

**Tuesday, March 23, 2004**

**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 381B  
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

**9:30 AM**

Present: Supervisor Gloria Molina, Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke,  
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich and  
Chairman Don Knabe

Invocation led by Reverend Gerardo Brambila, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church,  
South Gate (1).

Pledge of Allegiance led by Joseph N. Smith, Director of Military and Veterans  
Affairs.

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## NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION

### The Board met in Closed Session to discuss the following:

#### CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Susan Rodde, et al. v. Diana Bonta, County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. CV 03 1580

Harris et al. v. Board of Supervisors et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 08 1860; United States District Court Case No. CV 03 2008

Union of American Physicians and Dentists, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 083 853

**These lawsuits challenge the closure of Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center and High Desert Hospital, and alleged curtailments at LAC+USC Medical Center and MLK/Drew Medical Center. (03-1392)**

#### CS-2. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

(Government Code Section 54957)

Consideration of Department Head performance evaluations (03-2917)

### SET MATTERS

9:30 a.m.

Presentation of scroll to representatives of Warner Brothers Pictures proclaiming March 26, 2004 as "Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed Day," in honor of the release of the live-action comedy to selected Second Supervisorial District Schools and children from the Martin Luther King Jr./Drew Medical Center High Risk Infant Program, as arranged by Supervisor Burke.

Presentation of scroll to Eric D. Webber in recognition of his 32 Years of service with the County of Los Angeles, as arranged by Supervisor Yaroslavsky.

Presentation of scroll to Virginia Garma on occasion of her retirement from 28 years of service with the County of Los Angeles, as arranged by Supervisor Yaroslavsky.

Presentation of scroll to Dr. Thomas L. Garthwaite, Director of Health Services, Dr.

Jonathan E. Fielding, Director of Public Health, Dr. Robert Kim-Farley and Dr. Marsha Epstein in recognition of proclaiming March 24, 2004 as "World Tuberculosis Day," as arranged by Supervisor Knabe.

Presentation of scroll to retired Rear Admiral David A. Janes, National Chairman of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), in recognition of ESGR's efforts to promote understanding and appreciation among public and private sector employers of the men and women of the Reserve and National Guard, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of scroll to Donald R. Hopper upon his recent retirement as City Manager of the City of Monrovia commending him on his 37-year career and extending him best wishes on his retirement, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of scrolls to Jim Shivers, Chairman of the Catholic Committee on Scouting for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and Reverend Paul Clark, D.D., Co-Chairman and Founder of the Religious Relations Committee for the San Gabriel Valley Council Boy Scouts of America, commending them on founding and organizing the 5th Annual Ten Commandments Hike, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of scroll to Gordon Rowley commending him on more than 33 years of service to the Boy Scouts of America, specifically to Eagle Scouts, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of pets to the television audience for the County's Pet Adoption Program, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich. (04-0016)

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS 1 - 14**

1. Hearing on proposed amendments to Title 20 - Utilities, imposing a new additional annual zone sewer service charge for the Trancas Zone of \$296 per improved parcel, beginning FY 2004-05 and ending FY 2013-14 to repay a 10-year \$742,000 loan and approving an increase to the additional annual zone sewer service charge for the Trancas Zone of \$448, from \$1,078 to \$1,526 per sewage unit beginning FY 2004-05 for the operation/ maintenance of the Trancas Water Pollution Control Plant; also adoption of a resolution approving a 10-year loan from the Marina Sewer Maintenance District Fund to the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund for the rehabilitation of the Trancas Water Pollution Control Plant; approval of Appropriation Adjustment to transfer \$742,000 from the Marina Sewer Maintenance District Fund to the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund; and find that the proposed ordinance is for the purpose of meeting operational expenses and funding capital projects and therefore is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. **4-VOTES** (04-0324)

**THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

- 1. IMPOSED A NEW ADDITIONAL ANNUAL ZONE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE TRANCAS ZONE OF \$296 PER IMPROVED PARCEL, BEGINNING FISCAL YEAR 2004-05 AND ENDING FISCAL YEAR 2013-14 FOR REPAYMENT OF A 10-YEAR \$742,000 LOAN FROM THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FUND;**
- 2. APPROVED AN INCREASE TO THE ADDITIONAL ANNUAL ZONE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE TRANCAS ZONE OF \$448, FROM \$1,078 TO \$1,526 PER SEWAGE UNIT BEGINNING FISCAL YEAR 2004-05 FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE TRANCAS WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT;**
- 3. ADOPTED A RESOLUTION APPROVING A 10-YEAR LOAN FROM THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FUND TO THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ACCUMULATIVE CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND FOR REHABILITATION OF THE TRANCAS WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT;**
- 4. APPROVED AN APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT TO TRANSFER \$742,000 FROM THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FUND TO THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ACCUMULATIVE CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND;**
- 5. MADE A FINDING THAT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING OPERATING EXPENSES AND FUNDING CAPITAL PROJECTS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN SERVICES AND THEREFORE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT; AND**
- 6. ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 2004-0015 ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 20 - UTILITIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO ADDITIONAL ANNUAL ZONE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES FOR THE TRANCAS ZONE." THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT APRIL 22, 2004.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

2. Sale at public auction of County-owned surplus real property located at 8019 Compton Ave., unincorporated South Los Angeles (2), at a minimum bid of \$570,000. (Continued from the meetings of 11-25-03, 12-16-03 and 2-10-04) (03-2973)

**THE BOARD CANCELLED THE AUCTION AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER; AND INSTRUCTED THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD TO RETURN ANY BIDS UNOPENED.**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

3. Sale at public auction of County-owned surplus real property located at 300 Rosecrans Ave., Compton (2), at a minimum bid of \$465,000. (04-0293)

**THE BOARD TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

1. **AWARDED THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY AND THE COUNTY'S RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST TO IQBAL AHMED, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,205,000.00.**
2. **INSTRUCTED THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE QUITCLAIM DEED UPON PRESENTATION;**
3. **AUTHORIZED THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION; AND**
4. **INSTRUCTED THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DEPOSIT THE SALE PROCEEDS INTO THE ASSET DEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION FUND.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

4. Hearing on annexation of Subdivision Territories to County Lighting Maintenance District 1687 and County Lighting District LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone (1, 4 and 5), and to levy and collect annual assessments within the annexed subdivision territories for street lighting purposes, with a base annual assessment rate of \$5 for a single-family home for Fiscal Year 2004-05; also adoption of Joint Resolutions approving and accepting the exchange of property tax revenues resulting from the annexation of territories. (04-0391)

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING; INSTRUCTED THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD TO PROVIDE FOR THE TABULATION OF ASSESSMENT BALLOTS SUBMITTED, AND NOT WITHDRAWN, IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS FOR EACH SUBDIVISION TERRITORY IN COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE (1, 4 AND 5); AND CONTINUED THE MATTER FOR ONE WEEK TO MARCH 30, 2004 FOR A REPORT ON THE TABULATION OF THE BALLOTS AND DECISION.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

5. Hearing on proposed parking fee increases at beaches owned and/or operated by the County and in Marina del Rey and at Dockweiler RV Park in order to assist in offsetting the costs of beach and Marina maintenance and operations and to align the County's fees with those charged at other parking lots in the vicinity; and to expand the parking metered rate of \$0.25 per fifteen minutes to all lots where meters are/will be installed; also determination of exemption from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. (04-0600)

**CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO MARCH 30, 2004**

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Absent: None

Vote: Common Consent

6. Hearing on the Weed Abatement Referee's Report to abate noxious or dangerous weeds, brush, rubbish, etc., on unimproved parcels in the County (All Districts). (04-0141)

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING; APPROVED THE WEED ABATEMENT REFEREE'S REPORT AND INSTRUCTED THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER/DIRECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES TO REMOVE THE NOXIOUS OR DANGEROUS WEEDS, BRUSH, RUBBISH, ETC. ON UNIMPROVED PARCELS IN THE COUNTY.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

7. Hearing on the Brush Clearance Referee's Report to abate hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds and combustible growth or flammable vegetation, to include native and ornamental vegetation on improved parcels in the County (All Districts). (04-0139)

