

CLASSIFIEDS

(562) 430-9985 Fax: (562) 430-3469

Legals-NE

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 30-2020-01175008

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: CHUN HEE CONG filed for a decree changing names as follows: CHUN HEE CONG to CHUN HEE CHOI. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
02/04/2021
8:30 a.m., Dept. D100
Window 44
Central Justice Center
700 Civic Center Drive
West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:
Event Newspapers
DATE: 12/17/2020
Judge Walter P. Schwarm
Judge of the
Superior Court
Event Newspapers
12/30/2020,1/6,13,20/21-102172

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 30-2020-01175347

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: YOUNG LEE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: YOUNG LEE to PAUL ABEL LEE. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
02/09/2021
8:30 a.m., Dept. D100
Window: 44
Superior Court
700 Civic Center Drive
West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:
Event Newspapers
DATE: 12/21/2020
Judge Walter P. Schwarm
Judge of the
Superior Court
Event Newspapers
1/6,13,20,27/21-102309

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR

Legals-NE

CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 20FL000834

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: JUNG WOO CHOI and SUN MI LEE on behalf of COLIN CHOI a minor filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: COLIN CHOI to COLIN HOHYUN CHOI. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
5/14/2021
8:30 a.m., Dept. W10
REMOTE
Superior Court
West Justice Center
8141 13th Street
Westminster, CA 92683-4593

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:
Event Newspapers
DATE: 10/13/2020
Judge Lon F. Hurwitz
Judge of the
Superior Court
Event Newspapers
1/6,13,20,27/21-102310

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206592379

a. **ALLIANCE AUDIO GROUP** b. **ALLIANCE AUDIO VISUAL GROUP**, 10754 NOEL STREET, LOS ALAMITOS, CA 90720. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): MATTHEW JENSEN, 3557 BURRITT WAY, LA CRESCENTA, CA 91214. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Have you started doing business yet? YES, 01/01/2005. Registrant /s/ MATTHEW JENSEN. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/29/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/13,20,27,2/3/21
102448

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 20FL000832

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: WONSIK CHANG and MICHELLE MIOK SONG on behalf of JAEHYUK CHANG a minor filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: JAEHYUK CHANG to JAKE JAEHYUK CHANG. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Legals-NE

ons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
5/07/2021
8:30 a.m., Dept. W10
REMOTE
Superior Court
West Justice Center
8141 13th Street
Westminster, CA 92683-4593

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:
Event Newspapers
DATE: 10/13/2020
Judge Lon F. Hurwitz
Judge of the
Superior Court
Event Newspapers
1/6,13,20,27/21-102316

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206592149

IRG PROPERTIES, 3562 HOWARD AVE SUITE C, LOS ALAMITOS, CA 90720-9072. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): PATRICK WALLACE, 318 NORTHWOOD DR., MODESTO, CA 95350. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Have you started doing business yet? NO. Registrant /s/ PATRICK WALLACE. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/23/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/6,13,20,27/21
102307

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206591385

ABC DEVELOPMENT PRESCHOOL #1, 4631 1/2 LA PALMA AVE., LA PALMA, CA 90623-9062. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): ABC 4 B & J INC., 11062 ESSEX DR., LOS ALAMITOS, CA 90720. This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Have you started doing business yet? YES, 09/01/1983. Registrant /s/ JANICE LEBRUN, PRESIDENT. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/10/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/6,13,20,27/21
102308

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206591387

ABC DEVELOPMENT PRESCHOOL #3, 9972 GRAHAM ST., CYPRESS, CA 90630. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): ABC 4 B & J INC., 11062 ESSEX DR., LOS ALAMITOS, CA 90720. This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Have you started doing business yet? YES, 06/01/1992. Registrant /s/ JANICE LEBRUN, PRESIDENT. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which

Legals-NE

he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/10/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/6,13,20,27/21
102332

