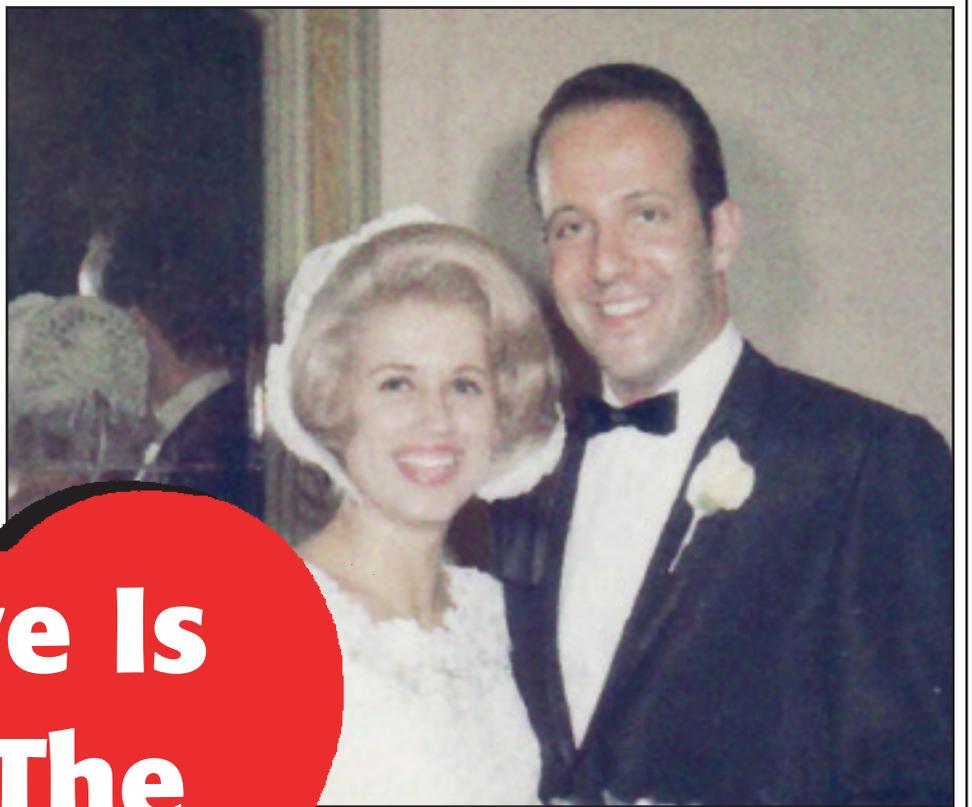


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**Two Beverly Hills couples share their real-life love stories**

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# letters & email

Do we really need a bilingual election guide and ballot? Because if this measure is necessary then our local papers would need to be bilingual, too. Otherwise how would those who cannot read English follow city governance, and so be able to make an informed and objective decision? This attempt by the city to motivate additional voters seems instead just to have cluttered our voting materials.

*Richard Baker  
Beverly Hills*

*Publisher's note: See city & schools story on page 3 for more on this issue.*

### "Final Forums Highlight Difference Among Candidates"

Within the past week I received city-wide mailings from two Beverly Hills city council members that are very troubling. One was from Honorable Linda J. Briskman urging me to trust in her choices by voting to re-elect Steve Webb and Jimmy Delshad. The other letter was from Councilman and Mrs. Barry Brucker, *letters cont. on page 4*

## WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

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## SNAPSHOT



Photo: Barry Weiss

### "NOT IN HERE" MORENO DRIVE

Beverly Hills High School senior goalie David Roston makes one of his seven saves in the 3-0 victory over Morningside in last Tuesday's varsity soccer home game. Other BHHS players, L to R: Jake Weissberg (16), Shawn Bolour (4), Alex Lichtenberg (10) and Sharbel Alem (3).



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Date: Wednesday, February 21, 2007

Time: 7:00pm.

Location: Commission Meeting Room A, Beverly Hills  
City Hall, 455 North Rexford Drive,  
Beverly Hills, California 90210

The Recreation and Parks Commission of the City of Beverly Hills, at a special its regular meeting on Wednesday, February 21, 2007, will hold a public hearing beginning at 7:00pm. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard to consider.

A visual presentation of the La Cienega and Roxbury Parks Master Plan proposals will be discussed with the commission and invited public by Hirsch and Associate, Inc. Landscaping Architecture and Planning.

Any interested person may attend the meeting and be heard or present written comments to the commission before or at the Recreation and Parks Commission at the date and time noted above. If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Community Services Department at 310.285.2536.

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## Translated Sample Ballots Spark Community Backlash

Some residents say they are alarmed by the use of English, Farsi and Spanish in this year's election materials.

By Ryan Vaillancourt

The City Clerk's office was clogged with complaint calls last week after residents got their first look at this year's sample ballot.

The callers, City Clerk Byron Pope said, were alarmed by the inclusion of Farsi translations throughout this year's election materials.

As of Monday afternoon, 300 complaints had been fielded and more calls likely never got past a busy signal, Pope said.

"We are taking the phone calls the best we can, but it is slowing down our process of getting the absentee ballots out," Pope said.

This is not the first year that the sample ballot has included Farsi. With urging from the human relations commission in

2004, the city council directed former City Clerk Nina Webster to include Farsi in the ballot for the 2005 election.

So in 2005, the voting instructions, candidate bios and precinct information found inside the sample ballot were translated into Farsi and for the first time in city history, voters could obtain, upon request, a translated ballot card at the polls or by mail.

This year however, the sample ballot is translated entirely into Farsi, and on election-day, one universal ballot printed in English, Farsi and Spanish will be presented to all voters.

Because most voters were still presented with an English-only ballot in 2005 - as in every prior election in city history - the policy may have initially snuck beneath

the radar of those who have voiced concern this year.

"The languages have all been combined on one ballot so there's no cause for discrepancy or concern of knowing whether the translations were correct, whether the names were correct, [or] how you know who's voting on what ballot. Everyone gets the exact same ballot and has the opportunity to vote on the same ballot on the same issues," Pope said.

Critics of the policy say that it is unnecessary and even offensive. Voters in this country, they say, should be required to cast their ballot in English.

"We got the ballot in the mail and there were all kinds of languages splattered all over the front page and I got offended by it, it's really inappropriate" said Pete Sayegh, a South Maple Drive resident.

Sayegh, a first generation Israeli immigrant himself, likens the multi-lingual ballot to multi-lingual materials issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

"The street signs are all in English," Sayegh said. "I think by providing official government information with foreign languages, you are preventing assimilation."

Though some residents complained about the policy when it was first implemented in 2005, this year's reaction has been twice as strong, Pope said, and it has prompted an inquiry into the city's legal responsibilities to offer translated election materials at all.

Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act stipulates that a state or "political subdivision" must "provide language assistance to voters if more than 5 percent of the voting age citizens are members of a single-language minority group who do not speak or understand English adequately enough to participate in the electoral process."

The US Census does not identify Persians as a minority, so the exact number of Persians in Beverly Hills is uncertain, *city and schools cont. on page 5*



### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**DATE:** February 22, 2007

**TIME:** 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard

**LOCATION:** Commission Meeting Room A  
Beverly Hills City Hall  
455 North Rexford Drive  
Beverly Hills, California 90210

The Planning Commission of the City of Beverly Hills, at its regular meeting on Thursday, February 22, 2007, will hold a public hearing beginning at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to consider:

A request for a Variance to allow a reduced front yard setback in conjunction with the proposed construction of a new residence located at 813 Alpine Drive. Approval of the variance would permit a 50-foot front yard setback in lieu of the 75-foot front yard setback otherwise required.

