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1                   [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
2                   ON OCTOBER 23, 2007 BEGINS ON PAGE 194]

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6   **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GOOD MORNING. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
7 MEETING IS IN SESSION. I ASK EVERYONE TO RISE FOR THE  
8 INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THE INVOCATION WILL BE  
9 LED BY SENIOR PASTOR TOM HOCKING FROM BELLFLOWER BRETHERN  
10 CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
11 WILL BE LED BY LEO KAYE COMMANDER OF POST 617 OF THE LOS  
12 ANGELES JEWISH WAR VETERANS. PASTOR HOCKING

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14   **PASTOR TOM HOCKING:** WOULD YOU PRAY WITH ME, PLEASE. HEAVENLY  
15 FATHER, IT'S A REAL PRIVILEGE TO BE ABLE TO COME BEFORE YOU TO  
16 INTERCEDE FOR THESE FIVE PEOPLE AND THE RESPONSIBILITY THEY  
17 HAVE AND ESPECIALLY, LORD, FOR OUR COUNTY. IT'S NOT REALLY  
18 DIFFICULT, LORD, TO THINK OF WHAT WE NEED RIGHT NOW. I JUST  
19 PRAY, LORD, FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST HOMES AND FOR THE  
20 PROTECTION AND STRENGTH THAT OUR FIREFIGHTERS NEED. I PRAY  
21 THAT YOU'D GIVE COMFORT TO THE HEARTS OF THEIR FAMILIES THAT  
22 ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THEM. I PRAY FOR YOUR COMFORT, AS WELL,  
23 FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST FAMILY MEMBERS. LORD, SOMETIMES WE  
24 DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY TRAGEDIES LIKE THIS HAPPEN, BUT I JUST  
25 REMEMBER, GOD, HOW YOU HAVE DONE GREAT THINGS IN MY LIFE WHEN



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1 THE WORST OF TIMES HAVE HIT, THAT YOU'VE USED PERIODS OF REAL  
2 PAIN TO BRING REAL GROWTH TO MY LIFE. AND SO I PRAY FOR THAT  
3 FOR OUR COUNTY, GOD, THAT THIS TIME OF REALIZING THAT THINGS  
4 ARE BEYOND OUR CONTROL, THAT YOU WOULD USE THIS PERIOD,  
5 FATHER, TO TEACH US THAT WE NEED YOU, LORD. SOMETIMES WE'RE  
6 VERY RESPONSIBLE AND WE'RE HARD WORKING AND WE'RE INDUSTRIOUS  
7 AND SELF-RELIANT AND SELF-SUFFICIENT AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS  
8 ARE GOOD EXCEPT THEY SOMETIMES VEIL THE FACT THAT YOU'RE GREAT  
9 AND WE'RE NOT, YOU'RE HOLY AND WE'RE NOT, AND YOU'RE STRONG  
10 AND WE'RE NOT, AND YOUR WISDOM IS SOMETHING WE NEED. GOD, MAKE  
11 US HUMBLE. I PAY FOR THESE FIVE PEOPLE, THESE SUPERVISORS,  
12 THAT YOU WOULD GIVE THEM THE ABILITY TO LEAD WITH GRACE,  
13 HUMILITY, CONSCIOUSNESS OF THEIR NEED, THAT THEY'D HAVE AN EYE  
14 ON ETERNITY, AND NOT JUST LOOK AT THE CURRENT, PRESENT ISSUES,  
15 THAT THEIR ULTIMATE DESIRE WOULD BE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN  
16 ALL OF ETERNITY. AND SO, LORD, I PRAY, I PRAY FOR OUR COUNTY.  
17 GOD, I PRAY-- WE HAVE A DESPERATE NEED FOR LOVE AND PEACE AND  
18 HARMONY AND UNITY HERE. AND I REMEMBER THE WORDS OF SOMEONE IN  
19 THE SCRIPTURES WHO SAID THAT WE SHOULD LOVE THE LORD OUR GOD  
20 WITH ALL OUR HEART, SOUL, MIND AND STRENGTH AND LOVE OUR  
21 NEIGHBOR AS OUR SELF. AND I THINK SOMETIMES WE CAN'T DO THE  
22 SECOND BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T DONE THE FIRST. AND SO I PRAY FOR  
23 OUR COUNTY, LORD, AS WE STRIVE TO FIND WAYS TO CONNECT WITH  
24 EACH OTHER, THAT RELATIONSHIPS WOULD BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN  
25 POLICIES AND THAT CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER WOULD BE AN



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1 OUTGROWTH OF OUR CONNECTION TO YOU. FATHER, I CONFESS MY OWN  
2 SELFISHNESS AND MY OWN PRIDE IN THE WAYS THAT I THINK THAT  
3 I'VE GOT LIFE UNDER CONTROL. TIMES LIKE THIS MAKE US ALL  
4 REALIZE WE DON'T. AND SO WITH HUMILITY, GOD, I PRAY FOR YOUR  
5 FORGIVENESS AND I PRAY FOR THE ABILITY TO LIVE WITH INTEGRITY  
6 AND WITH GRACE, WITH KINDNESS TOWARDS THE PEOPLE AROUND ME AND  
7 FOR THESE FIVE SUPERVISORS, THAT THEIR PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS,  
8 THEIR INDIVIDUAL LIVES, THE CHARACTER OF THEIR RELATIONSHIPS  
9 WOULD BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE POLICIES THAT THEY MAKE. I  
10 PRAY FOR THEM, GOD. AND I PRAY WITH MY OWN COMMITMENT TO--  
11 RENEWED COMMITMENT TO LIVE IN THIS COUNTY FOR EVERY DAY OF MY  
12 LIFE, FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE WITH INTEGRITY AND WITH SERVICE  
13 AND SPECIFICALLY FOR THE CITY THAT I SERVE, BELLFLOWER. AMEN.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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17 **LEO KAYE:** EVERYONE FACE THE FLAG, PLEASE. AND PLACE YOUR RIGHT  
18 HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND FOLLOW ME TO THE PLEDGE. [PLEDGE OF  
19 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBER OF THE BOARD,  
24 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,. IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT A  
25 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO PASTOR TOM HOCKING FOR HIS FINE



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1 INVOCATION THIS MORNING. PASTOR HOCKING WAS BORN IN AFRICA TO  
2 MISSIONARY PARENTS WHO ARE STILL LIVING AND SERVING IN THE  
3 COUNTRY OF CAMEROON. HE'S BEEN A PART OF THE BELLFLOWER  
4 COMMUNITY SINCE 1980 WHEN HE JOINED THE BELLFLOWER BRETHERN  
5 CHURCH AS A COLLEGE STUDENT. OVER THE YEARS, HE HAS SERVED THE  
6 CHURCH IN MANY POSITIONS BUT THE LAST 15 HE HAS BEEN THE  
7 SENIOR PASTOR THERE AT BELLFLOWER BRETHERN. HE'S IN HIS THIRD  
8 YEAR OF A DOCTORAL PROGRAM AT FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY  
9 STUDYING MISSIONARY LEADERSHIP. HIS WIFE IS A DOCTOR OF  
10 INTERNAL MEDICINE, AND THEY HAVE THREE SONS AND A DAUGHTER.  
11 NEXT YEAR, THEY WILL BE CELEBRATING TWO MARRIAGES, THREE  
12 COLLEGE GRADUATIONS AND ONE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. SOUNDS  
13 LIKE A BIG PAY RAISE, TOO, HUH? YES. AND PASTOR HOCKING, WE'D  
14 LIKE TO PRESENT THE CERTIFICATE AND SAY THANK YOU, GODSPEED  
15 AND THANK YOU FOR A VERY KIND, KIND INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WERE LED IN THE  
18 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING BY LEO KAYE, WHO IS ACTUALLY  
19 A RESIDENT OF SUPERVISOR BURKE'S DISTRICT IN BEVERLYWOOD. BUT  
20 IT'S CLOSE ENOUGH.

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22 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT, I'LL LET YOU HAVE IT.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'VE KNOWN LEO FOR A WHILE. HE  
25 REPRESENTS THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS POST 617 IN LOS ANGELES.



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1 HE'S A COMMANDER. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR  
2 CORPS FROM 1943 THROUGH '45 ACHIEVING THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT.  
3 HE WAS IN THE 497TH BOMBING SQUAD IN EUROPE, AND AMONG OTHER  
4 THINGS SERVED IN THE BATTLES OF THE PULASKI OIL FIELDS IN  
5 POLAND, BOMBING OVER POLAND DURING THE LATTER PART OF THE WAR.  
6 HE RECEIVED A BRONZE STAR MEDAL, GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, EUROPEAN  
7 AFRICAN MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL AND THE WORLD WAR II  
8 VICTORY MEDAL. HE'S THE OWNER OF A BEAUTY SUPPLY COMPANY,  
9 VERMONT BEAUTY SUPPLIES. MARRIED WITH TWO CHILDREN. HAS LIVED  
10 IN THE DISTRICT FOR 50 YEARS. A GRADUATE OF FAIRFAX HIGH  
11 SCHOOL, A COUPLE OF YEARS BEFORE I GRADUATED FAIRFAX HIGH  
12 SCHOOL. AND ALSO A GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A. ALSO A COUPLE YEARS  
13 BEFORE. AND WE HAD A GOOD WEEKEND LAST WEEKEND, DIDN'T WE AT  
14 U.C.L.A.?

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16 **LEO KAYE:** WE GOT A WINNER.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** LET'S KEEP IT GOING. LEO, THANK YOU FOR  
19 YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY AND THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN  
20 THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE.] MRS. KAYE IS IN THE  
21 AUDIENCE. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE HER PRESENCE. WHERE ARE YOU?  
22 THERE SHE IS. GOOD TO HAVE YOU HERE. THANK YOU. BEFORE WE CALL  
23 THE AGENDA, IF I COULD JUST MAKE A COMMENT. I'M SURE MR.  
24 ANTONOVICH WILL MAKE HIS OWN COMMENT. BUT I JUST WANT TO  
25 ACKNOWLEDGE THE INCREDIBLE RESPONSE UNDER VERY TRYING



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1 CIRCUMSTANCES OF OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT -- ALL OF THE FIRE  
2 DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE RESPONDED TO OUR DISASTERS HERE IN THE  
3 WESTERN AND NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTY AND THE LAW  
4 ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN EQUALLY AS DILIGENT. AND I  
5 KNOW THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF-- A LOT OF QUESTIONS IN OUR PART OF  
6 TOWN AND EVACUATIONS AND MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY. THERE'S A  
7 PURPOSE TO ALL OF IT. AND IT'S ALL-- THE ONLY PURPOSE IS THE  
8 SAFE-- IS TO PROTECT LIVES AND ENABLE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO  
9 OPERATE WITH IMPUNITY AND IN PROTECTING PROPERTY. THAT'S  
10 REALLY-- AND IT'S WORKED OUT CONSIDERABLY BETTER THAN IT BY  
11 ALL STANDARDS SHOULD HAVE, BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN JUST A  
12 PERFECT STORM OF A FIRE-- OR FIRES. THE WINDS ARE AS HIGH AS  
13 THEY'VE EVER BEEN. THE FUEL IS AS THICK AS IT'S EVER BEEN. THE  
14 BRUSH IS AS DRY AS IT'S EVER BEEN. AND IT'S THE TRIFECTA ON  
15 THIS SORT OF THING. AND IT'S NOT OVER YET, ESPECIALLY IN THE  
16 NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTY WHERE THINGS ARE REALLY RAGING.  
17 SO, AGAIN, THANKS TO ALL OF THOSE FOLKS. MY ONLY ADMONITION TO  
18 THE CITIZENRY IS LISTEN TO WHAT THE FIRE OFFICIALS AND THE  
19 SHERIFFS HAVE TO SAY, AND ERR ON THE SIDE OF CAUTION. MIKE?  
20 MR. KNABE AND THEN MR. ANTONOVICH.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD JUST ADD THAT IT'S BEEN A PHENOMENAL  
23 RESPONSE, BUT I HAVE BEEN IN EMAIL CONTACT WITH OUR FORMER  
24 C.A.O. MR. JANSSEN WHO HAS BEEN EVACUATED, DOWN IN THE POWELL



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1 AREA HE'S HANGING TOUGH. STILL DOESN'T KNOW WHETHER HE HAS A  
2 HOME YET OR NOT.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S NOT GOOD NEWS. MR. ANTONOVICH,  
5 DID YOU WANT TO MAKE ANY COMMENT?

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WAS ON THE FIRE LINE YESTERDAY WITH BILL  
8 FUJIOKA, AND RIGHT WHEN THE EVACUATION CENTERS-- BUT OUR  
9 COUNTY FIRE PERSONNEL HAD DONE AN EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE JOB AND  
10 THEIR DEDICATION AND THEIR WORK ALONG WITH OUR SHERIFF'S  
11 DEPARTMENT. UNLIKE LOUISIANA, KATRINA, WE HAVE MUTUAL AID  
12 PACTS. SO WE'VE HAD OTHER MUNICIPALITIES ASSISTING OUR COUNTY  
13 FIRE, WORKING IN COOPERATION WITH THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL  
14 GOVERNMENT, ALONG WITH OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE HIGHWAY  
15 PATROL AND OTHER LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. HENCE, WHAT'S  
16 INTERESTING AT SAUGAS HIGH SCHOOL, THE FOOTBALL TEAM  
17 CHEERLEADERS, STUDENTS WERE MAKING FOOD, THE SANDWICHES FOR  
18 THE PEOPLE WHO HAD BEEN IMPACTED. A QUARTERBACK OF THE  
19 FOOTBALL TEAM WAS INVOLVED IN PUTTING UP THE BEDS FOR THOSE  
20 VICTIMS, ONLY TO FIND OUT WHEN HE GOT HOME, HE WAS ONE OF THE  
21 VICTIMS AND HAD TO SPEND THE NIGHT AT THE SHELTER, AS WELL.  
22 BUT THE FACULTY, THE PRINCIPAL, THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY HAD DONE  
23 AN INCREDIBLE JOB OF WHAT ALEXIS DE TOCQUEVILLE DISCOVERED,  
24 WHAT MADE AMERICA UNIQUE, AND HAS PUT DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA:  
25 NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR. AND THAT TYPE OF SUPPORT IN THE



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1 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. GETTING THE ANIMALS, EQUESTRIANS WHO'D  
2 BEEN IMPACTED, ANIMAL CONTROL. WE HAVE TRAILERS MOVING THE  
3 HORSES AND OTHER ANIMALS TO SAFETY. HARD PART: MOVING OUT SOME  
4 OF THE ANTIQUITIES THERE. THE COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION, ALL  
5 OF THE PUBLIC WORKS HAVE DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB. SO THEY JUST  
6 NEED OUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. AND WE WILL GET OVER THIS TRAGEDY.  
7 BUT IT'S IRONIC THAT TWO-THIRDS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S  
8 ECONOMIC POWER POPULATION IS SEVERELY IMPACTED IN THIS FIRE.  
9 WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT 300,000 PEOPLE EVACUATED FROM SAN  
10 DIEGO? THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE EVACUATED FROM THE ANTELOPE  
11 VALLEY. THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE EVACUATED FROM MALIBU. IT'S JUST-  
12 - IT IS A VERY TRAGIC SITUATION. BUT THANKS TO THE TRAINING  
13 AND PROFESSIONALISM OF OUR FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL,  
14 WE'RE ABLE TO MEET THAT CHALLENGE.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. AGAIN, BEFORE WE  
17 GET TO THE AGENDA, BECAUSE I WANT TO-- THERE MAY BE SOME  
18 PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE, AND I WANT TO KIND OF LAY OUT THE PLAN  
19 ON ITEM NUMBER 7, WHICH IS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL  
20 COASTAL PLAN THAT'S ON THE AGENDA TODAY. OBVIOUSLY THERE ARE  
21 QUITE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE  
22 TESTIFIED TODAY WHO ARE PREOCCUPIED IN THE SANTA MONICA  
23 MOUNTAINS AREA WITH THEIR OWN PROBLEMS TODAY. SO WHAT WE WILL  
24 DO IS WE WILL HAVE A HEARING FOR THOSE WHO DID COME TODAY,  
25 HEAR FROM THEM AND THEN HOLD THE HEARING OVER TILL NEXT



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1 TUESDAY BY WHICH TIME HOPEFULLY THIS WILL ALL BE-- THINGS WILL  
2 BE BACK TO NORMAL. AND THOSE WHO DID NOT TESTIFY TODAY WILL  
3 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY NEXT TUESDAY AND DECISION DAY  
4 WILL BE NEXT TUESDAY AS OPPOSED TO TODAY. IF THERE'S ANYBODY  
5 HERE TODAY WHO WANTS TO WAIT UNTIL NEXT TUESDAY, THAT'S FINE,  
6 TOO. JUST LET US KNOW. LET THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS KNOW. GIVE  
7 THEM YOUR NAME. WE'LL PULL YOUR CARD AND WE'LL JUST HAVE IT  
8 FOR NEXT TUESDAY AND YOU CAN LEAVE EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE COME A  
9 LONG WAY. IF YOU WANT TO DO IT NEXT TUESDAY, YOU'LL SAVE  
10 PROBABLY A COUPLE HOURS TODAY. BUT IF YOU WANT TO BE HEARD  
11 TODAY, YOU WILL BE HEARD TODAY. SO EVERYBODY WILL HAVE A  
12 CHANCE TO BE HEARD. THAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** IS ONE WEEK ENOUGH, YOU THINK?

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, I'VE JUST BEEN INFORMED NEXT  
21 WEEK IS THE BEILENSON FOR KING, SO MAYBE WE SHOULD DO IT IN  
22 TWO WEEKS, THEN. SO IT WOULD BE NOVEMBER, WHAT'S THE DATE?  
23 THIRD? NO, THAT'S NOT THE DATE

24

25 **SACHI A. HAMAI, CLERK:** IT'S NOVEMBER 6TH.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SIXTH. ON NOVEMBER 6TH. NO, THAT'S  
3 ELECTION DAY IN THAT PART OF THE COUNTY. ALL RIGHT, LET'S  
4 LEAVE IT FOR NEXT WEEK. WE'LL TRY TO HAVE IT EARLY AND MOVE IT  
5 ALONG. AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN DO IT BEFORE 12. IT'S CONCEIVABLE  
6 WE COULD. AND IF NOT WE'LL HOLD IT-- DO THE BEELON SIN-- WE'LL  
7 HAVE TO JUST PLAY IT BY EAR.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** BEILEN SON START AT NOON?

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, AT NOON. ALL RIGHT,. SO THOSE OF  
12 YOU WHO ARE HERE ON NUMBER 7, YOU UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION, I  
13 HOPE IT'S CLEAR. ALL RIGHT. NOW, SACHI, YOU CAN TAKE US  
14 THROUGH THE AGENDA.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
17 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE  
18 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1 D.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, ITEM 1 D, MOLINA MOVES, KNABE  
21 SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING  
24 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1 H.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BURKE MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS,  
2 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8, ON  
5 ITEM NUMBER 6, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE  
6 THIS ITEM FIVE WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 27TH, 2007; HOWEVER, THERE  
7 ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS  
8 MATTER.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON THAT POINT, THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
11 COME DOWN TO TESTIFY. AND IF THEY WOULD LIKE, THEY CAN TESTIFY  
12 TODAY, BUT WE WILL MAKE A DECISION THE FOLLOWING MONTH. SO  
13 YOUR CHOICE. WHEN THAT ITEM COMES UP, IF YOU WANT TO TESTIFY,  
14 WE'LL CALL YOU. THANK YOU.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SO THAT WE'LL HANDLE IT THAT  
17 WAY. GO AHEAD.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AS PREVIOUSLY INDICATED, ON ITEM 7, WE WILL  
20 HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING TODAY, BUT IT WILL ALSO BE CONTINUED TO  
21 NEXT TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30TH. UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS,  
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 9 THROUGH 16, ON ITEMS NUMBER 12  
23 AND 13, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A  
24 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM



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1 NUMBER 16, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO  
2 HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. SIXTEEN.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** 12, 13 AND 16?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THE REMAINDER, MR. ANTONOVICH MOVES,  
9 MOLINA SECONDS; UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 17 THROUGH 23. ON  
12 ITEM 21, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
13 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 22, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
14 AGENDA, THIS ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR  
15 AND WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. AND THE REMAINING ARE BEFORE  
16 YOU.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MOLINA MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS;  
19 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 11, DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 24  
22 THROUGH 26, WE WILL HOLD THOSE FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 12,  
23 MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE  
24 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE  
25 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 27 A.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BURKE MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS;  
3 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 27 B.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I WILL MOVE IT. MOLINA SECONDS;  
8 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 27 C.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** KNABE MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS;  
13 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 27 D. ANTONOVICH MOVES, KNABE SECONDS,  
16 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON 27 E, WE WILL HOLD THIS FOR A  
19 REPORT. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF  
20 SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT  
21 NO. 1.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, DO YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS?  
24 MISS BURKE FOR PRESENTATIONS.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD,  
2 VICTOR CAJO, SITE MANAGER AT THE LENNOX SENIOR CENTER. AND  
3 VICTOR'S BEEN SO WONDERFUL OVER THE YEARS, AND HE'S REALLY  
4 LOVED BY ALL THE SENIORS THERE. THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
5 AGING IN SACRAMENTO RECENTLY SUBMITTED LENNOX SENIOR CENTER AS  
6 THEIR NOMINATION AS A MODEL PROGRAM SERVING THE HISPANIC,  
7 LATINO ELDERLY AT A COMMUNITY LEVEL. THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
8 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION ON AGING, WILL SOON  
9 RECOGNIZE NATIONWIDE FOUR PROGRAMS AS PROJECT CHAMPIONS. THE  
10 DEDICATED WORK OF VICTOR CAJO IS HIGHLY COMMENDED. THE LENNOX  
11 SENIOR CENTER IS AN EXCEPTIONAL SENIOR PROGRAM WHOSE SERVICES  
12 ARE CULTURALLY ACCESSIBLE TO OVER 90 PEOPLE VISITING THE  
13 CENTER DAILY. ALTHOUGH IT IS FAIRLY SMALL AS A CENTER COMPARED  
14 TO SOME, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES. THEY PROVIDE  
15 AEROBIC EXERCISE CLASSES, BINGO, DOMINOES, NEEDLEPOINT AND  
16 CERAMIC CLASSES, AND OF COURSE THEY HAVE SOME EXCELLENT  
17 DANCERS. THAT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT THING. AND ADDITIONALLY,  
18 THEY CONDUCT ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASS AND COMPUTER  
19 CLASSES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
20 PARKS AND RECREATION. AND THEY ALSO WORK WITH THE CITY OF  
21 ENGLEWOOD. IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS  
22 SCROLL TO VICTOR CAJO, SITE MANAGER OF LENNOX SENIOR CENTER.  
23 AND ALL THE SENIORS OF THE CENTER FOR BEING NOMINATED AS A  
24 MODEL SENIOR PROGRAM SERVING THE HISPANIC, LATINO COMMUNITY.  
25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **VICTOR CAJO:** NUMBER ONE, I'D LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU, LORD, FOR  
3 THIS GRAND OPPORTUNITY. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISORS OVER HERE, TO  
4 MY SUPERVISOR FROM INGLEWOOD, THAT MANAGES IN PARK  
5 RECREATIONS, ESPECIALLY \_\_\_\_\_. SHE IS NOT HERE. I MISS HER.  
6 BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE THIS WITH EVERYONE. HOW WE CATCH  
7 THIS ONE? ONLY FOR A SMILING FACE AND FOR UNDERSTANDING THAT  
8 GOD LIVES IN EACH ONE. SEE, WE UNDERSTAND THAT GOD LIVES IN  
9 ANYONE, WE LOVE ONE TO ANOTHER ONE. THANK YOU, LORD. THANK  
10 YOU, MRS. BURKE. AND THANK YOU, MY VOLUNTEERS, WHO EVERYONE  
11 WORKS TOGETHER. GOD BLESS AMERICA. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** CONGRATULATIONS. OH ABSOLUTELY. YOU KEEP ME ON MY  
14 TOES. THERE'S NO QUESTION. THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD  
15 MARVIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, ESTELLE LUCKETTE. OVER  
16 69,000 CHILDREN IN CALIFORNIA RECENTLY PARTICIPATED IN THE  
17 GOVERNOR'S CHALLENGE TO BE ACTIVE FOR THREE DAYS A WEEK AND  
18 MAINTAIN THEIR SCHEDULE FOR FOUR WEEKS. THIS IS AN EXCEPTIONAL  
19 PROGRAM THAT PROMOTES HEALTH AND FITNESS FOR OUR YOUTH AND  
20 SCHOOLS ACROSS U.S. AT THE RECENT GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON  
21 PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS, 2007 SPOTLIGHT AWARD CEREMONY,  
22 THE GOVERNOR HONORED A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS IN SEVEN AWARD  
23 CATEGORIES: TEACHER OF THE YEAR, PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR,  
24 COMPANY OF THE YEAR, ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR, EVENT OF THE  
25 YEAR, PARK PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AND SCHOOL OF THE YEAR. IT IS



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1 AN HONOR TODAY TO HAVE PRINCIPAL ESTELLE LUCKETTE OF MARVIN  
2 ELEMENTARY HERE, IN RECOGNITION OF MARVIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
3 EARNING THE 2007 GOVERNOR'S CHALLENGE SPOTLIGHT AS SCHOOL OF  
4 THE YEAR. MARVIN ELEMENTARY HAD A 100 PERCENT PARTICIPATION  
5 RATE OF CHILDREN WHO TOOK PART AND COMPLETED THE CHALLENGE OF  
6 SUPPORTING HEALTHY EATING ON CAMPUS, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND THE  
7 NEED FOR A FITNESS ACTIVITY CENTER ON THEIR CAMPUS. IT'S WITH  
8 A GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO ESTELLE  
9 LUCKETTE, PRINCIPAL OF MARVIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, THE WINNER OF  
10 2007 GOVERNOR'S CHALLENGE. NOW, I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S A  
11 NEW PRINCIPAL? AND YOU'RE GOING TO INTRODUCE HER. BUT FIRST  
12 LET ME MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO YOU.

