

# The Cerritos News

## Cerritos General Municipal Election is Tuesday, March 3

The Cerritos General Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, March 3 for three members of the City Council and one City ballot measure (Measure C).

Cerritos voters have several options to cast their ballot, including:

- All Cerritos registered voters should have received a Vote by Mail ballot. The ballot can be returned by mail, or dropped off at any Vote by Mail Drop-Off location or Vote Center in Los Angeles County. A 24-hour Vote by Mail Drop-Off box is located in the Cerritos Civic Center.
- Voters who prefer to vote “in-person” can cast their ballots at any Vote Center in Los Angeles County now through Tuesday, March 3.
- Voters can also vote “in-person” at the Office of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder now through Tuesday, March 3.

To access a list of Vote Centers in Los Angeles County or for more information about the election, visit [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us) or [lavote.net](http://lavote.net).

Questions about the election should be directed to the Office of the City Clerk/Elections Official at (562) 916-1248 or [election2020@cerritos.us](mailto:election2020@cerritos.us). For live semi-official election results beginning at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, please visit the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk website at [lavote.net/home/voting-elections/current-elections/election-results/live-results](http://lavote.net/home/voting-elections/current-elections/election-results/live-results). ■

## Reset your clocks on March 8

Daylight saving time begins on Sunday, March 8. When setting your clocks forward one hour, replace the batteries in your smoke alarms and check the units to make sure they are functioning properly.

A typical smoke alarm has a life span of approximately 10 years. A properly functioning smoke alarm can greatly reduce the risks of death and/or injuries in the event of a fire. ■

## Cerritos bans sale of electronic cigarettes

The Cerritos City Council recently amended the Cerritos Municipal Code to prohibit the sale of electronic cigarettes citywide.

The move is in response to health advisories recently issued by the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the State of California regarding deadly lung illnesses related to vaping.

The City's current law prohibits standalone establishments whose primary use is to sell or distribute electronic cigarettes or associated paraphernalia. Previous regulations did not extend to retailers – such as grocery stores, gas stations, markets and liquor stores – which sell e-cigarettes and related paraphernalia as an ancillary use. The amendment now bans the sale of electronic cigarettes city-wide, both as a primary and ancillary use, and will take effect July 1, 2020. ■

## City launches new online water billing payment portal

The City of Cerritos has launched a new online water billing payment portal. The new portal is now available through the City's website and offers Cerritos residential and business water customers enhanced services when paying their water utility bills.

The new portal allows customers to make a one-time payment or set up automatic payments. Payments can be made from an eCheck, debit card or credit cards, including American Express, MasterCard and Visa. Customers can also view their 12-month bill amount history. Bill statements will become available as part of the payment history starting with the first bill paid through the new system.

Customers can also request paperless billing with the new system. When this option is selected, the portal will email a secure PDF of the bill summary to the customer.

Customers who have selected paperless billing can choose to receive their bill statements via an email message or text message. The system also allows customers to request email reminders of upcoming payment due dates.

Customers who own multiple properties in the City can add all of their City water utility accounts to the portal.

To create an account in the portal, customers must enter an email address, account address, 16-digit customer number (including leading zeroes and without the dash), password and answers to security questions. Customers should make note of their password and answers to security questions; resetting one's password will require customers to call the Water Billing Division. A kiosk is available in City Hall where staff will provide assistance to customers with setting up their accounts.

Customers can still make payments at the Water Billing counter in City Hall. Credit card payments can also be made over the phone using a new interactive voice response system by calling (562) 916-1285.

Customers who are already signed up for automatic payments from their checking accounts will continue to be billed as usual; no action is required. If they would like the option of paperless billing or viewing bill amount history, they should sign up through the new portal.

For more information about the new water billing portal, please call the Water Billing Division at (562) 916-1235. ■

## Information about Measure C

### *What is Measure C?*

The City Council has placed Measure C on the ballot so voters in Cerritos can consider enacting a 3/4 cent local sales tax.

### *How much money will Measure C generate?*

If approved by Cerritos voters, it is estimated that Measure C would provide the City with an additional \$11.4 million in new revenue annually. All revenue from Measure C will remain in Cerritos.

### *Who will pay the Measure C tax?*

Measure C would be paid by anyone who shops or dines at a restaurant in Cerritos. The burden of Measure C would be widely distributed between Cerritos residents and the hundreds of thousands of visitors who shop and dine out in Cerritos each year.