This project has been assessed in accordance with the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the State CEQA Guidelines, and the environmental regulations of the City, and has been found to be exempt pursuant to Section 15303 (a) and 15305 (a) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Any interested person may attend the meeting and be heard or present written comments to the Commission at or prior to the meeting date and time noted above.

If you challenge the Commission's action 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, either at or prior to the public hearing.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Planning Department at 310.285.1123. Copies of the applications, plans and project materials are on file in the Planning Department, and can be reviewed by any interested person at 455 North Rexford Drive, Room G-40, Beverly Hills, CA. 90210.

David Reyes  
Senior Planner



### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**CITY CLERK  
BYRON POPE, CMC  
455 N. Rexford Drive**

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council of Beverly Hills, at its adjourned regular meeting to be held on **Tuesday, February 20, 2007, at 3:00 p.m.**, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210; will hold a public hearing to consider:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS CREATING THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL OVERLAY (C-H) ZONE, AMENDING THE BEVERLY HILLS MUNICIPAL CODE, AND APPLYING THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL OVERLAY ZONE TO PROPERTY KNOWN AS 133 SPALDING DRIVE; AND A RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND ADOPTION OF A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 133 SPALDING DRIVE.**

The City anticipates that this item will be heard by the City Council at or around 4:30 p.m.

The Planning Commission at its hearing of November 30, 2006 recommended that the City Council approve the project. Subsequently, on January 25, 2007, the Planning Commission conditionally approved the conditional use permit aspect of the project, which would allow the use of a 4-unit condominium structure on the project site for limited hotel purposes. The City Council will consider all requested entitlements, including the conditional use permit.

A Negative Declaration was prepared for the project and circulated for public review and comment for a 20 day period, which began on October 12, 2006 and ended on November 1, 2006.

All interested persons are invited to attend and speak on this matter. Written comments may also be submitted and should be addressed to the City Council, c/o City Clerk, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210 and should be received prior to the public hearing.

Please remember, if you challenge the Council's action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the hearing before the City Council or in written correspondence delivered to the City, either at or prior to the hearing.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Community Development Department, Planning Division, at 310.285.1123. Copies of the plans and application are available for review or purchase in the Planning Department, Room G-40, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California.

BYRON POPE, CMC  
City Clerk

# briefs



## Mike Bartkoski, popular woods teacher, passes

Mike Bartkoski passed away Jan. 26 after a short battle with pancreatic cancer.

Bartkoski taught woodshop at Beverly Vista and other district elementary schools throughout the 1980s and 1990s, finishing his career as a technical arts teacher at Beverly High.

He retired in 2004 and later moved to Missouri.

Former Beverly High principal Dan Stepenosky remembers Bartkoski as a true craftsman.

"In his woodshop class, he was unparalleled at shaping young lives by helping them shape and build wood into beautiful pieces of art," Stepenosky said. "Mike guided his students as they designed and created works that entering the class they would have never dreamed that they could."

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ing me to vote for Mr. Delshad. In addition Councilman Frank Fenton has endorsed both Webb and Delshad, and Brucker has endorsed Webb as well.

What troubles me is that these endorsements diminish to some extent the inde-

pendence of the five council members, one from the other. Moreover, as is their obvious intent, they diminish chances of independent-thinking-non-incumbents, thus promulgating control over city management by the incumbents and their chosen successors whom they will endorse. In a similar vein, I was offended last year when the president of the school board approached me to introduce, and urge me to vote for, "her candidate" to serve with her following that school board election.

Long-time Beverly Hills residents will recall that prior to the mid-1980s no sitting councilman or school board member would publicly endorse a candidate for either body. The prevailing attitude was "you elected me as one of five, and I will do my utmost to deliberate independently and harmoniously with whomever you elect to the other seats in either body". I believe the city and school district were better served in that bygone era.

As individuals, I do not question the honesty or integrity of any of the five city council members, and I know that they may take differing positions (on rare occasions). I will not, however, by my vote, support their efforts to maintain ironclad control over the management and future of this city.

*Mel Spitz  
Beverly Hills*

*Publisher's note: Mel Spitz served on the Board of Education from 1971 to 1979. As of press time, Brucker has only formally endorsed Delshad.*

[Last week's] Weekly quotes Mayor Steve Webb as saying, "Putting a water reclamation facility in the (Industrial Area) at the cost of 200 million dollars....which we have firm numbers on from contractors....is not something this city is going to do....I do think that we need to explore reasonable options."

May I offer some options Mr. Webb?

There are portable reclamation options, and there are small reclamation options. Perhaps the City of Santa Monica could show you the way as they are re-claiming 4% of their water yearly and have done it without spending 200 million dollars.

Santa Monica has built a state of the art urban run-off recycling facility at the cost of approximately 12 million dollars which includes grants from the State, Metropolitan Water District, State Water Resources Control Board, City of Los Angeles and more. A 200 million dollar water reclamation plant, as you would have us believe, is not the only option.

The fact is that water reclamation is being accomplished all over Southern California, so why not in Beverly Hills? Once the water is purified, it is safe for all landscape irrigation.

The amount of water flowing into our storm drains in the Industrial Area is obscene in this time of critical water shortages all over California. Let's investigate our options now. It is time.

*Betty Harris  
Beverly Hills*

## "Widening Santa Monica" [Issue 384]

Dear Bob,

Two things struck me when I read your very well written letter to the Weekly published last week (Issue 384). The first was how diplomatic you were in stating, "We are hopeful that the Beverly Hills City Council and the L.A. County Metropolitan Transportation Authority will reconsider their actions... would further undermine the already eroding confidence many have in some of our elected officials." Secondly, I was aghast that such a concept as converting our garden parkway into asphalt even made the light of day!

When we used to play basketball, you were rough and tumble. Not so this time. So here goes.

Throw the bums out, I say! Yes, vote out the incumbents who supported the idea of expanding Santa Monica Blvd. Will our "green" mayor want to replace the green grass with "green" concrete! And Jimmy, I'm sure the European-city style you once wished Beverly Hills could be didn't have a major roadway running through its heart.

There are many long time residents of Beverly Hills who enjoy its community atmosphere. I hope those who choose to make Beverly Hills their home come because we have managed to retain that feeling of community, though much has been lost in the past 50 or so years.

Bob, I couldn't agree more with the fine points you make in your letter. Those same points, taken generally, apply to many other

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# coverstory

## LOVE IS IN THE AIR

### Two Beverly Hills couples share their real life love stories

By Ryan Vaillancourt

#### For the Love of the Game Bruce & Toni Corwin

Sports and politics are similar in that they're both cyclical. Every year, college basketball enthusiasts hunker down for three plus weeks of March Madness. It's tough to predict the champions, but that's why we watch. Politics - very much a game itself - is the same. Every year, at every level, candidates strategize, garner fans and hope for a slam dunk. Win or lose, there is always something to talk about.

Jerry and Marilyn Phillips, the couple that introduced Bruce Corwin and Toni Cooper at a Los Angeles Blades hockey game, would have agreed.

For Bruce and Toni, both sports buffs and budding campaign activists of the same political persuasion, a chilly ice arena should have been the ideal setting for a first date. Their shared excitement expressed with cheers and howls during the game would translate into excitement about each other. Between periods

they would analyze the defense and make friendly bets about the outcome.

It couldn't have been any different.

Maybe it was butterflies, maybe not, but Bruce and Toni didn't share a word.

"I sat with Marilyn all night and we got home and I said 'That's it, I don't ever want to see him again,'" Toni said. "I spoke to her all night and Bruce spoke to Jerry all night and it was cold in there and I didn't like hockey, thank you very much."

Should have gone with basketball.

But a few months later, in the summer of 1963, Jerry and Marilyn tied the knot and Bruce and Toni would see each other again, this time in a warmer setting.

"They sat us at the same table," Toni said.

Jerry and Marilyn wanted to match Bruce and Toni and they were not giving up.