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING; APPROVED THE BRUSH CLEARANCE REFEREE'S REPORT AND INSTRUCTED THE FIRE CHIEF TO REMOVE THE HAZARDOUS BRUSH, DRY GRASS, WEEDS, COMBUSTIBLE GROWTH OR FLAMMABLE VEGETATION, INCLUDING NATIVE AND ORNAMENTAL VEGETATION ON IMPROVED PARCELS IN THE COUNTY.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

8. Hearing to vacate a portion of the alley north of Eagle Street, unincorporated East Los Angeles area (1); and find that the vacation is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. (04-0585)

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

- 1. MADE A FINDING THAT THE PROPOSED VACATION IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, AND THAT THE VACATED AREA IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE, INCLUDING BICYCLE PATHS AND TRAILS; AND**
- 2. ADOPTED THE RESOLUTION ORDERING THE VACATION AND INSTRUCTED THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO RECORD SAID RESOLUTION WITH THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

9. Hearing on proposed amendments to Title 22 - Planning and Zoning, limiting the establishment or expansion of outdoor advertising signs to M (Industrial) zones and requiring a Conditional Use Permit prior to the erection of such signs in order to minimize the negative aesthetic impacts on neighborhoods and safety hazards for pedestrians and motorists that the proliferation of outdoor advertising signs has in the unincorporated areas of the County (All Districts); also approval of Negative Declaration (ND) and determination that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment or adverse effect on wildlife resources, and that the ND reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Board. (04-0557)

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

- 1. CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION (ND) TOGETHER WITH ANY COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS, CERTIFIED ITS COMPLETION, AND MADE A FINDING THAT THERE IS NOT SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, AND THAT THE ND REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT AND ANALYSIS OF THE BOARD;**
- 2. APPROVED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION LIMITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OR EXPANSION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS TO M (INDUSTRIAL) ZONES AND REQUIRING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PRIOR TO THE ERECTION OF SUCH SIGNS IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE THE NEGATIVE AESTHETIC IMPACTS ON THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND SAFETY HAZARDS FOR PEDESTRIANS AND MOTORISTS THAT THE PROLIFERATION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS HAS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY;**
- 3. DETERMINED THAT THE AMENDMENTS ARE COMPATIBLE WITH AND SUPPORTIVE OF THE GOALS AND POLICIES OF THE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND THE COUNTY'S STRATEGIC PLAN;**
- 4. MADE A FINDING THAT THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS DE MINIMUS IN ITS EFFECT ON FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES AND AUTHORIZED THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING TO COMPLETE AND FILE A CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION FOR THE PROJECT;**
- 5. ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 2004-0016 ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 22 - PLANNING AND ZONING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE TO ESTABLISH REVISED LAND USE RESTRICTIONS FOR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS." THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT APRIL 22, 2004; AND**
- 6. INSTRUCTED THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT THAT WOULD ENCOURAGE THE REMOVAL OF ALREADY EXISTING LAWFUL OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY, BY PERMITTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW SIGNS IN THE MORE INTENSE COMMERCIAL ZONES (C-3, C-M) PURSUANT TO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT OR OTHER ARRANGEMENT THAT WOULD REQUIRE THE APPLICANT TO REMOVE A PARTICULAR AMOUNT OF LAWFULLY EXISTING SIGNAGE.**  
**EXISTING SIGNAGE.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

10. Hearing on proposed amendments to Title 22 - Planning and Zoning, relating to the establishment of the Castaic Area Community Standards District establishing specific development standards including protection of ridgelines and creeks in the area, establishing neighborhood parks, buffers between residential and non-residential uses, truck-tractor parking, signage regulation, and landscaping requirements necessary to maintain compatibility with existing neighborhoods and for the protection of the rural character, the unique appearance and the natural resources of the Castaic area (5); and a conditional use permit requirement ensuring land use compatibility for certain land uses that have the potential to create disturbances to nearby sensitive areas; also approval of a Negative Declaration (ND) and determination that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, or adverse effect on wildlife resources and that the ND reflects the independent judgment of the County. (04-0574)