### *What will Measure C's impact be on the cost of taxable purchases?*

Measure C is a 3/4 cent local sales tax that would add an additional 75 cents for every \$100 spent to the cost of taxable purchases made in Cerritos.

### *What needs would be addressed by Measure C?*

Measure C funds would be used for City services, such as the following:

- Public Safety: Maintaining current Cerritos Sheriff's deputy staffing levels
- Maintenance: Street, sidewalk and tree maintenance; drinking water infrastructure repairs; and park and City facility maintenance
- Programs and Services: Support current service levels for recreation, library and senior center programs

For more information about Measure C, please visit [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us) or call the City's Finance Division at (562) 916-1279. ■

## Memorable moments presented in March at the CCPA

March fills up the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) with music, Motown, magic and many more amazing acts.

Starting off the month is “One Night in Memphis,” a tribute to the spontaneous jam session by legends Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Elvis Presley. The show delivers 90 minutes of Rockabilly, Country, Gospel and pure 1950s Rock ‘n’ Roll music performed live. Enjoy good old American hits, including “Blue Suede Shoes,” “Folsom Prison Blues,” “Great Balls of Fire,” “Whole Lotta Shaking Going On,” “Shake, Rattle and Roll,” “Don’t Be Cruel” and “Hound Dog.” Tickets start at \$55 for the 8 p.m. Friday, March 6 show.

Grab the kids and check out the dangers and delights of “Dinosaur World – A Brand New Dino-Mite Adventure” on Sunday, March 8 at 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. The interactive show explores a prehistoric world of astonishing (and remarkably lifelike) dinosaurs and is recommended for children ages 3 and older. Tickets start at \$10.

National Geographic Live! presents “Hilaree Nelson: Point of No Return” at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 12. Nelson recounts the challenging 2014 journey to the summit of Burma's Hkakabo Razi, which was plagued with mishaps and dangers, including dwindling food supplies, logistical failures, hypothermia and conflicting personalities. Tickets are \$45.

Don't miss New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players' all-new production of “The Mikado” at 8 p.m. on Friday, March 13. The classic opera about romantic entanglements and comical misadventures pokes fun

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at the social conventions and norms of 19th-century England as it eventually leads to happiness for the lovesick. Albert Bergeret is the artistic director. Tickets start at \$40.

Enjoy a night of greatest hits from the soft-rock group Air Supply, which soared to the top of the music charts with a succession of No. 1 hits that included “Lost in Love,” “The One That You Love,” “Here I Am (Just When I Thought I Was Over You)” and “Even the Nights Are Better.” The duo performs Sunday, March 15 at 7 p.m. Ticket prices start at \$75.

Composer Rob Kapilow returns to the CCPA with the Cal State Northridge Jazz Band for “What Makes It Great? Swing: The Great Bands of the Swing Era” on Wednesday, March 18 at 7:30 p.m. A celebration of 1930s and 1940s music, the evening is an exploration of works by famous bandleaders of the time – Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman, Glenn Miller, and Artie Shaw. The performance is sponsored by George & Bev Ray/LeFiell. Tickets are \$55.

“A Toast to the Rat Pack & Marilyn” is a high-energy show honoring the 1960s heyday of the Rat Pack’s legendary Las Vegas concerts. Experience it on Friday, March 20 at 8 p.m. The lineup features The Rat Pack Orchestra; Sebastian Anzaldo as Frank Sinatra; Andy DiMino as Dean Martin; Lambus Dean as Sammy Davis, Jr.; and Susan Griffiths as Marilyn Monroe. Tickets start at \$35.

Enjoy “The Best of Doo-Wop Vol. VI” when the genre’s icons unite! Jam with Kenny Vance & The Platonones (“Looking for an Echo”); the original lead singer of The Crystals, La La Brooks (“Da Doo Run Run”); The Capris (“There’s a Moon Out Tonight”); Larry Chance (“I Believe”); and smooth vocals from the a cappella sensation Classic Sounds. Tickets start at \$50 for the 8 p.m. show on Saturday, March 21.

The progressive Rock band KANSAS returns to Cerritos in its “Point of Know Return” tour on Sunday, March 22 at 7 p.m. to showcase the memorable tunes that made it a music legend, including “Carry on Wayward Son” and the iconic acoustic ballad “Dust in the Wind.” Ticket prices start at \$75.