This time, it wouldn't take much prodding to get them talking. As Bruce recalls, Toni didn't necessarily have a choice.

"I took one look at her and said I'm taking her home," Bruce said.

On the dance floor, Bruce hogged the young, blonde beauty to himself all night and Toni met a new man.

"I had arranged to get a ride from someone else that night," Toni said. "But I went home with someone else."

It would be five years until Bruce and Toni would get married, with both dating other people in and around Beverly Hills along the way. What sealed the deal?

"Well, I just made up my mind one day that this is what I wanted, and my mother had definitely made up her mind, she was in love with Bruce," Toni said.

Ask Bruce and Toni what made them perfect for each other and they'll recite a laundry list of common interests, a shared affection for family is only one item.

"We both really enjoy sports, we both right now really enjoy travel, we're both incredibly nuts about politics," Toni says. "And dogs," Bruce interjects, "they sleep on our bed!"

"Well values are really important and if you see in your spouse the same kind of values that you have, it's something special," Bruce said.

Not many couples, sports nuts included, would be so compelled by a particular sports team to let it dictate their wedding date.

But in the months leading up to March 22, 1968, when Bruce and Toni were scheduled to wed, something was brewing in the air over UCLA. Toni's alma matter team had sustained a heartbreaking loss to Houston earlier that season, and to make matters worse, their star center Lou Alcindor (now remembered as the great Los Angeles Laker, Kareem Abdul Jabbar) got

poked in the eye and had to exit the game. Houston's upset victory snapped a 47-game winning streak for UCLA - and as the first primetime televised college basketball game in history - Bruin fans had nowhere to hide.

But UCLA battled its way through the rest of the reason, returning to form with Alcindor back on the court. Houston too kept winning and it the world of sports fans knew that there would be a rematch, in the NCAA championships, schedule for March 22, 1968.

"Can you imagine, everybody walking down the aisle with radio antennae sticking up and earplugs?" Bruce said

More importantly, Bruce and Toni might have to miss the game themselves, so Toni went to her mother - aloof to her daughter's passion for sports - to explain the need to reschedule.

"She just had no idea what I was talking about, but I told her that I didn't want her to spend all this money on a wedding that nobody was going to pay any attention to," Toni said. "The invitations hadn't been sent out yet and so we pushed the wedding back a week."

Good thing. The Bruins, recharged, shined in the spotlight and beat Houston decisively. The timing couldn't have been better.

"It was great, because UCLA won and a week later, Toni and I won," Bruce said.

Soon, Toni and Bruce became parents to sons David and three years later, Danny. These days, the family of four still gets together for the big games - Mom and Dad rubbed off on the boys, who played soccer and baseball as they progressed through Hawthorne School and then Beverly High.

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but many estimates say that Persians make up at least 30 percent of the population. A city study conducted among Beverly High families in 2004 showed that about 25% of families spoke Farsi at home, though it's unclear how many families may also be proficient in English.

Either way, according to Professor Rick Hasen - who specializes in election law at Loyola Law School - Beverly Hills is not mandated to translate election materials into Farsi.

Because the Department of Justice limits the definition of "political subdivision" to counties, Hasen said, Beverly Hills is subject to the requirements and census data of Los Angeles County, where Farsi-speakers make up less than 5 percent of eligible voters.

Los Angeles County - and by default, Beverly Hills - is only mandated to provide election materials upon request in Spanish, Chinese, Tagalog, Japanese, Korean and Japanese.

But Beverly Hills is not alone in its efforts to go beyond what's required.

Glendale offers a ballot in Armenian for its largest minority group.

West Hollywood, which is home to a significant Russian-speaking community, prints two versions of their ballot; one in English and Russian and the other in English and Spanish.

"We're not required to do this," said West Hollywood City Clerk Tom West.

"But it's in the spirit of the law. It's a good faith effort to enable all of our residents to participate."

According to City Attorney Larry Wiener, Beverly Hills follows the same model.

"In 2004, when the city council requested that ballot materials be translated into Farsi, it did so because the council felt that there was a need in the community and it would encourage more and better informed political participation," Wiener said. "Technically, Beverly Hills is not required by federal law to translate [election materials] into Farsi."

If opposition to the policy stirs the pot to a boil, the next city council could decide to rescind the policy all together. While this year's ballot is set in stone, Pope said the city will consider the residents' concerns for next year's election.

If the debate continues though, critics of the multilingual ballot policy are sure to meet some opposition of their own.

"I just find it amazing that anyone would ever be offended that a ballot was in a language that gave other people the right to vote, it's just sad," said Human Relations Commissioner Julie Auerbach.

"Whoever these people are, this is exactly why we should be doing this. A translation of a language does not hinder their way of voting, it's just their displeasure."

# from the hills of beverly



## Pope Handles Protests

The one in BH, not the Vatican

By Rudy Cole

The city had a new record last week: Protest phone calls. No, not the loss of two hour free parking, widening of Santa Monica Boulevard, or even the closing of Crescent Drive for a private party at city hall.

What enraged over two hundreds denizens who called City Clerk **Byron Pope** was the inclusion of Farsi on the official city ballot.

As one irate voter put it: If they can't understand our native language, they shouldn't be allowed to vote.

That does present a problem. As far as I know, English is a foreign language, so some Native American dialect will have to suffice.

This is not first time Farsi has been used as a second language in city elections. Nor is it even the first experience we have had with alternative languages. Spanish, the language of the early non-Indian settlers in Southern California, has been used in Beverly Hills and most of our neighboring cities for many years.

But two years ago, the city reacted to the growing number of Persian community voters by including Farsi.

Why is this even an issue? The city took a preemptive action based on advice from the ballot consultants and by evaluating federal guidelines.

No, we were not under some court order to insert Farsi, but a section of the Voting Rights Act does instruct cities to meet the language demands of its population. In Los Angeles County, the options range all the way from Spanish to Vietnamese.

Did we really want the feds to come in and file a legal action against Beverly Hills for not accepting standards adopted in other cities? Or, a more drastic but not impossible scenario: Rule that our elections were invalid? Can you imagine anything more divisive?

There is a broader issue involved, and one that is not dependent on the law.

To become a citizen a person must only have a cursory knowledge of English and American history. That fits our national goals of encouraging citizenship. If the new voter needs to fully understand the ballot and it is in a language with which he or she is

more familiar, isn't that in the interest of fair, open and democratic elections?

The framers wrote the constitution in English, but made no reference to the language of **Chaucer** and **Shakespeare** in that marvelous body of work. We have a national language, although **Winston Churchill** might have challenged its resemblance to his words, by custom even though a vast majority of our current population has absolutely no family ties to the British Empire.

How quickly we forget. When our families arrived in America, they lived in neighborhoods where English was an unknown tongue. There were newspapers in Polish, German, Yiddish, Italian and Russian, to name a few of the wonderful cultures that made this country great. Immigrants, especially in New York, were rushed through the citizenship process by the political machines, such as Tammany Hall in New York, to assure control of city and state governments. Did these citizens have a clue what the ballot really said? No legal translations were provided.

The Voting Rights Act was adopted to cure many un-Democratic ills of our society. African Americans faced road blocks to voting in the South where regressive challenges, such as the poll tax, or the requirement that in order to vote your grandfather had to be a voter, was the law before the Voting Rights Act. The act also attempted to find more tools to encourage voting everywhere. One

section is even called "Make America Vote."

I fully understand the discomfort some people had when they first viewed their ballots, and the Farsi inclusion seemed so very enlarged. It's possible the ballot design could have been more inventive, but the intent was to comply with the spirit and the purpose of federal directives and to really assist our new neighbors in understanding the ballot they were about to mark, a very proud action for new Americans.

There is some political reality here which also comes into the scenario. This is not the first time an Iranian candidate appeared on the ballot; four years ago the city elected its first Persian resident to the council. Others had tried and failed.