13

14 **ESTELLE LUCKETTE:** GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE  
15 PRESENT PRINCIPAL. I JUST WAS RECENTLY PROMOTED. I AM NOW A  
16 DIRECTOR OF ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION IN LOCAL DISTRICT 3. AND  
17 I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE NEW PRINCIPAL WHO IS MISS IVY KASS  
18 OF MARVIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. AND I ALSO WOULD LIKE ALSO TO  
19 INTRODUCE THE TEACHER WHO WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN GETTING THIS  
20 PROGRAM AT MARVIN. WE DO HAVE A \$100,000 FITNESS CENTER, IT'S  
21 ONE OF A KIND. IT'S THE ONLY ONE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
22 WHO RECEIVED THE FITNESS CENTER AND IT ALLOWS THE STUDENTS TO  
23 EXERCISE EVERY DAY AT THE SCHOOL. SO I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE  
24 MISS HELGA DIAZI [PH?] AS THE PERSON WHO INSTRUMENTED THE  
25 AWARD. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **HELGA DIAZI:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. AND THANK YOU,  
3 SUPERVISOR BURKE, FOR INVITING US HERE AND TO RECOGNIZE OUR  
4 EFFORTS AND OUR ACCOMPLISHMENT BECAUSE WE AT MARVIN  
5 ELEMENTARY, WE HAVE RECOGNIZED THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR  
6 OUR CHILDREN TO BE HEALTHY AND FIT, TO BE ABLE TO LEARN. SO WE  
7 ARE VERY PROUD THAT WITH THE HELP OF GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER'S  
8 FITNESS CHALLENGE, WE CAN NOW INTRODUCE OUR CHILDREN TO A  
9 BRAND NEW GYM AND ACCOMPLISH OUR GOAL. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IF I CAN ASK JOANNE KUMOMOTO TO COME  
14 FORWARD AND MARSHA NAVE, ARE THEY HERE? AND A NUMBER OF OTHERS  
15 WHO ARE HERE. THOSE TWO ARE FROM. CONNECT L.A. ANNE VULMER AND  
16 CARL COOPER FROM LOS ANGELES CITY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND  
17 PARKS. SCOTT MATSUDA OF THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL  
18 DISTRICT, AND OUR COUNTY OF-- AND ROBIN TOMA, THE EXECUTIVE  
19 DIRECTOR OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, IN RECOGNITION OF  
20 "TEENS MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY," WHICH WE ARE PROCLAIMING TODAY.  
21 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS COMMITTED TO ENCOURAGING AND  
22 SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO INVOLVE TEENS IN VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY  
23 SERVICE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND TO CREATING OPPORTUNITIES  
24 THAT INCREASE THEIR UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF OTHER  
25 RACES AND CULTURES CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY'S HUMAN



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1 RELATIONS COMMISSION'S "ZERO HOUR, THE TIME TO ACT NOW" YOUTH  
2 INITIATIVE. THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION IS THE SPONSOR AND  
3 COORDINATOR OF "TEENS MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY" IN 2007 WITH  
4 CONNECT L.A., A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, COMMITTED TO BRINGING  
5 DIVERSE COMMUNITIES AND CONSTITUENCIES TOGETHER THROUGH SHARED  
6 PROJECTS, RESOURCE AND EXPERTISE AS WELL AS THE LOS ANGELES  
7 CITY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARTS, THE L.A. JUNIOR  
8 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, POSEIDON SCHOOL, THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL  
9 DISTRICT, L.A.U.S.D.B. BEYOND THE BELL BRANCH AND THE  
10 CONSERVATION CORPS "CLEAN AND GREEN" PROGRAM. SATURDAY,  
11 OCTOBER 27TH, THOUSANDS OF TEENS WILL PARTICIPATE IN SELF-  
12 INITIATED VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS AT MORE  
13 THAN 100 DIFFERENT SCHOOLS, PARKS, COMMUNITY AND SENIOR  
14 CENTERS AND OTHER LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS  
15 PART OF THE NATIONAL MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY THROUGHOUT THE  
16 COUNTRY. TEEN-LED PROJECTS WILL IMPROVE THEIR APPRECIATION OF  
17 SERVICE TO OTHERS AND EXPAND THEIR AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE  
18 OF VOLUNTEER, PUBLIC SERVICE AND IMPROVING THEIR COMMUNITY,  
19 AND STRENGTHENING INTER-GROUP RELATIONS, WHILE LEARNING MORE  
20 ABOUT THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION "ZERO HOUR" YOUTH  
21 INITIATIVE AND "NO HATERS HERE" CAMPAIGN. THE BOARD OF  
22 SUPERVISORS WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE THAT  
23 "TEENS MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY" IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS  
24 OCTOBER 27TH, 2007 AND URGE ALL TEENS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO  
25 SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS EFFORT. WHO AM I GOING TO



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1 PRESENT THIS TO? WHO IS ACCEPTING? I'LL GIVE IT TO ROBIN TOMA,  
2 ON BEHALF OF ALL THE PARTICIPANTS REPRESENTED HERE AND THOSE  
3 WHO COULD NOT BE HERE. ROBIN?

4

5 **ROBIN TOMA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND ALL THE  
6 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR THIS PROCLAMATION. AS PART OF "TEENS  
7 MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY" THIS SATURDAY, AFRICAN-AMERICAN LATINO  
8 TEEN VOLUNTEERS AT THE EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ PARK DECIDED TO  
9 SPEND THIS SATURDAY TO FEED WHAT THEY SAW AS THE INCREASING  
10 NUMBER OF HOMELESS, PEOPLE HOMELESS IN COMPTON. ANOTHER GROUP  
11 OF TEENS WILL BE DOING AN ARTS AND CRAFTS WORKSHOP WITH  
12 SENIORS AT THE MORLINDA NURSING HOME IN LINWOOD, BRIDGING THE  
13 GENERATION GAP. AND I'M ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO SAY THAT BOTH  
14 CAME ABOUT THROUGH THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
15 RECREATION. WE HAVE THE HEAD OF THAT DEPARTMENT, RUSS GUINEY,  
16 HERE WITH US TODAY. I WANT TO THANK HIM AND HIS STAFF FOR  
17 THOSE PROJECTS THEY PUT TOGETHER. THESE ARE JUST BUT TWO  
18 EXAMPLES. THIS SATURDAY THERE WILL BE THOUSANDS OF TEENS  
19 THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY VOLUNTEERING TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY  
20 NEEDS. AND WE KNOW AT THE COMMISSION THAT THE YOUTH WORK THAT  
21 THEY'RE GOING TO BE DOING IS GOING TO ENABLE THEM TO CONNECT  
22 WITH OTHER PEOPLE WHO THEY MAY NOT OFTEN CONNECT WITH, THE  
23 HOMELESS, SENIORS, OTHERS FROM DIFFERENT RACIAL AND CULTURAL  
24 GROUPS, AND WE KNOW FROM THAT SINGLE EXPERIENCE THEY CAN  
25 DEVELOP GREATER EMPATHY, COMPASSION FOR OTHERS, THINGS THAT



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1 ARE THE CORNERSTONE OF EMOTIONAL AND SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE. AND  
2 THEY CAN ALSO SEE THAT IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE, NOT TO MENTION  
3 THAT IT FEELS GOOD, TOO. SO WHEN WE HEARD AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE  
4 PART OF A NATIONAL MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY, TO FOCUS ON TEENS IN  
5 L.A. COUNTY, WE DECIDED TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE. BUT AS IN SO  
6 MUCH OF OUR WORK, WITHOUT PARTNERS, WITHOUT COLLABORATION,  
7 THIS YEAR'S "TEENS MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY" WOULD NOT BE  
8 POSSIBLE. THE NONPROFIT CONNECT L.A. FOUNDED THE FIRST "TEENS  
9 MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY" LAST YEAR WHICH RECEIVED NATIONAL  
10 RECOGNITION. THEY HAVE CONTINUED TO PROVIDE IMPORTANT SUPPORT  
11 THIS YEAR AS COORDINATION OF THE INITIATIVE HAS TRANSITIONED  
12 TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION. CONNECT L.A. COFOUNDERS  
13 MARJORIE MATSUSHITA AND ELLEN LINSLEY COULD NOT JOIN US, BUT  
14 JOANNE KUMOMOTO AND MARSHA NAVE ARE HERE REPRESENTING CONNECT  
15 L.A. AND I WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR VISION, LEADERSHIP AND  
16 SUPPORT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] L.A. CITY RECREATION AND PARKS  
17 WAS A DRIVING FORCE LAST YEAR, AND THEY HAVE CONTINUED TO  
18 PRODUCE THE MOST TEEN VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS  
19 THIS YEAR. THEY ALSO UNDERWROTE T-SHIRTS AND ALSO OTHER ITEMS  
20 FOR THE TEENS VOLUNTEERING FOR THIS PROJECT. AND THE MOST  
21 INSTRUMENTAL TO THE SUCCESS OF "TEENS MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY"  
22 IS ANNE VULMER AND CARL COOPER FROM L.A.'S DEPARTMENT OF  
23 RECREATION PARKS. THEY GIVE THEIR HEART AND SOUL TO THE YOUTH  
24 IN THIS PROGRAM. I'D LIKE TO PUBLICLY THANK THEM, AS WELL.  
25 [APPLAUSE.] L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GRACIOUSLY PROVIDED



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1 THE FUNDING FOR THESE "TEENS MAKE A DIFFERENCE" T-SHIRTS FOR  
2 OVER 1,000 VOLUNTEERS. AND THIS IS THE T-SHIRT. NOW, THE T-  
3 SHIRTS PROMOTE ZERO.COM OUR YOUTH ANTIPREJUDICE WEBSITE AND  
4 REPRESENTING L.A.U.S.D. IS SCOTT MATSUDA WHO WILL TAKE OUR  
5 SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATION BACK TO THE STUDENT HEALTH AND  
6 HUMAN SERVICES . DIVISION OF L.A.U.S.D. THANK YOU, SCOTT.  
7 [APPLAUSE.] AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE JUAN  
8 HUESO, A RECENT GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A., WHO ACCEPTED THE  
9 RESPONSIBILITY OF PROGRAM COORDINATOR FOR "TEENS MAKE A  
10 DIFFERENCE DAY 2007" AS A VOLUNTEER INTERN WITH THE HUMAN  
11 RELATIONS COMMISSION. HE DESERVES MUCH OF THE CREDIT FOR THE  
12 SUCCESS OF THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM. THANK YOU, JUAN. [APPLAUSE.]  
13 FINALLY, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR CRITICAL SUPPORT OF  
14 THIS IMPORTANT ENDEAVOR. THANK YOU.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR KNABE? ANY PRESENTATIONS?

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
19 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO ASK ASSISTANT  
20 SUPERINTENDENT MARY SIEU FROM THE A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL  
21 DISTRICT TO JOIN ME UP HERE AS WELL AS OUR D.C.F.S. DIRECTOR  
22 TRISH PLOEHN, CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, CHIEF TAYLOR, FROM HELP  
23 LINE YOUTH COUNSELING, DEBBY MAU, AND LAURA CRAVENS FROM THE  
24 COMMUNITY GUIDANCE CENTER ALONG WITH OTHER OUTSTANDING STAFF  
25 MEMBERS. WE WERE JUST DISCUSSING EARLIER ABOUT COLLABORATION.



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1 THIS IS PROBABLY AGAIN SPEAKING OF COLLABORATIONS ONE OF THE  
2 GREAT EXAMPLES OF TEAMWORK IN COLLABORATION WITH ONE GOAL IN  
3 MIND AND THAT'S TO HELP CHILDREN STAY FOCUSED ON SCHOOL. AND  
4 THAT IS OUR "SAFE SCHOOLS, HEALTHY STUDENTS" PROGRAM. AT  
5 PHARIS FEDDE IN THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS, THIS PROGRAM HAS  
6 MADE A NOTICEABLE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF MANY STUDENTS AND  
7 THEIR FAMILIES. THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE  
8 TEAM, WHICH IS COLLOCATED AT THE SCHOOL. THIS TEAM  
9 INCORPORATES THE BEST PRACTICES OF EDUCATION, LOCAL LAW  
10 ENFORCEMENT, MENTAL HEALTH AGENCIES, SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES  
11 TO FOCUS THEIR EFFORTS AND PROVIDE ON SITE ASSISTANCE. THE  
12 COMMUNITY RESOURCE TEAM IS COMPOSED OF STAFF REPRESENTING FIVE  
13 DIFFERENT ENTITIES THAT ARE ALL UP HERE WITH ME TODAY.  
14 TOGETHER, THEY HAVE BECOME A TRUE RESOURCE TO FAMILIES BY  
15 PROVIDING RESOURCES AS WELL AS ADVOCACY IN A VERY MULTIPLE  
16 DISCIPLINARY WAY AT SITE ON AT THE SCHOOL. AT THE PAST 12  
17 MONTHS, WE ARE PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE TEAM HAS AN ASSISTED  
18 OVER 440 FAMILIES WITH A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES DESIGNED TO  
19 BUILD ON THE STRENGTH OF EACH FAMILY THEY COME INTO CONTACT  
20 WITH AND ALSO TO HELP PREPARE THOSE CHILDREN FOR SCHOOL. SO WE  
21 THANK THE INDIVIDUAL TEAM MEMBERS UPSTAIRS, BUT WE ALSO WANT  
22 TO PUBLICLY RECOGNIZE THE VARIOUS AGENCIES FOR THEIR  
23 INCREDIBLE EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF CHILDREN'S FAMILIES  
24 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO A HEARTFELT THANKS TO THE  
25 PARTNERS OF A.B.C. UNIFIED, PROBATION D.C.F.S., COMMUNITY



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1 FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER AND THE OTHERS. SO WE APPRECIATE THAT  
2 VERY, VERY MUCH. SO, FIRST OF ALL, MARY, I'M GOING TO PRESENT  
3 YOU THE SCROLL FOR PHARIS FEDDE MIDDLE SCHOOL, NOT MIDI  
4 SCHOOL. MIDDLE. ALL RIGHT. FROM HELPLINE. AND COMMUNITY AND  
5 FAMILY GUIDANCE. CHIEF, TRISH, YOU WANT TO ADD ANYTHING?

6

7 **TRISH PLOEHN:** ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
8 SERVICES, I JUST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE BOARD  
9 FOR HONORING THIS TEAM. IT IS A GREAT TEAM. IT IS A WONDERFUL  
10 COLLABORATIVE. AND EVERY DAY THEY HELP AT-RISK CHILDREN TO  
11 STAY IN SCHOOL AND TO BE SUCCESSFUL. AND ON BEHALF OF MYSELF,  
12 I THANK ALL OF THEM.

13

14 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** I, TOO, WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR  
15 RECOGNIZING THIS GROUP AND ITS VALIANT EFFORTS. I THINK THAT  
16 REALLY IT SHOWS WHAT A COLLABORATIVE CAN DO AND SHOULD DO. I  
17 ALSO WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE TRISH PLOEHN BECAUSE I THINK THAT  
18 THIS REALLY FURTHER ILLUSTRATES THE RELATIONSHIP AND THE  
19 PARTNERSHIP THAT OUR TWO DEPARTMENTS HAVE. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT MARY SIEU.

22

23 **MARY SIEU:** ON BEHALF OF A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, IT'S  
24 WITH GREAT HONOR TO ACCEPT THIS RECOGNITION FROM SUPERVISOR  
25 KNABE'S OFFICE AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY. WE ALL KNOW



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1 THE OLD ADAGE THAT IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO EDUCATE AND TO RAISE  
2 A CHILD. IN A.B.C., IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, WE'VE TAKEN A  
3 VILLAGE TEAM OF CLINICIANS, MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS AND LAW  
4 ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS IN ORDER TO WORK WITH THE MOST AT RISK  
5 YOUTH AND FAMILIES. AND AS SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS SAID EARLIER,  
6 IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO WORK AS A TEAM  
7 WITH OVER 453 FAMILIES. AND WE BELIEVE THIS TYPE OF WORK CAN  
8 BE A MODEL FOR OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN WORKING WITH OTHER  
9 AGENCIES TO WORK TOWARDS THE BETTERMENT OF FAMILIES AND  
10 CHILDREN WHO REALLY NEED HELP. THE KIND OF SERVICES THAT WE  
11 HAVE BEEN PROVIDING HAVE BEEN DIRECT SERVICES FOR FAMILIES  
12 WITH CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN PERHAPS SUICIDAL, MENTALLY  
13 DEPRESSED, WHO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN GANGS, WHO HAVE BEEN  
14 CHRONICALLY BEHAVIORAL ISSUES AT SCHOOLS. AND OUR TEAM HAS  
15 BEEN ABLE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THESE FAMILIES  
16 AND THESE CHILDREN. AND SO IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT WE  
17 ARE RECOGNIZED AND HONORED HERE TODAY AT THIS MEETING. I'D  
18 LIKE TO PUBLICLY THANK EACH OF THE FOUR AGENCIES THAT WE HAVE  
19 WORKED WITH: HELPLINE YOUTH COUNSELING, THE LOS ANGELES  
20 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, COMMUNITY FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER AND OF  
21 COURSE D.C.F.S. WE HAVE OUR GREAT NEW COORDINATOR, TERRY VILLA  
22 MCDOWELL WHO HAS WORKED WITH US DURING THIS PAST YEAR TO  
23 REALLY STRENGTHEN THIS PARTNERSHIP AND TO HELP TO SUSTAIN US  
24 BEYOND THE CYCLE OF OUR GRANT. AND SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY  
25 MUCH FOR THIS WONDERFUL RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD JUST ADD -- AND AGAIN, THANK YOU, MARY,  
3 AND THANK YOU TO A.B.C. UNIFIED FOR BEING ABLE TO WORK WITH  
4 ALL OUR COUNTY AGENCIES. SO MANY TIMES WE JUST DO A  
5 PRESENTATION AND WE SEE SCROLLS BEING PRESENTED TO THESE  
6 INDIVIDUALS, INDIVIDUALLY DID THEM UPSTAIRS. BUT THIS PROGRAM  
7 IS SO MUCH MORE THAN SCROLLS. AND WHEN I SPEAK IN TERMS OF 440  
8 PLUS FAMILIES, IT MAY NOT SEEM LIKE A LOT, BUT IT'S A HUGE  
9 NUMBER. THE IMPACTS ON FAMILY AND CHILDREN, AND THESE AGENCIES  
10 COMING TOGETHER AND THE DIFFERENCE THAT THESE PIECES OF PAPER  
11 THAT WE'RE RECOGNIZING THEM WITH TODAY, HAVE MADE SUCH A  
12 DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THESE FAMILIES. AND SO I KNOW I  
13 SPEAK ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES, AS WELL, TO THANK YOU ALL  
14 FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE EFFORTS. AND JUST KNOW THAT WE KNOW THAT  
15 YOU ARE TRULY MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF FAMILIES AND  
16 KIDS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17 [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT YOUR LAST ONE, DON? DON, IS THAT  
20 YOUR LAST ONE? OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE A LITTLE CHIHUAHUA MIX. THIS IS A  
23 LITTLE GIRL. SHE'S A YEAR OLD. HER NAME IS CANDY. SO ANYBODY  
24 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT CANDY IN THE AUDIENCE, YOU CAN CALL THE  
25 TELEPHONE NUMBER. 562-728-4644 OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO



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1 WOULD LIKE LITTLE CANDY. SEE ANYBODY OUT THERE? ABOUT A YEAR  
2 OLD. SEE? SO IT WOULD MAKE A NICE THANKSGIVING GIFT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** LOOK AT THIS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH DO YOU WANT TO GO SEE UNCLE DON? UNCLE DON'S**  
7 **GOT GRANDCHILDREN?**

8

9 **>>SUP. KNABE:** DON JUST HOLDS THEM AND PETS THEM. THAT'S IT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST HOLD AND PET. DON'T WANT TO CLEAN UP THE  
12 LITTLE TREATS? OKAY.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** WE START WITH THE PUBLIC HEARINGS.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, ITEMS 1  
17 THROUGH 8, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD,  
18 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE  
19 TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE OF THIS ABOUT BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY  
20 AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE  
21 TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. WE WILL  
22 START WITH PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NUMBER 1. AND I'LL READ THE  
23 SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS A HEARING ON THE  
24 ANNEXATION OF APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO  
25 COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697 AND COUNTY



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1 LIGHTING DISTRICT L.L.A.-1, UNINCORPORATED IN CARSON ZONES AND  
2 LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009. NO WRITTEN  
3 CORRESPONDENCE IS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER, AND THERE IS A  
4 STAFF PRESENTATION ON THIS.