Get ready for three original “Motown Legends” in one show! Enjoy all of your favorite hits from the Supremes founding member and Rock and Roll Hall of Famer Mary Wilson (“Stop! In the Name of Love” and “Baby Love”); two original members of The Vandellas (“Dancing in the Streets” and “Heat Wave”); and The Contours with founder Joe Billingslea (“Do You Love Me?”). Tickets start at \$40 for the 8 p.m. Friday, March 27 show.

Since its 1993 inception, Yamato has mesmerized more than 2 million fans with its mastery of Japanese drums. The ensemble’s performances enforce its core belief – that the drumbeat (like the heartbeat) is the very pulse of life. In making Japanese Wadaiko drumming accessible to people of all ages, Yamato has “the power to put an audience on its feet, laughing, clapping and taking part,” hailed the “London Times.” See what all the commotion is about on Saturday, March 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$50.

The 63rd edition of “It’s Magic!” features an all-new cast of award-winning performers from around the globe, ready to leave audiences speechless and spellbound with sleight-of-hand illusions, stage tricks, comedy and variety acts. It’s “the best magic show in town!” cheers the “Los Angeles Times.” Ticket prices start at \$55 for the 3 p.m. show on Sunday, March 29.

Visit [cerritoscenter.com](http://cerritoscenter.com) to purchase tickets and select your seats or call (562) 916-8500. ■

## Community Spring Festival set for April 24–26

Cerritos residents are invited to attend the City’s Community Spring Festival & Fireworks Spectacular celebrating the City’s 64th anniversary at the Cerritos Sports Complex from Friday, April 24 to Sunday, April 26. The festival takes place Friday from 5 to 10 p.m.; Saturday from 1 to 10 p.m.; and Sunday from 1 to 9 p.m. Entertainment features local talent and professional acts. Gourmet food trucks will provide specialty items for purchase.

The Cerritos City Council will officially recognize the City’s 64th anniversary during a formal ceremony on Saturday, April 25 at 4:30 p.m. Fireworks will commemorate the special occasion that evening at 8:30 p.m.

The Spring Dance Recital will be held at 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 26.

Admission is free, but there are nominal fees for some attractions. Individual ride tickets are 50 cents each. All-day ride wristbands are available for \$30 at Cerritos City Hall if purchased by Thursday, April 23. Starting Friday, April 24, all-day wristbands cost \$40.

For more information, call the City’s Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. To volunteer, call Heritage Park by Monday, March 30 at (562) 916-8570. ■

## New parking permit system launched

The City’s parking permit system has migrated to a web-based solution. Residents can now apply for an annual, special circumstances or temporary parking permit online. Supporting documents can also be uploaded on the web-based program.

Residents can access the new parking permit program from the City’s home page at [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us) or at [safercerritos.com](http://safercerritos.com). Click on “Parking Permits” in the “Featured Links” section.

For more information about the new parking permit system, contact the Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266. ■

## Youngsters invited to enjoy Easter Egg Hunts

Children ages 18 months to 10 years old are invited to participate in the City’s Easter Egg Hunts at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 11 at Don Knabe Community Regional Park. Children can search for colorful, surprise-filled eggs in designated areas according to the following age groups: 18 months to 2 years, 3 to 4 years, 5 to 7 years and 8 to 10 years.

One adult will be permitted to assist their child in the 18-months-to-2-years area only during the designated hunt time. Children should bring a basket to carry their goodies.

The free event will also feature jumpers, games and a craft area. Light snacks and beverages will be available for a nominal fee. For more information, call the City’s Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

## Arbor Week poster contest entries sought

The City of Cerritos is hosting an Arbor Week art poster contest with the theme “Cerritos Is Tree-mendous.” The contest is open to Cerritos residents ages 5 to 14 and students in the ABC Unified School District, Valley Christian Schools or Bellflower Unified School District.

Entries must be original artwork, no larger than 11 inches by 17 inches, and may feature any drawing or painting materials (pencils, chalks, pastels, crayons, watercolors and/or acrylics). Do not mat, mount or frame the posters. Include the artist’s name, age, address and phone number on the back of the poster or use the official entry form (available at the Recreation Services Division at City Hall or [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us)). Submit entries to the Recreation Services Division at City Hall by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 10.