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

1. **CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION (ND) TOGETHER WITH ANY COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS, CERTIFIED ITS COMPLETION, AND MADE A FINDING THAT THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, AND THAT THE ND REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT AND ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY;**
2. **APPROVED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO CREATE THE CASTAIC AREA COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT FOR THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF THE CASTAIC AREA ESTABLISHING SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS TO PROTECT THE RURAL CHARACTER AND THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE AREA;**
3. **DETERMINED THAT THE CASTAIC AREA COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT IS COMPATIBLE WITH AND SUPPORTIVE OF THE GOALS AND POLICIES OF THE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN, THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA PLAN AND THE COUNTY'S STRATEGIC PLAN;**

4. **MADE A FINDING THAT ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS DE MINIMUS IN ITS EFFECT ON FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES AND AUTHORIZED THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING TO COMPLETE AND FILE A CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION FOR THE PROJECT; AND**
5. **INSTRUCTED COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION REFLECTING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

11. Hearing on proposed amendments to Title 22 - Planning and Zoning, relating to the Rowland Heights Community Standards District to establish specific development standards, which include increased setbacks and landscaping, maximum lot coverage and floor-area ratio, a dedicated acceleration/ deceleration lane to mitigate traffic for certain commercial development, and architectural features; and project review procedures establishing a discretionary director's review or conditional use permit requirement applicable to development projects in commercial and industrial zones (1 and 4); also find that the proposed amendment is de minimus in its effect on the environment. **NOTE: At the meeting of March 16, 2004, the Board indicated its intent to continue the hearing, without discussion, to May 25, 2004.** (04-0565)

**CONTINUED THE HEARING TO MAY 25, 2004 AT 9:30 A.M.**

[See Supporting Document](#)

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Absent: None

Vote: Common Consent

12. Combined hearing on the following zoning matters and Negative Declaration relating to property located at 5235 - 5237 Rosemead Blvd., East San Gabriel Zoned District, petitioned by Everest Investment Group: (Continued from the meeting of 01-27-04) (03-3555)

Zone Change Case No. 02-182-(5), from A-1 to R-3-DP

Conditional Use Permit Case No. 02-182-(5), to ensure compliance with requirements of the proposed Development Program Zone

Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 53942-(5), to create one multi-family lot with 18 attached new condominiums on 0.85 acres

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

- 1. CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION (ND) TOGETHER WITH ANY COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS; CERTIFIED ITS COMPLETION, AND MADE A FINDING THAT THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT; FIND THAT THE PROJECT IS DE MINIMUS IN ITS EFFECT ON FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICES; AND THAT THE ND REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT AND ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY;**
- 2. MADE A FINDING THAT THE PROPOSED CHANGE OF ZONE IS CONSISTENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY GENERAL PLAN; AND THAT THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE, THE GENERAL WELFARE AND GOOD ZONING PRACTICE JUSTIFY THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE OF ZONE;**
- 3. INDICATED ITS INTENT TO APPROVE ZONE CHANGE AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NOS. 02-182-(5) AND TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 53942-(5); AND**
- 4. INSTRUCTED COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY ORDINANCE, FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS FOR FINAL APPROVAL.**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 13. Combined hearing on the following zoning matters and Final Environmental Impact Report relating to the Deer Lake Project located north of State Route 118 (Simi Valley Fwy.) at the northerly terminus of Canoga Ave. and at the northerly terminus of Topanga Canyon Blvd., in the unincorporated area of Chatsworth, Chatsworth Zoned**

District, petitioned by Presidio Chatsworth Partners, LLC.: (04-0381)

Conditional Use Permit Case No. 99-239-(5), to authorize a density controlled development and to ensure compliance with Hillside Management Design Review criteria (On January 27, 2004, the Board initiated a Call for Review of the Regional Planning Commission's final action.)

Oak Tree Permit Case No. 99-239-(5), to authorize the removal of 61 oak trees and encroachment into the protected zone of 11 additional trees (On January 27, 2004, the Board initiated a Call for Review of the Regional Planning Commission's final action.)