5

6 **RANDINE RUIZ:** MY NAME IS RANDINE RUIZ AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL  
7 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH  
8 THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO THE LIGHTING  
9 MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS 1687 AND 1697 IN L.L.A.- 1  
10 UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND CARSON ZONE, AND THE LEVYING AND  
11 COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENT FOR THE FOUR TENTATIVE SUBDIVISIONS  
12 REFERENCED IN THE BOARD LETTER. THE CONSENT AND JURISDICTION  
13 THE CITY OF CARSON HAS BEEN OBTAINED FOR THE ONE TENTATIVE  
14 SUBDIVISION WITHIN THAT CITY. IN MY OPINION, THE TENTATIVE  
15 SUBDIVISIONS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE  
16 SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN  
17 SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT  
18 YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX  
19 REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT  
22 THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF  
23 BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR  
24 TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I'LL MOVE THAT WE HOLD THIS  
2 ON THE TABLE TILL THE VOTES ARE TABULATED. BURKE SECONDS,  
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION. IT WILL BE TABLED FOR NOW. IT WILL BE HELD  
4 ON THE TABLE FOR NOW.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 2. THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
7 EXCLUSION OF PARCEL W37-07 FROM THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER AND  
8 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF LANCASTER AND  
9 THE CONTINUANCE AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER  
10 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED  
11 ON THIS MATTER AND THERE IS A STAFF PRESENTATION.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, STAFF? IDENTIFY YOURSELF,  
14 PLEASE.

15

16 **KEITH LATO:** MY NAME IS KEITH LATO, I'M A PRINCIPAL ENGINEER  
17 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE  
18 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE EXCLUSION OF PARCEL W37-07 IN THE  
19 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT. PARCEL W37-07  
20 COMPRISES ALL PORTIONS OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER WHICH ARE  
21 CURRENTLY WITHIN THE DISTRICT. THE EXCLUSION WAS REQUESTED BY  
22 THE CITY. IN MY OPINION, THE AREA SOUGHT TO BE EXCLUDED WILL  
23 NOT BE BENEFITED BY REMAINING IN THE DISTRICT AND THE AREAS  
24 REMAINING IN THE DISTRICT, FOLLOWING THE EXCLUSION, WILL BE  
25 BENEFITED BY CONTINUING TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE DISTRICT.



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1 ALTHOUGH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY HAVE REQUESTED THAT IT  
2 RECEIVE A PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE FUNDS HELD BY THE  
3 DISTRICT, THE APPLICABLE LAW PROVIDES THAT UPON EXCLUSION OF  
4 ANY AREA FROM THE DISTRICT, ALL PROPERTY ACQUIRED FOR THE  
5 DISTRICT SHALL REMAIN VESTED IN THE COUNTY TO BE USED FOR THE  
6 PURPOSES OF THE DISTRICT.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE THAT  
9 WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 2? IF NOT, PUBLIC HEARING IS  
10 CLOSED. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
11 MOVES, BURKE SECONDS; WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 3. THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
14 APPROVAL OF BILLING RATE CHANGES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
15 SERVICES FOR PHYSICIAN SERVICES RENDERED TO MEDICARE AND  
16 PRIVATE INSURANCE PATIENTS AT MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HARBOR  
17 HOSPITAL. TRANSFER AND APPROVAL OF RATES FOR OUTPATIENT  
18 SERVICES AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MULTISERVICE  
19 AMBULATORY CARE CENTER, AND ADOPTION OF CERTAIN INPATIENT  
20 SURGERY RATES AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION  
21 CENTER. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS  
22 MATTER, AND THERE IS NOT A STAFF PRESENTATION.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY ON THIS IN THE AUDIENCE  
25 THAT WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM 3? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC



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1 HEARING IS CLOSED. MISS BURKE MOVES, MISS MOLINA SECONDS;  
2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 4?

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 4. THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
5 AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 2 ADMINISTRATION RELATING  
6 TO THE REGISTRATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF COUNTY  
7 LOBBYISTS, COUNTY LOBBYIST FIRMS, COUNTY LOBBYIST EMPLOYERS  
8 AND OTHER PERSONS OR ENTITIES AND TO INCREASE FEES AND  
9 PENALTIES IMPOSED. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON  
10 THIS MATTER, AND THERE IS NO STAFF PRESENTATION.

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. SACHS?

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, COUNTY SUPERVISORS. I  
15 WAS ON MY WAY UP WHEN I HEARD THE NUMBER CALLED. AND ALSO,  
16 GOOD LUCK IN YOUR DISTRICTS FIGHTING THE FIRES. I JUST WANTED  
17 TO COMMENT ABOUT THIS. ALTHOUGH THERE IS NOTHING MENTIONED  
18 ABOUT-- THERE'S SOMETHING MENTIONED ABOUT THE LOBBYISTS,  
19 THERE'S NOTHING MENTIONED ABOUT-- LET ME PUT IT THIS WAY.  
20 THERE WAS A SITUATION EARLIER THIS YEAR. THERE WAS A LOBBYIST  
21 WHO HAD A PROJECT BEFORE THE BOARD AND IT WAS A FAMILY MEMBER.  
22 AND THERE'S NOTHING ADDRESSING THAT PROBLEM, THAT SITUATION  
23 WHERE OF A FAMILY MEMBER OR RELATIVE OR ANY KIND OF NEPOTISM  
24 THAT IT INVOLVED IN LOBBYISTS, THAT IF THEY'RE REPRESENTING  
25 SOMEBODY COMING BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THEN



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1 THERE SHOULD BE SOME KIND OF SITUATION WHERE THE SUPERVISORS  
2 STEP ASIDE AND NOT HEAR THE EVENT THAT'S TO BE DECIDED BY THE  
3 COUNTY BOARD. IT'S VERY UNFAIR TO THE PUBLIC WHEN A SITUATION  
4 LIKE THAT ARISES. AND NOTHING IN THIS ORDINANCE ADDRESSES  
5 THAT. AND I'M WONDERING WHAT THE SITUATION REGARDING THAT WILL  
6 BE AND HOW THAT BE RESOLVED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ANYBODY ELSE WANT TO BE  
9 HEARD? IF NOT, PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE THE ITEM  
10 BEFORE US. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? IF NOT, BURKE MOVES,  
11 MOLINA SECONDS; WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 5. THIS IS A HEARING ON  
14 AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 15, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC  
15 RELATING TO THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN STREETS IN  
16 UNINCORPORATED EL CAMINO VILLAGE TO EL CAMINO PREFERENTIAL  
17 PARKING DISTRICT NO. 1 AND IMPOSITION OF A PERMIT FEE WITHIN  
18 THE ANNEXED AREAS. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON  
19 THIS MATTER, AND THERE IS NO STAFF PRESENTATION.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO  
22 WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS  
23 CLOSED.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOMEBODY HAD SIGNED UP. BUT IF THEY DON'T DO  
2 IT THE NEXT MEETING-- OKAY, THANK YOU.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS IS ITEM 5.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO MOVE IT?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL MOVE TO CONTINUE IT.

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, THAT'S ITEM 6.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT'S ITEM 6. WE'RE ON ITEM 5.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, I'LL MOVE IT, THEN.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECOND  
19 BY BURKE; WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM NO. 6.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO  
22 COUNTY CODE TITLE 15, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC RELATING TO THE  
23 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAN PASQUAL PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT  
24 NO. 1, IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SAN PASQUAL, AND  
25 IMPOSITION OF A PERMIT FEE WITHIN THE DISTRICT.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO  
3 WANT TO BE HEARD. AND THIS ITEM IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED FOR  
4 FIVE WEEKS AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS BEING HEARD. SO IF YOU  
5 WANT TO BE HEARD IN FIVE WEEKS, YOU CAN WAIVE YOUR RIGHT, YOUR  
6 DESIRE TO BE HEARD TODAY. BUT IF YOU WANT TO BE HEARD TODAY,  
7 YOU WILL BE. I'LL CALL YOUR NAMES IN THE ORDER I HAVE THEM.  
8 KIM LUNETTA. I'M GOING TO CALL FOUR NAMES, IF YOU COULD COME  
9 UP HERE IF YOU WANT TO BE HEARD TODAY. KIM LUNETTA KARINA  
10 EDMONDS, RACHAEL MARTINEZ INCLAN, AND SARAH RUDCHENKO. AND  
11 YOU'LL EACH HAVE TWO MINUTES. MISS LUNETTA? GOOD MORNING.  
12 YOU'RE ON.

13

14 **KIM LUNETTA:** MY NAME IS KIM LUNETTA, AND I AM A NEIGHBOR OF  
15 THE AFFECTED AREA AND A PARENT AND VOLUNTEER OF HAMILTON  
16 ELEMENTARY. THE PROPOSED PERMIT PARKING AROUND OUR SCHOOL WILL  
17 GREATLY AFFECT THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN. THERE ARE 120 PRE-K  
18 AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS AT THE SCHOOL THAT NEED TO BE WALKED  
19 IN, DROPPED OFF AND PICKED UP INSIDE THE CLASSROOM. BY NOT  
20 ALLOWING PARENTS TO PARK AROUND THE SCHOOL, THEY WILL HAVE TO  
21 PARK FOUR TO FIVE BLOCKS AWAY AND CROSS BUSY INTERSECTIONS,  
22 INCLUDING DELMAR BOULEVARD, WHICH HAS OVER 17,000 CARS A DAY  
23 DRIVE BY. SITTING IN THIS MEETING TODAY WHERE COMMUNITY  
24 MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN GIVEN AWARDS FOR CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND  
25 SAFETY. I WOULD HOPE THAT THIS DECISION WOULD BE EASY.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK EACH ONE BEFORE YU SPEAK. DO YOU  
5 LIVE WITHIN THE AREA? OR DO YOU LIVE OUTSIDE THE AREA? I MEAN  
6 WHEN YOU SPEAK.

7

8 **KIM LUNETTA:** I LIVE A BLOCK AWAY FROM THE AFFECTED AREA, SO MY  
9 AREA WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THE CARS THAT ARE PUSHED OUT. BUT I  
10 DON'T PERSONALLY HAVE A PROBLEM WITH PEOPLE PARKING IN MY  
11 FRONT YARD. I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THAT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MISS EDMONDS.

16

17 **KARINA EDMONDS:** KARINA EDMONDS. I LIVE A BLOCK AWAY FROM THE  
18 PROPOSED AREA. I JUST WANT THE MENTION THAT -- I WANT TO GIVE  
19 SOME BACKGROUND INFORMATION THAT IS NOT EVIDENT FROM THE  
20 PETITION. ONE IS THAT THE SCHOOL RECENTLY CELEBRATED ITS 80TH  
21 ANNIVERSARY. THE SCHOOL HAS BEEN THERE FOR 80 YEARS. THAT  
22 MEANS THAT THOSE PEOPLE THAT PURCHASED HOMES IN THAT AREA KNEW  
23 THAT DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, THERE WOULD BE INCREASED TRAFFIC  
24 AND PARKING. IN FACT, THE ONLY TIME THERE IS INCREASED PARKING  
25 ISSUES IS HALF HOUR DURING DROP-OFF AND HALF HOUR DURING



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1 PICKUP TIME. I VOLUNTEER AT THE SCHOOL, AS WELL. AND I NEVER  
2 HAVE A PROBLEM FINDING PARKING. THERE'S PLENTY OF OPEN SPACES  
3 THERE. LIKE KIM, I'M MOSTLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THE  
4 CHILDREN. UNFORTUNATELY, WE LIVE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE MOST  
5 OF THE KIDS THAT ATTEND THE SCHOOL CANNOT AFFORD TO LIVE IN  
6 THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND SO I FEEL THAT A LOT OF THE NEIGHBORS IN  
7 THE AREA DON'T REALLY RELATE TO THE STUDENT POPULATION, AND AS  
8 SUCH, DO NOT SYMPATHIZE WITH THOSE FAMILIES. LET'S SEE, AND AS  
9 KIM MENTIONED, EVERYBODY THAT GOT AN AWARD HERE EARLIER TODAY  
10 MENTIONED SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS, SUPPORTING OUR CHILDREN.  
11 AND THIS PARKING RESTRICTION GOES AGAINST EVERYTHING THAT  
12 EVERYONE SPOKE ABOUT THIS MORNING. YOU KNOW, THEY TALK ABOUT  
13 THIS IS A QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUE. I THINK IT'S ACTUALLY A HOME  
14 EQUITY ISSUE BECAUSE THOSE PEOPLE NOW FEEL THAT IF THEY HAD  
15 PREFERENTIAL PARKING IN THAT AREA, THEIR HOMES WOULD BE MORE  
16 VALUABLE BECAUSE THEY WOULD HAVE RESTRICTED PARKING. AGAIN,  
17 THIS WAS STARTED BY A HANDFUL NEIGHBOR, AGAIN THAT DON'T  
18 SUPPORT THE SCHOOL, DON'T SUPPORT THE CHILDREN THAT GO TO THE  
19 SCHOOL AND HAVE NO INTEREST IN EVER HAVING THEIR CHILDREN  
20 THERE. I ACTUALLY HAVE TWO CHILDREN THAT ATTEND THE SCHOOL.  
21 AND IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, WE'VE HAD A LOT MORE NEIGHBORS  
22 STARTING TO USE THE SCHOOL. THE SCHOOL IS ONE OF THE BEST  
23 SCHOOLS IN PASADENA FOR ELEMENTARY, AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF  
24 THAT AND WE'D LIKE TO CONTINUE THAT. LET'S SEE, AND, AGAIN,  
25 ONE OF THE SUGGESTIONS FROM THE NEIGHBOR HAS BEEN THAT WE CUT



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1 BACK OUR OPEN PLAY AREA FOR THE KIDS. AND AGAIN WITH THIS AGE  
2 OF OBESITY AND DIABETES OF OUR CHILDREN, WHY WOULD WE EVER  
3 CONSIDER CUTTING BACK THE LIMITED PLAY AREA THAT WE HAVE?  
4 AGAIN, I'M GLAD THAT WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY  
5 BECAUSE IN FIVE WEEKS, I WILL PROBABLY BE DELIVERING. SO I  
6 JUST WANT EVERYONE-- I HOPE THAT YOU WILL REMEMBER MY COMMENTS  
7 AND VOTE AGAINST THIS AWFUL PERMIT.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANKS, MISS EDMONDS. MISS INCLAN?

10

11 **RACHEL MARTINEZ INCLAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS ANTONOVICH,  
12 MOLINA, BURKE, KNABE AND YAROSLAVSKY. MY NAME IS RACHAEL  
13 MARTINEZ INCLAN AND I HAVE LIVED AT 377 SOUTH OAK AVENUE FOR  
14 ABOUT 13 YEARS. AND I LIVE IN THE PROPOSED PREFERENTIAL  
15 PARKING DISTRICT. IN AUGUST OF 2006, I RECEIVED A NOTICE ON MY  
16 DOOR FROM A NEIGHBOR WHO LIVES IN THE AREA THAT WAS INCLUDED  
17 IN THE ORIGINAL PETITION TO THE COUNTY FOR A PREFERENTIAL  
18 PARKING DISTRICT. THE NOTICE WAS ABOUT A MEETING TO DISCUSS  
19 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PARKING DISTRICT. AT THE TIME I  
20 DIDN'T HAVE ANY IDEA THAT THIS WAS GOING ON. AND IT WAS  
21 LITERALLY ONE BLOCK AWAY FROM MY FRONT DOOR. EXCUSE ME ONE  
22 HOUSE AWAY FROM MY FRONT DOOR. SO I WENT TO THAT MEETING AND I  
23 WAS SHOCKED AT HOW ANGRY SOME OF THE RESIDENTS WERE ABOUT THIS  
24 PARKING PROBLEM. THEY'RE ANGRY AT THE SCHOOL, PARENTS -- AND  
25 OF ALL PEOPLE, CHILDREN. SOME TALKED ABOUT HAVING 6 A.M. TO 6



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1 P.M. NO PARKING. ONE PERSON EVEN PROPOSED 24-HOUR NO PARKING  
2 WITHOUT A PERMIT. AND HE WAS SERIOUS. THEY WANTED TO SEND A  
3 REAL MESSAGE AND GET EVEN. AND THEY WERE GOING TO USE THE  
4 SYSTEM TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. EVEN THOUGH MY HOME WAS NOT INCLUDED  
5 IN THE PETITION AT THAT TIME, I SPOKE TO THEM AND PROPOSED A  
6 TWO-HOUR PARKING LIMIT SO THAT PEOPLE COULD GET THEIR KIDS TO  
7 SCHOOL, PICK THEM UP AND DONATE TIME TO THE SCHOOL. AND IT WAS  
8 LIKE I PROPOSED SOMETHING THAT WAS ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS. YOU  
9 KNOW, I FOUND OUT AT THE MEETING WHAT THE PROCESS WAS AND HOW  
10 TO GET MY STREET INVOLVED AND I SPOKE TO CHRIS SHEPHERD ABOUT  
11 GETTING MY STREET INCLUDED WHICH WE DID. WE THOUGHT IT MEANT  
12 THAT WE HAD A VOTE IN THE HOURS AND THE DAYS. WE RECEIVED A  
13 NOTICE FROM THE COUNTY OFFICE OF WORKS, DICTATING TO US WHAT  
14 THE HOURS AND DAYS WERE GOING TO BE. AND THE HOURS THAT  
15 THEY'RE LISTING ARE NOT REALLY REASONABLE FOR PEOPLE TO GET  
16 THEIR CHILDREN SAFELY TO AND FROM SCHOOL. AND I GUESS MY TIME  
17 HAS EXPIRED.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GO ON.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

22

23 **RACHEL MARTINEZ INCLAN:** SO I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT THE  
24 PARAMETERS ARE NOT REASONABLE. AND THESE CHILDREN DEPEND ON  
25 YOU FOR THEIR SAFETY. THEY REALLY DO. THESE PEOPLE HAVE FILED



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1 A PETITION. THEY'RE WORKING THE SYSTEM. AND THEY BELIEVE THAT  
2 THEY'RE GOING TO JUST PUSH THIS THROUGH AND NOBODY HAS A  
3 VOICE. AND I REALLY HOPE AND PRAY TO GOD THAT YOU WILL BE AN  
4 ADVOCATE FOR THE CHILDREN THAT ATTEND THE SCHOOL DOWN THE  
5 STREET FROM ME. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS YOU KNOW, THERE WAS A PETITION SIGNED I  
8 GUESS WITH 75 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE, WHICH BROUGHT IT TO WHERE  
9 WE ARE TODAY. THAT'S HOW WE'RE GOING TO DO THE HEARING. WE'RE  
10 GOING TO CONTINUE IT SO THAT WE HAVE MORE INVOLVEMENT BECAUSE  
11 OF THE FIRE AND THE IMPACT THAT IT'S HAVING ON YOUR COMMUNITY.  
12 BUT THIS WILL BE THEN DISCUSSED AND --

13

14 **RACHEL MARTINEZ INCLAN:** CAN I JUST QUICKLY RESPOND TO THAT? I  
15 SIGNED THE PETITION. I GOT MY STREET ON WITH THE PETITION IN  
16 THE HOPES THAT WE COULD HAVE SOMETHING REASONABLE, TWO-HOUR  
17 PARKING. AND WHEN I RECEIVED THIS NOTICE FROM THE DEPARTMENT  
18 OF PUBLIC WORKS SAYING YOU HAVE TO HAVE PERMITTED PARKING, NO  
19 PARKING FOR PARENTS, NO PARKING FOR ANYBODY EXCEPT FOR  
20 RESIDENTS FROM I THINK IT'S 8 A.M. TO 5 P.M., I WAS INCENSED.  
21 I THOUGHT IT WAS GOING TO GO TO A VOTE SO RESIDENTS COULD VOTE  
22 ON IT. I HAVE SPOKEN TO EVERYBODY AT YOUR OFFICE, AS A MATTER  
23 OF FACT.

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. SARAH RUDCHENKO. BEFORE YOU  
3 START, MISS RUDCHENKO, LET ME JUST CALL A COUPLE OF OTHER  
4 FOLKS. RALPH RIVERA, CHRIS KARP AND NAMI PARK. OKAY.

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6 **SARAH RUDCHENKO:** GOOD MORNING. I'M SARAH RUDCHENKO. I'M THE  
7 PRINCIPAL OF HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. WE SERVE OVER 540  
8 STUDENTS IN THE AREA. HAMILTON SCHOOL, AS YOU KNOW, HAS BEEN  
9 IN THAT LOCATION FOR 80 YEARS WITH NO ON SITE PARKING. TRUST  
10 ME, MY TEACHERS WOULD PROBABLY LIKE IT IF THEY HAD A SAFE  
11 PLACE TO PARK. BUT WE ARE DEPENDENT ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND  
12 THE STREETS SURROUNDING THE SCHOOL FOR OUR PARKING. THE MAIN  
13 CONCERN IS THE SAFETY OF THE STUDENTS. FORCING PEOPLE TO PARK  
14 FURTHER AWAY FROM THE DESTINATION LEADS TO MORE STREET  
15 CROSSINGS AND, THUS, PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICLE CONFLICTS IN THE  
16 AREA, ADDITIONALLY FORCING PEOPLE TO WALK FURTHER TO SCHOOL,  
17 MEANS IT WILL MAKE THEM TAKE THEM LONGER TO SCHOOL. AS WE  
18 KNOW, PEOPLE, TRAFFIC AND PARENTS, POTENTIAL ACCIDENTS CAN  
19 OCCUR. MOST OF THE STREETS IN THE PROPOSED AREAS ARE TWO-WAY  
20 STOP SIGNS AND NOT FOUR-WAY STOP SIGNS WITHOUT ADEQUATE  
21 CROSSWALKS, SO THAT'S OF CONCERN. IT POTENTIALLY DECREASES THE  
22 VOLUNTEER TIME AT THE SCHOOL. COMMUNITIES AND PARENTS THAT  
23 WANT TO VOLUNTEER AT THE SCHOOL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY WILL  
24 HAVE TO PARK FURTHER AWAY. WHILE THAT MIGHT ONLY REPRESENT AN  
25 ADDITIONAL 8 TO 10 MINUTES, THAT TIME STILL COULD BE BETTER



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1 USED READING TO A CHILD. PARENTS WHO TAKE TIME OFF TO  
2 VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** REPEAT YOUR-- YOU SAID THE STOP SIGNS ARE  
5 TWO-WAY, NOT FOUR-WAY?

