

Programs & Issues for the first quarter of 2016 Jan-Feb-Mar

It has been determined that the following subjects are of concern to the community and have been considered and addressed substantially by elected officials, community leaders, expert witnesses and the general public, during the regular Santa Monica City Council meetings, which are broadcast live on Tuesdays, beginning at 8 p.m. Broadcasts last until midnight unless council adjourns before that time.

1. Traffic and transportation
2. Animal health and safety
3. Police and public safety
4. Fire Department and fire suppression
5. Labor and labor negotiations
6. Historic preservation
7. Housing and homelessness
8. Environment and beaches
9. Schools and education
10. Development and redevelopment

Santa Monica City Council meetings were broadcast on the following dates:

Jan. 12, 2016  
Jan. 26, 2016  
Feb. 9, 2016  
Feb. 23, 2016  
Mar. 1, 2016  
Mar. 8, 2016  
Mar. 22, 2016

Additionally, the following programs were produced and broadcast in the public interest:

**KCRW PROGRAMS/ISSUES LIST – 1st QUARTER 2016 JAN-FEB-MAR**

Which Way LA? hosted by Warren Olney, aired Monday through Thursday, from 7 – 8 p.m., ending its run in January, 2016. Press Play is hosted by Madeline Brand, airing Monday through Friday, from 12 - 1 p.m. To the Point, hosted by Warren Olney, airs Monday through Friday from 1 – 2 p.m.

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	DATE/TIME	DURATION
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**ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT**

The continuing gas leak that's moving thousands of families out of their homes is an ecological disaster of national proportion, constituting 21% of the state's methane emissions and 2.3% of its entire carbon footprint—all from one hole in the ground. Which Way LA? Aired Monday, Jan. 4, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

**POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Last year, for the first time in more than a decade, all categories of crime in Los Angeles increased over the year before. Homicides went up by 10% to 280, but consider that in 1992 there were almost four times as many murders — 1,092. Which Way LA? Aired Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS**

Today, a county watchdog group released a scathing report on L.A.'s plans to accommodate homeless people during this week's rainstorms. We hear from some of the people on the streets struggling to stay dry.

Press Play Aired Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2016 12 p.m. 1 hr.

## **CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT**

Mudslides, floods and road-closings have been predicted for weeks — and so has the plight of 29,000 homeless people who sleep on the streets of LA County. But today, the Civil Grand Jury called preparations "unconscionable and grossly inadequate."

Which Way LA? Aired Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **HEALTH AND HEALTHCARE**

The federal government issued its latest set of nutritional guidelines today. But how meaningful are they in terms of a healthy diet?

Press Play Aired Thursday, Jan. 7, 2016 12 p.m. 1 hr.

## **CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT**

The first of this year's El Niño storms were only a test, and Southern California is braced for another onslaught of mudslides, potholes, flooded freeways and basements, and mountains of trash swept out into the ocean. We see what is next.

Which Way LA? Aired Thursday, Jan. 7, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **LABOR AND EDUCATION**

The California Teachers Association has been called an obstacle to education reform in Sacramento. Now, the US Supreme Court is poised to reduce its power. The decision could be a blow to unionized police officers, fire fighters and public workers nationally.

Which Way LA? Aired Monday, Jan. 11, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION**

The Los Angeles Unified School District has a new superintendent today, Michelle King. What do we know about her?

Press Play Aired Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2016 12 p.m. 1 hr.

## **STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS**

President Barack Obama addresses the nation, pre-empting regular station programs.

Which Way LA? Aired Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **EDUCATION**

After a national search for a new leader, the LA School Board went with a local veteran. We talk with Superintendent Michelle King.

Which Way LA? Aired Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

LA County District Attorney Jackie Lacey faces no credible challenger yet in this year's bid for re-election, but she is facing increased political pressure. LAPD Chief Charlie Beck wants her to file charges against one of his own officers in a controversial killing.

Which Way LA? Aired Thursday, Jan. 14, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **RACE RELATIONS**

As *WWLA?* winds down, we're looking back and measuring what's changed and what hasn't. One major component is race relations. Have we learned, as Rodney King famously put it, to "just get along?"

Which Way LA? Aired Monday, Jan. 18, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **IMMIGRATION**

The U.S. Supreme Court takes on whether President Obama's executive orders on immigration are constitutional. How will it rule? Also, remembering Glenn Frey, the history of California conservatives, and the comeback of ancient grains.

Press Play Aired Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

The Ahwahnee Hotel is about to be the Majestic Yosemite; The Wawona will be known as Big Trees Lodge. Names that go back generations are being changed because of a trademark dispute between the National Park Service and a concessionaire.

Which Way LA? Aired Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **POLICE AND JUDICIAL SYSTEM**

The City of Los Angeles will pay \$24 million for the wrongful murder convictions of two men who spent years of their lives in prison because of proven misconduct by the LAPD. The City Attorney says going to court would cost even more.