Vesting Tentative Tract Map Case No. 53138-(5), to create 388 single-family residential lots, 14 private and future street lots, 4 debris lots, 1 helipad lot, 1 Sheriff's storefront facility lot, 21 open space lots and 4 remainder parcels

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

- 1. INDICATED THAT THE BOARD HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT; AND THAT THE BOARD INTENDS TO CERTIFY THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT;**
- 2. INDICATED ITS INTENT TO APPROVE WITH REVISIONS CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND OAK TREE PERMIT CASE NOS. 99-239-(5); AND VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP CASE NO. 53138-(5); AND**
- 3. DIRECTED COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION, FINDINGS AND ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS, TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE REVISIONS, FOR FINAL APPROVAL.**

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Absent:

None

Vote: Unanimously carried

14. Combined hearing on the following zoning matters and Negative Declaration relating to property located at the 1500 - 1600 block of East Gage Avenue, Compton-Florence Zoned District, petitioned by Merona Enterprises, Inc.: (04-0647)

Zone Change Case No. 02-202-(1), from M-1 to R-3-DP

Conditional Use Permit Case No. 02-202-(1), to authorize the residential development with affordable housing concessions and to ensure compliance with the proposed development program zone requirements

Vesting Tentative Tract Map Case No. 53967-(1), to create 32 single-family lots on 1.41 acres

**THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:**

1. **CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION (ND) TOGETHER WITH ANY COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS; CERTIFIED ITS COMPLETION, AND MADE A FINDING THAT THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT; FIND THAT THE PROJECT IS DE MINIMUS IN ITS EFFECT ON FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICES; AND THAT THE ND REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT AND ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY;**
2. **MADE A FINDING THAT THE PROPOSED CHANGE OF ZONE IS CONSISTENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY GENERAL PLAN; AND THAT THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE, THE GENERAL WELFARE AND GOOD ZONING PRACTICE JUSTIFY THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE OF ZONE;**
3. **INDICATED ITS INTENT TO APPROVE ZONE CHANGE AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NOS. 02-202-(1) AND TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 53967-(1); AND**
4. **INSTRUCTED COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY ORDINANCE, FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS FOR FINAL APPROVAL.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (Committee of Whole) 15 - 23**

15. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Burke: Declare March 26, 2004 the official "Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed Day" throughout Los Angeles County in honor of the release of the live-action comedy adventure Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed. (04-0765)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

16. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Burke: Waive fees in amount of \$160, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of the gymnasium at Jesse Owens Park for the Gethsemane Christian Love Baptist Church's Easter Sunrise Celebration, to be held April 11, 2004. (04-0768)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

17. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisors Knabe and Molina: Approve the Los Angeles County Fair Association's pilot project proposal to establish the Fairplex as a Regional Disaster Coordination and Staging Center and the Association's intent to seek funding through the Department of Homeland Security, for infrastructure, transportation, and facilities renovation along with other improvements at the fairgrounds; send a five-signature letter to Secretary of Homeland Security, Tom Ridge, expressing the Boards' support of the pilot project proposal; and based on the Association's successful acquisition of grant funds, request the Director of Health Services, the Fire Chief, the Sheriff, and the Chief Administrative Officer's Office of Emergency Management to support the next phase of project planning and to share, to an appropriate degree, in available grant funds designated for project planning. (04-0759)

**CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 30, 2004**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

18. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Knabe: Instruct the Director of Children and Family Services to explore the feasibility of co-location of staff with the Lakewood Sheriff's Station, Los Angeles Police Department, Long Beach Police Department and various local law enforcement agencies, as has been developed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, for the protection of abused and neglected children through a closer coordination of efforts and resources that will strengthen the community safety net for families and children; and instruct the Director of Children and Family Services to report back to the Board within 90 days as to the progress made. (04-0764)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

19. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Knabe: Join the World Health Organization in proclaiming March 24, 2004, as "World Tuberculosis Day" and urge all residents, health organizations and community coalitions throughout the County to join in the effort to prevent and ultimately eliminate tuberculosis. (04-0762)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

20. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Knabe: Proclaim April 2004 as "Healthy Parks Month" throughout Los Angeles County. (04-0766)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

21. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Molina: Declare April 2004 as "Donate Life Month" throughout Los Angeles County; instruct the Director of Personnel to work with One Legacy to distribute One Legacy's "Donate Life" brochure to County employees with their April 15, 2004 paychecks to educate the employees on the importance of organ and tissue donation; instruct the Auditor-Controller to include a message about "Donate Life Month" in the April 15, 2004 paychecks; and instruct the Director of Personnel to work with One Legacy and the Medical Staff Associations in County hospitals to present workshops for staff on organ donation in each facility. (04-0771)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 22.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Molina: Reduce parking fee to \$8, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at the Music Center garage for parents and teachers accompanying students attending the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association's free concerts at the Walt Disney Concert Hall for 3rd through 12th grade students, to be held April 28, 29 and 30, 2004. (04-0770)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 23.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Molina: Request the Music Center to waive fees in amount of \$1,200, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of the Grand Hall at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion for the Los Angeles Headquarters Association's 43rd Annual Awards Luncheon, to be held April 29, 2004; and reduce the parking fee to \$8 per vehicle at the Music Center garage for attendees of the luncheon. (04-0772)

**APPROVED**

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Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (Committee of Whole) 24**

**24. Recommendation:** Approve consent to assignment of agreement from Network Television Time, a sole proprietorship of Bruce Arditte, to Network Television Time, Inc., a California Corporation; and approve and instruct the Chairman to sign amendment to agreement with Network Television Time, Inc. to extend the term of the agreement from April 17, 2004 through June 30, 2004 to provide the County with production services for the televised hearings and meetings of the Board of Supervisors. (04-0752)

**APPROVED; ALSO APPROVED AGREEMENT NO. 68014, SUPPLEMENT 4; AND INSTRUCTED THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS WITH:**

- 1. AN INVENTORY OF CURRENT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WITH TELEVISION PRODUCTION CAPABILITIES, SKILLS, AND STAFFING;**
- 2. A COST COMPARISON BETWEEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT AND OUTSOURCING;**
- 3. THE FEASIBILITY OF UTILIZING EXISTING COUNTY DEPARTMENT RESOURCES WITH PRODUCTION CAPABILITIES FOR BOARD MEETING PRODUCTION NEEDS; AND**
- 4. THE POSSIBILITY OF INCLUDING A CLAUSE IN THE NEW REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL CONTRACT STATING: "IF AND WHEN THE COUNTY DETERMINES THE COUNTY IS NOW CAPABLE OF PROVIDING ITS OWN SERVICES, THE CONTRACTOR WILL CEASE SERVICES WITH THE COUNTY FOLLOWING A 30-DAY NOTICE."**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

[Video Part 1](#)

[Video Part 2](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

**BEACHES AND HARBORS (3 and 4) 25**

**25. Recommendation:** Award and instruct the Chairman to execute three-year contracts, with two one-year extension options, with Gruen Associates, Johnson Fain and RRM Design Group, at an aggregate County cost not to exceed \$240,000, for urban planning and design consultant services for Marina del Rey's redevelopment and beach improvement projects (3 and 4), with additional costs subject to reimbursement pursuant to Board policy, effective April 17, 2004 or upon Board approval whichever is later. (04-0750)

**APPROVED AGREEMENT NOS. 74787, 74788 AND 74789**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (2) 26**

**26. Recommendation:** Approve amendment to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Reimbursable Contract with the City of Rancho Palos Verdes (4), to remove \$150,000 in CDBG funds that are being exchanged for \$93,750 in general tax revenues from the City of West Hollywood (3), pursuant to an agreement between the cities, thereby reducing the amount of allocated funds from \$229,404 to \$79,404; also approve amendment to CDBG Reimbursable Contract with the City of West Hollywood, to add \$150,000 from the City of Rancho Palos Verdes, in exchange for \$93,750 in general tax revenues, pursuant to an agreement between the cities, thereby increasing the amount of allocated funds from \$1,618,962 to \$1,768,962; and authorize the Executive Director to execute amendments to contracts effective upon execution by all parties through June 30, 2004. (04-0700)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**MENTAL HEALTH (5) 27**