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206591388

ABC DEVELOPMENT PRESCHOOL #4, 4440 SURREY AVE, CYPRESS, CA 90630. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): ABC 4 B & J INC., 11062 ESSEX DR., LOS ALAMITOS, CA 90720. This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Have you started doing business yet? NO. Registrant /s/ JANICE LEBRUN, PRESIDENT. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/10/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/6,13,20,27/21
102333

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206591389

ABC DEVELOPMENT PRESCHOOL #5, 8630 MOODY ST., CYPRESS, CA 90630. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): ABC 4 B & J INC., 11062 ESSEX DR., LOS ALAMITOS, CA 90720. This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Have you started doing business yet? YES, 01/01/1995. Registrant /s/ JANICE LEBRUN, PRESIDENT. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/10/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/6,13,20,27/21
102334

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206592067

ORANGE COUNTY AUTO EXCHANGE, 29 LARKSPUR, ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): JOSEPH W GUTHRIE, 29 LARKSPUR, ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Have you started doing business yet? YES, 12/30/1997. Registrant /s/ JOSEPH GUTHRIE. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/22/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/6,13,20,27/21
102344

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20206591298

HB AUTO WHOLESALE, 8041 BOLSA AVE #C, WESTMINSTER, CA 92683. County: Orange. This is a New Statement. Registrant(s): JDNL AUTO GROUP, 8041 BOLSA AVE #C, WESTMINSTER, CA 92683. This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Have you

Legals-NE

started doing business yet? NO. Registrant /s/ JAIME GUTIERREZ, PRESIDENT. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 12/09/2020.
Event News Enterprise
1/6,13,20,27/21
102378

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JERRY R. BRAKEMAN, aka JERRY BRAKEMAN CASE NO. 30-2021-01178612-PR-PW-CJC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JERRY R. BRAKEMAN, aka JERRY BRAKEMAN. A Petition for PROBATE has been filed by: SANDRA BENSON in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE. The Petition for Probate requests that SANDRA BENSON 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 in this court as follows: Feb 18, 2021 at 2:00 PM in Dept. C6, 700 Civic Center Dr., West, Santa Ana, CA 92701.

(1) If you plan to appear, you must attend the hearing by video remote using the court's designated video platform; (2) Go to the Court's website at <http://www.occourts.org/media-relations/probate-mental-health.html> to appear for probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions; (3) If you have difficulty connecting to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance.

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 decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60

Legals-NE

days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. 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: JOHN T. ANDERSON, ESQ
LAW OFFICE OF JOHN T. ANDERSON
1741 E. WARDLOW RD, LONG BEACH, CA 90807
(562) 424-8619
News Enterprise
1/20,1/27,2/3/21-102537

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: GARY MINORU NOMI CASE NO. 30-2021-01178667-PR-LA-CJC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GARY MINORU NOMI. A Petition for PROBATE has been filed by: SCOTT KIYOSHI NOMI in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE. The Petition for Probate requests that SCOTT KIYOSHI NOMI be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Feb 17, 2021 at 10:30 AM in Dept. C8, 700 Civic Center Dr., West, Santa

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
LOS ALAMITOS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
INTERNET ACCESS AND INTERNAL CONNECTIONS
AT DISTRICT SCHOOL SITES
RFP No. 2021-02

RFP TIME, DATE AND PLACE:
A. **RFP Opening Deadline and Opening Time:** RFPs must be received prior to 1:00 P.M. on February 18, 2021. RFPs will be opened at 1:30 P.M.
B. **Place of RFP Receipt:** Los Alamitos Unified School District, 10293 Bloomfield Street, Los Alamitos, CA 90720 Attn: John Spiratos
C. **Place of RFP opening:** Los Alamitos Unified School District, 10293 Bloomfield Street, Los Alamitos, CA 90720, Building D – Board Conference Room. Social Distancing and proper PPE will be required to attend.
D. **Project Name:** RFP Package 2021-02 INTERNET ACCESS AND INTERNAL CONNECTIONS
E. **Place of RFP Documents on File:** Available electronically on Wednesday January 20, 2021 upon request to John Spiratos at jspiratos@losal.org, the District's website at www.losal.org/rfp, or hard copies can be picked up at the District's Purchasing Department located at 10293 Bloomfield Street, Los Alamitos, CA 90720 during normal business hours.