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7 **SARAH RUDCHENKO:** MOST OF THE STOP SIGNS IN THE AREA ARE TWO-  
8 WAY STOP SIGNS. SO THERE'S A STOP SIGN ONLY EAST/WEST OR  
9 NORTH/SOUTH. AND THEN THE CROSSWALKS, THERE'S ONLY TWO, NOT  
10 FOUR, BASED ON THOSE STREET SIGNS. THERE ARE 120 KINDERGARTEN  
11 AND PRE-K STUDENTS THAT NEED BY LAW BE WALKED BY A PARENT AND  
12 DROPPED IN, SO THAT'S 120 PARENTS THAT NEED TO WALK THEIR  
13 CHILDREN INTO SCHOOL AND ALSO PICK THEM UP INTO THE CLASSROOM.  
14 NOW IS THE TIME TO SUPPORT PUBLIC EDUCATION. THE PASADENA  
15 COMMUNITY IS WORKING VERY HARD AT HAMILTON TO CREATE A  
16 NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL AND BRING ECONOMIC LEVELS-- PEOPLE OF ALL  
17 ECONOMIC LEVELS BACK. WE HAVE MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES IN THE  
18 PAST FEW YEARS WITH OUR A.P.I. SCORE WITH OVER 75 POINT GAIN  
19 TO 823, AND WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF BECOMING A MATH, SCIENCE  
20 AND TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY. WE HAVE EXCELLENT PARENTS WHO ARE  
21 SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY IS RETURNING. SO WE'D  
22 LIKE TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NEIGHBORS. I SYMPATHIZE.  
23 I LIVE FIVE HOUSES FROM A SCHOOL MYSELF. I UNDERSTAND THE  
24 PARKING CONCERNS. AGAIN, THE SCHOOL WAS THERE AND THE PEOPLE  
25 THAT BOUGHT THEIR HOMES SAW THE SCHOOL. THERE ARE A FEW



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1 SOLUTIONS. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY SINCE JANUARY OF  
2 2005. WE HAVE REDONE THE SIGNAGE IN SOME PARTS OF THE SCHOOL.  
3 THE DISTRICT PROPOSED THREE DIFFERENT PARKING AREAS WITHIN THE  
4 SCHOOL, TANDEM PARKING ON ONE OF THE STREETS ON SAN MORENO  
5 AVENUE, EXPANDING THE EXISTING PARKING LOT ON ROSE VILLA. THE  
6 NEIGHBORS DIDN'T LIKE THAT BECAUSE THEN THEY WOULD SEE THE  
7 CARS. THAT WAS THE COMMENT FROM THAT PROPOSAL. PREFERENTIAL  
8 PARKING FOR TEACHERS. THEY HAVE THIS IN PASADENA SO THAT THE  
9 TEACHERS PARK ON OURS, LIKE ON THE SCHOOL SIDE OF THE STREET  
10 AND THAT THERE WOULD BE LIKE A SIGN THERE SO THAT ONE OF THE  
11 PROBLEMS IS THE NEIGHBORS ACTUALLY PARK ON THE SCHOOL SIDE OF  
12 THE STREET WHERE THE NEIGHBORS WOULD LIKE US TO PARK. I'D ALSO  
13 ASKED FOR PARKING SPACES WITH THE LINES ON THE STREET SO THAT  
14 WE COULD MAXIMIZE THE PARKING ON THE SCHOOL SIDES OF THE  
15 STREET. ANYWAYS, IN ADDITION, I JUST THANK YOU FOR THE  
16 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. AND WE'LL BE BACK IN A MONTH AND  
17 HOPEFULLY WE CAN COME TO SOME RESOLUTION WITH THE SCHOOL  
18 DISTRICT AND THE NEIGHBORS TO BEST MEET THE NEEDS OF EVERYONE.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** CHRIS KARP AND THEN NAMI PARK AND THEN  
25 DICK BARNES. ARE YOU MR. KARP?



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2 **CHRIS KARP:** YES, HI.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE ON.

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6 **CHRIS KARP:** THANK YOU. I'M A FATHER OF THREE CHILDREN WHO  
7 ATTEND HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS,  
8 THIS SCHOOL HAS BECOME ONE OF THE BEST SCHOOLS IN PASADENA DUE  
9 IN LARGE PART TO THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION OF TEACHERS AND  
10 PARENTS WHO GIVE THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO THE SCHOOL. I AM ONE  
11 OF THE LUCKY FEW PARENTS THAT LIVE WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF  
12 THE SCHOOL. THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREA BOUNDARY IS UP TO 3-1/2  
13 MILES AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL. SO MOST OF THE PARENTS NEED TO  
14 DRIVE IN AND DROP OFF THEIR KIDS. SOME OF THESE PARENTS WAIT  
15 IN THEIR CARS IN A FAIRLY ORDERLY LINE TO DROP OFF AND PICK UP  
16 THEIR KIDS AT THE CURB. HOWEVER, MANY PARENTS PARK IN THE  
17 STREETS AND WALK THEIR KIDS TO AND FROM SCHOOL. THIS IS VERY  
18 IMPORTANT. HAVING PARENTS WALK ONTO SCHOOL GROUNDS ENCOURAGES  
19 INTERACTION BETWEEN PARENTS AND TEACHERS. IT INCREASES  
20 PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN THE SCHOOL AND ALSO CUTS DOWN ON THE  
21 TIME AND TRAFFIC THAT WOULD RESULT IF EVERYBODY WAITED IN  
22 THEIR CARS TO DROP OFF OR PICK UP THEIR KIDS. MOST OF THE CARS  
23 THAT ARE PARKED IN THE STREETS NEAR HAMILTON ARE NOT PARKED  
24 FOR VERY LONG. PARENTS PARK FOR ABOUT A HALF HOUR IN THE  
25 MORNING AND AGAIN FOR A HALF HOUR IN THE AFTERNOON. THE REST



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1 OF THE DAY, THE STREETS ARE AT MOST HALFWAY FULL. AND MOST OF  
2 THE CARS THAT ARE PARKED ALL DAY BELONG TO RESIDENTS OR  
3 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS. CREATING A NO PARKING ZONE IN THIS AREA  
4 WOULD DECREASE THE NUMBER OF CARS PARKED AROUND HAMILTON FOR  
5 THOSE HALF HOUR PERIODS IN THE MORNING AND AFTERNOON. IT WOULD  
6 ALSO, UNFORTUNATELY, DECREASE THE INVOLVEMENT OF MANY PARENTS  
7 IN THE DAILY ACTIVITIES OF THE SCHOOL. AND IT WILL INCREASE  
8 TRAFFIC AND CONGESTION, INCREASE NOISE AND POLLUTION AND  
9 INCREASE THE DANGER FOR THE KIDS AS MORE PEOPLE TRY TO JOCKEY  
10 FOR POSITION IN THE PICKUP LINE. ACCORDING TO THE AGENDA I  
11 READ FOR THIS MEETING, THE PARKING DISTRICT WILL, AND I QUOTE  
12 "ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY." I  
13 STRONGLY DISAGREE. THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY IS MUCH LARGER THAN  
14 JUST THE RESIDENTS ON A FEW STREETS NEAR THE SCHOOL. THE  
15 SCHOOL ITSELF IS A PART OF THIS COMMUNITY. PLEASE CONSIDER THE  
16 SAFETY AND QUALITY OF EDUCATION OF THE 550 STUDENTS THAT  
17 ATTEND HAMILTON. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. IS THERE ANYBODY ELSE WHO  
20 WANTS TO BE HEARD AT THIS TIME? I'LL TAKE IT MISS PARK AND MR.  
21 BARNES WILL DEFER UNTIL NEXT FIVE WEEKS. SO WE'LL HOLD THEIR  
22 CARDS FOR NEXT TIME. ALL RIGHT, THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR TODAY  
23 IS CLOSED. IT WILL BE REOPENED IN FIVE WEEKS. MR. ANTONOVICH?  
24 MOVE CONTINUANCE AT THIS TIME?

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1 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT  
2 YOU KEEP THE HEARING OPEN AND MERELY CONTINUE IT.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SORRY. KEEP IT OPEN. CONTINUE THE  
5 HEARING UNTIL FIVE WEEKS FROM TODAY. MR. ANTONOVICH MOVES THE  
6 ITEM BE CONTINUED FOR FIVE WEEKS. SECOND. AND WITHOUT  
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU, ALL, FOR COMING. ITEM NUMBER  
8 7?

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 7. THIS IS A HEARING TO  
11 CONSIDER THE PROPOSED SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL  
12 PROGRAM AND ITS LAND USE POLICY MAP AND ZONE CHANGE CASE WHICH  
13 REPEALS THE 1986 MALIBU LAND USE PLAN, MAKING ZONING  
14 CONSISTENT WITH THE LAND USE POLICY MAP AND AMENDS THE COUNTY  
15 CODE TITLE 21, SUBDIVISIONS IN TITLE 22 PLANNING AND ZONING,  
16 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN  
17 ZONES COASTAL COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. THERE WAS WRITTEN  
18 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER AND THERE IS A STAFF  
19 PRESENTATION.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

22

23 **GINA NATOLI:** EXCUSE ME, CLERK, COULD YOU OPEN THE CURTAINS?  
24 THANK YOU. MR. CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, GOOD MORNING. I'M GINA  
25 NATOLI AND THIS IS RON HOFFMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL



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1 PLANNING. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL PROGRAMS BEFORE YOU  
2 TODAY IS A RESULT OF A MULTI-YEAR EFFORT INVOLVING PLANNERS,  
3 RESIDENTS, TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS, ENVIRONMENTALISTS,  
4 ENGINEERS, EQUESTRIANS, PROPERTY OWNERS, LAND PRESERVATION  
5 AGENCIES AND MANY OTHERS. THESE GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS HAVE  
6 MADE SUGGESTIONS THAT RESULTED IN CHANGES TO THE LOCAL COASTAL  
7 PROGRAM, OR L.C.P. THIS L.C.P. REPRESENTS A BROAD CONSENSUS  
8 FOR PLANNING IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE CALIFORNIA  
9 COASTAL ACT OF 1976 ESTABLISHED A ZONE ALONG THE COAST WITHIN  
10 WHICH DEVELOPMENT MUST OCCUR IN A MANNER THAT PROTECTS COASTAL  
11 RESOURCES. IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, THE COASTAL ZONE  
12 EXTENDS INLAND FROM THE SHORE LINE 5 TO 6 MILES. EACH  
13 JURISDICTION WITH TERRITORY IN THE COASTAL ZONE MUST ADOPT AND  
14 HAVE CERTIFIED BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION AN L.C.P.  
15 TO MANAGE AND REGULATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF COASTAL RESOURCES  
16 CONSISTENT WITH THE COASTAL ACT. A CERTIFIED L.C.P. HAS TWO  
17 PARTS: A LAND USE PLAN AND AN IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM. BOTH  
18 PARTS MUST BE CERTIFIED BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION BEFORE A  
19 LOCAL JURISDICTION IS GRANTED THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE COASTAL  
20 DEVELOPMENT PERMITS. THE COUNTY HAS THREE AREAS IN THE COASTAL  
21 ZONE: MARINA DEL REY, CATALINA ISLAND AND THE SANTA MONICA  
22 MOUNTAINS. MARINA DEL REY AND SANTA CATALINA BOTH HAVE  
23 CERTIFIED L.C.P.S. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.C.P. BEFORE YOU  
24 TODAY IS A COMPLETE L.C.P. WITH A REVISED LAND USE PLAN AND A  
25 FULL IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM AS REQUIRED BY THE COASTAL ACT.



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1 I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS SOME DETAILS ON TWO OF THE CHANGES THAT  
2 STAFF HAD PROPOSED TO YOU IN THE PACKET THAT YOU RECEIVED, AND  
3 THOSE ARE DETAILS ON THE DEFINITION FOR WILDLIFE PERMEABLE  
4 FENCING AND BRIDGE DESIGN GUIDELINES. OUR INTENT FOR WILDLIFE  
5 PERMEABLE FENCING WOULD BE THAT IT BE OF AN OPEN CONSTRUCTION  
6 AND THAT IT BE MADE OF NONHAZARDOUS AND NATURAL OR NATURAL-  
7 LOOKING MATERIALS. AND FOR THE BRIDGE DESIGN GUIDELINES, OUR  
8 INTENT WOULD BE THAT THE STRUCTURE IS THE SMALLEST POSSIBLE  
9 AND THAT IT USE, AGAIN, NATURAL OR NATURAL-LOOKING  
10 CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND THAT LIGHTING BE LIMITED TO THAT  
11 WHICH IS REQUIRED FOR SAFETY. I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS SOME OF THE  
12 KEY COMPONENTS OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.C.P. FIRST, THE  
13 FORMAT AND MUCH OF THE CONTENT ARE TAKEN FROM THE SANTA MONICA  
14 MOUNTAINS NORTH AREA PLAN WHICH YOUR BOARD CERTIFIED IN 2000.  
15 THE L.C.P. ALSO INCLUDES PARCEL-BASED LAND USE AND ZONING. AT  
16 THIS POINT, THERE ARE MANY PARCELS IN THE COASTAL ZONE THAT  
17 HAVE THREE, FOUR AND FIVE LAND USE CATEGORIES IN THEM. AND  
18 THIS L.C.P. ALSO CONTAINS A ZONING CONSISTENCY PROGRAM. WE'RE  
19 PROPOSING TWO NEW LAND USE CATEGORIES EXCLUSIVE TO THE SANTA  
20 MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE. THOSE ARE RURAL VILLAGES AND  
21 RURAL LANDS 40. THE RURAL VILLAGES CATEGORY IS APPLIED TO THE  
22 14 ANTIQUATED SMALL LET SUBDIVISIONS THAT ARE LOCATED WITHIN  
23 THE COASTAL ZONE. AND IN THAT, BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND  
24 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL USES COULD BE FOUND CONSISTENT. AND  
25 THIS IS TO ALLOW FLEXIBILITY TO PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THE



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1 RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN A RELATIVELY RURAL AND ISOLATED AREA.  
2 THE RURAL LANDS 40 CATEGORY, THE PRINCIPAL USE IS A SINGLE-  
3 FAMILY RESIDENCE. AND THE MINIMUM REQUIRED AREA IS 40 ACRES  
4 PER DWELLING UNIT. THIS IS APPLIED TO PRIVATE LANDS IN THE  
5 THREE CLEANEST WATERSHEDS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, AND  
6 THIS IS TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY. WE ARE ALSO PROPOSING ONE  
7 NEW ZONE EXCLUSIVE TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE,  
8 AND THIS IS THE RURAL COASTAL ZONE. IT WOULD REPLACE THE A1,  
9 A2, AND R.A. ZONES. THE PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USE IS A SINGLE-  
10 FAMILY RESIDENCE, BUT MANY OF THOSE A1, A2 AND R.A. USES WOULD  
11 BE ALLOWED UNDER THE R.C. ZONE. AND WE'RE ADDING SOME NEW  
12 USES. THE PRIVATE BACKYARD BOARDING OF HORSES, BED AND  
13 BREAKFASTS AND RURAL INNS. AND I KNOW WITHIN THE PAST FEW  
14 WEEKS, SOME OPPOSITION HAS BEEN RAISED CONCERNING THESE USES  
15 THAT WE ARE CONSIDERING ALLOWING, AND I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT  
16 VIRTUALLY ALL OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE LIES  
17 WITHIN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA.  
18 AND THESE USES, THE PRIVATE BOARDING OF HORSES, BED AND  
19 BREAKFASTS AND RURAL INNS FACILITATE ACCESS TO COASTAL  
20 RESOURCES WHICH IS REQUIRED UNDER THE COASTAL ACT. AND IN  
21 CREATING A NEW ZONE, THAT HAS ALLOWED US TO CUSTOMIZE A ZONE  
22 FOR A VERY UNIQUE AREA OF THE COUNTY THAT HAS URBAN  
23 CONCENTRATIONS OF PEOPLE IN A VERY RURAL AREA WITH SIGNIFICANT  
24 CONSTRAINTS. THE L.C.P. ALSO CREATES A COMMUNITY STANDARDS  
25 DISTRICT AS A PRIMARY IMPLEMENTATION MECHANISM FOR THE PLAN.



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1 THE PLAN WILL DESIGNATE BOTH SIGNIFICANT RIDGE LINES AND  
2 TRAILS. THE SIGNIFICANT RIDGE LINES' DEVELOPMENT WILL BE  
3 RESTRICTED, SIMILAR TO WHAT WE HAVE DONE IN THE SANTA MONICA  
4 MOUNTAINS' NORTH AREA AND THIS IS PARTIALLY DUE TO ESTHETIC  
5 REASONS, BUT MORE IMPORTANT, IT IS REALLY A SAFETY MEASURE.  
6 AND THE TRAILS, WE WILL NOT REQUIRE DEDICATIONS OF TRAILS  
7 UNLESS THERE ARE SPECIFIC FINDINGS MADE UNDER A DISCRETIONARY  
8 APPROVAL. FINALLY, THE 1986 MALIBU L.U.P. USED A TAILORED  
9 APPROACH TO RESOURCE PROTECTION WHERE IT IDENTIFIED DIFFERENT  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE AREAS AND APPLIED SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT  
11 STANDARDS TO EACH RESOURCE, WITH ONLY RESOURCE-DEPENDENT USES  
12 INVOLVED ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE HABITAT AREAS OR E.S.H.A.  
13 WE'RE USING A SIMILAR APPROACH IN THE PROPOSED L.C.P., THOUGH  
14 WE NOW HAVE A BASELINE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR THE  
15 ENTIRE PROJECT AREA, IN ADDITION TO THE SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT  
16 STANDARDS FOR EACH RESOURCE TYPE. COASTAL COMMISSION STAFF  
17 DOES NOT AGREE WITH OUR APPROACH. THEY WOULD PREFER US TO USE  
18 THE CITY OF MALIBU L.C.P. APPROACH AND DESIGNATE ALL  
19 UNDISTURBED NATIVE VEGETATION IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS'  
20 COASTAL ZONE AS E.S.H.A. AND WHAT WE HAVE DESIGNATED AS  
21 E.S.H.A. RIGHT NOW IS PRIMARILY THE RIPARIAN AREAS AND  
22 ENCLOSED CANOPY OF WOODLANDS THAT CONSTITUTES APPROXIMATELY  
23 6.5 PERCENT OF THE UNINCORPORATED COASTAL ZONE. COASTAL  
24 COMMISSION STAFF ARGUES THAT NATURAL RESOURCES CANNOT BE  
25 ADEQUATELY PROTECTED UNLESS THEY ARE DESIGNATED E.S.H.A.



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1 BECAUSE E.S.H.A. IS THE RESOURCE TERM THAT APPEARS IN THE  
2 COASTAL ACT. THE PROBLEM WE SEE WITH THAT IS THAT THE COASTAL  
3 ACT ONLY ALLOWS RESOURCE-DEPENDENT USES IN AN E.S.H.A., THINGS  
4 LIKE BIRD WATCHING, HIKING AND HORSEBACK RIDING. IN THE MALIBU  
5 L.C.P., WHICH WAS WRITTEN BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION, THEY  
6 DESIGNATED 47 PERCENT OF THE CITY AS E.S.H.A., THEN THEY  
7 ALLOWED SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AND THOSE ACCESSORY USES  
8 WITHIN E.S.H.A. WE DISAGREE WITH COASTAL COMMISSION'S  
9 APPROACH. WE BELIEVE WE PROTECT COASTAL RESOURCES AND PROPERTY  
10 RIGHTS AS WELL AS THEY DO, IF NOT BETTER. AND WE HAVE THAT  
11 JUST WITH THE TAILORED APPROACH AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, WE  
12 BELIEVE OUR APPROACH IS SOUND AND LEGALLY DEFENSIBLE. I THINK  
13 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND SOME OF THE PRIMARY  
14 CONSIDERATIONS THAT GUIDED US IN DEVELOPING THIS L.C.P. IT HAS  
15 TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE COASTAL ACT AND ITS MANDATE TO  
16 PROTECT THE COASTAL RESOURCES. IF IT IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH  
17 THE COASTAL ACT, THE COASTAL COMMISSION WILL NOT CERTIFY IT.  
18 PUBLIC SAFETY WAS A PRIMARY CONSIDERATION AS HAS BEEN MADE  
19 CLEAR AGAIN THIS WEEKEND. THE ENTIRE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS  
20 COASTAL ZONE IS A VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE. THERE  
21 IS LIMITED INFRASTRUCTURE FROM THE ROADS, TO WATER, TO SEWER  
22 LINES. AND NONE OF THAT WILL PROBABLY CHANGE. THERE ARE  
23 DANGEROUS GEOLOGIC CONDITIONS. THE AREA IS SUBJECT TO  
24 LANDSLIDES, FLOODING, TORRENTIAL DOWNPOURS DURING RAIN EVENTS.  
25 WE NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROTECTION OF THE



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1 ENVIRONMENT AS WELL AS PRESERVING THE RIGHTS OF PROPERTY  
2 OWNERS. AND WE WERE ALSO CONCERNED WITH GETTING THE MAXIMUM  
3 PUBLIC INPUT ON THIS PROGRAM. IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO US. IN  
4 THE BEGINNING, WE CONSULTED WITH A PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
5 OF EIGHT INDIVIDUALS WHO LIVE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS  
6 COASTAL ZONE. WE CONDUCTED TWO COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS VERY EARLY  
7 ON WHERE WE ASKED INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR OPINIONS ABOUT LAND  
8 USE AND THE ISSUES IN THE MOUNTAINS. WE INVITED 25 GROUPS AND  
9 INDIVIDUALS TO COME AND SPEAK TO US ABOUT THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT  
10 LAND USE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AND THESE GROUPS  
11 RANGED FROM THE BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION TO THE SIERRA  
12 CLUB AND TO EQUESTRIAN GROUPS. THEN WE HELD COMMUNITY MEETINGS  
13 TO RELEASE THE COMMUNITY REVIEW DRAFT WHERE THERE ALSO WAS AN  
14 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO REVIEW THOSE AND GIVE US THEIR  
15 COMMENTS. AND THAT WAS PRIOR TO COMPLETING THE REGIONAL  
16 PLANNING COMMISSION DRAFT OF THE L.C.P., WHICH WAS AGAIN  
17 PRESENTED BEFORE THE PUBLIC, HEARD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
18 ON THREE MEETINGS AND NOW WE'RE BEFORE YOU TODAY FOR MORE  
19 PUBLIC INPUT. AND FINALLY WE NEEDED TO PAY ATTENTION TO THE  
20 REQUIREMENTS OF THE COUNTY'S N.P.D.E.S PERMIT AND A.B.885 TO  
21 IMPROVE WATER QUALITY IN THE WATERSHEDS OF THE SANTA MONICA  
22 MOUNTAINS AS WELL AS IN SANTA MONICA BAY. SUPERVISORS, THIS IS  
23 A GOOD PLAN. A LOT OF THOUGHT AND DIALOGUE AND WORK HAS GONE  
24 INTO IT. THE COUNTY NEEDS THIS L.C.P. WE NEED TO HAVE COASTAL  
25 DEVELOPMENT PERMITTING AUTHORITY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. AND



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1 COMPARED TO THE CURRENT TWO-STEP PROCESS, OUR L.C.P. PROVIDES  
2 SIMPLICITY WITH ONE SET OF RULES: IT'S THE COUNTY'S RULES.  
3 IT'S EFFICIENT. THERE'S ONE LOCAL AGENCY WITH PRIMARY  
4 JURISDICTION AND APPLICANTS ONLY HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE  
5 PERMITTING PROCESS ONCE. CONSISTENCY WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
6 OPERATING PROCEDURES AND CONTROLLING DOCUMENTS, AND IT  
7 PROVIDES CERTAINTY AND FAIRNESS. THE RULES ARE WRITTEN DOWN.  
8 EVERYONE KNOWS WHAT THE RULES ARE AND THAT THEY WILL BE  
9 APPLIED TO ALL PROJECTS IN A FAIR AND CONSISTENT MANNER. MR.  
10 CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION. THIS  
11 CONCLUDES STAFF'S PRESENTATION.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. IF I CAN JUST ASK YOU ON THE  
14 ISSUE OF HORSE BOARDING, BECAUSE MOST OF THE CRITICISMS THAT  
15 WE'LL HEAR TODAY, A GOOD NUMBER OF THEM WILL BE RELATED TO  
16 THAT. COULD YOU DESCRIBE WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE PLAN  
17 WILL BE FOR ANY HORSE KEEPING IN TERMS OF MITIGATION OF  
18 POTENTIAL IMPACTS FROM THE HORSES' WASTE PRODUCTS AND HOW  
19 WE'RE GOING TO MITIGATE THAT AND HANDLE THAT?

