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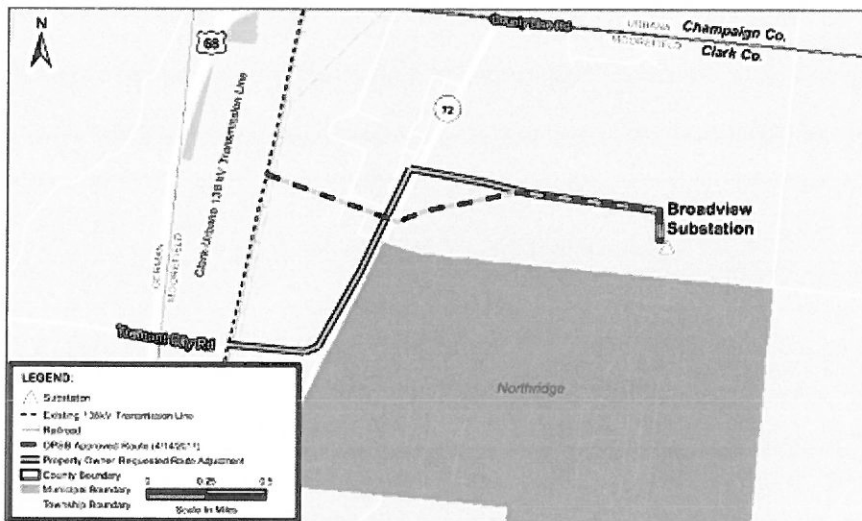


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Michigan doctor gets 60-year prison sentence

Former physician for U.S. gymnasts had child porn.

Associated Press

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. — A former elite sports doctor whose sexual assault cases have rocked Michigan State University and the group that trains U.S. Olympic gymnasts was sentenced Thursday to 60 years in federal prison for possessing thousands of images of child pornography.

It's the first of three prison sentences for Larry Nassar, who will learn his punishment in state court in January after pleading guilty to using his hands to molest girls at his campus office, his home and at a gymnastics club near Lansing, Michigan, sometimes with parents in the room.

McKayla Maroney, a member of the 2012 gold medal Olympic team, attended the court hearing after describing Nassar as a "monster" in a letter to U.S. District Judge Janet Neff. She and Olympic gymnasts Aly Raisman and Gabby Douglas say they are among his assault victims.

Nassar said he has an addiction. "You go back and you wonder how I got down this path to begin with," he told the judge. "I really did try to be a good person. ... I hope one day I can be forgiven, and I'm going to take every day of your sentence to try to better myself."

Neff followed the government's recommended sentence, saying Nassar "should never again have access to children."

She said the federal sentence won't start until he com-



Dr. Larry Nassar

"He's devastated, obviously," defense attorney Matthew Neuburg said outside court.

The child porn was discovered last year. Nassar acknowledged that he dumped computer hard drives and paid \$49 to have a laptop's memory wiped clean to try to outfox police. The hard drives were seized by investigators because the trash truck on his street was late.

Separately, more than 100 women and girls are suing Nassar. Michigan State and USA Gymnastics also are defendants in many cases.

In a statement, Michigan State said the 60-year sentence "represents another important step toward justice for the victims." But victims and lawyers have been deeply critical of the school, claiming campus officials failed to recognize years ago that Nassar was a threat.

John Manly, an attorney representing many women and girls in lawsuits, said negotiations with Michigan State and a mediator failed to lead to an agreement this week. Michigan State declined to comment.

"We intend to fight for justice for the victims," Manly said.

Budget

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the end of this year — a year after projecting a deficit of nearly \$850,000.

Outgoing commissioner Dan Martin voted for the budget but spoke out about several concerns, including a lack of cost reduction and savings efforts, he said.

Last year, both the Community Financial Advisory Committee and an independent consultant presented reports that said the city must find ways to make cost reductions and cost savings, Dan Martin said. The income tax increase approved last year is basically a loan from the voters, he said.

"In three to four years, it's very likely we could be back in the same position we were in last year without addressing the other end of the equation that we told voters we would and that's to also look at new ways of saving money, consolidating, coming up with other ways of doing things," he said.

The commission must address those moving forward, he said.

"Four or five years from now, people will be asking those questions of what happened to doing things that were recommended in those reports," Martin said.

Commissioner Kevin O'Neill has voted on multiple budgets over the years, including last December. This year, however, he said "it was hard to throw cold water" on this budget because it was balanced.

However, the city must look at cuts, but he doesn't believe it's the right time, O'Neill said.

