, and other emergency executive orders regarding COVID-19, and consistent with applicable laws, regulations and orders, the District will conduct the bid opening and mandatory pre-bid conference via teleconference. The District is requiring all bidders to perform a mandatory self-guided tour of the project site. Bidder shall contact Grace Martin, GEI Consultants, Inc. at gmartin@geiconsultants.com or (661) 716-3010 to schedule appointment for self-guided tour. Self-guided tours will be limited to a duration of two (2) hours. Self-guided tours will be limited between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm and start May 11, 2020 and end May 14, 2020. A sign-in form will be provided at time appointment is made for Contractor to sign and return after completion of self-guided tour. The mandatory pre-bid teleconference will be conducted by the Semitropic Water District on **May 15, 2020**. The pre-bid teleconference will start promptly at **9:00 a.m.** It is anticipated that the teleconference will last approximately two (2) hours. The call-in telephone number and passcode for the bid opening and mandatory pre-bid teleconference will be provided on the bid-tour sign-in form.

While the Work to be performed with respect to the Project is more fully described and detailed in the Plans and Specifications, the principal components of Work to be performed includes the following:

- a. Construction of a 200 cfs pumping plant, including inlet and outlet structures, vertical axial flow pumps, 48-inch diameter pipelines, valves, couplings, and pipe supports.
- b. Construction of a concrete spillway and stop log facility.
- c. Construction of concrete electrical equipment slabs.
- d. Construction of a pre-engineered electrical equipment shade structure.
- e. Furnishing an installing chain-link fencing and gates.
- f. Furnishing and installing crushed rock ground cover.
- g. Construction of canal lining.
- h. Demolition of existing canal concrete lining.
- i. Clearing, grubbing, and stripping.
- j. Furnishing and installing rip-rap.
- k. Site grading and earthwork.
- l. Furnishing, installing, maintaining, and removing temporary canal isolation structures.
- m. Dewatering
- n. Furnishing, and installing stilling well.
- o. Site electrical, instrumentation, and SCADA.

Work must be completed during the periods identified in the Specifications.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 6100(b), any contractor, subcontractor, and/or specialty contractor, as defined under Business and Professions Code Section 7026, submitting a proposal shall possess, at the time the contract is awarded, that classification of contractor's license required by law to enable the contractor to perform the Work contemplated under the Contract Documents, as more specifically set forth in the specifications. Specifically, a Class A – General Engineering contractor's license is required for the project. Contractors shall provide the District with their Contractor's license number and expiration date as provided in the proposal. It is the District's intent that "plans," as used in Public Contract Code Section 3300, is defined as the construction contract documents, which include both the drawings and the specifications.

No contractor or subcontractor may be qualified to submit a Bid, be listed on a Bid proposal, or engage in the performance of any Work associated with this project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 et seq. [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)]. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded the contract for the project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.

The District reserves the right, after opening bids, to reject any or all bids, to waive or to make award to the lowest responsible bidder and reject all other bids. This published notice does NOT reproduce all the bidding requirements; accordingly, the above-referenced Plans and Specifications are hereby incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Notice Inviting Bids. An acceptable bid can only be prepared by reading and following all of the instructions that are found in the Specifications, which includes Sections A and B thereof. Each Bidder is required to sign a Noncollusion Affidavit and submit it with his bid. The successful Bidder is required to furnish a Payment Bond in an amount of 100% of the contract and a Faithful Performance Bond in an amount of 100% of the contract; the bonds to be secured by a surety company or surety companies satisfactory to the District.

Bids shall be based on the payment of not less than the prevailing rate of wages for this locality and project as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1770 et seq. and the Davis-Bacon Act, whichever is greater. Prevailing wage schedules for Kern County are available from the Department of Industrial Relations-Division of Labor Statistics & Research via the internet at www.dir.ca.gov. Copies of the prevailing rates of per diem wages are on file at the office of the District and will be made available to any interested party on request. Davis-Bacon Act prevailing wage schedules can be found at www.wdol.gov. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. (See Labor Code section 1771.4(a)(1).) Each contractor and subcontractor shall furnish the records specified in Labor Code section 1776 directly to the Labor Commissions, in the manner set forth in Labor Code section 1771.4(a)(3)(A)-(B). Contractors shall be required to post job site notices, as prescribed by regulation. (See Labor Code section 1771.4(a)(2).)

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, equivalent securities may be substituted for monies withheld to ensure performance of the contract.

Questions regarding the type of work required, or requests for electronic Adobe Acrobat ® Portable Document Format (PDF) plans and specifications may be addressed to the following: Grace Martin, GEI Consultants, Inc. at gmartin@geiconsultants.com.