20

21 **GINA NATOLI:** YES, SUPERVISOR. ALL HORSE FACILITIES, WHETHER  
22 THEY ARE BOARDED OR PRIVATELY OWNED HORSES, WILL BE REQUIRED  
23 TO COMPLY WITH SOME BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO CONTAIN WASTE  
24 ON SITE, TO PREVENT WASTE FROM FLOWING OFF-SITE INTO ANY  
25 RIPARIAN AREAS OR EVEN OUT OF THAT ANIMAL CONTAINMENT



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1 FACILITY. SO THERE ARE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN PLACE FOR  
2 THAT. WE ALSO HAVE SETBACKS SET INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION  
3 PROGRAM THAT REQUIRE CERTAIN DISTANCES FROM E.S.H.A., CERTAIN  
4 DISTANCES FROM DWELLING UNITS, CERTAIN DISTANCES FROM RIPARIAN  
5 HABITATS. AND THOSE WILL APPLY TO EVERY FACILITY, WHETHER OR  
6 NOT IT'S A BOARDED FACILITY.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THOSE RESTRICTIONS OR THOSE REGULATIONS  
9 APPLY TODAY?

10

11 **GINA NATOLI:** NO, THEY DO NOT APPLY TODAY. SOME OF THE SETBACKS  
12 APPLY IN SOME OF THE SIGNIFICANT WATERSHEDS, THE CURRENTLY  
13 DESIGNATED SIGNIFICANT WATERSHEDS, THE SIGNIFICANT OAK  
14 WOODLANDS AND SAVANNAS, AND TO E.S.H.A. THERE ARE SOME  
15 SETBACKS ALSO REQUIRED FROM THE RIPARIAN AREAS BUT NOT THE  
16 B.M.P.S.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IN THE MALIBU COASTAL PLAN THAT  
19 THE COASTAL COMMISSION FOISTED ON THE CITY OF MALIBU, DO THEY  
20 HAVE THIS, TO THIS EXTENT THE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN THE  
21 VARIOUS PROVISIONS THAT ARE BEING SUGGESTED FOR THIS PLAN AS  
22 IT RELATES TO HORSE KEEPING?

23

24 **GINA NATOLI :** THEY DO HAVE B.M.P.S IN THE MALIBU L.C.P.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. OKAY. THAT ANSWERS MY QUESTION.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAD A QUESTION.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON ONE SECOND. I HAVE ONE MORE.

6 THANK YOU. MR. ANTONOVICH?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTION. IS THERE ANYTHING IN THE PLAN, THE  
9 PROPOSED PLAN THAT WOULD MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR THE EQUESTRIANS  
10 TO CONSTRUCT RIDING ARENAS, BARNS, CORRALS OR STABLES TO  
11 ACCOMMODATE THEIR HORSE KEEPING?

12

13 **GINA NATOLI:** ALMOST EVERY-- SUPERVISOR, ALMOST EVERY SINGLE  
14 DEVELOPMENT IN THE COASTAL ZONE IS GOING TO REQUIRE SOME SORT  
15 OF COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT. BUT THERE IS NOTHING THAT IS  
16 SPECIFIC TO HORSES OR HORSE KEEPING THAT WOULD MAKE IT MORE  
17 BURDENSOME FOR AN EQUESTRIAN FACILITY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THERE ANYTHING THAT PROTECTS THE RIGHTS OF  
20 EQUESTRIANS IN THE PLAN?

21

22 **GINA NATOLI:** I BELIEVE MUCH OF THE PLAN PROTECTS THE RIGHTS OF  
23 EQUESTRIANS. I BELIEVE THAT WE ARE NOW CODIFYING THE ABILITY  
24 OF INDIVIDUALS TO PRIVATELY BOARD HORSES IN THEIR BACKYARD. WE



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1 HAVE CODIFIED THAT HORSES ARE PART OF THE SANTA MONICA  
2 MOUNTAINS AND SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE YOU MET WITH THE EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION  
5 GROUPS?

6

7 **GINA NATOLI:** ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEIR INPUT HAS BEEN PART OF THE  
10 DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPOSAL THAT WILL BE COMING BEFORE THIS  
11 BOARD?

12

13 **GINA NATOLI:** IT HAS AND IT HAS BEEN WELCOMED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE THE QUESTIONS, MIKE,  
16 BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN A REAL EFFORT TO TRY TO RECONCILE, AN  
17 EFFORT THAT WE TRIED TO MAKE BEFORE. IT DIDN'T WORK AS WELL,  
18 BUT TO TRY TO RECONCILE THE VARIOUS INTERESTS. AND THE STAFF  
19 HAS WORKED VERY CLOSELY. I THINK YOU'LL FIND MOST OF THE  
20 CRITICISM THAT WE HAVE HAD, AND IT'S NOT A LOT, BUT MOST OF  
21 THE CRITICISM IN THIS PLAN IS THAT IT'S TOO ACCOMMODATING TO  
22 EQUESTRIANS. I THINK YOU'VE STRUCK A-- I DON'T EVEN WANT TO  
23 CALL IT A BALANCE. I THINK THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT  
24 OVER THE CURRENT SITUATION WE HAVE THERE. IF WE DID NOT HAVE  
25 THIS PLAN, IF WE HAVE THE STATUS QUO, WE WILL BE FAR



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1 ENVIRONMENTALLY WORSE OFF. AND MOST-- THE LION'S SHARE OF THE  
2 EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY IN THIS AREA HAVE SUPPORTED THIS PLAN.  
3 NOW, JUST INDICATE NOT ALL OF THEM ARE GOING TO BE HERE TODAY  
4 BECAUSE THEY ARE OUT THERE DEALING WITH THE FIRE, BUT JUST TO  
5 SET THIS IN SOME CONTEXT, THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, STATE  
6 PARKS AND RECS, SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY, VIRTUALLY  
7 EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD OR PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION IN THE  
8 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, I'M SURE NOT EVERY ONE OF THEM BUT  
9 VIRTUALLY ALL OF THEM, ALL OF THESE AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS  
10 SUPPORT THE PLAN. SIERRA CLUB, LOCAL CHAPTER SUPPORTS THE  
11 PLAN. THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY, ALL OF THE ACTIVE PEOPLE IN  
12 THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY, MOST OF WHOM ARE OUT TENDING TO  
13 THEIR HORSES AT PIERCE COLLEGE TODAY BECAUSE OF THE FIRE,  
14 SUPPORT THE PLAN. IT IS A REMARKABLE COALITION OF PEOPLE FROM  
15 A TO Z WHO HAVE COME BEHIND THIS PLAN. THERE ARE PEOPLE, AND  
16 WE'LL HEAR FROM SOME OF THEM TODAY. I'VE NOTICED WHO THE CARDS  
17 ARE, WHO SUPPORT AND WHO OPPOSE, SOME OF THEM FOR SPECIFIC  
18 REASONS, AND WE'LL ADDRESS THOSE REASONS AFTER WE HEAR FROM  
19 THEIR TESTIMONY. BUT I THINK THIS HAS BEEN-- I WANT TO THANK  
20 THE STAFF. THIS HAS BEEN A LONG PROCESS. BUT NOT AS LONG AS IT  
21 COULD HAVE BEEN. I WANT TO THANK THE PLANNING COMMISSION, AS  
22 WELL, FOR DEALING WITH THIS WITH THIS WITH DISPATCH, AT LEAST  
23 IN COUNTY TERMS WITH DISPATCH. AND WE'VE COME TO THIS POINT I  
24 THINK WITH A REMARKABLE DOCUMENT WHICH HAS A NUMBER OF PILLARS  
25 OF SUPPORT. NOT TO SAY THAT THE INDIVIDUAL ISSUES WILL NOT BE



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1 ADDRESSED. I DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO THINK THAT WE WON'T HEAR  
2 THESE INDIVIDUAL ISSUES. BUT I THINK THE BROADER WORK PRODUCT  
3 IS VERY GOOD. SO THANK YOU AND ALL OF THE STAFF PEOPLE ON THAT  
4 AND MY OWN STAFF, AS WELL. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE A NUMBER--  
5 ANYBODY ELSE BEFORE WE GO TO THE PUBLIC HEARING? ALL RIGHT.  
6 LET ME START WITH THE SUPPORTERS AND THEN I'LL GO TO THE  
7 OPPONENTS AND SEVERAL AGNOSTIC, AT LEAST THEY DIDN'T CHECK OFF  
8 A BOX. I'M TRYING TO READ. MISS JOCELYN MC CLAY. IS SHE HERE?  
9 MR. I'M SORRY MR. JOCELYN MCCLAY. CRAIG ROTH? CHARLES TAYLOR?  
10 AND MARY-ANN WEBSTER. THOSE ARE THE FIRST FOUR I HAVE. MR.  
11 MCCLAY.

12

13 **JOCELYN MCKAE:** GOOD MORNING. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IDENTIFY YOURSELF.

16

17 **JOCELYN MCKAE:** YES. MY NAME IS JOCELYN MCKAE, A RESIDENT OF  
18 MALIBU CANYON FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS. IT WILL BE TO MANY OF US  
19 A GREAT SATISFACTION THE DEPARTURE OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION  
20 FROM AN AREA WHERE WE CONSIDERED THEIR PRESENCE ILLEGAL AND A  
21 GREAT WASTE OF TAX DOLLARS. WE HAVE WITNESSED THE  
22 UNCONSTITUTIONAL DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY OWNERS' RIGHTS AND  
23 ENTITLEMENTS OVER THE YEARS, AND WE HOPE THAT THE COUNTY OF  
24 LOS ANGELES WILL NOT CONTINUE WITH THIS COASTAL COMMISSION'S  
25 UNCONSCIONABLE AND IMMORAL PROCEDURES. TODAY WE HAVE A NEWER



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1 PROBLEM ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT QUITE AS VOCIFEROUS AS IT WAS 30  
2 YEARS AGO. THE HIPPIES AND SELF-PROCLAIMED ENVIRONMENTS HAVE  
3 BECOME OLDER, WHICH SOME WELL-MANNERED PEOPLE WILL ACCORD  
4 GREATER RESPECT. THAT IS NOT DESERVED. WE WOULD LIKE THE  
5 COUNTY TO LISTEN TO STATEMENTS PROVIDED BY QUALIFIED  
6 ACADEMICALLY NOT THE TOUCHY-FEELY NONSENSE THAT PREVAILS  
7 TODAY. THE ZONING LAWS NEED TO BE IN CONFORMANCE THROUGHOUT  
8 THE STATE. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO HAVE LOCAL DISTORTION OF THE  
9 CODE. PEOPLE MUST BE AN ALLOWED TO ENJOY ENTITLEMENTS THAT  
10 CAME WITH THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY. THE EVIL COERCION AND  
11 UNCONSTITUTIONAL PROCEDURES THAT HAS BEEN THE PRACTICE OF THE  
12 COASTAL COMMISSION STAFF MUST NOT PERSIST UNDER THE AUSPICES  
13 OF THE COUNTY. LIKewise, PROPERTY OWNERS SHOULD NOT HAVE TO  
14 USE EXPEDITORS OR MANIPULATORS TO ACQUIRE THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL  
15 ENTITLEMENTS. THIS IS A SLIPPERY SLOPE TO CORRUPTION. THE  
16 ZONING LAWS THAT PREVAILED PRIOR TO THE COASTAL COMMISSION'S  
17 INAPPROPRIATE INTRUSION INTO THE LAND CURRENTLY SHOULD BE--  
18 THE LAND SHOULD BE REIMPLEMENTED TO RECTIFY THE CURRENT  
19 PROPOSALS THAT DO NOT REFLECT GENERAL ZONING PROCEDURES THAT  
20 ARE IN PLACE ELSEWHERE IN THE STATE. THERE IS NOTHING  
21 PARTICULARLY ECOLOGICALLY SPECIAL ABOUT THIS AREA. THERE ARE  
22 MANY AREAS COMMON AND SIMILAR IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. ALL  
23 PROJECTS SHOULD BE DONE BY REGISTERED ARCHITECTS AND PLANNERS  
24 AS THEY ARE IN OTHER STATES AND COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD WHICH



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1 ARE ENJOYED WITHOUT COASTAL COMMISSION AND EXCESS GOVERNMENT  
2 INTERVENTION.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. MCKAE. MARY-ANN WEBSTER.

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6 **MARY-ANN WEBSTER:** I DIDN'T KNOW I WAS NEXT. I'M MARY-ANN  
7 WEBSTER. I REPRESENT THE WEST LOS ANGELES GROUP OF THE SIERRA  
8 CLUB. I'M THE CONSERVATION CHAIR. I ALSO WANTED TO POINT OUT  
9 THAT THIS YEAR OUR CLUB STRONGLY ENDORSED THE NORTH AREA PLAN,  
10 WHICH IS IN THIS PLAN AS WAS MENTIONED EARLIER IS VERY SIMILAR  
11 IN MANY RESPECTS. ACTUALLY, I LIVE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT,  
12 SUPERVISOR BURKE'S DISTRICT, AND WE'RE VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN  
13 URBAN PARKS AND HAVE WORKED ENVIRONMENTALLY IN KEN HAHN AND  
14 THE BALDWIN HILLS PARK AND IN BIONA. BUT WE'RE ALSO SUPPORTERS  
15 OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS BECAUSE IT'S  
16 ALL INTERRELATED. WE'RE ONLY AS HEALTHY AS ALL OF THE PARKS OF  
17 THE COUNTY, AND CERTAINLY THE MOUNTAIN AREAS AND THE COASTAL  
18 WATERS ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF OUR BENEFITS, THE  
19 BENEFIT OF ALL CITIZENS. YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD A LOT ABOUT THE  
20 PLAN AND ALL OF THE GOOD THINGS THAT ARE IN IT AND SO I WON'T  
21 REPEAT ALL OF IT. THE CLEAN WATER, THE CLEAN AIR, THE WILDLIFE  
22 CORRIDORS, THE RIPARIAN AREAS THAT NEED TO BE PROTECTED, THE  
23 OAK FOREST AND ALSO OF COURSE EROSION CONTROL AND ESPECIALLY  
24 IMPORTANT NOW, FIRE SAFETY. THIS IS A GOOD PLAN. WE REALLY  
25 HAVE TO THANK THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT FOR LISTENING TO ALL OF



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1 US AND INCORPORATING THE BEST ELEMENTS FOR BOTH THE MOUNTAINS  
2 AND THE URBAN AREAS, AND WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS PLAN.  
3 THANK YOU.

4

5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MARY-ANN. THANKS FOR ALL YOUR  
6 WORK IN THE COMMUNITY, AS WELL.

7

8 **MARY-ANN WEBSTER:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** CHARLES TAYLOR?

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12 **CHARLES TAYLOR:** YES. IT'S RATHER IRONIC. THANK YOU FOR HEARING  
13 ME THIS MORNING, SUPERVISORS. IT'S RATHER IRONIC THAT THE LAST  
14 TIME I TESTIFIED IN FRONT OF THIS GROUP, IT WAS FOR THE NORTH  
15 AREA PLAN. YOU CAN IMAGINE THAT WITH ALL THAT'S GOING ON WITH  
16 OUR WILDFIRES, OUR PARK RANGERS, ALL OF OUR PARK RANGERS,  
17 INCLUDING OUR PARK RANGER PARTNERS WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE  
18 PARKS AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY ARE ALL VERY  
19 BUSY RIGHT NOW BUT WE WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE TOOK A SPECIAL  
20 MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREAT AMOUNT OF WORK THAT'S GONE  
21 INTO THE DRAFTING OF THIS PLAN. I HAVE BEFORE ME SOME PREPARED  
22 COMMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY OUR SUPERINTENDENT THAT I  
23 WOULD LIKE TO READ FOR YOU. "GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE  
24 SUPERVISORS, THE NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE THANKS THE COUNTY FOR  
25 CRAFTING A VISIONARY, LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM. AS YOU KNOW, THE



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1 PUBLIC HAS INVESTED MORE THAN 1/2 BILLION DOLLARS IN THIS  
2 REGION OF NATIONAL AND STATE PARK SIGNIFICANCE. WE NOW HAVE  
3 TREMENDOUS PARK LAND LEGACY FOR PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS  
4 TO ENJOY, AND ENJOY IT THEY DO. WHETHER VISITORS COME TO  
5 RECREATE ON THE TRAILS OR RESIDENTS TAKE PLEASURE IN THE RURAL  
6 LIFESTYLE, THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS HAS TRULY BEEN A  
7 DESTINATION FOR EVERYONE. IT'S A CHALLENGING PLAN FOR THE  
8 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS' NATIONAL RECRE-- AREA. IT'S  
9 CHALLENGING TO PLAN FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS' NATIONAL  
10 RECREATION AREA WHERE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LANDS ARE A 50/50  
11 PERCENT MIX AND LAND USES MUST COEXIST. WE FIND THE CURRENT  
12 PLANNING FRAMEWORK LARGELY CONSISTENT WITH PARK MANAGEMENT  
13 STRATEGIES, AND WE THEREFORE SUPPORT THE DRAFT L.C.P. AND  
14 RECOMMEND ITS APPROVAL. HAVING EXPRESSED OUR OVERALL SUPPORT  
15 FOR THE L.C.P., THE POLICIES CONCERNING HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT  
16 COULD BE WE BELIEVE STRENGTHENED. PROTECTION OF STEEP  
17 CHAPARRAL BLANKETED HILLSIDES IS FUNDAMENTAL TO THE NATURAL  
18 AND SCENIC RESOURCE PROTECTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.  
19 WE SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING CHANGES THAT WE FIND WOULD BE  
20 CONSISTENT WITH THE DRAFT L.C.P.'S GUIDING PRINCIPLE FOR THE  
21 CONSERVATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT RESOURCE PROTECTION HAS  
22 PRIORITY OVER DEVELOPMENT. FIRST CONSIDER PROHIBITING  
23 DEVELOPMENTS ON SLOPES OVER 50 PERCENT. ALSO LIMIT THE  
24 STRUCTURE OR PAD SIZE OF A DEVELOPMENT WOULD REQUIRE EXTENSIVE  
25 MANUFACTURED SLOPES OUTSIDE ALLOWABLE SITE ENVELOPES. AND JUST



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1 TO CONCLUDE, WE ARE ALSO -- WE WILL ALSO BE SUBMITTING A  
2 DETAILED COMMENT LETTER." AND THANK YOU FOR OUR COMMENTS  
3 TODAY.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY. I KNOW  
6 YOUR HEAD AND HEART IS ELSEWHERE. SO I APPRECIATE YOU BEING  
7 HERE TODAY.

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9 **CHARLES TAYLOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ROBIN MITCHELL? I'M SORRY.

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13 **CRAIG ROTH:** CRAIG ROTH.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE CRAIG ROTH. ALL RIGHT. YOU'RE NOT  
16 SUPPORTIVE OF THE PLAN OR SOME PARTS?

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18 **CRAIG ROTH:** I HAVE A POINT TO MAKE.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AS LONG AS YOU'RE HERE, GO AHEAD AND  
21 SPEAK.