O'Neill views the tax increase as a grant because



The income tax increase approved recently by voters has turned a projected deficit at Springfield City Hall into a \$520,000 expected budget surplus. BILL LACKEY/STAFF

it doesn't have to be paid back. Residents will take the money away if the city doesn't follow through with its promises, he said.

"It's going to be in the forecast," he said. "I have two more years here. I'm going to see that all of the things I recommended before are brought up again."

The commission must continue to find ways to save money because it doesn't want to ask voters to renew the 4-percent income tax increase approved earlier this year, Commissioner Joyce Chilton said. She wants the commission to discuss those issues at its upcoming retreat in February.

The city has every intention of following the recommendations that make sense, City Manager Jim Bodenmiller said. The process has already begun in some instances, including leasing equipment, examining a wellness program for employees and contracting certain maintenance services.

"It's only been six months since the levy passed," Bodenmiller said. "We've done a hell of a lot in six months. We're on track and we've kept every promise we

made during the levy campaign. We're going full force. You can't expect to change the course we were on for 10 years in six months. ... We should be proud of what we're doing and we should be proud of our employees."

Springfield is expected to spend about \$28.4 million on personnel next year, the largest expenditure in its general fund. The city is also expected to spend about \$5.6 million on medical insurance, a 12 percent increase from the previous year.

The budget includes raises for employees, Bodenmiller told the News-Sun last month. It's currently in negotiations with five of its six unions, he said.

The city recently gave raises to its AFSCME units, including 3 percent raises this year and a 2 percent increase next year. Those employees also agreed to pay an increased share of health-care costs, Bodenmiller said.

Some employees have gone eight years with virtually no increase, Bodenmiller said, which the recent performance audit said isn't sustainable.

The city plans to hire 11

new positions, including seven new police officers to kick-start the Safe Streets Task Force.

Other positions to be hired include several that were recently scaled back, such as a payroll officer, an income tax account clerk, a code enforcement officer and a communications officer.

The city will spend about \$5.4 million to make capital improvements, including \$2 million for neighborhood streets pledged as part of the income tax increase, Bodenmiller said.

At the end of last year, the city was projected to have rainy day reserves of about \$1.39 million, or about 3.5 percent of its overall budget. With the increased income tax, the rainy day fund is projected to be \$4.2 million at the end of 2018 — nearly 10 percent of the budget.

The commission's goal is to have about 10 percent set aside, but a recent performance audit said the city's rainy day fund should sit at about 16 to 17 percent, Bodenmiller said.

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Father shoots, kills gunman at eatery

Police say a father eating with his family at a fast food restaurant in San Antonio fatally shot a robber who threatened his family with a gun. Police Capt. Michael Starnes told the San Antonio Express-News that the robber died at the scene Wednesday evening. San Antonio police Sgt. Roy Miller says the gunman threatened the father and restaurant employees and the employees ran out the back of the restaurant. The gunman demanded money and, when the father refused, the gunman turned his weapon toward the man's family. At that point, the father, who is licensed to carry a firearm, pulled out his own gun and fired. Starnes says the father isn't facing charges and that he "really saved the day and protected a lot of people."

SAUDI ARABIA

Prince is buyer of da Vinci painting

Prince Bader bin Abdul-

lah bin Mohammed bin Farhan al-Saud is the mystery buyer of Leonardo da Vinci's painting "Salvator Mundi," which fetched a record \$450.3 million at auction last month. Bader splurged on this decidedly un-Islamic portrait of Christ at a time when most members of the Saudi elite, including some in the royal family, were covering under a sweeping crackdown against corruption and self-enrichment.

JAPAN

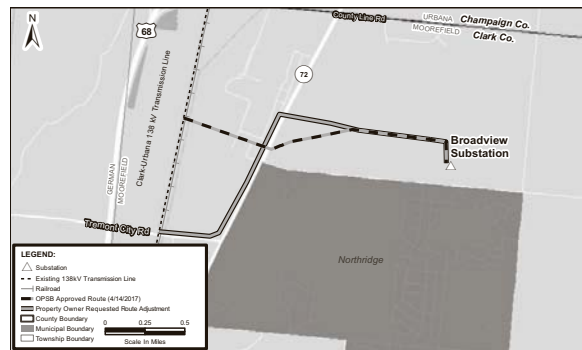
Hirohito's account of WWII sells for \$275K

A transcript of the memoirs of Japan's wartime emperor, Hirohito, in which he explained his country's reasons for entering World War II, sold at auction in New York on Wednesday for \$275,000. The notes, handwritten in pencil and black ink by an imperial court official, cover the period from 1928 to 1945, and include the emperor's account of the events leading up to Japan's entry into World War II, the attack on Pearl Harbor and the country's surrender.

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