This project is funded in part by a federal grant: WaterSMART Drought Response Program. The grant is being administered by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation). Since a Federal grant is providing funding for the project, the Contractor, its Subcontractors and Suppliers will be required to comply with all applicable Federal requirements.

Date: **April 30, 2020**

Semitropic Water Storage District

By: /s/ Jason Gianquinto

General Manager

Publish *Shafter Press* May 7, 14, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Public Hearing City Council Meeting Date of May 19, 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all that a public hearing will be held before the City of Wasco City Council on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. or soon thereafter in the City Council Chambers located at 746 8th Street, Wasco, California, to consider the following:

Municipal Code Amending Title 3:

Project: Public hearing and first reading of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Wasco Amending Title 8, "Health and Safety", Chapter 8.30, "Control of Backflow and Cross-Connections to Water Systems" of the City of Wasco Municipal Code. The Municipal Code text changes and any supporting documents may be reviewed during normal business hours at City Hall located at 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, for a period of two weeks prior to this public hearing. Any person wishing to testify on the above project may appear before the City Council at their hearing of May 19, 2020 and will be given full opportunity to be heard or may submit written comments on or before May 19, 2020.

If you challenge this proposal, or any aspect of it in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Wasco City Hall, 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, at, or prior to the public hearing.

If you need special assistance to participate in the meetings described in this notice, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (661) 758-7215 to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to these meetings. Telephone (661) 758-7215 or via California Relay Service (Hearing Impaired Only). Requests for assistance should be made at least two (2) days in advance whenever possible.

If you have any questions, you may contact the City Clerk at (661) 758-7214.

/s/Maria O. Martinez, City Clerk
Publish Wasco Tribune May 7, 2020

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Project: Public hearing and first reading of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Wasco Amending Title 8, "Health and Safety", Chapter 8.30, "Control of Backflow and Cross-Connections to Water Systems" of the City of Wasco Municipal Code.

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If you challenge this proposal, or any aspect of it in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Wasco City Clerk, 746 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280, at, or prior to the public hearing.

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If you have any questions, you may contact the Public Works Department at (661) 758-7214.

/s/Maria Martinez, City Clerk
Publish Wasco Tribune May 7, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE SECTION 00 11 13 SOLICITATION NOTICE NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

1. OWNER: Wasco Elementary School District
2. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION NAME: Outdoor Classroom Seating Project Number 1516
3. PROJECT LOCATION: 305 Griffith Avenue, Wasco, California 93280
4. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Outdoor Classroom Seating is two (02) reinforced concrete structures. This project is anticipated to start on approximately 23 June 2020 and shall have a 60 calendar day performance period to complete the Work.
5. BID DEADLINE: Bids are due on 2 June 2020 at 2:00pm PST or at any other date or time as modified by Addendum.

6. PLACE OF BID RECEIPT: Wasco Elementary School District, District Office, 1102 Fifth Street, Wasco, CA 93280
7. METHOD OF BID RECEIPT: Personal delivery, courier, or mailed via United States Postal Service to above address.
8. PLACE PLANS ARE ON FILE: Availability of Contract Documents (plans, specifications and bid forms) are at local builder exchanges in the Kern County area
9. SEALED BID MARKING: Print the Project Name and Project Number on the envelope.
10. ALTERNATES: If alternate bids are called for, the contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder on the basis indicated below:
[check only one]
☐ (a) The lowest bid shall be the lowest bid price on the base contract without consideration of the prices on the additive or deductive items.
☐ (b) The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the combined bid prices on the base contract and alternates [specify].
☐ (c) The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base contract and alternates, taken in order, up to a maximum amount to be publicly disclosed before the first bid is opened.
☐ (d) The lowest bid shall be determined in a manner that prevents any information that would identify any of the bidders or proposed subcontractors or suppliers from being revealed to the public entity before the ranking of all bidders from lowest to highest has been determined.
☒ (e) Not applicable to this project, as no alternates are requested.