Los Alamitos Unified School District Purchasing Department, hereafter referred to as the "District", is seeking and will receive sealed Proposals from interested and qualified vendors, hereafter referred to as "Proposer(s)" to provide Internet Access, Network Technology, UPS Batteries, Wireless Access Points, and other "CLD" approval solutions (collectively, "Technology Equipment") up to, but not later than, the time stated above. Any Proposals received after the time specified above, or after any extensions due to material changes, shall be returned unopened.

The contract will be awarded in accordance with Public Contract Code section 20118.2. The District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any of the proposals. It is the intent of the District to award a contract as a whole, but the District reserves its right to award multiple contracts at its discretion. Award is contingent upon timely compliance with all RFP conditions, specifications, and negotiations. Pursuant to Section 20118.2 of the Public Contract Code, the District reserves the right to award contract(s) to the qualified Proposer(s) whose proposal(s) meets the evaluation standards, and will be most advantageous to the District with price and all other factors considered, or to reject all proposals, whichever is in the best interest of the District. **At the District's discretion, considerations other than cost may factor into a decision as to which proposal best fits the needs of the District. All Proposers shall be assessed based on the evaluation factors described in the RFP and the specific needs of the District to be determined at the sole discretion of the District.** The successful Proposer(s) will be notified in the event of an award.

PLEASE NOTE that the Technology Equipment is funded in part by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as part of "E-Rate" Universal Service Fund (USF). Therefore, all Proposers must be knowledgeable of, and comply with, all E-Rate requirements including those applicable to proposals and work provided by service providers including any and all reporting requirements and compliance with all applicable federal laws. Proposers must provide a permanent SLD Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) and FCC Registration Number with its proposal.
Event News Enterprise 1/20,27,2/3,10/21-102506

CLASSIFIEDS

(562) 430-9985 Fax: (562) 430-3469

Legals-NE

Ana, CA 92701.
(1) If you plan to appear, you must attend the hearing by video remote using the court's designated video platform; (2) Go to the Court's website at <http://www.occourts.org/media-relations/probate-mental-health.html> to appear for probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions; (3) If you have difficulty connecting to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance.
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 decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the per-

Legals-NE

sonal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. 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

Legals-NE

section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner: JUSTIN A. SHIAU, ESQ
ATHLON LEGAL, APC
14 N. FAIR OAKS AVE., STE 503
PASADENA, CA 91103
(626) 888-9035
Event News
1/20,1/27,2/3/21-102557

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: HERBERT TORAO FUJITANI, aka HERBERT T. FUJITANI, aka HERBERT FUJITANI CASE NO. 30-2020-01155720-PR-LA-CJC
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of HERBERT

Legals-NE

TORAO FUJITANI, aka HERBERT T. FUJITANI, aka HERBERT FUJITANI. A Petition for PROBATE has been filed by: ROB SASLOW in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.
The Petition for Probate requests that ROB SASLOW be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed

Legals-NE

action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Feb 17, 2021 at 10:30 AM in Dept. C8, 700 Civic Center Dr., West, Santa Ana, CA 92701.
(1) If you plan to appear, you must attend the hearing by video remote using the court's designated video platform; (2) Go to the Court's website at <http://www.occourts.org/media-relations/probate-mental-health.html> to appear for probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions; (3) If you have difficulty connecting to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance.

Legals-NE

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 decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You

Legals-NE

may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. 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: JEFFREY A. COLEMAN, ESQ
THE COLEMAN FIRM
417 31ST STREET, UNIT B
NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663
(714) 730-6477
Event News
1/20,1/27,2/3/21-102568

Cypress subcommittee rejects Valley Vista proposal; seeks new proposal for CNG fuel site

Following the report of an ad-hoc subcommittee, the city of Cypress has decided to not to pursue a controversial proposal by Valley View Services, Inc., only to step right back into another controversy with the company.