27. Recommendation: Authorize the Director to implement Phase I of the Institute for Co-Occurring Behavioral Disorders (ICOBD) which will be located in the Augustus F. Hawkins facility on the campus of the Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center and will serve as a Countywide training, research and treatment center for adults and adolescents with co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse disorders, effective upon Board approval, Fiscal Year 2003-04 prorated cost of \$1,852,000 for Phase I of the ICOBD, fully funded with \$1,563,000 from existing resources and \$289,000 from Federal Financial Participation (FFP) Medi-Cal; and approve the following related actions: (Continued from meeting of 3-16-04 at the request of the Director) (04-0721)

Interim ordinance authority for 41 additional positions, subject to allocation by the Department of Human Resources, and authorize the Director to fill and/or hire 51 positions necessary to implement the ICOBD, including 41 additional ordinance positions and 10 existing vacant budgeted positions that will be utilized for the ICOBD, with 18 of the 51 positions to be filled with existing Department employees currently on grant-funded items that are due to expire during Fiscal Year 2003-04; and

Appropriation adjustment in amount of \$1,236,000, to provide funding for implementation of Phase I of the ICOBD, by shifting \$947,000 in existing appropriation from Services and Supplies and increasing FFP Medi-Cal revenue by \$289,000 to fund the necessary increases in Salaries and Employee Benefits \$956,000 and Fixed Assets \$280,000 for Fiscal Year 2003-04.

**REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Common Consent

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION 28**

- 28.** Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of case entitled, Nancy Camarena-Carrillo v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 274 326, in amount of \$150,000; and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Probation Department. (Continued from meeting of 3-16-04 at the request of County Counsel) (04-0679)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- 29.** Additions to the agenda requested by Board members and the Chief Administrative Officer, which were posted more than 72 hours in advance of the meeting, as indicated on the green supplemental agenda.

- 29-A.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Burke: Waive fees totaling \$350, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of the mall area at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration for the Say Yes to Children Network's massive march and rally from the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration to City Hall in downtown Los Angeles, to advocate for education, childcare, health care and children's safety, to be held March 25, 2004. (04-0822)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**29-B.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Direct the Director of Children and Family Services to report back to the Board within 14 days on compliance by the two group homes operated by Jay Cee Dee Children's Home's, which the Auditor-Controller's March 17, 2004 review disclosed were not complying with a significant number of contract requirements, and if the group homes fail to comply, place the agency on a "Do Not Use" status and immediately begin the process of removing the children from these homes. (04-0831)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**29-C.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Extend the \$10,000 reward for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the hit-and-run accident which seriously injured 12-year-old Brandon Martin at the intersection of Lake Manor Dr. and Thompson Ave., in the unincorporated area of Chatsworth on Friday, December 19, 2003 at approximately 5:50 p.m. (04-0085)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**29-D.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Extend the \$10,000 reward for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the vandalizing of Stevenson Ranch, Pico Canyon and Meadows Elementary Schools, Richard Rioux Park and Christ Lutheran Church which occurred during the late night and early morning hours of the December 19, 2003 weekend, in the Stevenson Ranch and Valencia areas. (04-0086)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**29-E.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Extend the \$10,000 reward for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the theft of three angel statues and the vandalism of another at the Memory Walk area of the Lancaster Cemetery located at 111 E. Lancaster Blvd., City of Lancaster, which occurred between the hours of 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 30, 2003 and 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 31, 2003. (04-0154)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**29-F.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Extend the \$10,000 reward for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for the murder of Jonathan Knight who was shot and killed by two ski-masked robbers who entered his home in the early morning hours of Thursday, January 6, 2004, in the 500 block of East Lingard St., between Lancaster Blvd. and Avenue J, in the City of Lancaster. (04-0256)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**29-G.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Waive rental fees totaling \$200, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of Everett Martin Park for the Littlerock Chamber of Commerce's Annual Easter Egg Hunt, to be held April 10, 2004. (04-0819)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**29-H.** Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Waive group camping fees totaling \$300, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Veterans Park for the Boy Scouts of America Troop 94's 2004 Spring Camporee, to be held April 23 through 25, 2004. (04-0818)