**Jimmy Delshad** won four years ago, but without the support of most of the Iranian leadership of Beverly Hills. Most of those endorsements went to **MeraLee Goldman** who lost because her literature was attacked, at the last minute, for including endorsers she did not actually have. The mistake was clerical, clearly not intentional, but that and some anti-growth issues Jimmy then supported, made him the surprise winner. Since then, he has modified his anti-growth positions.

In the last election, only one Iranian was on the ballot, and he did not do well. The Iranian vote was as splintered as the non-Iranian vote.

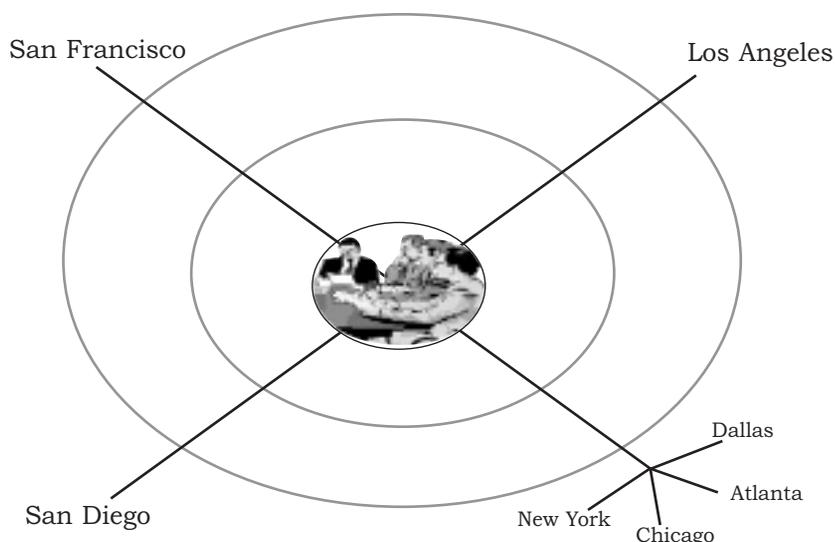
This election marks the first time more than one Iranian filed. We have three members of the Persian community running and that too probably contributed to the voter reaction. The three are energetically campaigning throughout the city and are vigor-

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## PUBLIC HEARING

ON THE MASTER PLAN FOR  
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Wednesday,  
**February 21, 2007**  
7:00pm  
City Hall,  
455 North Rexford Drive  
1st Floor, Meeting Room A



Consultants and staff have met with and listened to the community's thoughts and ideas on improvements needed at Roxbury and La Cienega Parks. The consultants will present their recommended enhancements at both sites as part of the February Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting. All Beverly Hills residents are invited to attend.

For further information, call **310.285.2537**

ously attempting to corral Iranian and non-Iranian votes.

Yes, there are some few Iranians who will vote only for Iranians, but there are also voters who will only vote for a Democrat, even though the election is non-partisan, and others who will only support candidates who are women or men or people of the same religion. Wrong? Maybe, but understandable.

What is interesting about these three: Delshad, **Maggie Soleimani** and **Shahram Melamed**, is how often they disagree on issues and how different their styles and appeals. To say that Delshad and Melamed dislike each other, is to understate the intensity of the competition. Soleimani, on the other hand, appeals to non-Iranian voters in the education community and also among people active in charities, both Iranian and non-Iranian.

Clearly, this is not an election between Iranians and non-Iranians, something that if it had happened, would be divisive and of concern. As for differences, the non-Iranians are just as distant from each other as the Iranian candidates.

**Nancy Krasne** is still angered by what she feels was unfair treatment by the city council when she was up for reappointment. Singling her out for questions on her behavior as a commissioner, an unprecedented act by the council, probably triggered her desire to run. She has taken a very strong anti-council posture.

Mayor **Steve Webb** often disagrees with Delshad, but his two non-Iranian challengers, Krasne and **Lizza Monet Morales** - a relative unknown and very long shot - have been his biggest tormenters in the campaign.

Also interesting in pairings is the endorsement of an Iranian, Soleimani, and non-Iranian, Krasne, by the Beverly Hills North Homeowners Association, an organization that has been very critical of Webb, Delshad and the rest of the city council.

This is worth repeating: The election is not about three Iranians running against three non-Iranians and it was not the Iranian community that caused the ballot to be translated into Farsi. Most wished it hadn't happened.

Are there cultural issues, clashes in our city? Of course. The differences in history alone made that inevitable, as it does with most first and second American generations. On the plus side, the size of Iranian families probably saved our school system. Since public education is now paid by the state and not local property taxes and courts have ruled that the spending must be equal in all school districts, we have benefited enormously from Iranian immigration which came as we were losing school age population.

Also, as the candidates themselves show, the Iranian community is not monolithic. Most are Jewish, some Bahai and a few Muslim, although all three in the council race are Jewish. Adopting to their new world, they are in a wide range of professions and trades with the usual mix of economic success and failure.

Any change in any ethnic, religious and racial mix in any community causes some discomfort and even extreme backlashes. The migration of Jewish residents to Beverly Hills was not seamless, not at all. We have also had times of large numbers of Christian Scientists, Mormons and, in case you have any reservations on our religious history, examine the house of worship on our church row: Not one synagogue or temple. We live in harmony and are an enlightened, tolerant people. We just need to remember that diversity and adjustment together will strengthen our city.

As for choosing our councilmembers, I hope the test will always be integrity, ability and a grasp of the problems our city faces. Issues, not ethnicity, should matter. There are Iranian and non-Iranian candidates I

could not support.

We should be very appreciative of the highly professional manner City Clerk Pope and his staff handled the phone calls.

Roozeh khoshi dashle bashed.

Now, if only a pipe smoking, martini drinking candidate would emerge.

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Former School Board President **Mel Spitz** and other letter writers have taken issue with councilmembers endorsing their colleagues for election (see letters, page 4). They may be right in terms of principles, but not historically.

The assertion that this is a fairly recent phenomenon is not entirely accurate.

In fact, the old power structure that ruled the city in the 1950s and 1960s, and never saw a zoning variance they didn't like, not only endorsed colleagues, they hand picked people for office - city council and school board.

What has been true in more recent years is that incumbents in the same election refrain from endorsing each other - avoiding the appearance of a slate or team.

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Endorsements crossing the political body from council to board and back are very common and understandable. Actually, the office holders have a good opportunity to evaluate colleagues and they too have the free speech right to be heard.

Now, if we can only convince people to vote.

On a very sad note, I am sorry to have to report that one of the nicest guys in our town has died following a very long illness. CPA **Franklin Lamm**, a one time candidate for city council, was one of the most generous people in our village. He gave of his time and energy to friends and organizations, including his favorite, the Beverly Hills Optimists. Our condolences to his wonderful wife **Celene**. Services this afternoon, for details call **John Arden** at 310. 858.8800

*Rudy Cole served for eight years as a member and chair of the city's Recreation & Parks Commission. He was also President of the Greystone Foundation and served on three other city committees. Rudy can be reached at: Rudy@bhweekly.com.*

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issues facing the future of Beverly Hills.

This election is about many significant issues, widening Santa Monica is just one of several top priority items. Voters need to be mindful of the incumbents who have endorsed such issues as widening Santa Monica, eminent domain and overbuilding among the many other issues that will determine the quality of life in Beverly Hills. You can't unbuild an oversized building and you won't be able to take back the proposed expansion of Santa Monica Blvd Should it be constructed. Please vote responsibly.

*Craig Davis  
Beverly Hills*

**Councilmember Barry Brucker Responds**  
Myth vs. Fact, Election Rumors:

The election season always seems to bring out both the best and worst of our democratic process. Our own community is not immune to the fictional stories, deceptive sound bites and untruths propagated by those seeking to influence the voter. This letter is an attempt to clarify fiction versus fact regarding some of the rumors being spread throughout our community.