Which Way LA? Aired Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS**

Today we look at Gov. Jerry Brown's 13th State of the State Address. That's followed up by a look at the ongoing turmoil in what was one of the biggest accomplishments of Brown's first term: the California Coastal Commission.

Press Play Aired Thursday, Jan. 21, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **CITY POLITICS**

In the 23 years Which Way, LA? has been on the air, there have been five mayors of Los Angeles: Tom Bradley, Richard Riordan, James Hahn, Antonio Villaraigosa and Eric Garcetti. Each has served at a different moment in a process of continual change.

Which Way LA? Aired Thursday, Jan. 21, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **HEALTH AND HEALTHCARE**

Today we delve into two national health issues. A new Senate investigation of contaminated medical scopes. Then, lead poisoning beyond Flint, Michigan.

Press Play Aired Friday, Jan. 22, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Today we learn how three men are still on the run after escaping from Orange County Men's Central Jail last week. Then, what is the city of Los Angeles doing to track gas and oil production following the massive Porter Ranch gas leak?

Press Play Aired Monday, Jan. 25, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Video of police misconduct wasn't as common 25 years ago as it is today. The spectacle of LAPD officers beating Rodney King was a wake-up call, and when the cops received not-guilty verdicts, the city exploded.

Which Way LA? Aired Monday, Jan. 25, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **EDUCATION AND ENVIRONMENT**

Porter Ranch has been closed and thousands of residents are being moved away after a natural gas leak was discovered. In Vernon, residents complained for years about health risks until the federal government finally stepped in.

Which Way LA? Aired Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION**

Urban planners got some bad news today. Ridership on public transit in Southern California is on the decline...despite the billions being spent in recent years to build light rail and subway lines. Why aren't more drivers leaving their cars at home?  
Which Way LA? Aired Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **ENVIRONMENT AND CULTURE**

We've been through fires, floods, earthquakes and massive social, cultural and economic change. While this is the last program that will have the title, "WWLA?" the question still needs to be asked. Tonight, we'll talk with a group thoughtful people.  
Which Way LA? Aired Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES**

Today we start with Press Play contributor Mike Schlitt in Iowa. He's a lifelong political junkie who decided to go there to see democracy at work. Then, California is huge; why is its voting power so miniscule?  
Press Play Aired Monday, Feb. 1, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY**

The World Health Organization today declared the spread of the Zika virus a public health emergency and said that travel restrictions are not necessary. It's still not clear if the illness causes birth defects, and US health officials say there's no crisis here yet.  
To the Point Aired Monday, Feb. 1, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES**

Last night's Iowa caucuses helped to clarify the campaigns of both political parties -- but not enough for confident predictions about what's next. We hear about the upcoming challenges for candidates claiming victory — and those perceived to have lost.  
To the Point Aired Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr

## **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

The O.C. jail saga continues – we discuss how a cabbie was held hostage by the three escapees for a week. Then, a new report finds nearly 150 people convicted of crimes were exonerated in 2015.  
Press Play Aired Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **IMMIGRATION**

Today we begin by hearing from a pastor at a local church who's offering refuge to Central Americans facing deportation. He's part of a growing religious movement facing off against federal immigration authorities on this issue.  
Press Play Aired Monday, Feb. 8, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES**

Monday's unexpected results in Iowa shook up Republican Party politics. This coming Tuesday, New Hampshire voters could bring some campaigns to an end while giving new life to others. We check out the action.  
To the Point Aired Thursday, Feb. 4, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES**

After New Hampshire, both parties will be chasing the fast-growing number of eligible Latinos. They could make a crucial difference in several states. We hear what divides a group of 27 million potential voters—and what unites them.  
To the Point Aired Friday, Feb. 9, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

We start with a resolution to the battle for control of the California Coastal Commission. The executive director has been removed. Then, the commission cracks down on surfers who've controlled a Palos Verdes beach for decades.

Press Play Aired Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Now that Joaquín "El Chapo" Guzmán has been captured again, Mexican authorities are talking of extradition to the United States before he escapes again. We hear about the likelihood — and the possible consequences for Guzmán and the impact on law and order South of the border.

To the Point Aired Friday, Feb. 12, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **SUPREME COURT**

The legacy of the late US Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia in law and politics.

To the Point Aired Monday, Feb. 15, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **SUPREME COURT**

The death of Justice Antonin Scalia leaves the US Supreme Court equally divided, with the battle over his successor just beginning. We hear what's at stake for court cases currently pending, the presidential campaign and the future of America's Third Branch of Government.

To the Point Aired Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES**

Only a fraction of Democrats and Republicans have been heard from so far, and Super Tuesday is still more than a week away. But the battle lines are hardening for both presidential campaigns. Can Trump be stopped? Can Clinton be slowed down?