1. JOB WALK (NOT MANDATORY): Meet at: Wasco Elementary School District, District Office, 1102 Fifth Street, Wasco, CA 93280. Date: 19 May 2020 Time: 9:00 am
Location: Job Site - Wasco California
2. PLAN DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$0.00 Bid Documents, plans and specifications available to download or review from local builder exchanges only.
3. This is a prevailing wage project. OWNER has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker needed to execute this contract. These rates are on file at OWNER's office, and a copy may be obtained upon request, or at www.dir.ca.gov. Contractor shall post a copy of these rates at the job site. ALL PROJECTS OVER \$1,000 ARE SUBJECT TO PREVAILING WAGE MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT

BY THE LABOR COMMISSIONER.
It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded (CONTRACTOR), and upon any SUBCONTRACTOR, to pay not less than the specified rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the contract.
4. A Payment Bond for contracts over \$25,000 and a Performance Bond for all contracts shall be required prior to commencement of work. These bonds shall be in the amounts and form called for in the Contract Documents.
5. Pursuant to the provisions of Public Contract Code Section 22300, CONTRACTOR may substitute certain securities for any funds withheld by OWNER to ensure CONTRACTOR's performance under the contract. At the request and expense of CONTRACTOR, securities equivalent to any amount withheld shall be deposited, at the discretion of OWNER, with either OWNER or a state or federally chartered bank as the escrow agent, who shall then pay any funds otherwise subject to retention to CONTRACTOR. Upon satisfactory completion of the contract, the securities shall be returned to CONTRACTOR.
Securities eligible for investment shall include those listed in Government Code Section 16430, bank and savings and loan certificates of deposit, interest bearing demand deposit accounts, standby letters of credit, or any other security mutually agreed to by CONTRACTOR and OWNER. CONTRACTOR shall be the beneficial owner of any securities substituted for funds withheld and shall receive any interest on them. The escrow agreement shall be in the form indicated in the Contract Documents.
6. To bid on or perform the work stated in this Notice, CONTRACTOR must possess a valid and active contractor's license of the following classifications: (B) General Building Contractor or (C-13) Fencing Contractor. No CONTRACTOR or subcontractor shall be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of § 4104 of the Public Contract Code, for a public works project (submitted on or after 1 March 2015) unless currently registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code § 1725.5. No CONTRACTOR or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded after 1 April 2015) unless registered with the DIR. DIR's web registration portal is:

www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/Contractors.html
7. CONTRACTOR and all subcontractors must furnish electronic certified payroll records (eCPR) to the Labor Commissioner [specify weekly, bi-weekly or monthly] in PDF format. Registration at www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/Certified-Payroll-Reporting.html is required to use the eCPR system.
The following notice is given as required by Labor Code Section 1771.5(b)(1): CONTRACTOR and any subcontractors are required to review and comply with the provisions of the California Labor Code, Part 7, Chapter 1, beginning with Section 1720, as more fully discussed in the Contract Documents. These sections contain specific requirements concerning, for example, determination and payment of prevailing wages, retention, inspection, and auditing payroll records, use of apprentices, payment of overtime compensation, securing workers' compensation insurance, and various criminal penalties or fines which may be imposed for violations of the requirements of the chapter. Submission of a bid constitutes CONTRACTOR's representation that CONTRACTOR has thoroughly reviewed these requirements.
8. [check only one]
☒ (a) OWNER will retain 5% of the amount of any progress payments.
☐ (b) OWNER will retain 10% of the amount of any progress payments because the project has been found to be substantially complex on the basis of
9. This Project ☐ requires ☒ does not require prequalification pursuant to AB 1565 of all general contractors and all mechanical, electrical and plumbing subcontractors. If required, a Prequalification package may be obtained by downloading the necessary forms from district web site. A bid package will not be accepted from any bidder that is required to submit a completed questionnaire and supporting documents pursuant to AB 1565, but has not done so at least ten (10) business days prior to the date fixed for the public opening of sealed bids or that has not been prequalified for at least five (5) business days prior to that date.
Publish Wasco Tribune May 7, 14, 2020

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE BY THE WASCO CITY COUNCIL OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter, the City Council of the City

of Wasco intends to adopt an Ordinance entitled:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF WASCO MUNICIPAL CODE, ADDING CHAPTER 2.70, DIGITAL SIGNATURES SUMMARY
The proposed Ordinance will in any written communication or transaction with the City where a signature is required, any party to the communication may use a digital signature, provided that it complies with the requirements of this section. This section is intended to enable the City to use digital signatures to the fullest extent allowed by law.
A copy of the full text of the Ordinance is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Wasco, 746 - 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280. You may contact the City Clerk at (661) 758-7214 with questions regarding this proposed Ordinance.
DATED: May 5, 2020
/s/MARIA O. MARTINEZ
Clerk of the City of Wasco and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Council
Publish Wasco Tribune May 7, 2020

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A copy of the full text of the Ordinance is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Wasco, 746 - 8th Street, Wasco, CA 93280. You may contact the City Clerk at (661) 758-7214 with questions regarding this proposed Ordinance.
DATED: May 5, 2020
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