MYTH: The City Council has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Beverly Hilton to build a new Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

FACT: Absolutely Untrue. The Council has no such Memorandum of Understanding or MOU. In fact, the Council has yet to see the Hilton/Waldorf presentation that was first shown to the public several weeks ago.

MYTH: The City Council made a decision to hire a traffic consultant for \$900,000 and is legally obligated to widen Santa Monica Blvd by five feet.

FACT: Not true. The City Council has authorized a traffic consultant (for \$50,000) to analyze the impacts of widening Santa Monica Blvd. No decisions will be made regarding widening Santa Monica Blvd.

until (a) we hear from the traffic consultant, (b) get a report from staff at an open study session, (c) outreach to residents and community members, (d) hear public input, deliberate in public and vote in public. Note: Since recently acquiring Santa Monica Blvd. from the State, you may see our street maintenance personnel doing some much needed safety repairs to the potholes and worn asphalt.

MYTH: The Council has signed an agreement with a developer for a multi-story/high density building on the corner of Wilshire and Spalding.

FACT: Again, this is a false rumor. No such project has even reached the Planning Commission let alone the City Council.

MYTH: Some first-time voters have been told that the "Candidate" will know who they voted for.

FACT: All votes, whether by absentee or at the polls, are strictly confidential. No one will ever know for whom you marked your ballot. Note: It is always good idea to cast your absentee vote in private and to mail or personally hand deliver your sealed ballot directly back to the City Clerk.

MYTH: The translation of our ballots into Farsi was politically motivated.

FACT: As of January 1, 2007, the new Federal Election Law guidelines suggest such translations in order to encourage greater voter participation. Any political subdivision that has a minority population of over 5% is required by Federal Law to use the minority language on the ballot.

Voting is a right and privilege that all citizens should cherish and honor. In this election you may vote for up to two candidates. So on March 6th or by Absentee ballot, please vote!

*Barry Brucker  
City Councilmember*



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*- Hon. Barry Brucker, City Councilmember*

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Maggie Soleimani

### THE PROBLEM

#### 1 Excessive Development- Gridlock Traffic

We are a City imperiled. Our City Council, misguided by incumbents Steve Webb and Jim Delshad, has embraced excessive development at a time when we are overwhelmed with, indeed deluged by, destination gridlock. Our City Council no longer represents the interests of our residential community. Profit-oriented developers are aware of this Council misdirection and are proceeding hand-in-glove with councilmembers Webb and Delshad to turn our community into one large traffic jam!

Recognizing that this City Council embraces excessive development, enterprising developers present *massive* projects built out to

enormous density and height. In turn, led by Steve Webb and Jim Delshad, the City Council then ignores the General Plan and Municipal Code and engages in spot zoning to allow more density and height of proposed building projects. More *density* means more *traffic* in our City. When Councilmembers Webb and Delshad ignore the City's General Plan and Municipal Code and approve excessive development, they, in concert with their Council colleagues, change the nature and essence of our City thereby destroying the very reasons why we became Beverly Hills residents. For example, the proposed Hilton Hotel/Condo project features a 170 foot building and two 150 foot towers in close proximity to our residential neighborhoods. To accommodate this massive project, the Hilton plans to provide 1442 parking spaces but the City code requires 3773!!!

The Hilton intends to develop a "Waldorf Astoria" hotel on its present site. While the "Waldorf Towers" works in Manhattan on 49th Street and Park Avenue, it is completely inappropriate for our community, especially since it is across the street from residential neighborhoods, the El Rodeo School, and on streets that are already in gridlock.

A vote for Nancy Krasne and Maggie Soleimani will put the developers and their City Hall compatriots on notice that the residents will no longer witness or tolerate the "sale" of our City. Help us put a stop to high density, oppressive, excessive development that will substantially erode our quality of life and further burden us with gridlock traffic.

#### 2 Ethics

We have become all too aware that many of our former mayors have become real estate consultants and advocates for developers. These former mayors appear regularly on behalf of developers before their former colleagues at City Council, Planning Commission, and City staff meetings. Regrettably, Steve Webb voted *against* our proposed Ethics Ordinance which would have provided for a *two year prohibition* barring all former Council Members and Planning Commissioners, once out of elected or appointed office, from acting as lobbyists before anyone at City Hall. Mr. Webb has made it quite clear that he intends to participate in the "revolving door" of influence peddling, patronizing and representing developers after his council service is completed.

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### 3 Preservation of our City's Industrial Area for Municipal Services

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As part of the excessive development scheme in play by our incumbent council members, Webb and Delshad, it is City Hall's intention to commercially develop our City's Industrial Area in joint ventures with private developers. In two previous elections, in 1979 and 1980, the residents of our City voted and made clear their mandate that the Industrial Area must be retained for the development and maintenance of municipal services only, e.g., a waste water treatment facility that would not only conserve our water supply but also reduce its cost to us.

Let's not forget that Steve Webb and Jim Delshad endorsed a 26% rate hike in our water bill over a nine month period just last year without any requirement to do so by the Metropolitan Water District and without providing a public forum for residents to debate the rate increase.

Presently, in the Industrial Area, Councilmembers Webb and Delshad have started the process for the development of a mega sports facility estimated by Steve Webb to cost somewhere between 60 million and 80 million dollars! The development provides for condos/commercial development with a cut-through street onto Santa Monica Blvd. To jump start its plan, City Hall is utilizing its powers of Eminent Domain to acquire the property presently occupied by the Amanda Foundation. The cut-through street from the Industrial Area onto the south side of Santa Monica Blvd. in conjunction with the encroachment into the Beverly Gardens Park, to widen Santa Monica Blvd., will increase traffic not only on Santa Monica Blvd. but also onto the residential streets in and around the 500 blocks of our City.

### 4 Beverly Gardens Park Encroachment

On December 19, 2006, Steve Webb and Jim Delshad, along with their council colleagues, voted for a Council resolution (item eight on the Council Agenda) approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Beverly Hills and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority for funding the design and construction for the widening of North Santa Monica Blvd. between Doheny Drive and Wilshire Blvd. As part of this agreement, our City plans to expend \$941,000 in order to receive \$1,751,000 from L.A. County Metro Transportation Authority for the design and construction of the Santa Monica Blvd. widening. Significantly, both Steve Webb and Jim Delshad approved this resolution without directly notifying the residents living in the 500 blocks adjacent to the parkland. That type of dismissive disregard of our residents by not dealing directly with them and on their behalf, sadly characterizes the misbegotten efforts of the two incumbents, Webb and Delshad.

### THE SOLUTION

*We must Change the Culture at City Hall - the incumbents, Webb and Delshad, MUST GO!*

Our City has long been distinguished not by its brick and mortar, but by the genuine time honored values of its good and decent folks. We are a people who support and encourage a vibrant commercial sector. We believe in smart, General Plan/Municipal Code respected low rise development. At the same time, we assiduously seek to maintain the

integrity of our residential neighborhoods. We expect our City services, particularly police and fire personnel, to be at the ready with state of the art training and equipment. So, too, do we demand that our public schools remain the "lighthouse district," the "beacon" of public education. Accordingly, City Hall must always be committed to shepherd our resources so that we not only maintain school funding at present levels, but are prepared to increase the current city/school joint power agreements ensuring that our children receive the finest public education possible.

### THE ENDORSEMENT

Both Nancy Krasne and Maggie Soleimani are committed to the values and issues that we hold dear. Nancy and Maggie are smart, well-educated, sincere, honorable, family-oriented, high integrity individuals. They recognize that City Council service is a privilege and an honor not to be parlayed into personal financial gain and not to be motivated by ego gratification. They are without arrogance. They are team players, good listeners who will represent the interests of our residents.