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23 **CRAIG ROTH:** THANK YOU, SIR. MY NAME IS CRAIG ROTH. AND I'M A  
24 LAND OWNER OF THREE 7,000 SQUARE FOOT LOTS IN THE RURAL  
25 VILLAGE OF EL NITO. IT'S THE UNINCORPORATED AREA NEXT TO



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1 MALIBU IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. MY FAMILY AND I ARE  
2 QUITE CONCERNED ABOUT THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN RESPECT TO  
3 THE RURAL VILLAGES IN THE COASTAL PLAN. THIS LAND HAS BEEN IN  
4 MY FAMILY FOR ALMOST 30 YEARS. WE'RE NOT INTERESTED IN LOSING  
5 THE RIGHT TO PROPERLY DEVELOP OUR LAND. I SAY PROPERLY,  
6 BECAUSE WHILE I UNDERSTAND THE COUNTY IS NOT TRYING TO TAKE  
7 AWAY THE RIGHT TO BUILD, IT IS MAKING IT SOMEWHAT IMPRACTICAL.  
8 TO US, IT'S THE SAME THING. ONE EXAMPLE OF THIS IS THE SLOPE  
9 DENSITY EQUATION. UNDER THE OLD COASTAL COMMISSION GUIDELINES,  
10 OUR THREE LOTS WERE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 500 SQUARE FEET OF  
11 STRUCTURE EACH. IRONICALLY, UNDER THE L.A. COUNTY CODE, A  
12 STRUCTURE CAN BE NO SMALLER THAN 800 SQUARE FEET. NOW, IT'S  
13 NEVER BEEN OUR INTENTION TO DEVELOP EACH LOT SEPARATELY, WE DO  
14 INTEND TO EVENTUALLY BUILD ONE SINGLE-FAMILY STRUCTURE BY  
15 COMBINING THE THREE LOTS. HOWEVER, WITH THE SLOPE DENSITY  
16 EQUATION, WE ARE LIMITED TO A TOTAL OF 1500 SQUARE FEET OF  
17 DEVELOPMENT. WITH TODAY'S COST OF CONSTRUCTION, BUILDING  
18 SOMETHING THAT SMALL IS IMPRACTICAL AND COST PROHIBITIVE. ONE  
19 WOULD POUR A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY INTO DEVELOPING THE  
20 PROPERTY AND NEVER BE ABLE TO REALIZE ITS ACTUAL COST ON THE  
21 OPEN MARKET. WHILE THE COUNTY'S POSITION IS NOT TO CONCERN  
22 THEMSELVES WITH WHETHER OR NOT IT'S A GOOD INVESTMENT FOR A  
23 LAND OWNER, IT SHOULD BE CONCERNED WITH THE REALITY THAT  
24 LENDERS WILL NOT LEND PROSPECTIVE HOMEOWNERS MONEY TO BUILD A  
25 STRUCTURE THAT SMALL BECAUSE OF ITS LIMITED SIZE AND LIMITED



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1 VALUE. SO IF YOU CONSIDER THOSE FACTORS, WE ARE LOSING OUR  
2 ABILITY TO BUILD BECAUSE OF THESE RESTRICTIONS, MAYBE NOT  
3 DIRECTLY, BUT CLOSE ENOUGH. IN TODAY'S ECONOMY, WITH TODAY'S  
4 INFLATIONARY COST OF CONSTRUCTION, THE COUNTY NEEDS TO  
5 CONSIDER THESE REAL WORLD ISSUES WHEN LIMITING ONE'S  
6 DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS. WE HAVE ALMOST A HALF ACRE OF LAND.  
7 RESTRICTING THE ALLOWABLE BUILDABLE AREA TO 1500 SQUARE FEET  
8 IS UNREASONABLE AND IN OUR MIND THE TAKING OF OUR LAND. THANK  
9 YOU.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL ROBIN MITCHELL.  
12 IS THAT YOU? HANG ON A SECOND. JOSIAH TRIMPER? JOAN SLIM--.

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14 **JOAN SLIMCOSKY:** SLIMCOSKY.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SLIMCOSKY. THANK YOU. I SHOULD HAVE  
17 HAD AN EASIER TIME WITH THAT. OKAY. MS. MITCHELL.

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19 **ROBIN MITCHELL:** BEFORE I BEGIN, I'D LIKE TO SAY I REALLY  
20 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DURING  
21 THESE TIMES WHEN WE HAVE TRAGEDIES AS THESE FIRES BECAUSE YOU  
22 PEOPLE BRING US TOGETHER. AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU. I'M  
23 ROBIN GENSLING MITCHELL OF ORION RANCH STAR ROUTE, A PARTIAL  
24 HOMESTEAD OF THE ALLROUTH FAMILY ESTABLISHED IN 1904. THIS  
25 PROPERTY HAS BEEN IN OUR FAMILY FOR MORE THAN 65 YEARS. WE ARE



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1 IN FAVOR OF ANY MEASURE WHICH RECOGNIZES THE VESTED RIGHTS OF  
2 LAND OWNERS TO DEVELOP THEIR PROPERTIES. FROM WHAT WE  
3 UNDERSTAND, THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PLAN DOES  
4 PROTECT THESE RIGHTS WHILE IT REPEALS THE 1986 MALIBU LAND USE  
5 PLANS. FOR 65 YEARS, WE'VE HAD AN APIARY ON OUR PROPERTY. IT'S  
6 BEEN ZONED FOR AGRICULTURE. WE'VE DONE LIGHT FARMING, EVEN HAD  
7 A COUPLE OF DONKEYS. WE WANT TO RETAIN THESE RIGHTS. IN  
8 REFERENCE TO AN AD IN THE DAILY NEWS-- AND THAT'S ON WHAT I  
9 HANDED IN-- WE WOULD ENJOY HAVING HORSE BOARDING FACILITIES  
10 NEXT TO US, A BED AND BREAKFAST WOULD CERTAINLY HELP US WITH  
11 OUR FAMILY REUNIONS AS OUR FAMILY AGES AND INCREASES. AS FOR  
12 PRIVATE CAMP GROUNDS, WE MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER IT IN THE  
13 FUTURE, AS IN THE PAST WE HAVE PROVIDED SIMILAR OPPORTUNITIES  
14 AT NO CHARGE TO YOUTH GROUPS. I HAVE TURNED IN SOME PICTURES  
15 TO SHOW WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. OVER THE PAST 65 YEARS,  
16 WE'VE WITNESSED THAT THE MOUNTAINS ARE QUITE CAPABLE OF  
17 MAINTAINING THEIR OWN INTEGRITY. AND I'D LIKE TO SHOW-- CAN WE  
18 SHOW A PICTURE? ONE OF THE PICTURES? OR SOME OF THE PICTURES?

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'LL PASS THEM AROUND.

21

22 **ROBIN MITCHELL:** THIS FIRST ONE IS A MAP THAT MY BROTHER MADE.  
23 IT'S A LONG PICTURE. IT'S FOR US TO FIND THE PROPERTY  
24 BOUNDARIES. I WANTED PEOPLE TO SEE THESE TO KNOW WHAT WE'RE  
25 TALKING ABOUT IN THE WAY OF OUR PROPERTY. THE LOWER PART IS



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1 THE BASE OF CALABASAS PEAK. THEN WE GO TO SADDLE PEAK, WE GO  
2 TO CASTRO PEAK AND FINALLY TO LADYFACE, SO THAT YOU GET A FULL  
3 VIEW OF THE MOUNTAINS. AND IT IS THE GEOLOGY, NOT THE  
4 REGULATIONS THAT ARE MAINTAINING AND KEEPING THE MOUNTAINS.  
5 THE MOUNTAINS ARE QUITE CAPABLE OF TAKING CARE OF THEMSELVES.  
6 THANK YOU.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. JOSIAH TRIMPER.

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10 **JOSIAH TRIMPER:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I AM  
11 JOSIAH TRIMPER. I LIVE AT 2601 WEST 162ND STREET, TORRANCE,  
12 CALIFORNIA, 90504-1501. I'M ENROLLED IN CALIFORNIA VIRTUAL  
13 ACADEMY, LOS ANGELES. THE PURPOSE OF ATTENDING THIS MEETING TO  
14 SHARE MY CONCERNS ABOUT THE COMMUNITY THAT IS VERY SPECIAL TO  
15 ME. MY SUPERVISOR TEACHER MRS. PAULA MILANO SUPPORTS MY CHOICE  
16 OF BEING HERE AND IS EXCITED TO READ ABOUT MY EXPERIENCE. I  
17 SUPPORT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN LOCATION COASTAL PLAN  
18 BECAUSE CALABASAS IS A BEAUTIFUL PLACE AND PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
19 PURCHASED THE LAND SHOULD HAVE THE FREEDOM TO ENHANCE OR TO--  
20 OR IMPROVE THEIR INVESTMENT. AS A PARTICIPATING CARETAKER OF  
21 THE ORION RANCH IT IS IMPORTANT TO PROTECT THE FREEDOMS AND  
22 THE RIGHTS THAT MY GREAT GRANDPARENTS HAD WHEN THEY PURCHASED  
23 THE LAND IN 1942 TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN IT. THANK YOU FOR  
24 CONSIDERING MY THOUGHTS.

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1 **ROBIN MITCHELL:** THIS IS MY GRANDSON. AND HE'S A SIXTH  
2 GENERATION COUNTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, INDIVIDUAL. AND HE CAME  
3 TO SUPPORT HIS ORION RANCH STAR ROUTE.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DID A GOOD JOB.

6  
7 **JOSIAH TRIMPER:** THANK YOU.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU CAN GET YOUR TEACHER A COPY OF THE  
10 VIDEO SO SHE KNOWS YOU WERE HERE. [LAUGHTER.] HAPPY TO HAVE  
11 YOU HERE. OKAY. MISS SLIMOCOSKY.

12  
13 **JOAN SLIMOCOSKY:** MY HUSBAND USED TO SAY OUR NAME WAS SMITH BUT  
14 TOO MANY PEOPLE HAD IT SO HE CHANGED IT. YOU HAVE TO HAVE A  
15 SENSE OF HUMOR WHEN YOU HAVE A POLISH LAST NAME. MY NAME IS  
16 JOAN SLIMOCOSKY. I LIVE AT 25632 BUCK HORN DRIVE IN THE MONTE  
17 NIDO SECTION OF CALABASAS. I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE MONTE  
18 NIDO VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION THIS YEAR. THE MONTE NIDO  
19 VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING APPROXIMATELY 300  
20 HOMES IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS SUPPORTS THE PLAN. MANY OF  
21 US HAVE WORKED FOR DECADES TOWARD THE GOAL OF PRESERVATION OF  
22 THIS GREAT RESOURCE, THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. PRESERVATION  
23 NOT JUST FOR OURSELVES, BUT FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS. WE  
24 HAVE SUBMITTED OUR CONCERNS AS THIS PLAN WAS DRAFTED. WE HAVE  
25 STUDIED THE RESPONSES TO OUR CONCERNS AS IT WAS REFINED. WE



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1 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE PLAN DURING  
2 IMPLEMENTATION, BUT WE WANT THIS PLAN TO GO FORWARD NOW.  
3 RESPONSIBILITY, CONSISTENCY AND EQUITY. THESE WORDS KEEP  
4 COMING UP AS WE EVALUATE THE PLAN. RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD  
5 NATURAL RESOURCES, WHICH LEGITIMATELY COME BEFORE DEVELOPMENT.  
6 CONSISTENCY, SO THE RULES ARE WRITTEN DOWN AND EVERYONE KNOWS  
7 WHAT THEY ARE. EQUITY, SO THAT WE ALL PLAY BY THE SAME RULES  
8 WITHOUT REGARD TO POLITICAL CONNECTIONS OR WHO CAN HIRE THE  
9 BEST EXPEDITOR. OUR COMMUNITY, NOT RELIANT ON URBAN AMENITIES,  
10 HAS LONG SUPPORTED COMMUNITY-BASED STANDARDS. WE SEE THE LOCAL  
11 COASTAL PLAN AS A COMPLEMENT TO THE NORTH AREA PLAN, ALSO  
12 BASED ON COMMUNITY STANDARDS. LIKE THAT PLAN, WE NEED GRADING  
13 AND RIDGELINE GUIDELINES. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE SOME UNIQUE  
14 NEEDS, INCLUDING FULL PROTECTION OF THE BOWL, MONTE NIDO, THAT  
15 WE LIVE IN. THE DESIGNATION OF SIGNIFICANT WATERSHEDS FLOWING  
16 INTO MALIBU CREEK AND ITS TERMINUS, MALIBU LAGOON, ALL PUBLIC  
17 LAND. CLOSING THE GAP ON DARK CREEK AS E.S.H.A., PRESERVATION  
18 OF OUR COMMUNITY AS RESIDENTIAL OVER COMMERCIAL, THESE ARE  
19 NEEDS THAT GO BEYOND THE NORTH AREA PLAN. THE IMMEDIATE AND  
20 FUTURE EFFECTS OF THIS PLAN GIVE VALUE, ECONOMICALLY,  
21 ESTHETICALLY AND ENVIRONMENTALLY TO THE ENTIRE SANTA MONICA  
22 MOUNTAINS. WE SUPPORT THESE VALUES AND PLAN. AND AS A FINAL  
23 PERSONAL NOTE, I LEFT MY HOME OF 33 YEARS IN MONTENIDO TODAY,  
24 PERHAPS UNWISELY, DURING THESE PRECARIOUS TIMES, TO TESTIFY



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1 BEFORE YOU BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE I PLACE ON THIS ADOPTION  
2 OF THIS PLAN. THANK YOU.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, JOAN. I APPRECIATE THAT. I  
5 THINK YOUR HOUSE IS GOING TO BE FINE. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.  
6 LET ME CALL FOUR PEOPLE UP HERE. MINDY COMMINS, DON SCHMITZ.  
7 THESE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO SIGNED UP IN OPPOSITION. JAMES  
8 ALAMILLO AND PETE GONZALEZ. YOU ARE MISS COMMINS?

9

10 **MINDY COMMINS:** MINDY COMMINS.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

13

14 **MINDY COMMINS:** THANK YOU, DISTINGUISHED SUPERVISORS, MY NAME  
15 IS MINDY COMMONS --

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON ONE SECOND, MINDY. IT'S NOT FAIR  
18 TO YOU TO WAIT UNTIL EVERYBODY SETS UP. WE'LL START YOU OVER  
19 AGAIN IN A SECOND. GREAT, GO AHEAD.

20

21 **MINDY COMMINS:** MY NAME IS MINDY COMMINS, I'M HERE AS A  
22 REPRESENTATIVE OF SCHMITZ AND ASSOCIATES. AND I JUST WANTED TO  
23 BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION SOME MAPPING INACCURACIES ON THE  
24 L.C.P. MAPS. A NUMBER OF OUR CLIENTS IN THE PAST HAVE RECEIVED  
25 COASTAL BAD NEWS DETERMINATIONS FROM THE COASTAL COMMISSION.



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1 THE BOUNDARIES ON THE L.C.P. MAP-- THE BOUNDARY ON THE LCP  
2 MAPS DOES NOT MATCH THESE BOUNDARY DETERMINATIONS THAT HAVE  
3 BEEN RECEIVED. I HAVE SPOKEN WITH COASTAL STAFF AND THEY HAVE  
4 CONFIRMED THAT THE BOUNDARY DETERMINATIONS THEY HAVE PREPARED  
5 ARE ACCURATE AND THEY SHOULD BE REFLECTED ON THE NEW L.C.P.  
6 MAPS. WE HAVE SPOKEN TO PLANNING STAFF ABOUT THIS IN THE PAST.  
7 THEY HAVE SAID THAT THEY RECEIVED THEIR BOUNDARY DIRECTLY FROM  
8 COASTAL. BUT AS IT STANDS, THEY DON'T MATCH THESE BOUNDARY  
9 DETERMINATIONS THAT COASTAL HAS PREPARED. AND I WOULD LIKE TO  
10 REQUEST THAT THE BOARD DIRECT PLANNING STAFF TO CHECK THE  
11 PROPERTIES THAT HAVE RECEIVED THESE BOUNDARY DETERMINATIONS  
12 THAT DON'T MATCH AND THAT WHERE NEEDED, THEY CORRECT THE  
13 BOUNDARY ON THE L.C.P. MAPS.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST ASK YOU? WHAT IS THE  
16 SIGNIFICANCE? ASSUMING THERE IS A DISCREPANCY, WHAT IS THE  
17 SIGNIFICANCE TO YOUR CLIENTS?

18

19 **MINDY COMMINS:** IN SOME CASES, PROPERTIES THAT WERE COMPLETELY  
20 OUTSIDE OF THE COASTAL ZONE ARE NOW ENTIRELY INSIDE THE  
21 COASTAL ZONE.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I SEE. SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT THE  
24 DISCREPANCY IS THAT SOME OF THESE PROPERTIES SHOULD NOT BE  
25 INCLUDED IN THIS PLAN.



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2 **MINDY COMMINS:** RIGHT.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. GINA, HAVE YOU HAD CONVERSATIONS  
5 WITH MINDY ABOUT THIS? DO YOU KNOW SPECIFICALLY WHERE THE  
6 DISCREPANCIES THEY ARE RAISING ARE?

7

8 **GINA NATOLI:** WE HAVE IN THE PAST RECEIVED THEIR BOUNDARY  
9 DETERMINATIONS FROM THE COASTAL COMMISSION, AND--

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO MY QUESTION IS: ARE YOU AWARE OF WHAT  
12 SHE IS TALKING ABOUT SPECIFICALLY?

13

14 **GINA NATOLI:** I AM AWARE. WE CAN ALWAYS USE THE INFORMATION  
15 AGAIN. ALL WE NEED TO DO IS HAVE OUR G.I.S. SECTION  
16 INCORPORATE THOSE CHANGES.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE ASK YOU TO DO IS  
19 SPECIFICALLY PROVIDE TO MISS NATOLI THE SPECIFIC LOCATIONS  
20 THAT YOU ARE ALLEGING THERE'S A DISCREPANCY, AND GET IT TO US  
21 LIKE TODAY OR TOMORROW IF YOU HAVE IT. APPARENTLY I'M SURE YOU  
22 DO, SO THAT WE COULD LOOK AT IT BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT TUESDAY.  
23 AND IF THERE'S A DISCREPANCY, WE'LL FIX IT.

24

25 **MINDY COMMINS:** OKAY.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IF THERE ISN'T, THERE ISN'T. THANK YOU.  
3 MR. SCHMITZ?

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5 **DON SCHMITZ:** CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DON SCHMITZ, I'M  
6 NOT IN OPPOSITION TO THE PLAN. I DO HAVE A COUPLE OF HOPEFULLY  
7 CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISMS, IF THEY CAN EVEN BE CALLED  
8 CRITICISMS. AS A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE SANTA MONICA  
9 MOUNTAINS AND WITH WHAT'S GOING ON RIGHT NOW, I'D LIKE TO MAKE  
10 THE SUGGESTION THAT A POLICY BE INCORPORATED INTO THE L.C.P.  
11 THAT, WHERE PRACTICAL FOR NEW PROJECTS, AND NEW PROJECTS  
12 INCLUDING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, THE UTILITIES BE  
13 UNDERGROUNDED. IT SEEMS A GREAT DEAL OF THE FIRES THAT WE'RE  
14 EXPERIENCING IN THIS CLASS FOR FIRE ZONE ARE DUE TO HIGH WINDS  
15 CAUSING TRANSFORMERS AND POWER LINES TO SPARK. ADDITIONALLY,  
16 WE'VE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY THE SUGGESTION THAT THE L.C.P.  
17 REFLECT THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 66498.9  
18 WHICH TALKS ABOUT VESTING APPLICATIONS. THAT'S ONE STATE LAW.  
19 THE COASTAL ACT IS ANOTHER STATE LAW. AND WE WOULD RECOMMEND  
20 THAT 21.44.602 OF THE PROPOSED L.C.P. BE SLIGHTLY MODIFIED SO  
21 THAT THE VESTING PROVISIONS OF THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT ARE  
22 REFLECTED ALSO IN THE LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM. ANOTHER AREA-- DO  
23 YOU HAVE A QUESTION, SIR?

24

25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I WILL AFTER YOU'RE DONE.



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2 **DON SCHMITZ:** ANOTHER AREA OF SOME CONCERN THAT I HAVE IS THE  
3 REQUIREMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMITS FOR  
4 GEOLOGY AND SOILS TESTING. NOW, THIS IS NOT A SCENARIO  
5 WHEREUPON IF YOU HAVE TO GRADE A PILOT ROAD OR DO SIGNIFICANT  
6 SITE DISTURBANCE, I THINK THAT THAT SHOULD DEFINITELY BE  
7 REVIEWED BY THE COUNTY AND THE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT BE  
8 REVIEWED. IN FACT, THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH NOW. BUT  
9 AS PRESENTLY CRAFTED, IF I HAVE A CLIENT THAT HAS EXISTING  
10 ACCESS AND SIMPLY NEEDS TO PULL IN A GEOLOGY AND SOILS RIG TO  
11 DRILL A HOLE, AN ADMINISTRATIVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT  
12 WILL BE REQUIRED. NOW THIS CONCERN OF MINE IS EXACERBATED BY  
13 THE FACT THAT THE COASTAL COMMISSION MAY DRAMATICALLY EXPAND  
14 ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE HABITAT AREAS. AND IF THEY DO THAT,  
15 THEN THE ADMINISTRATIVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMITS WILL BE  
16 FULL BLOWN PUBLIC HEARINGS. THAT WILL RESULT IN A SCENARIO  
17 THAT IS EXTREMELY CUMBERSOME. AND THE COASTAL COMMISSION HAS  
18 ALWAYS EXEMPTED DRILLING ON AN AREA THAT DOESN'T HAVE ANY  
19 SIGNIFICANT SITE DISTURBANCE, SIMPLY TO DRILL. AND I'D ASK  
20 THAT THAT EXEMPTION BE PLACED BACK INTO THE PLAN.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT ON THIS LAST POINT WE DON'T  
23 HAVE ANY DISCRETION ON THAT, IS THAT CORRECT? UNDER THE  
24 COASTAL ACT?

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1 **GINA NATOLI:** I'M SORRY. I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION,  
2 SUPERVISOR.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE ISSUE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT  
5 FOR SOILS TESTING?

6

7 **DON SCHMITZ:** BY YOUR LEAVE, SIR.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU EXPLAIN IT BETTER THAN I DO.

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11 **DON SCHMITZ:** THE QUERY IS WHETHER OR NOT 30610 THE EXEMPTIONS  
12 FROM PERMITTING AUTHORITY ARE SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY CAN  
13 AVAIL THEMSELVES OF, BECAUSE THE DEFINITION OF DEVELOPMENT IS  
14 EXTREMELY BROAD UNDER THE COASTAL ACT. AND SO THE DISCUSSION  
15 WAS WHETHER OR NOT, IF YOU DO DRILLING ON A SITE WHERE YOU  
16 DON'T HAVE TO CREATE A PILOT ROAD, OR REMOVE E.S.H.A., IN  
17 OTHER WORDS IF YOU HAVE A DIRT ROAD, DIRT PAD, IF YOU COME OUT  
18 AND SIMPLY DRILL A HOLE, LOG THE HOLE DOWN, DO THE REPORT,  
19 BACKFILL THE HOLE, WHETHER OR NOT A C.D.P. OF ANY SORT IS  
20 REQUIRED. AND MY TESTIMONY WAS THAT HISTORICALLY IT HAS NOT  
21 BEEN REQUIRED BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'LL LOOK INTO IT. UNLESS YOU HAVE THE  
24 ANSWER. I UNDERSTAND YOUR QUESTION NOW. WE'LL LOOK INTO IT. WE  
25 HAVE A LOT OF PROBLEMS-- SOME PROBLEMS WITH PEOPLE WHO START



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1 DOING CORE DRILLING ON THEIR PROPERTIES WITHOUT ANY PERMITS AT  
2 ALL, AND ONE THING LEADS TO ANOTHER. SO THAT MAY BE WHAT'S  
3 DRIVING THIS. BUT I'M UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT EVEN SO, UNDER  
4 THE COASTAL ACT, WE HAVE NO DISCRETION. BUT WE'LL LOOK INTO  
5 IT. THANK YOU.

6

7 **DON SCHMITZ:** THANK YOU, SIR.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** JAMES ALAMILLO? ONE OF YOU OR BOTH OF  
10 YOU. BECAUSE I'M GOING TO CALL A COUPLE OTHER PEOPLE. MR.  
11 GONZALEZ IS HERE, I THINK. THOMAS SHUCK? BEVERLY BLAKE? IS  
12 MISS BLAKE HERE? OKAY, MR. ALAMILLO?