**APPROVED**

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: Supervisor Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

**30. Items not on the posted agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda. BOARD MEMBERS - (3)**

**30-A. Introduced for discussion and placed on the agenda of March 30, 2004, for consideration:**

Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Yaroslavsky: Instruct the Director of Health Services to create the position of Director of Nursing Care in the Department of Health Services; and to incorporate the new position and a modest but appropriate support staff within the Department's budget request for Fiscal Year 2004-05 for the Board's consideration during budget deliberations. (04-0887)

[Video](#)

**31. Recommendations by individual Supervisors to establish, extend or otherwise modify cash rewards for information concerning crimes, consistent with the Los Angeles County Code.**

Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Establish a \$5,000 reward to be added to the family's insurance company reward for a total of \$10,000 for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for starting the arson fire at 20859 Cheney Drive, on Saturday, February 14, 2004 at approximately 6:30 a.m., in the unincorporated Topanga Canyon area. (04-0854)

**APPROVED**

[See Final Action](#)

[See Supporting Document](#)

[Video](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

**33. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.**

**WARREN WILLIAMS ADDRESSED THE BOARD. (04-0886)**

[Video](#)

**34. Adjourning Motions**

On motions duly seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned in memory of the following persons:

**Supervisor Burke**

J.J. Jackson

**Supervisor Knabe**

Albert Garcia

Shirley Rauh

Jose B. Scatchard

**Supervisors Antonovich and Knabe**

Jesse S. Castillo

**Supervisor Antonovich**

Mary M. Malouf

Gilbert S. Moore

Stuart Philip Norby

Dr. William H. Pickering (04-0873)

**ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS FOR FURTHER**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD**

**A-3.** Consideration and approval of change orders and proceed orders, as recommended by the Director of Public Works, Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Health Services, for the LAC+USC Medical Center Replacement Project (C.P. No. 70787), as requested by the Board at the meeting of December 3, 2002, Board Order No. 76.

**4-VOTES**

**The Director of Public Works' joint recommendation with the Chief Administrative Officer to authorize the Director of Public Works to execute a change order to Contract PW-12641 with McCarthy/Clark/Hunt, a Joint Venture, for the LAC+USC Medical Center Replacement Project, to resequence and accelerate work to recover 65 calendar days of construction schedule delay incurred due to inaccurate construction documents for a not to exceed amount of \$850,000, and extend the contract completion date 50 days to March 12, 2007.**

**4-VOTES (04-0885)**

**APPROVED**

[See Final Action](#)

[See Supporting Document](#)

[Video](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

**CLOSING 35**

35. Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 2:02 p.m. following Board Order No. 34 to:

**CS-1.**

Confer with legal counsel on the following existing litigation, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9:

Susan Rodde, et al. v. Diana Bonta, County of Los Angeles et al., United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. CV 03 1580

Harris et al. v. Board of Supervisors et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 08 1860; United States District Court Case No. CV 03 2008

Union of American Physicians and Dentists, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 083 853

**These lawsuits challenge the closure of Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center and High Desert Hospital, and alleged curtailments at LAC+USC Medical Center and MLK/Drew Medical Center. (03-1392)**

**CS-2.**

Consider Department Head performance evaluations, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957. (03-2917)

Closed Session convened at 2:27 p.m. Present were Supervisors Gloria Molina, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Zev Yaroslavsky, Michael D. Antonovich and Supervisor Don Knabe, Chairman presiding.

Closed Session adjourned at 3:55 p.m. Present were Supervisors Gloria Molina, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Zev Yaroslavsky, Michael D. Antonovich and Don Knabe, Chairman presiding.

By common consent, and there being no objection, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts, adjourned its meeting following Board Order No. 34 at 3:55 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. (04-0888)

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the meeting held March 23, 2004, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer

Executive Officer-Clerk  
of the Board of Supervisors