*For Example:*

- They are committed to respecting the height and density guidelines in our General Plan and Municipal Code which will terminate the ongoing detrimental developer/City Council partnership that generates a resident-be-damned culture at City Hall. Simply, they will hold the line on high rise, high density excessive traffic generating projects.

- Nancy and Maggie are committed to restoring two hour free parking city wide! Merchants, residents and shoppers have delighted with this signature Beverly Hills attraction. Maggie and Nancy recognize that two hour free parking has been in

effect in our City for over twenty years and that it was the product of our forward thinking leadership that sought to enable our City to compete economically with neighboring malls.

Significantly, both Steve Webb and Jim Delshad promised to keep in place two hour free parking only to break that promise a few months after they made it!

- Nancy and Maggie agree that it is in the best interests of our City that the Industrial Area be preserved for municipal services and will respect the prior votes of their fellow residents on this crucial matter.
- Both, working together, will change the pro/excessive development culture at City Hall. Instead of experiencing Steve Webb gavel down residents at Council meetings while indulging developers, Maggie and Nancy will listen attentively, keep open minds, while giving the residents fair and equal opportunity to be heard at City Hall.
- Maggie and Nancy both support an end to the "revolving door" lobbying by ex-council members. They embrace at least a three year prohibition on former Council Members/Planning Commissioners from lobbying at City Hall.

In the final analysis, we believe that the candidates with the finest character who evince a thorough grasp of the crucial issues we face, and who offer fair and reasonable solutions to resolve them, ought to receive our endorsement. We believe earnestly that Nancy Krasne and Maggie Soleimani are our best bet. They offer the promise and hope of a better tomorrow.

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"It feels real good, as a mother, to see and hear the boys, who are so close, talking to each other about a game like, 'can you believe the coach kept him in the game that long?' They're like [Bruce and I]"

David and Danny each have their own children now, two each, and soon their kids will be throwing balls and yelling at the television. As with Toni, Bruce, David, Danny and their respective families, it's a cyclical thing.

**On Kazoos and Romance  
Barry Weiss & Janet Roston**

There are two sides to every story. The love tale of Barry Weiss and Janet Roston, married for 22 years, is no exception.

To Barry's recollection, it all began when he, a 34 year old hairdresser working on Canon Drive at the time, took a sudden interest in remote video production for television and enrolled in a Beverly High adult school class taught by the school's longtime media director Dave Stiles.

Weeks into the class, Barry had begun to grasp the ropes of camera angles and lighting when a close friend invited him to the taping of a human-interest story for the evening news. The program's unlikely subject, to be interviewed by Channel 2 anchor Kerry Millerick, was the Temple City Kazoo Orchestra.

This rare ensemble of tuxedo-clad kazoo maestros performed treble heavy renditions of tunes like "Theme From 2001: A Space Odyssey" and Led Zeppelin's "Whole Lotta Love."

Barry accepted the invitation and arrived early to the taping, clipboard in hand, eager to observe the pros. Instead, he found himself focusing on a spirited young lady member of the ensemble, Janet.

"This cute little, curly haired girl, who I had never met before, happened to be particularly nice to me," Barry said.

Barry, still just a novice in remote production had been jotting notes from the back of the room when Janet went out of her way to introduce herself. "I just think she's interested in me," he said.

Not quite, Janet said. "At the time, I had gotten my undergraduate degree in dance at UCLA and I was in my graduate program there; I wanted to do choreography," she said.

As a 22 year old graduate student, Janet saw the Temple City Kazoo Orchestra open for a popular punk band on campus.

"I thought well these guys are pretty funny, but you know what? They'd be a lot funnier if they had choreography," Janet said. "They need and act, they need a show."

A few phone calls later and Janet was at a rehearsal. But despite her best effort to coordinate and corral the "unruly" group, they "just weren't interested." Instead, they asked her to join the band.

It was a bittersweet compromise. Janet dreamed of choreography, not symphonic overtures on kazoo - but there was still hope that the group would one day, in a change of heart, embrace her dance ambitions.

In case they wouldn't, Janet would use the

Channel 2 taping as a spring board for her choreography career.

"I'm going to show up the day that we shoot and get my name on as the choreographer of this band. That's my mission," she said. "So I show up early, and there's a guy there with a clipboard and I think he's the producer. [He's] there before everyone else, you know, collecting all the information, and he looked really official, so I go up to him and I'm really friendly like, 'Hi, how are you,' because I want my name on TV as the choreographer of this band."

Smitten, Barry has his friend pass along his business card the next day, unaware that he's just demoted himself from producer to hairdresser.

"When I got his card and find out that he's a hairdresser, I realize I've made this huge mistake," Janet said. Yet, in a "what-the-heck" moment, she decided to give the guy a date.

Meanwhile, Barry hit the library to learn every last detail about kazoos.

Janet looked forward to the meeting too, but she had been warned by friends that Barry, a male hairdresser, had to be gay. Friend, yes, boy-friend, probably not.

When they finally met up near Barry's apartment in Westwood, it wasn't long before that topic pops up. In passing, Barry tells Janet that he had been married before. No big deal, Barry thought, it was in the past. But in Janet's mind, at first, that's strike one against Barry. A divorced hairdresser is not who she expects to take home to mom.

"So, you're divorced?" Janet asks. Barry was prepared with a clever response -

he would reference the famed dancer and actor Fred Astaire. Any ambitious student of choreography would have appreciated the gesture and grasped the humor:

"Yeah, that's me," Barry says. "The Gay Divorcee."

But Janet had never seen the classic Astaire, Ginger Rogers film and her friends' warning about the hairdresser is, for the moment, confirmed.

A long awkward silence followed. "It didn't go over as well as I've hoped," Barry said.

But somehow, Barry cleared the air, explained the joke, and Janet could comfortably removed what would have been "strike two."

They met again soon and they dated for five years, discovering more differences along the way. It would be those differences, Barry and Janet agreed, that has sustained them in marriage 22 years later.

"Young people have to realize that they're never going to find an exact copy of themselves - [the other person] cannot be you," Janet said. "[Barry and I] understand that, we're low tension. We're passionate and there's romance, of course, but we do our own thing."

Barry and Janet's son Jonathan is a junior at Beverly High, where Janet is currently on leave from her 24 year career as Artistic Director of the Dance Company. She is currently choreographing the BHHS spring musical production of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."



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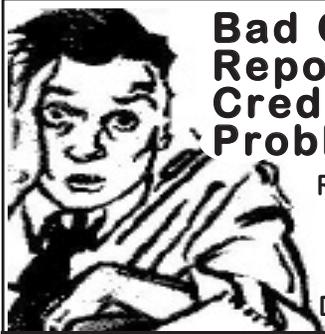
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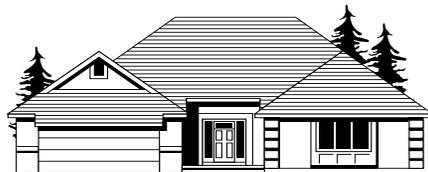
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070081577  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: HAPPY CELEBRATIONS.COM, 21600 Emerald St. Ste. #140, Woodland Hills, CA 91367. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-202

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070081579  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: UNITED TOY WHOLESALERS, 5419 Sunset Blvd. Ste #223, Los Angeles, CA 90028. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-203

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070081580  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: MAGDYCH CONSULTING, 1347 N. Vista St. #209, West Hollywood, CA 90046. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-204

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070081422  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: S.J.S. ENGINEERING, 6951 Van Ness Ave., Canoga Park, CA 91303. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-205

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070080746  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: RED KAT FLARE, 18419 Domino St., Tarzana, CA 91356. The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-206

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070082190  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: SIMPLY PARTY RENTALS + 2046 Glenoaks Blvd., San Fernando, CA 91340. The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-207