13

14 **JAMES ALAMILLO:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JAMES ALAMILLO. I WANT TO  
15 THANK THE BOARD FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT. I'M HERE ON  
16 BEHALF OF HEAL THE BAY. THE COUNTY HAS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY  
17 TODAY TO PROTECT THE REMAINING PUBLIC NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE  
18 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE SANTA MONICA  
19 MOUNTAINS L.C.P.; HOWEVER, THE PLAN AS CURRENTLY PROPOSED  
20 FAILS TO DO THAT. THE PLAN DOES NOT PROVIDE ADEQUATE  
21 PROTECTION FOR WATER QUALITY ASPECTS AND/OR SENSITIVE  
22 HABITATS. AND FOR EXAMPLE, ON WATER QUALITY, THE LOCAL COASTAL  
23 PLAN MUST BE VIEWED AS AN IMPLEMENTING DOCUMENT FOR WATER  
24 QUALITY POLICIES ON SUCH ISSUES AS TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS  
25 AND AS LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT. AND IT'S SOMEWHAT COMICAL THAT



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1 LATER ON TODAY, AGENDA ITEM 25, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A  
2 PRESENTATION BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ON LOW IMPACT  
3 DEVELOPMENT, YET THIS POLICY IS NOT INCORPORATED INTO THE  
4 SANTA MONICA COASTAL LOCAL PLAN. ANOTHER IT-- THE LOCAL  
5 COASTAL PLAN PRESENTLY ALLOWS AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ON  
6 SLOPES UP TO 50 PERCENT. THIS IS EXCESSIVELY STEEP SLOPE TO  
7 ALLOW FOR SUCH DEVELOPMENT AND WILL LIKELY CAUSE EROSIONAL  
8 PROBLEMS AND POTENTIALLY DEGRADE STREAMS AND WATER POLITIES  
9 THROUGH SEDIMENT LOADING. THE COUNTY SHOULD ADOPT A LOWER  
10 MAXIMUM SLOPE OF SPECIFICALLY 33 PERCENT, WHICH IS CONSISTENT  
11 WITH BOTH THE MALIBU L.C.P. AND THE STANDARD URBAN STORM WATER  
12 MITIGATION PLAN OF THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD.  
13 ON THE HABITAT SIDE OF THINGS-- WELL, LOOKING AT TIME, WE'VE  
14 SUBMITTED A 14-PAGE COMMENT LETTER TO STAFF FULLY DETAILING  
15 ALL OF OUR ISSUES AND CONCERNS WITH THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS  
16 LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM. WE THEREFORE REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF  
17 SUPERVISORS CONTINUE THIS ITEM AND REMAND THE PLAN BACK TO  
18 STAFF SO THAT IT CAN AMEND THE DOCUMENT TO INCORPORATE THE  
19 NECESSARY ISSUES. AND FINALLY I WANT TO JUST THANK YOU FOR THE  
20 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU TODAY.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MR. GONZALEZ?

23

24 **PETE GONZALEZ:** YES. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY  
25 NAME IS PETE GONZALEZ. I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO THANK THE PLANNING



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1 STAFF FOR THIS PLAN. I KNOW THEY'VE GONE THROUGH A LOT OF HARD  
2 WORK AND A LOT OF CHALLENGES TO GET TO THIS POINT. I DO,  
3 HOWEVER, HAVE ONE COMMENT TO MAKE REGARDING SECTION 8,  
4 21.60.070 CONCERNING CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE. PRESENTLY  
5 WHEN A PROPERTY OWNER APPLIES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A  
6 CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE, PLANNING STAFF HAS AN OPPORTUNITY  
7 TO REVIEW THE PARCEL CREATION DOCUMENTS AND ASSESS HOW THE  
8 PARCEL WAS CREATED. ON OCCASION, PLANNING STAFF PLACES  
9 CONDITIONS ON THE LAND TO BRING A PARCEL IN COMPLIANCE. A  
10 PROPERTY OWNER THEN HAS THE RIGHT TO MEET ALL IMPOSED  
11 CONDITIONS, THEREBY CORRECTING ANY ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH  
12 PARCEL CREATION. ONCE ALL CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN MET, A  
13 CORRECTED CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE IS THEN  
14 ISSUED. PLANNING STAFF IS PROPOSING TO SUDDENLY REQUIRE A  
15 MINOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WHEN A PARCEL IS ENCUMBERED  
16 BY SUCH A CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE. A PROPERTY  
17 OWNER SHOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO GO THROUGH A SECOND REVIEW  
18 PROCESS SOLELY DUE TO GEOGRAPHIC REASONS. NO OTHER AREA IN.  
19 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO THE PROPOSED  
20 ADDITIONAL EVALUATION. THEREFORE THE PROPOSED CHANGE REQUESTED  
21 BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF RESULTS IN AN UNEVEN AND  
22 INCONSISTENT REGULATORY SCHEME WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION. I  
23 ENCOURAGE STAFF TO REVIEW THIS PROPOSED CHANGE.

24

25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. SHUCK?



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2 **THOMAS SHUCK:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, COMMISSIONER.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE YOU START, MR. SHUCK, LET ME CALL  
5 -- IS BEVERLY BLAKE HERE? NOT HERE. MARSHA HANSCOM? JACKY  
6 DEHAVILAND. GREAT. ALL RIGHT, MR. SHUCK.

7

8 **THOMAS SHUCK:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. I  
9 REPRESENT-- FIRST OF ALL I LIVE IN CALABASAS, I'VE LIVED HERE  
10 MANY YEARS. I'M AN ATTORNEY AND I REPRESENT THE OWNER OF A  
11 VERY SIGNIFICANT PARCEL IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AND I  
12 HAVE A DEPICTION-- I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE I BELIEVE THERE'S  
13 JUST A SIMPLE MISTAKE IN THE R.L.40 DESIGNATION AND I'D LIKE  
14 TO DISCUSS IT. IF I COULD HAND THE BOARD A COPY OF A COLOR  
15 DEPICTION. I THINK IT WILL HELP US OUT, JUST TAKE A MINUTE TO  
16 TAKE A LOOK AT IT. I'VE GOT ONE FOR EACH.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO MAKE SURE THE STAFF HAS ONE,  
19 TOO, SERGEANT.

20

21 **THOMAS SHUCK:** WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE IS CASTRO PEAK.  
22 UNFORTUNATELY WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE MAP, YOU CAN'T SEE. IT'S  
23 ALL FLAT. YOU DON'T GET A SENSE OF IT. IT'S THE THIRD TALLEST  
24 PEAK IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. IT'S DESIGNATED AS A  
25 SIGNIFICANT VIEW SHED AND IT CERTAINLY IS. IT'S A SPECTACULAR



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1 LOCATION. MY CLIENT OWNS, IF YOU LOOK AT THE LITTLE DEPICTION  
2 HERE, THE OLD 45 PARCEL, WHICH IS SQUARELY AT THE TOP. AND MY  
3 CONCERN IS THAT THIS HAS AN IMPACT, THIS DESIGNATION HAS AN  
4 IMPACT NOT ONLY ON MY CLIENT BUT ON THE PUBLIC. AND HERE IT  
5 IS. IT'S ONLY 25 ACRES. IT'S PRESENTLY AND HAS BEEN FOR THE  
6 LAST 30 YEARS BRISTLING WITH CELL TOWERS, 200, 150 FEET HIGH,  
7 THREE OF THEM. AND IN THE LONG TERM, MY CLIENT HOPES TO  
8 CONVERT THIS USE TO A MUCH MORE BENIGN USE FOR A SINGLE-FAMILY  
9 DWELLING. WE'RE GOING TO BE SEEKING A RENEWAL OF OUR PERMIT  
10 FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS, BUT IN THE LONG TERM AFTER THAT, WE'D  
11 LIKE TO TAKE THOSE TOWERS DOWN AND USE IT FOR THE SINGLE-  
12 FAMILY DWELLING. WE CAN'T DO THAT UNDER THE R.L.40  
13 DESIGNATION. IT'S NOT LARGE ENOUGH. IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT, IF  
14 YOU LOOK AT THE MAP, IS ANOTHER PARCEL THAT'S ALSO,  
15 IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT, BRISTLING WITH CELL TOWERS. AND IT HAS  
16 AN R20 DESIGNATION. SO THE IRONY IS THAT THAT PARCEL COULD  
17 CONTINUE-- IT COULD BE USED FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT,  
18 BENIGN SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING, BUT OUR PARCEL, WHICH IS MUCH  
19 LARGER, CANNOT. IT JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. SO WE'D ASK THAT  
20 THAT BE RE-DESIGNATED CONSISTENT WITH THE SURROUNDING PARCELS  
21 AS R.L.20.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH WOULD PERMIT YOU ONE SINGLE FAMILY  
24 DWELLING?

25



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1 **THOMAS SHUCK:** YES. WHICH IS OUR LONG TERM PLAN AFTER ABOUT  
2 ANOTHER 10 YEARS. IT WILL MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE IN THE VIEW  
3 SHED THERE.

4  
5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IS IT YOUR TESTIMONY THAT YOU  
6 CANNOT BUILD A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING ON THAT PROPERTY TODAY?  
7 OR UNDER THIS ZONING?

8  
9 **THOMAS SHUCK:** WELL AT R.L.40, IT'S ONLY 25 ACRES.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT YOU'D BE ENTITLED TO ONE HOUSE ON  
12 THAT PARCEL, I BELIEVE?

13

14 **THOMAS SHUCK:** MY UNDERSTANDING IS WE'D HAVE TO-- IT'S NOT  
15 LARGE ENOUGH. AM I MISTAKEN IN THAT?

16

17 **GINA NATOLI:** SUPERVISOR --

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

20

21 **GINA NATOLI:** WHAT THAT LAND USE CATEGORY DOES IS, IT REGULATES  
22 FOR A LAND DIVISION. WHEN THERE'S A LAND DIVISION, IT MEANS  
23 YOU JUST CANNOT CREATE A PARCEL THAT IS ANY SMALLER THAN  
24 WHATEVER THAT APPENDIX IS.

25



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE QUESTION IS CAN HE, ON AN R.L.40  
2 ZONE, BUILD A SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSE?

3

4 **GINA NATOLI:** YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK TO BUILD A SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSE  
5 ON A LEGAL PARCEL. SO IT DOESN'T MATTER THAT THAT PARCEL IS--

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE ANSWER IS YES, HE COULD BUILD A  
8 SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSE.

9

10 **GINA NATOLI:** YES, SUPERVISOR. HE CAN ASK TO BUILD.

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, BUT ASK TO BUILD AND BUILD ARE TWO  
13 DIFFERENT THINGS. DOES HE HAVE THE RIGHT TO BUILD A HOUSE ON--  
14 ONE HOUSE ON AN R.L.40-ZONED PROPERTY, WHICH IS 25 ACRES  
15 LARGE?

16

17 **GINA NATOLI:** HE HAS THE RIGHT TO ASK. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT  
18 TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN THE ABILITY TO ASK AND THE ACTUAL  
19 PHYSICAL ABILITY TO PUT A HOUSE THERE. WE DON'T KNOW WHETHER  
20 HE HAS THE PHYSICAL ABILITY TO BUILD THE HOUSE, BUT WE DO KNOW  
21 THAT HE HAS THE RIGHT TO ASK.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE SAME ABILITY WOULD BE APPLICABLE  
24 WHETHER IT'S R.L.40 OR R20, CORRECT?

25



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1 **GINA NATOLI:** ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR.

2

3 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I GUESS THE BETTER QUESTION IS: IS  
4 THERE ANY SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT HE CAN DO,  
5 EITHER TO ASK OR GET PERMISSION TO DO, UNDER AN R.L.40 OR AN  
6 R20?

7

8 **GINA NATOLI:** NO, SUPERVISOR.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THIS 25 ACRES. OKAY. AND IF YOU HAVE  
11 ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY, I ALREADY RECEIVED A LETTER FROM  
12 YOU. BUT IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ARGUE TO THE CONTRARY TO  
13 THAT, LET US KNOW. BUT YOU HAVE A LEGAL LOT.

14

15 **THOMAS SHUCK:** YEAH, BUT IT'S DESIGNATED, THE LARGER-- THE  
16 WEIGHT OF CONSIDERATION IS GOING TO BE THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE  
17 TOLD IT'S NOT-- THEY WOULD PREFER TO LEAVE IT UNDEVELOPED, I  
18 BELIEVE.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IF WE'RE GOING TO REQUIRE YOU TO KEEP IT  
21 UNDEVELOPED, THEN I WOULD IMAGINE WE'D HAVE TO BUY YOUR  
22 PROPERTY, I THINK. I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT THE TOPOGRAPHY OF  
23 YOUR PROPERTY IS. HOW LONG HAVE YOU OWNED THE PROPERTY?

24

25 **THOMAS SHUCK:** ABOUT TEN, 15 YEARS.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW LONG DID THE PREVIOUS OWNER OWN THE  
3 PROPERTY?

4

5 **THOMAS SHUCK:** THAT WOULD BE ANOTHER ABOUT 20 YEARS.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DIDN'T ANYBODY EVER BUILD A SINGLE-  
8 FAMILY HOUSE ON THAT PROPERTY BEFORE?

9

10 **THOMAS SHUCK:** IT'S BEEN USED FOR CELL SITES FOR 30 YEARS.

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IT HASN'T BEEN USED BY CELL SITES FOR 30  
13 YEARS BECAUSE THERE WERE NO CELLS 30 YEARS AGO. MAYBE FOR  
14 ANTENNAS OR SOMETHING, OR DIFFERENT KINDS. BUT WHY WOULDN'T  
15 ANYBODY HAVE BUILT A HOUSE THERE IN THE LAST 100 YEARS? AND  
16 ALL OF A SUDDEN IT'S AN ISSUE. WHAT'S THE CURRENT ZONING ON  
17 THE PROPERTY?

18

19 **GINA NATOLI:** I BELIEVE IT'S ONE TO 20 ACRES.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE ASKING FOR.

22

23 **THOMAS SHUCK:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY IT WAS RE-DESIGNATED. ITS  
24 ONLY PARCEL IS R.L.40.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION. WHAT'S THE  
2 DIFFERENCE IF IT'S R.L.40 OR 20?

3

4 **GINA NATOLI:** THE DIFFERENCE WILL BE IN IF SOMEONE ASKS TO  
5 SUBDIVIDE THE PROPERTY. IF IT'S ANY PARCELS THAT ARE LARGER  
6 THAN 40 ACRES, WOULD BE LIMITED TO THAT. ONLY NEW PARCELS--  
7 THE ONLY NEW PARCELS THAT CAN BE CREATED MUST BE A MINIMUM OF  
8 40 ACRES.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNDERSTOOD.

11

12 **GINA NATOLI:** SO ANYBODY THAT'S 40 ACRES OR LESS--

13

14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IF IT WAS R20, HOW MANY LOTS COULD  
15 YOU SUBDIVIDE IT INTO?

16

17 **GINA NATOLI:** AT A ONE TO 20?

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

20

21 **GINA:** NONE. YOU CAN'T SUBDIVIDE IT. IT STAYS AS IT IS.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO HE'S ASKING FOR R20. WHY WOULDN'T WE  
24 SAY OKAY TO R20?

25



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1 **GINA NATOLI:** BECAUSE THIS IS IN THE SOLSTICE CANYON  
2 SIGNIFICANT WATERSHED, WHICH IS ONE OF THE THREE THAT WE HAVE  
3 DESIGNATED AS R.L.40 TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY.

4

5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT UNDER R.L.40 OR R20,  
6 HE COULD ONLY BUILD ONE HOUSE AT MAXIMUM, CORRECT?

7

8 **GINA NATOLI:** THAT'S CORRECT.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU SAID THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIVE  
11 DIFFERENCE, A MINUTE AGO WHEN I ASKED YOU, THERE WAS NO  
12 SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCE WHETHER IT'S R.L.40 OR 20 AS TO WHAT  
13 HE'LL BE ABLE TO ASK FOR AND GET, CORRECT?

14

15 **GINA NATOLI:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE WHETHER WE  
18 DESIGNATE IT R20 OR R.L.40?

19

20 **GINA NATOLI:** THE PRESENCE OF THE SIGNIFICANT WATERSHED.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT DOES R.L.40 DO TO PROTECT THE  
23 WATERSHED THAT R20 DOESN'T DO?

24

25 **GINA NATOLI:** FOR HIS PARCEL IT DOESN'T DO ANYTHING DIFFERENT.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THIS IS THE ONLY PARCEL WE'RE TALKING  
3 ABOUT, ISN'T IT?

4

5 **GINA NATOLI:** I DON'T THINK SO, SUPERVISOR.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SO THEN EXPLAIN THAT. IS THIS  
8 BARRIER THAT HE HAS ON HIS MAP, IS THIS ALL HIS OR IS THERE  
9 SOMETHING MORE TO IT? IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S MORE THAN 25 ACRES.

10

11 **TOM SHUCK:** IT'S 25 ACRES.

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS BLUE PIECE, THIS POWDER BLUE PIECE.

14

15 **TOM SHUCK:** IT'S 25 ACRES.

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S YOUR ENTIRE OWNERSHIP.

18

19 **TOM SHUCK:** YES.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL LOOK AT IT. LET'S NOT  
22 TAKE ANY MORE OF THE BOARD'S TIME ON THAT. BUT I UNDERSTAND  
23 THE PROBLEM.

24

25 **TOM SHUCK:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MISS HANSCOM.

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4 **MARCIA HANSCOM:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MARCIA HANSCOM, WITH  
5 THE COASTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTION NETWORK, CLEAN. I WAS A  
6 RESIDENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS FOR 10 YEARS, EIGHT  
7 YEARS IN MALIBU AND TWO YEARS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND  
8 WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO YOUR STAFF, I HAVE TO SAY THAT FROM  
9 SPEAKING TO THE HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE I KNOW IN THE SANTA MONICA  
10 MOUNTAINS AS WELL AS DOZENS OF ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING  
11 S.O.S., SAVE OPEN SPACE, MALIBU COALITION FOR SLOW GROWTH,  
12 ACCESS FOR ALL, WETLANDS DEFENSE FUND, THERE IS NO BROAD  
13 CONSENSUS TO SUPPORT THIS PLAN. THIS PLAN IS A PRO-DEVELOPMENT  
14 PLAN. I THINK YOU CAN SEE THAT POSSIBLY BY ONE OF THE  
15 MOUNTAIN'S BEST EXPEDITERS, MR. SCHMITZ BEING IN SUPPORT OF  
16 IT. AND IN AN AREA THAT IS CLEARLY, IF YOU HAVEN'T WATCHED THE  
17 TELEVISION THE LAST FEW DAYS, CLEARLY OVERDEVELOPED ALREADY.  
18 AND THIS PARTICULAR PLAN IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE COASTAL  
19 ACT. IT WOULD BE BETTER OFF TO BE IN THE HANDS OF THE COASTAL  
20 COMMISSION AS IT IS CURRENTLY THAN TO PASS THIS PLAN. ONE OF  
21 THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS IS THE PRIVATE COMMERCIALIZATION AND  
22 UNDERSCORING OF THESE BOARDING OF HORSES. NOW WE'RE NOT JUST  
23 TALKING ABOUT ONE OR TWO HORSES PER PERSON. WE ARE TALKING  
24 ABOUT IN A THREE-ACRE PARCEL, YOU COULD HAVE 24 HORSES. THIS  
25 IS A COMMERCIALIZATION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AND



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1 AFTER THESE FIRES ARE DONE, YOU WILL HAVE MUD. YOU WILL HAVE  
2 MORE MUD THAN NORMAL IF THIS PLAN IS APPROVED BECAUSE THE LAND  
3 WILL BE DENUDED BY ALL OF THESE ANIMALS TRAMPLING THESE  
4 ACREAGE. AND I THINK THAT ONE OF THE BEST THINGS YOU COULD DO  
5 IS TO DO BETTER ENFORCEMENT IN THE MOUNTAINS. WE JUST SETTLED  
6 A CASE WHERE THERE WAS A HOUSE THAT WAS BUILT RIGHT ADJACENT  
7 TO NATIONAL PARK SERVICE PROPERTY, NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE  
8 COASTAL ACT. AND THE NEW OWNER HAD TO TAKE OUT TONS OF MANURE.  
9 WHY? BECAUSE THE COUNTY WAS NOT ENFORCING ITS OWN STANDARDS  
10 THERE. WE NEED TO HAVE E.S.H.A DESIGNATED FOR COASTAL STATES  
11 AND CHAPARRAL. IT IS IRRESPONSIBLE NOT TO LIMIT DEVELOPMENT IN  
12 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE.  
13 AND MR. YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HAVE CALLED THE SANTA MONICA  
14 MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA A JEWEL. AND IT WILL TURN  
15 THIS JEWEL FIRST INTO A DENUDED ZONE. AND THEN THE DEVELOPERS  
16 WILL TURN IT INTO A MOUNTAIN OF CONCRETE. SO WE URGE YOU TO  
17 NOT APPROVE THIS IN ITS CURRENT FORM.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. APPRECIATE THAT. JACKY DEHAVILAND.

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21 **JACKY DEHAVILAND:** JACKY DEHAVILAND, YES.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON A SECOND. LET ME ASK BEVERLY  
24 BURKE AND JERRI JAVAHERI.. I HOPE I PRONOUNCED THAT CORRECTLY.



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1 ARE THEY HERE? GREG ELLIS? TOM ELANS. OKAY, MISS DEHAVILAND.  
2 MISS DEHAVILAND, GO AHEAD. THANK YOU.

3

4 **JACKY DEHAVILAND:** GOOD AFTERNOON AT THIS POINT AND THANK YOU  
5 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THIS HONORABLE BOARD. I AM  
6 JACKY DEHAVILAND. I AM ALSO A MEMBER OF THE SIERRA CLUB AND AM  
7 AMONG OTHERS IN THE SIERRA CLUB OPPOSING THE LOCAL COASTAL  
8 PLAN IN ITS CURRENT FORM. I AM ALSO THE SPOKESPERSON FOR THE  
9 UNHEARD EQUESTRIANS AND THE CITIZENS FOR A BETTER L.C.P. IN  
10 THE PAST TWO DAYS, 300,000 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DISPOSSESSED,  
11 BUSINESSES DESTROYED, A COUPLE OF HUNDRED HORSES EVACUATED TO  
12 PIERCE COLLEGE IN WOODLAND HILLS. AMONG THE EVACUATED,  
13 POPULATIONS FROM MALIBU AND MONTE NIDO, THE VERY NEIGHBORHOODS  
14 OF PRIVILEGE REQUESTING THE ADDITION OF EIGHT BOARDING HORSES  
15 PER ACRE AND THE COMMERCIALIZATION OF 24 HORSES PER PARCEL ON  
16 THE 50 PERCENT SLIPPERY SLOPE TO CONCRETE. NATURE ORDERS FIRES  
17 ANNUALLY FOR THE REGENERATION OF THE CHAPARRAL. THE COUNTY HAS  
18 CLOSED HOSPITALS. IT CAN'T PROVIDE ENFORCEMENT OR MITIGATION  
19 NOW. HOW FISCALLY AND MORALLY IRRESPONSIBLE TO CONSIDER  
20 PUTTING ALL OF THESE ANIMALS UP IN THE MOUNTAINS FOR THE GREAT  
21 HORSE BARBECUE? THANK YOU.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. I GUESS THE ANSWER TO THAT IS  
24 THE HORSES ARE THERE NOW. WE JUST DON'T ENFORCE IT VERY WELL,  
25 DO WE?