While the city officially rejected the initial proposal, Mayor Jon Peat said Monday that a subcommittee recommended the company resubmit a new proposal.

In October of 2020, VVS proposed a joint venture with the City that would optimize VVS's operations by making improvements to the Public Works Yard. VVS's proposal included a compressed natural gas (CNG) fueling station, a direct tip transfer (DTT) station, and a franchise extension. VVS proposes

to pay for the improvements (estimated to cost \$2 million) and pay the City \$110,000 annually in lease and host fees.

The direct transfer tip would have allowed garbage collection trucks to consolidate their loads and offload them to larger trucks at the city's yard, vastly cutting down on the number of trucks making the trip to the landfill 50 miles away.

Should the project have moved forward, some estimates say more than 150 tons of garbage per day would have been transferred at the direct transfer facility.

On October 26, the City Council appointed Peat and Council Member Paulo Morales to an ad-hoc subcommittee to analyze VVS's proposal and report findings to the City Council by January 11, 2021.

Valley Vista's original "proposal" proposed extending the franchise from June 30, 2027 to 15 years from the date a compressed natural gas (CNG) station and DTT become operational. For example, if VVS's proposed CNG station and DTT came on-line on January 1, 2021, the franchise would expire December 31, 2036, according to the subcommittee report.

Back in 2014, the city council awarded Valley Vista Services (VVS) a 10-year exclusive solid waste franchise after a competitive selection process. VVS began operations in July 2015. In 2017, the City Council approved amendments to the franchise to ensure its viability and extended it by two years to

2027.
Based on the subcommittee's review of CNG stations, a CNG station at the city's public works yard would not pose environmental or safety hazards. CNG is one of the safest vehicle fuels available and most residents use natural gas to cook with and to heat their homes because it is safe, reliable, increasingly green, and affordable, the report said. The main difference between residential use and a fast-fill CNG station is compression, it noted.

Regarding the Direct Transfer Tip, the subcommittee report said "while a DTT would provide VVS savings that could be shared with residents, the subcommittee does not believe it is a suitable operation at the yard."

According to the subcommittee

report, while the city chose not to move forward with the direct transfer tip facility, the subcommittee instead recommended that the Council create a new ad hoc subcommittee to submit "a new joint venture proposal and/or extraordinary rate increase requests and recommend options to the City Council, including the potential for a compressed natural gas fueling station at the City's Public Works Yard. The subcommittee shall not consider a direct tip transfer station."

When the council discussed the proposal on Monday, some citizens said they do not support the alternative suggestion, and in fact, questioned why the city was so concerned about the financial health of a waste company (see related story).

Cypress

From Page 3

proposal from VVS to build a CNG facility, including rate increases or extensions to cover Valley Vista's pandemic losses and, for sure, a rate increase for the VVS organic waste management plan.

Peat explained that the city has also asked VVS to create a plan to assist the city in complying with a state mandate regarding the collection and disposal of organic waste. In doing so, Peat said, in this case, because the city "requested" it, the company's franchise agreement allows the city manager and the company to work out a proper increase.

Only if they fail to agree would city council approval be required for the organics rate increase.

Even so, council approval would be required for the CNG authorization and any revenue enhancement mechanisms to construct it, the mayor said.

Peat said the new council needed to appoint an ad-hoc committee to bring an information package back to the Council to outline all of the issues related to a new VVS proposal.

For the subcommittee membership, Peat suggested himself and new member Anne Hertz. "Bring together legacy and new people," he said.

Mayor Pro-Tem Stacy Berry objected. "With all due respect, Mr. Mayor, I do have concerns with council member Hertz serving on

the ad hoc committee."

Hertz, one of the council's two new members, is the Executive Director of the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Anaheim-Cypress, an organization for which Peat serves as a member of the Board.

Berry said it was well known in the community that the Boys and Girls Club has enjoyed "a financial support relationship" with George Briggeman, a Valley Vista executive. In view of this association, Berry said she was simply trying to avoid any conflicts (of interest), "perceived or real."