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070082535  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: ENA'S PARTY SUPPLIES AND GIFTS, 14038 Vanowen St., Van Nuys, CA 91411. The business is conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-208

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070080624  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: ANNA MOREIRA CLEANING SERVICE, 6451 Kester Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91411. The business is conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-209

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME: 20070082504  
Original file # 0919812  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: ENA'S PARTY SUPPLIES, 14038 Vanowen St., Van Nuys, CA 91405. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on: 4/20/05, in the County of Los Angeles. The business was conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE. The full name and residence of the registrant(s) abandoning the name: ANTHONY THOMAS, 15146 Chas St., Van Nuys, CA 91411. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/30/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07, 2/20/07, 2/25/07 BHW-210

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070082142  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: ADJUSTED.COM, 16080 Ventura Blvd. Ste #105, Encino, CA 91436. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-188

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070082220  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: CHARLESSE GRIFFIN STUDIO, 10668 7th Ventura Blvd., Studio City, CA 91604. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-189

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070082872  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: BIG DOG DA POWER PRESSURE WASHER, 11855 Magnolia Rd., North Hollywood, CA 91602. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-190

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070080910  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: TU CASA COIN LAUNDRY, 2100 Sherman Way, Canoga Park, CA 91303. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-191

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Elazar Milan. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-192

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070050606  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: THE PAINTING CO. SVC, 27940 Salamat Apt., #6201, Canyon County, CA 91387. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-193

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070050473  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: PRUDENTIAL DENTAL LABORATORY, 1137 Winchester Ave., Glendale, CA 91201. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-194

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070082054  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: PLANET BEACH SANTA MONICA, 12203 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90025. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-195

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070092086  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: OMEGA PREPAID PHONE SERVICES, 6327 Laneravish Blvd., North Hollywood, CA 91606. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-196

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070092346  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: YM DESIGN, 1720 Burbank Blvd., #238, Encino, CA 91316. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-197

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070090910  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: LITTLE ISLAND PET STORE, 14650 Parthenia St., Panorama City, CA 91402. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-198

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070053629  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: JJ EXPRESS SOLUTIONS, 13010 Sherman Way #205, Van Nuys, CA 91405. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-199

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070062693  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: KANGOO LENDING, 5950 Canoga Ave., Ste #235, Woodland Hills, CA 91367. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-200

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070081575  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: THAT 1 GUY, 1351 Westwood Blvd. #122, Los Angeles, CA 90024. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/30/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07, 2/20/07, 2/25/07 BHW-210

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070081576  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: CA INVESTMENTS, 19607 Ventura Blvd #200, Tarzana, CA 91356. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/16/07. NOTICE - This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code) Published: 1/25/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07 BHW-186

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 20070081575  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: MAREB CONSULTING, 7020 Vassar Ave. Ste. #103, Woodland Hills, CA 91367. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: 1/30/07, 2/10/07, 2/15/07, 2/20/07, 2/25/07 BHW-210









ed by a/an: INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A.  
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime).  
/s/ CONNIE S. YOO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JANUARY 26, 2007 indicated by file stamp above.

NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
LA126195 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/1,8,15,22, 2007

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Date of Filing Application: JANUARY 17, 2007  
To Whom it may concern:  
The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: COMME CA LLC.  
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: 8479 MELROSE AVE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069-5305.  
Type of License(s) Applied for: 47 - ON-SALE GENERAL EATING PLACE.  
Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control LOS ANGELES.  
LA126000 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 1/25,2/1,8, 2007

#### FILE NO. 20070074411

##### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: LA CIENEGA CHEVRON, 1107 N LA CIENEGA BLVD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: HOLLICIEN, INC, 1680 CARLA RIDGE, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime).

/s/ HOLLICIEN, INC, BY: BIJAN POULDAR, DIRECTOR

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JANUARY 12, 2007 indicated by file stamp above.

NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
LA125687 BH WEEKLY 1/25, 2/1,8,15, 2007

#### FILE NO. 20070092431

##### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: DOLLAR CLUB, 13441 S HAWTHORNE BLVD, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: MOHAMMAD GHASHGHAEI, 855 S WOOSTER ST, #202, LOS ANGELES, CA 90035, HOMAYOUN MOHABBATI, 3215 OVERLAND AVE, #7160, LOS ANGELES, CA 90034. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CO-PARTNERS. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime).

/s/ MOHAMMAD GHASHGHAEI, HOMAYOUN MOHABBATI

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JANUARY 17, 2007 indicated by file stamp above.

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LA125809 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 1/25,2/1,8,15, 2007

#### FILE NO. 20070092433

##### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: BLUE STAR CAFE, 14170 CRENSHAW, GARDENA, CA 90249. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: NICK'S FRIENDSHIP GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, 12681 REXTON ST, NORWALK, CA 90650. This Business is being conducted by a/an: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime).

/s/ NICK'S FRIENDSHIP GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, BY: KRIONAS DOULGEROGLU AND NICK SOULICIAS, GENERAL MANAGER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JANUARY 17, 2007 indicated by file stamp above.

NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS

BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
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#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Sections 6104-6105 U.C.C.) ESCROW NO. 043248-SM

NOTICE IS HEREBY given to creditors of the within named seller that a bulk sale is about to be made of the assets described below.

The names and business addresses of the seller are: UNITED COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC., 12860 E. Beach Blvd., Stanton, CA 90680

The location in California of the chief executive office of the seller is: same as above

As listed by the seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the buyer are: UCG WIRELESS, PEOPLE'S CHOICE COMMUNICATIONS, INC., UNITED COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC., 1685 W. Pacific Coast Hwy., Unit A, Harbor City, CA 90710, 8605 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069, 28251 Crown Valley Parkway, #F, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

The name and address of the buyer is/are: UNIVERSAL WIRELESS SOLUTIONS, INC., 23 Coastal Oak, Newport Coast, CA 92657

The assets to be sold are described in general as: furniture, fixtures, equipment, goodwill, tradename, leasehold, improvement and interest, and covenant not to compete and are located at: UCG WIRELESS (Corporate Office), 12860 E. Beach Blvd., Stanton, CA 90680 including the above listed addresses.

The Business name used by the seller at that location is: UCG WIRELESS

The anticipated date of the bulk sale is March 6, 2007 at the office of: INTERNATIONAL CITY ESCROW, INC., 5000 E. Spring Street, Ste. 120, Long Beach, CA 90815

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

If so subject, the name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is INTERNATIONAL CITY ESCROW, INC., 5000 E. Spring Street, Ste. 120, Long Beach, CA 90815 and the last date for filing claims shall be March 5, 2007, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

Dated: February 2, 2007

UNIVERSAL WIRELESS SOLUTIONS, INC., a California Corporation, By: Mark Rhee, President, Buyer(s)

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#### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF IRENE KLEIN BITTERMAN

Case No. BP043255

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of IRENE KLEIN BITTERMAN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Evelyn Klein in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Evelyn Klein be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on March 7, 2007 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 9 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner:

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implements and supplies necessary for, or appurtenant to, the construction and completion of the project indicated above in accordance with Standard Drawings and the Specifications prepared for this project.