First place winners’ artwork will be displayed at the Community Spring Festival & Fireworks Spectacular on Saturday, April 25 at the Cerritos Sports Complex. For more information, call the Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

## Cerritos Resident Talent Show features music and dance

Cerritos residents are invited to attend the annual citywide Talent Show at Cerritos Park East on Saturday, April 4 at 6 p.m. The show features Cerritos residents, ages 4 and older, in singing, dancing and musical performances.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Admission to the show is \$1 per person.

Auditions will be held from noon to 4 p.m. at Cerritos Park East on Saturday, February 29 and Sunday, March 1. Qualifying acts will be notified by Friday, March 13 and must be present for the full dress rehearsal at Cerritos Park East at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 3.

For more information or to make an audition appointment, call Cerritos Park East at (562) 407-2611. ■

## Sewer rehabilitation project begins

The Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County has begun a sewer rehabilitation project in Cerritos along 166th Street and at Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. The project involves repairing a 50-year old existing sewer pipe that runs through Cerritos and Norwalk. The pipe has deteriorated over time due to normal wear and age.

Construction is taking place in Cerritos on 166th Street from Gridley Road to the parking lot of Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Efforts will be made to minimize inconvenience during construction. The Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County recommends that the public stay away from construction areas during this time. The project is expected to be completed by the end of spring. For more information about the project in Cerritos, call (562) 916-1219. ■

## City to no longer use Roundup products

The Cerritos City Council has banned the use of Roundup products by City staff in public places.

Produced by Monsanto Company in the 1970s, Roundup is the most widely used herbicide in the United States. However, reports in recent years have suggested a potential link between certain cancers –

specifically non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma – to the long-term use of glyphosate, which is found in Roundup.

City landscape crews previously used Roundup to control weeds in City park landscaping and around trees, sports fields, streets, medians and adjacent freeways. Staff will be testing new products to replace Roundup. ■

# City Council Recap

City Council/Successor Agency meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of every month at City Hall. For details, call the City Clerk's Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at (562) 916-1248.

## November 25, 2019

- Authorized the City Manager to approve and execute the amendment to the agreement negotiated with Shell Energy North America (US) L.P. to provide schedule coordination services; and
- Authorized the City Manager to approve and execute the amendment to the agreement negotiated with Calpine Energy Solutions, LLC to provide billing services.
- Approved General Plan Amendment 2017-1, making the findings set forth in the Cerritos Planning Commission Resolution No. 2017-34; and
- Waived full reading of and adopted Resolution No. 2019-25, a resolution of the Cerritos City Council amending the Cerritos General Plan land use map by changing the land use designation of approximately ±1.98 acres of land, located at 12616 183rd Street (APN 7030-002-902), from public and quasi-public to office professional commercial, herein referenced as General Plan Amendment 2017-1; and
- Waived full reading of and introduced Ordinance No. 1029, an ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending the Cerritos development map by changing the zone classification of approximately ±1.98 acres of land, located at 12616 183rd Street (APN 7030-002-902), from Open Space (OS) to Commercial Office Professional (COP), herein referenced as development map amendment 2017-2.
- Waived full reading of and adopted Resolution No. 2019-26, a resolution of the City of Cerritos approving Public Referral Project 2019-1, a proposal by the City of Cerritos Department of Administrative Services to expand the first floor and remodel the exterior and interior of an existing City-owned two-story office building located at 12616 183rd Street, Cerritos. The subject property is proposed to be re-zoned from Open Space (OS) to its original

zoning designation of Commercial Office Professional (COP) under Development Map Amendment 2017-2 (APN 7030-002-902); and

- Directed staff to relocate the new trash enclosure from its originally proposed location at the southwest corner of the property to a new location at the eastern edge of the central row of parking stalls in the south parking lot and to work with the project architect to modify the parking configuration and landscape planters accordingly.
- Waived full reading of and adopted Resolution No. 2019-27, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Cerritos adopting the Cerritos Electric Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plan.
- Rejected staff's proposal for administrative authority to coordinate and schedule requests from non-profit, non-partisan community groups to use the City Council Chamber for candidate forums and continue with the current process of presenting such requests on a case-by-case basis for City Council approval at scheduled City Council meetings.
- Directed the City Manager to provide a memorandum to the City Council regarding the legal issues as related to the City's website.
- Adjourned in memory of Kiley F. Fujita.