Berry then suggested Peat and Marquez would be better suited to serve on the ad-hoc subcommittee.

Hertz, however, protested the suggestion that her association with Briggeman would impair her judgment and disqualify her from serving on the subcommittee.

"I feel like I need to speak to this because I feel like it's a negative statement to my ability to make clear decisions on behalf of the city," said Hertz.

"He (Briggeman) and I have known each other for 15 years," acknowledged Hertz, "he's donated to (BGCGAC) events and given us free trash services for 15 years." Nevertheless, said Hertz, "I feel like I would do a good job on the committee."

Peat then suggested Marquez already had too many appointments to serve on the subcommittee.

"I have some concerns that the council member Marquez already

has seven committees that she is on," said Peat, suggesting Marquez already has "enough on her plate."

Marquez said, "If it's important, I can make time for it."

Berry then moved for the subcommittee to include Peat and Marquez, seconded by Marquez, but Peat made a substitute motion for the subcommittee to be made up of himself and Hertz.

Peat's substitution motion for he and Hertz failed 2-2, however, when Berry and Marquez voted against the motion and Morales abstained from voting on it. Berry's original motion for the Peat/Marquez subcommittee passed 3-2, with the same split except Morales, who abstained from voting on the substitute motion, voted yes in favor of Berry's original motion.

Subcommittee aside, many residents during the oral communications portion of the meeting, did thank Peat and Morales for not recommending the direct transfer tip project.

"Thank you for not considering the direct tip transfer" project, said local resident Blaze Bhence, reflecting the opinion of many attending the online meeting.

As thankful as they were for the rejection of the direct transfer tip project, however, many who spoke during oral communications also expressed equally strong opposition to any CNG facility, some expressed an open mind, and some were befuddled as to why the city was trying so hard to come up with ways to

financially assist Valley Vista at all?

"Please consider the environmental impact that the off gassing will have on the surrounding neighborhoods, children and elderly in the immediate area," Bhence told the Council.

Resident Steve Moss wanted to take the VVS a step further, asking the city to have the new subcommittee seriously rebidding the waste hauling contract altogether.

"I highly oppose this construction proposal from Valley Vista Trash Services and believe it is

unacceptable, unethical, and unfair to all of the residents in our neighborhood," said Annie Lim.

Her husband, Justin, an engineer who designs natural gas systems, said compressed natural gas is stored with 7,000 times the normal pressure of natural gas and he felt it was unwise to threaten the schools and homes with a CNG facility in the public works yard. "This is unacceptable," he said.

Tim Yurien, who lives next to the city yard with his dad, a World War II veteran, said Briggeman told him "he needed \$2.50 per month (per customer) to make me whole." In a follow-up interview, Yurien said Briggeman told him that Valley Vista had indeed received federal relief funds during the pandemic but declined to say how much.

Further, Yurien said any CNG site should be located near a truck route, not in a residential neighborhood. He questioned why the city wants to fund the CNG project for VVS

when more well-known organizations could be willing to "pay for the construction" if they are guaranteed certain annual sales.

A host of other residents, including Jimmy Fuller, agreed in written comments that the city, instead of any rate increases or contract extensions for VVS, the city should simply rebid the contract.

Local activist George Pardon also suggested there are many safety issues with the CNG proposal. "Regarding the CNG station, while I think there are serious safety issues related to a CNG station, especially given the location of the City Yard, and if the City determines one is needed, the City should build it and fund it, not Valley Vista," said Pardon.

Finally, Brittany Cook thanked Peat and Morales for not moving forward with the direct transfer tip, saying she was very happy the city took the petitions opposing the project into consideration. Cook said she'd keep an open mind and would wait to see what the subcommittee came up with before declaring a position on the CNG project.

Cook asked, however, why was the city was discussing the issue at all?

"My main question is, you know Valley Vista has expressed that they are having some financial difficulties due to COVID, but why is the city council's first response to pacify VVS and not the residents? I'm sure residents are having financial issues as well," she said.