To the Point Aired Monday, Feb. 22, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **PRISON SYSTEM**

A new report by county auditors says L.A. taxpayers are still footing the bill to incarcerate a huge number of juvenile offenders, even though arrest numbers are going down. How did that happen?

Press Play Aired Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY**

The FBI is trying to crack down on tech giant Apple — using a law passed in 1789. We hear how a case pitting national security against iPhone privacy might lead to an act of Congress.

To the Point Aired Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2016 7 p.m. 1 hr.

## **PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES**

If elected, Hillary Clinton would be America's first woman president — a historic prospect she downplayed in her campaign in 2008. That's not true anymore. We get a profile.

To the Point Aired Tuesday, Mar. 1, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **HEALTHCARE**

What will the Supreme Court's decision in the Texas abortion-clinics case mean for abortion access in states across the country?

Press Play Aired Wednesday, Mar. 2, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **TECHNOLOGY AND SAFETY**

Apple has an unlikely ally in its battle with the FBI: the former head of both the National Security Agency and the FBI. We hear about "the dark web" and why "back doors" to encryption really matter.

To the Point Aired Friday, Mar. 4, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

The United States has 18,000 police departments, all entitled to use deadly force — but without any national standard on when to use it — or why. We hear more about a debate that's raging from Baltimore to San Francisco.

To the Point Aired Monday, Mar. 7, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

The Big Thirst author Charles Fishman lets Angelenos know when it's okay to worry about their tap water (hint: when it looks like bad tea), and how the rise of single women is changing society.

Press Play Aired Tuesday, Mar. 8, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY AND EDUCATION**

The lawyer representing Torrance High School students details their shocking allegations. Why Malibu wants its own school district; The mountain lion and missing koala; CA may end daylight saving time.

Press Play Aired Friday, Mar. 11, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

The president of the Los Angeles Police Commission discusses a new report with recommendations for overhauling the LAPD's use-of-force policies. Also, UC Berkeley is in turmoil over sexual harassment allegations.

Press Play Aired Monday, Mar. 14, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **SUPREME COURT**

President Obama has nominated Chief Judge Merrick Garland of the Federal Court of Appeals in Washington, DC as a successor to the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. Republicans are accusing Obama of politicizing the court — the same charge Democrats have leveled against Republicans under similar circumstances.

To the Point Aired Wednesday, Mar. 16, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **TRADE AND IMMIGRATION**

For the first time in almost 90 years, an American President has gone to Havana — but the Castro regime is still rounding up political dissidents, and Congress will not lift the economic embargo. We hear about a historic visit and the potential outcomes.

To the Point Aired Thursday, Mar. 17, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

After the Porter Ranch leak, Can Californians trust state agencies to regulate things like natural gas storage facilities? And a look at how to solve Hollywood's diversity problem.

Press Play Aired Friday, Mar. 18, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **TERRORISM ATTACK**

All of Europe is on high alert in the aftermath of this morning's deadly explosions in Brussels — two at the airport and one at a train station downtown.

To the Point Aired Tuesday, Mar. 22, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **HEALTHCARE**

The U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments in a case that challenges the Affordable Care Act's contraception coverage. It's a follow-up to the so-called Hobby Lobby case of 2014. What are the arguments, and how did the justices respond?

Press Play Aired Wednesday, Mar. 23, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **TERRORISM ATTACK**

The "unified" countries of Europe are being challenged to crack down on terrorists within their own borders—while preserving the values of liberal democracy. We update the scene in Brussels after the second terrorist attack in just four months.

To the Point Aired Wednesday, Mar. 23, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **TECHNOLOGY AND SAFETY**

The FBI and Apple are fighting it out in court over digital privacy and national security, but it's more than a legal dispute. Those are issues with potential effect on almost every American. We hear about the implications of a surprise move by the FBI.

To the Point Aired Thursday, Mar. 24, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **CIVIL RIGHTS**

Around the country, expanding legal protections for lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender people are being challenged -- often in the name of religious liberty. But the sports world and corporate America are lining up with LGBT people.

To the Point Aired Monday, Mar. 28, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **HEALTHCARE**

The City of L.A. has a new plan for fixing its sidewalks, and it shifts future maintenance to homeowners and businesses. What's the idea behind this?

Press Play Aired Wednesday, Mar. 30, 2016 12 pm. 1 hr.

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

The dangers of lead poison — especially to children — have been known since the days of the Romans. But some 2000 water supplies around the country are contaminated with lead. We hear about a health crisis that didn't need to happen.

To the Point Aired Wednesday, Mar. 30, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

America faces an epidemic of overdose deaths from prescription pain medications as well as illegal heroin. We hear how new thinking about drug addiction has led to new ways for doctors and the pharmaceutical industry to deal with drug addiction.

To the Point Aired Thursday, Mar. 31, 2016 7 pm. 1 hr.