## December 12, 2019

- Reappointed Mark Bollman to serve on the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District Board of Trustees for a four-year term commencing January 6, 2020 and expiring on January 1, 2024.
- Waived full reading of and adopted Ordinance No. 1029, an ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending the Cerritos development map by changing the zone classification of approximately ±1.98 acres of land, located at 12616 183rd Street (APN 7030-002-902), from open space (OS) to commercial office professional (COP), herein referenced as Development Map Amendment 2017-2.
- Rejected the apparent low bid and authorized staff to re-bid the contract for Cerritos arterial street and center median landscape maintenance, RFB No. 1392-19 at a future date.

- Waived full reading of and adopted Ordinance No. 1030, an urgency ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending Chapter 10.18 of the Cerritos Municipal Code relating to the establishment of truck routes.
- Waived full reading of and introduced Ordinance No. 1031, an ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending Chapter 10.18 of the Cerritos Municipal Code relating to the establishment of truck routes.
- Approved the final draft of the City of Cerritos, Pine Tree Reforestation Program for Residential Parkways; and
- Allocated the necessary funds of \$341,000 to contract with a vendor and complete the removal of approximately 50 residential parkway pine trees by the end of Fiscal Year 2019-2020; and
- Authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary change orders to current Public Works construction and maintenance contracts in order to complete year one of the Cerritos Pine Tree Reforestation Program for Residential Parkways.
- Approved the request by the La Palma-Cerritos branch of the American Association of University Women for use of the City Council Chambers on Monday, February 3, 2020 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. to conduct a candidates forum relating to the March 3, 2020 Cerritos General Municipal Election and waived associated City costs.
- Awarded a professional services contract in the amount of \$3,420,800 to Kimley-Horn and Associates for the preparation of design and construction documents, environmental studies/documents as required by State and Federal law in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and to seek funding for construction as related to the Del Amo Boulevard Bridge Replacement and Signal Enhancements Project, RFP No. 1370-19; and
- Authorized the City Manager and/or his designee to execute any project-related change orders required to facilitate the completion of the project.

## TV3 Schedule: March

### City Council and Commission Meetings

#### Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, March 12 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, March 13 and 9 a.m. on Monday, March 16  
7 p.m. on Thursday, March 26 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, March 27 and 9 a.m. on Monday, March 30

#### Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, March 6 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11

#### Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, March 5 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Monday, March 9 and 9 a.m. on Tuesday, March 10

#### Fine Arts and Historical Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, March 19 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24 and 9 a.m. on Thursday, March 26

#### Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 2 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7

### Program Highlights

#### British Rock Royalty in Concert at the CCPA

7 p.m. on Monday, March 2; 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 6; 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 8; 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10; and 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 15

#### Riders In The Sky in Concert at the CCPA

7 p.m. on Friday, March 20 and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 22

#### Celtic Spring in Concert at the CCPA

3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18

#### Danú in Concert at the CCPA

9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17

#### Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain at the CCPA

9:30 p.m. on Friday, March 6

#### Quartetto Gelato in Concert at the CCPA

5:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 29

#### Te Vaka in Concert at the CCPA

8 p.m. on Saturday, March 7

For Cerritos TV3 schedule and streaming video, visit: [cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/tv3.php](http://cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/tv3.php)