In general terms, the contract work for this project shall consist of the following items of work:

#### ITEM NO. ESTIMATED QUANTITY DESCRIPTION

##### SECTION 1 - NORMAL HOURS WORK (refer to Appendix E for locations)

1	61,887	SF	Remove and replace 6" AC paving
2	53,956	SF	2" deep grind and overlay
3	13,501	SF	Remove and replace 4" sidewalk or curb ramp
4	1,593	LF	Remove and replace curb and 2 ft. wide gutter
5	1,378	LF	Adjustment of gutter width in 6" increments
6	2,803	SF	Remove and replace residential driveway
7	422	SF	Remove and replace alley centerline gutter
8	1,586	SF	Remove and replace cross gutter
9	85	EA	Remove and replace Brooks 3-1/2T or equiv. in AC pavement
10	7	EA	Remove and replace Brooks 5T or equiv. in AC pavement
11	2	EA	Remove and replace Brooks 6T or equiv. in AC pavement
12	1	EA	Furnish and install #5 or #6 pull box
13	26	EA	Construct 24"x24" concrete base pads
14	1	EA	Construct 30"x30" concrete base pads
15	7	EA	Remove and replace foundation for type 15 pole
16	95	TN	Furnish and install CMB
17	90	CY	Furnish and install 2-sack cement slurry mixture

#### ITEM NO. ESTIMATED QUANTITY DESCRIPTION

##### SECTION 2 - AFTER HOURS WORK (refer to Appendix E for locations)

18	5896	SF	2" deep grind and overlay
19	710	SF	Remove and replace residential driveway
20	175	SF	Remove and replace curb & 5' wide gutter over 6" CMB
21	90	SF	Remove and replace 12" AC paving
22	748	SF	Remove and replace 4" thick sidewalk & access ramps over 4" CMB
23	450	SF	Remove and replace alley approach
24	991	SF	Remove and replace concrete sidewalk w/mesh over existing structure
25	24	TN	Furnish and install CMB

Copies of the Specifications and Proposal Form may be inspected and obtained at the office of the City Engineer, in Room G10 of said City Hall. There is no charge or deposit required for this material; therefore, they are not to be returned to the City for refund. Each bidder shall furnish the City, the name, address, and telephone number of the firm requesting Specifications.

References in the project specifications to specific sections of the Standard Specifications refer to the book of "Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction", 2006 Edition, written by a Joint Cooperative Committee of the Southern California Chapter of the American Public Works Association and Southern California district of the Associated General Contractors of California. Contractors wishing to obtain this book may purchase copies directly from the publisher, Building News, Inc., 1612 South Clementine Street, Anaheim, CA, 92802. There is no charge or deposit for the other items listed above.

AMENDMENTS - The second paragraph of Section 3-2.2.1 "Contract Unit Prices", of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction is deleted.

The fourth paragraph of Section 3-2.2.1 "Contract Unit Prices", of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction is deleted and replaced by the following: "Should any Contract item be deleted in its entirety, no payment will be made to Contractor for that Bid Item."

The following is in addition to the provisions of Section 2-9.1 of the Greenbook:

The Contractor is required to locate and tie out survey monuments in the project area prior to construction involving street and highways, and to file with the County Surveyor a Corner Record of any such work. Prior to the issuance of a completion certificate, the Contractor is required to file a Corner Record for survey monumentation that is replaced. All such survey work shall be performed under the supervision of a California licensed Land Surveyor or a Civil Engineer authorized to perform such work.

The Contractor shall provide the City a copy of the office calculations and documents submitted to the County for filing in connection with the aforementioned work.

The payment for surveying, related professional services, office calculation, and furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, tools and incidentals, and for doing work involved shall be considered as included in the various items of work, and no additional compensation will be allowed therefore.

Section 3-3.2.2 shall be changed as follows:

- (a) Labor. The costs of labor will be the actual cost for wages of workers performing the extra work at the time the extra work is done, plus the employer payments of payroll taxes, health and welfare, pension, vacation, apprenticeship funds, and other direct costs, resulting from Federal, State, or local laws, as well as assessments or benefits required by collective bargaining agreements.

The following will revise Section 3-3.2.3 of the Greenbook:

(a) Work by Contractor. An allowance for overhead and profit shall be added to the Contractor's cost as determined under 3-3.2.2 and shall constitute the full and complete markup for all overhead and profit on extra work performed by the Contractor. The Contractor shall be compensated for the actual increase in the Contractor's bond premium caused by the extra work. For costs determined under each subsection in 3-3.2.2, the markup shall be:

a) Labor	20%
b) Materials	15%
c) Tools & Equipment Rental	15%
d) Other Items	15%

(b) Work by Subcontractor. When any of the extra work is performed by a Subcontractor, the markup established in 3-3.2.3(a) shall be applied to the Subcontractor's costs as determined under 3-3.2.2. An allowance for the Contractor's overhead and profit shall be added to the sum of the Subcontractor's costs and markup and shall constitute the full and complete markup for all overhead and profit for the Contractor on work by the Subcontractor. For Contractor markup of Subcontractor's costs, the allowance shall be 10% on the first \$2,000 or portion thereof, and 5% on costs in excess of \$2,000.

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES - There will be a Five Hundred Dollar (\$500.00) assessment for each calendar day that work remains incomplete.

PREVAILING WAGES - In accordance with the provisions of Section 1770 et seq., of the Labor Code, the Director of the Industrial Relations of the State of California has determined the general prevailing rate of wages applicable to the work to be done. The Contractor will be required to pay to all workers employed on the project sums not less than the sums set forth in the documents entitled "General Prevailing Wage Determination made by the Director of Industrial Relations pursuant to California Labor Code Part 7, Chapter 1, Article 2, Sections 1770, 1773, 1773.1".

A copy of said documents is on file and may be inspected in the office of the City Engineer, located in Room G10 of City Hall, at 455 North Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210.

Attention is directed to the provisions of Sections 1777.5 and 1777.6 of the Labor Code concerning the employment of apprentices by the Contractor or any subcontractor under him. The Contractor and any subcontractor under him shall comply with the requirements of said sections in the employment of apprentices.

Information relative to apprenticeship standards and administration of the apprenticeship program may be obtained from the Director of Industrial Relations, San Francisco, California, or from the Division of Apprenticeship Standards and its branch offices.

PAYROLL RECORDS - The Contractor's attention is directed to Section 1776 of the Labor Code, relating to accurate payroll records, which imposes responsibility upon the Contractor for the maintenance, certification, and availability for inspection of such records for all persons employed by the Contractor or by the Subcontractors in connection with the project. The Contractor shall agree through the Contract to comply with this section and the remaining provisions of the Labor Code.

INSURANCE AND BOND REQUIREMENTS - The Contractor shall provide insurance in accordance with Section 3-13 of the City of Beverly Hills, Public Works Department, Standard Contractual Requirements, included as part of these Specifications. In addition, the Contractor shall guarantee all work against defective workmanship and materials furnished by the Contractor for a period of one (1) year from the date the work was accepted in accordance with Section 2-11 of the Standard Contractual Requirements. The Contractor's sureties for the "Performance Bond" shall be liable for any work that the Contractor fails to replace within a specified time.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS - Bids must be submitted on the Proposal Form prepared for this project and shall be delivered at the office of the City Clerk within a sealed envelope supplied by the City and marked on the outside as follows: "ANNUAL INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS - VARIOUS LOCATIONS".

THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY BID OR ALL THE BIDS AND TO WAIVE ANY INFORMALITY OR IRREGULARITY IN ANY BID, BUT IF THE BIDS ARE ACCEPTED, THE CONTRACT FOR THE IMPROVEMENT WILL BE LET TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE PROJECT AS A WHOLE.

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

#### for the 2006-2007 ANNUAL INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS - VARIOUS LOCATIONS

within the Cities of  
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BIDS - Sealed proposals for the 2006-2007 ANNUAL INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENT - VARIOUS LOCATIONS within the Cities of Beverly Hills and West Hollywood, California, will be received up to the hour of 2:00 p.m., on **March 13, 2007** at the office of the City Clerk of said City, located in Room 190 at 455 North Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California. Bids will be publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on the above-mentioned date in the office of the City Clerk of said City Hall and award of the contract will be made during a subsequent meeting of the City Council.

SCOPE OF THE WORK - The work to be done shall consist of furnishing all the required labor, materials, equipment, parts,

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