# Calendar of Events

- February 28 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 6, 13, 20 and 27. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- February 29 • **Cerritos Resident Talent Show** auditions, noon-4 p.m., Cerritos Park East. Also on March 1.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on March 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 and 29. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on March 7, 14, 21 and 28.
- March 2 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, Peking Wok, 11203 183rd Street. Also on March 16. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- March 3 • **Cerritos General Municipal Election/California Statewide Primary**
- **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on March 10, 17, 24 and 31. Contact Sharon Hamel at (562) 598-6165.
- **Cerritos Chinese-American Senior Citizens Association**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 10, 17, 24 and 31. Contact LiWen Wu Shao at (562) 233-9485.
- **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street, Cerritos. Also on March 10, 17, 24 and 31. The public is invited to attend. Contact Soledad Almarinez at (562) 865-2922 for more information.
- **The "Original" Happy Seniors of Cerritos**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 10, 17, 24 and 31. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- March 4 • **Planning Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Lunchtime Leaders**, noon, SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, 3rd Floor, Cerritos. Visitors welcome. Also on March 11, 18 and 25. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 484-5035.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on March 11, 18 and 25. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Chuck Sooter at (562) 860-8174.
- **ABC Unified School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos.
- **Toastmasters International Club 3828: Eclectic Dialectics**, 7:30 p.m., The Grove at Cerritos, 11000 New Falcon Way, Cerritos. Also on March 11, 18 and 25. Contact Jimmy Chan at (562) 565-7676 or Dan Nino at (562) 508-8099.
- March 5 • **Parks and Recreation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd., Cerritos. Also on March 12 and 26. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
- **Cerritos (Mid-City) Korean-American Senior Citizens Association**, 9 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 12, 19 and 26. Contact Kyo Kim at (562) 900-9382.
- **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 5-8 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 12, 19 and 26. Contact Arvind Patel at (562) 322-0085.
- **Happy Seniors of Cerritos Association**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 12, 19 and 26. Contact Emma Chupinghong at (562) 400-1075.
- **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 12, 19 and 26. Contact Jerry Lee at (714) 821-1988.
- **Bellflower Unified School District Board** meeting, 7:30 p.m., 16703 S. Clark Avenue, Bellflower.
- March 8 • **Daylight Saving Time begins**
- **'Ahaui 'O Lili'uokalani Hawaiian Civic Club of Southern California**, 10 a.m., John Jensen residence. Contact John Jensen at (562) 926-2286 for more information.
- March 9 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 16 and 23. Contact Virginia Harmon at (562) 863-4455.
- March 10 • **Volunteer attorneys** provide free basic legal advice and referrals for Cerritos residents, 7-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 24. Call (562) 865-8101 for an appointment.
- March 11 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Macaroni Grill, 12875 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Also on March 25. Contact Sowmya Ananthanarayanan at (562) 716-2601.
- **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Jay Miller at (562) 926-8521.
- March 12 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Cerritos Park East. Contact Gail Grossman at (562) 926-8487 or Delores Eveland at (562) 618-5438.
- **Da' Hawaii Senior Club**, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on March 31, 6-9 p.m. Contact Myrna Matsuno at (310) 538-2148.
- **Soulful Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Louida Shaw at (562) 412-7448.
- March 16 • **Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club**, 7 p.m., Mimi's Cafe, 12727 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Contact Elaine Duvali at (562) 924-3583 or hhhdemocrats@gmail.com.
- March 18 • **Community Safety Committee** meeting, 7 p.m., Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.
- March 19 • **Fine Arts and Historical Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women**, noon to 3 p.m. at Cerritos Park East, 13234 166th Street, Cerritos. Contact Karen Cox at (562) 519-0596.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 p.m. Café n' Stuff, 9306 E. Firestone Blvd., Downey. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
- **Philippine Society of Southeast Los Angeles**, 7 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Nimfa Castro at (562) 822-3633.
- March 25 • **Let Freedom Ring Committee** meeting, 7 p.m. Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.
- March 26 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- March 31 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

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## Coronavirus: learn the facts

The Los Angeles Department of Public Health encourages residents to understand the facts about the novel coronavirus (2019 nCoV), now named COVID-19, and take the necessary steps to reduce their risk.

As of press time, there is currently one case of novel coronavirus in L.A. County in a non-resident traveler from Wuhan City, and there has been no subsequent community transmission of the virus. There are 15 cases of novel coronavirus in the United States, and actions have been taken to limit the spread of the virus.

Recent travelers who have visited mainland China are screened at the airport and provided with information about restricting their movements, monitoring their health and connecting with their provider and local public health department if they feel ill for 14 days after last being in mainland China. Guidance has been sent to school districts, universities and colleges explaining the new directives, which restrict staff and students who returned from traveling in mainland China after February 2, for 14 days after leaving mainland China. These actions can help identify individuals who may have been exposed to the virus and reduce the spread of the virus to others.

The Department of Public Health recommends the following tips to prevent respiratory illnesses:

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Limit close contact, like kissing and sharing cups or utensils, with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. If you do not have a tissue, use your sleeve (not your hands).
- Face masks are most effective when used appropriately by health care workers and people who are sick.
- Get a flu immunization to prevent influenza if you have not done so this season.

For the latest information about novel coronavirus, visit the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health website at <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov>, the California Department of Health at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov>, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at <http://www.cdc.gov> and the World Health Organization at <https://www.who.int>. ■

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