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2 **JACKY DEHAVILAND:** WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ADDING.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. IT DEPENDS ON WHAT'S THERE NOW  
5 WHETHER YOU'RE ADDING. THIS PUTS THE CEILING ON IT. AND IT  
6 ALSO PROVIDES THE ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION TO IT. I DON'T WANT  
7 TO GET INTO A DEBATE WITH YOU. I'M SORRY I EVEN BROUGHT IT UP.  
8 BUT YOU'RE ENTITLED TO YOUR OPINION. BUT IT'S AN OPINION. IT'S  
9 NOT NECESSARILY BASED IN WHAT IS ACTUALLY IN THIS PLAN.

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11 **JACKY DEHAVILAND:** NO, IT'S NOT IN THE PLAN. IT'S BASED ON  
12 OTHER EDUCATION, SIR.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, ALL RIGHT. MR. ELLIS?

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16 **GREG ELLIS:** YES. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I APPRECIATE  
17 GREATLY YOUR CONSIDERING-- ACTUALLY, THIS IS THE FIRST EVENT  
18 THAT I'VE BEEN INVITED TO, TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS. AND  
19 I OWN A PARCEL ABOUT 172 ACRES IN THE NICHOLAS CANYON AREA.  
20 AND I'M INTERESTED IN BUILDING A WORLD CLASS DEMONSTRATION LOW  
21 IMPACT GREEN SUSTAINABLE, FULLY CONTAINED COMMUNITY THAT  
22 HONORS THE CULTURE AND THE HERITAGE OF THE CHUMASH INDIANS AND  
23 TEACHES SUSTAINABLE LIVING TO VISITORS AND TO THE LOCAL  
24 COMMUNITY ALIKE. I'M ASKING THAT YOU CONSIDER ADDING A ZONING  
25 DESIGNATION. I BELIEVE WE NEED TO KEEP THE DOOR OPEN TO



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1 INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY. I'M REQUESTING THAT WE ADD INTO  
2 THE ZONING REGULATION THE DESIGNATION AREAWIDE FOR GREEN, LOW  
3 IMPACT, SUSTAINABLE, FULLY CONTAINED COMMUNITY DEMONSTRATION  
4 PROJECTS WITH, OR SUBJECT TO, THE WAY THAT YOU CAN STILL  
5 MANAGE THAT IS WITH A NEGOTIATED DEVELOPER AGREEMENT. SO IT  
6 DOESN'T TAKE THE ABILITY AWAY FROM REMEDYING WHAT HAPPENS, BUT  
7 IT DOES OPEN THE ABILITY FOR INNOVATION AND IT DOESN'T SLOW  
8 THE PROCESS TO DO GREAT PROJECTS. WE NEED TO OPEN UP THE  
9 OPPORTUNITY AND THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE AND TEACH BETTER  
10 METHODOLOGIES FOR DEVELOPMENT. ADDING THIS DESIGNATION WILL  
11 STREAMLINE THE PROCESS FOR WONDERFUL PROJECTS. I'VE DONE ALL  
12 THE BASE STUDIES-- OR HAD THEM ALL COMPLETED. THERE ARE NO  
13 ADVERSE SITUATIONS THAT WOULD PRECLUDE US FROM DOING A WORLD  
14 CLASS PROJECT IN THIS AREA. I WANT TO CREATE A PROJECT THAT  
15 TEACHES DEVELOPERS A BETTER WAY OF DEVELOPMENT AND HONORS  
16 DIVERSITY. IT WOULD SUPPORT EVERYTHING THAT WAS SAID HERE AND  
17 ALL OF YOUR AWARDS THAT WERE GIVEN EARLIER TODAY. THIS PROJECT  
18 WOULD SUPPORT THAT KIND OF CONTINUANCE.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. ELLIS.

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22 **GREG ELLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU ARE?

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1 **TOM ELANS:** TOM ELANS.

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3 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

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5 **TOM ELANS:** TOM ELANS. I BELIEVE THAT'S THE NAME YOU CALLED.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, IT IS.

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9 **TOM ELANS:** IS THAT RIGHT?

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME HAVE THAT.. I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T  
12 SEE YOU COMING. ALL RIGHT. IS IT ELANS?

13

14 **TOM ELANS:** YES.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I DIDN'T READ IT CORRECTLY. ALL RIGHT,  
17 MR. ELANS, THANK YOU, GO AHEAD.

18

19 **TOM ELANS:** I PLACED SOME OF THESE COMMENTS ON A WEBSITE, SO IF  
20 YOU'D LIKE TO LOOK AT IT, IF YOU HAVE A WEB CONNECTED RIGHT  
21 NOW, YOU COULD GO TO [WWW.COASTALCOMMUNITYFORUM.COM](http://WWW.COASTALCOMMUNITYFORUM.COM). I'LL JUST  
22 GO OVER THE POINTS. I FOUND 11 ITEMS THAT I THINK WERE NOT  
23 REALLY PARTICULARLY ADDRESSED BY THE PLAN. I'D LIKE TO GET  
24 THROUGH THEM VERY QUICKLY. SO I'LL JUST GIVE YOU THE TOPICS  
25 AND YOU COULD FILL IN THE DETAILS IF YOU WANT TO LOOK INTO IT



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1 FURTHER. BULLDOZING PERMITS. I KNOW BEING IN THE MOUNTAINS  
2 QUITE A LOT DURING THE PAST 30 YEARS, I UNDERSTAND THAT PEOPLE  
3 JUST WHIP OUT THE BULLDOZER AND DO WHATEVER THEY WANT. AND  
4 THEY PAY A FINE. THE ENVIRONMENT'S TRASHED. FOR NO GOOD  
5 REASON. YOU DON'T EVEN NEED IT FOR A FOUNDATION OF A BUILDING.  
6 AS YOU HAVE SEEN IN THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS DURING THE 1920S AND  
7 '30S, PEOPLE BUILT ON A SLOPE. THEY SIMPLY LAID THE JOIST A  
8 LITTLE LONGER AND THEY SIMPLY MADE THE VERTICALS A LITTLE  
9 TALLER ON THE DOWN SIDE AND YOU DO NOT NEED TO BULLDOZE. I  
10 HAVE NO IDEA WHERE PEOPLE GOT IT IN THEIR HEAD THAT A FLAT  
11 SLAB IS THE ONLY WAY YOU COULD BUILD. THESE ARE PRECARIOUS  
12 MOUNTAINS. THEY'RE VERY SENSITIVE. AND THERE'S EXTRAORDINARILY  
13 A SMALL AMOUNT OF SPACE. IF YOU HAVE 20 ACRES, YOU'RE LUCKY TO  
14 GET AN ACRE OUT OF THAT. AND TO VIEW THIS AS A DEVELOPMENT  
15 ISSUE IS GOING A LITTLE TOO FAR. THIS IS EXTREMELY LITTLE  
16 PROPERTY AVAILABLE. THE ROADS THAT ARE DEMANDED BY THE FIRE  
17 DEPARTMENT ARE EXTRAORDINARILY WIDE. IT LITERALLY DESTROYS THE  
18 ENTIRE HILLSIDE IN TRYING TO JUST GET TO ONE SITE. I WOULD  
19 RECOMMEND GOING A LITTLE MORE TOWARDS COMMUNITY GROUPING OF  
20 STRUCTURES. AND IN MY DISCUSSION OVER THERE, YOU'LL SEE THAT.  
21 BUT RESTORATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGES. I HAVEN'T SEEN  
22 ANYTHING. AND I KNOW THAT PEOPLE PUT IN THEIR VINES AND  
23 VINEYARDS AND FIVE AND TEN ACRES WORTH. AND THEY DECIDE THIS  
24 IS JUST TO MAKE IT SIMPLY LOOK LIKE THEY HAVE A PRESTIGE FARM  
25 OF 1800S. THEY DON'T NEED THIS FARM. IT IS NOT ECONOMICALLY



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1 SENSIBLE. IT'S THE PRESTIGE THING. IT'S AN EMBLEM ON A CAR.

2 THAT'S ALL IT IS TO THEM. AND-- WHAT IS THAT, TIME LEFT?

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT MEANS YOUR TIME'S UP.

5

6 **TOM ELANS:** I'M SORRY.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD AND TAKE 15 SECONDS.

9

10 **TOM ELANS:** OKAY. I THINK THERE NEEDS-- JUST LIKE THE MODEL T  
11 FORD, THIS IS NOT THE FINAL WORD IN DESIGN. THIS IS AN  
12 ENVIRONMENT, IS AN EXTREMELY COMPLEX SITUATION. AND I HOPE YOU  
13 THINK THAT THERE IS A WAY TO ESTABLISH A REVIEW PROCESS.  
14 THERE'S NO COMPANY ON EARTH THAT DOESN'T REVIEW THEIR PRODUCT  
15 ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. THERE'S CONTINUAL RESEARCH GOING ON. I  
16 HOPE THAT THIS PLAN HAS A Foothold TO ALLOW FOR THIS, BECAUSE  
17 THERE ARE SERIOUS TROUBLES HERE.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE BEEN MONITORING YOUR  
20 COMMENTS AS THIS PROCESS HAS BEEN GOING ALONG AND I THINK MANY  
21 OF THE CONCERNS THAT YOU HAVE RAISED ARE LEGITIMATE AND WILL  
22 BE ADDRESSED IN THE FINAL.

23

24 **TOM ELANS:** I HOPE YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE  
25 WEBSITE.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE HAVE, AND MANY OF THE THINGS THAT YOU  
3 RAISED ARE GOING TO BE ADDRESSED, AT LEAST I'M GOING TO  
4 PROPOSE THAT THEY BE ADDRESSED. MY STAFF WILL TALK TO YOU  
5 ABOUT IT.

6

7 **TOM ELANS:** THANK YOU, AND PLEASE LEAVE YOUR COMMENTS ON THE  
8 WEBSITE. THERE'S A FORM THERE THROUGH GOOGLE. THANK YOU VERY  
9 MUCH.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. ELANS. THAT CONCLUDES  
12 TODAY'S HEARING. WE WILL CONTINUE THIS HEARING TILL NEXT WEEK.  
13 AND JUST SO THAT WE KNOW FOR THE RECORD, SACHI, ANYONE WHO  
14 SPOKE TODAY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO SPEAK NEXT WEEK. IT'S  
15 JUST A CONTINUATION OF THIS HEARING AS THOUGH IT WERE TODAY.  
16 SO I DON'T WANT ANY MISUNDERSTANDING NEXT WEEK ON ANYBODY'S  
17 PART. RICK, DID YOU WANT TO SAY ANYTHING?

18

19 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** NOT UNLESS THE BOARD HAS ANY  
20 QUESTIONS.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. DOES ANYBODY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AT  
23 THIS TIME? IF NOT-- I'LL READ THIS. "THE CANYON FIRE WHICH  
24 CONTINUES TO AFFECT MUCH OF THE AREA WITHIN THE SANTA MONICA  
25 MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE PREVENTED MANY RESIDENTS AND OTHER



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1 INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY FROM COMING DOWNTOWN TODAY  
2 TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL  
3 PROGRAM. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
4 CONTINUE THE HEARING ONE WEEK TO OCTOBER 30TH, 2007 IN ORDER  
5 TO HEAR TESTIMONY FROM PEOPLE THAT WERE UNABLE TO SPEAK."  
6 SECONDED BY MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION; UNANIMOUS VOTE. NEXT  
7 ITEM.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 8. THIS IS THE DE NOVO HEARING  
10 ON PROJECT NUMBER R2004-00269-2 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT C.A.S.  
11 AND DETERMINATION OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION TO AUTHORIZE THE  
12 PLACEMENT OF A DOUBLE FACED BILLBOARD ON AN EXISTING  
13 INDUSTRIAL BUILDING LOCATED AT 2408 RANCHO WAY IN THE  
14 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, DEL AMO ZONE  
15 DISTRICT, APPLIED FOR BY ROBERT LAGRONE ON BEHALF OF THOMPSON  
16 MEDIA COMPANY. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS  
17 MATTER, AND I BELIEVE THERE IS A STAFF PRESENTATION ON THIS.

18

19 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** YES. MR. CHAIRMAN. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. GOOD  
20 AFTERNOON. I AM RUSSELL FRICANO OF THE COMMUNITY STUDIES ONE  
21 SECTION OF REGIONAL PLANNING. AND TO MY LEFT IS FRANK MENESES,  
22 ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CURRENT PLANNING DIVISION OF REGIONAL  
23 PLANNING. THE APPLICANT, THOMPSON MEDIA COMPANY, FILED A  
24 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION TO AUTHORIZE THE PLACEMENT  
25 OF A BILLBOARD ON AN EXISTING INDUSTRIAL BUILDING LOCATED AT



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1 2408 RANCHO WAY IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF RANCHO  
2 DOMINGUEZ. THE PROPERTY IS OWNED BY ELGER PROPERTIES. ELGER  
3 PROPERTIES LEASED SPACE ON THE SITE TO THOMPSON MEDIA FOR THE  
4 PLACEMENT OF THE BILLBOARD. THE ZONING ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY  
5 IS M2, HEAVY MANUFACTURING. AND THE PREVAILING LAND USE WITHIN  
6 500 FEET OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY CONSISTS OF INDUSTRIAL AND  
7 WAREHOUSE USE. THE BILLBOARD REQUEST WAS APPROVED BY THE  
8 HEARING OFFICER ON AUGUST 2ND OF 2005. THE APPROVAL AUTHORIZED  
9 THE PLACEMENT OF A DOUBLE FACED BILLBOARD, 672 SQUARE FEET IN  
10 SIGN AREA ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. THE HEARING OFFICER  
11 APPROVAL WAS APPEALED BY DONALD AND MARY LA FORCE, PROPERTY  
12 OWNERS THAT ARE ADJACENT TO THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. DULY NOTICED  
13 PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS MATTER WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 30TH, 2005,  
14 BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. AT THE COMMISSION  
15 HEARING, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT A CLAUSE WITHIN THE EXISTING  
16 COVENANT CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE  
17 C.C.N.R.S. ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, PROHIBIT THE PLACEMENT OF  
18 A BILLBOARD ON THE PROPERTY FOR OFFSITE ADVERTISEMENT  
19 PURPOSES. FURTHERMORE, AN AGREEMENT ALSO REQUIRED THE SUBJECT  
20 PROPERTY-- THERE WAS AN AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE RELATED TO THE  
21 C.C.N.R.S. EXECUTED ON JUNE 17TH OF 2005. AND THIS AMENDMENT  
22 REQUIRED THE LESSEE, THOMPSON MEDIA COMPANY, TO DELAY  
23 CONSTRUCTION UNTIL ONE OF THE ACTIONS OCCURS. FIRST, THE  
24 REVOCATION OF THE C.C.N.R.S., THE AMENDMENT TO THE CLAUSE TO  
25 ELIMINATE THE BILLBOARD RESTRICTION IN THE C.C.N.R.S. AND THE



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1 LEGAL DETERMINATION THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT GOVERNED BY THE  
2 C.C.N.R.S. SO AS TO ALLOW THE PLACEMENT OF THE BILLBOARD. THIS  
3 INFORMATION WAS NOT DISCLOSED TO THE HEARING OFFICER AT THE  
4 INITIAL HEARING. INFORMATION REGARDING THE AMENDMENTS TO THE  
5 LEASE WAS PROVIDED TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AT THE  
6 NOVEMBER 3RD, 2005 HEARING. AND AFTER HEARING TESTIMONY, THE  
7 COMMISSION DETERMINED THAT MATTERS CONCERNING THE AMENDMENT TO  
8 THE LEASE AGREEMENT SHOULD HAVE BEEN RESOLVED PRIOR TO THE  
9 PUBLIC HEARING. THE COMMISSION REVERSED THE HEARING OFFICER'S  
10 DECISION AND UPHELD THE APPEAL. STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE  
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INDICATE ITS INTENT TO UPHOLD THE APPEAL  
12 OF PROJECT NUMBER 2004-00269-2 AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE  
13 T2004-00016-2 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
14 COMMISSION. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** THERE ARE THREE -- WELL, THERE ARE FOUR PEOPLE WHO  
17 HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK. I WOULD ASK GRETCHEN THOMPSON, GREGORY  
18 MEATH, AND ROBERT LAGRONE TO COME FORWARD AT THIS TIME. AND  
19 THEN WE'LL HEAR FROM AZ BANAYAN. IF YOU'D LIKE TO COME UP AND  
20 GET A SEAT THERE, YOU CAN.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTY IS HANDING OUT JUST A COUPLE OF  
23 PAGES THAT WE THINK WILL HELP TO EXPLAIN WHAT'S OCCURRED. AS  
24 THE REPORT STATED, THE PROJECT IS A BILLBOARD, A DOUBLE FACED  
25 BILLBOARD TO GO IN RANCHO DOMINGUEZ IN AN INDUSTRIAL ZONE, A



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1 ZONE THAT'S ZONED INDUSTRIAL. IF WE LOOK AT WHY IT IS EXACTLY  
2 THAT THOMPSON MEDIA COMPANY IS APPEALING, WE'LL LOOK FIRST TO  
3 THE STAFF REPORT HERE AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHERE, AT  
4 THE END OF THE REPORT, IT SAYS THAT THE COMMISSION SHOULD  
5 HAVE-- "AFTER HEARING TESTIMONY, THE COMMISSION DETERMINED  
6 MATTERS CONCERNING THE AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE SHOULD HAVE BEEN  
7 RESOLVED PRIOR TO THE HEARING AND THE COMMISSION REVERSED THE  
8 OFFICER'S DECISION AND UPHELD THE APPEAL, EFFECTIVELY REVOKING  
9 A PERMIT THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN GRANTED." THERE IS A TIMELINE  
10 WHICH IS AMONGST THE COUPLE OF PAGES THAT I HANDED OUT. AND  
11 YOU'LL NOTICE ON THE TIMELINE THAT THE AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE  
12 THAT WAS ALLEGED TO BE WITHHELD FROM THE PLANNING OFFICER, THE  
13 HEARING OFFICER, DID NOT EXIST AT THE TIME OF THE HEARING. WE  
14 DIDN'T HAVE ANY AWARENESS OF THE C.C.N.R.S. UNTIL AFTER THE  
15 PERMIT WAS ISSUED. SO IN A SIMPLE WAY, WE CAN SAY THAT THE  
16 REASONING OF THE BOARD WAS QUITE SIMPLY FLAWED. THE DOCUMENT  
17 THAT THEY SAID WE SHOULD HAVE PROVIDED DIDN'T EXIST. WE COULD  
18 NOT HAVE PROVIDED IT. FURTHER MORE IT DEALS WITH C.C.N.R.S.  
19 THOSE ARE A PRIVATE MATTER. THOSE ARE MATTER THAT WE  
20 DETERMINED MATTERS OF THEIR ENFORCEABILITY IN A COURT OF LAW  
21 WHERE PRIVATE PARTIES CAN GO AT THESE THINGS. FOR THE BOARD TO  
22 PRECLUDE OUR ABILITY TO TAKE THIS STEP FIRST IN ACQUIRING THE  
23 PERMIT, PUTS US IN A PLACE WHERE WE HAVE EITHER CART NOR  
24 HORSE. WE HAVE NO PERMIT, SO WE DON'T HAVE STANDING TO GO TO  
25 COURT BECAUSE THE DISPUTE IS NOT RIPE, AND WE DON'T HAVE A



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1 DEFINED PROJECT THAT WE CAN TAKE TO THE NEIGHBORS TO ASK THEM  
2 IF THEY WOULD APPROVE IT. SO WE WOULD ASK THAT THE BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS GIVE US BACK OUR PERMIT. THANK YOU. I HAVE MR.  
4 THOMPSON. HE OWNS THOMPSON MEDIA COMPANY. HE IS THE SOLE  
5 SHAREHOLDER. WE HAVE MR. AZIZ BANAYAN. HE IS THE PROPERTY  
6 OWNER. AND WE HAVE ROB LAGRONE. HE APPLIED FOR THE PERMIT. IF  
7 YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OF THESE GENTLEMEN, THEY'RE HERE TO  
8 ANSWER THEM.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD THEY LIKE TO MAKE A STATEMENT?

11

12 **AZIZ BANAYAN:** I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A-- MY. NAME'S AZIZ  
13 BANAYAN, AND GOOD MORNING. I'M THE PROPERTY OWNER. I WOULD  
14 LIKE TO MAKE A STATEMENT, THAT THE C.C.N.R.S. AT ISSUE IN THAT  
15 AREA IS SOMETHING THAT WE WERE NOT AWARE OF. AND IN FACT NONE  
16 OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE AREA WHICH AFFECTS NINE  
17 PROPERTIES WERE AWARE OF. THIS WAS A C.C.N.R. THAT WAS PLACED  
18 ABOUT 30 YEARS. THERE'S NEVER BEEN AN ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE.  
19 THERE'S BEEN ABSOLUTELY ZERO AWARENESS. WHEN ONE PROPERTY  
20 OWNER MADE US AWARE THAT THIS EXISTS, WE DID APPROACH IT. WE  
21 HAVE LOOKED INTO IT. THERE ARE SOME SERIOUS QUESTIONS AS TO  
22 THE VALIDITY AND ENFORCEABILITY OF THE C.C.N.R.S. BUT IT'S  
23 SOMETHING THAT WE DO INTEND TO ADDRESS. AND WE HAVE NOTIFIED  
24 OUR NEIGHBORS OF THIS, THAT WE DO INTEND TO ADDRESS IT. THAT



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1 IF THERE ARE C.C.N.R.S, THAT THEY'RE ENFORCEABLE OR NOT. AND  
2 I'M AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL WE'RE NOT BASING THIS ON THE C.C.N.R.S., BUT  
5 CERTAINLY YOU HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO LOOK AT THOSE AND DETERMINE  
6 EXACTLY HOW YOU WANT TO MOVE WITH THAT. BUT ACTUALLY THERE IS  
7 NOT ANOTHER BILLBOARD WITHIN SOMETHING LIKE A HALF A MILE OF  
8 THE SITE, WHICH IS REALLY ONE OF THE REAL CONCERNS. AND THERE  
9 IS AN ORDINANCE. SO WE ARE-- WOULD THE STAFF LIKE TO RESPOND  
10 AT ALL TO ANY OF THOSE ISSUES?

11

12 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** I ALSO WISH TO STRESS THAT WE DO HAVE IN OUR  
13 FILES AN AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE THAT WAS SIGNED BY THE  
14 APPLICANT ON JUNE 16TH OF 2005, WHICH ACKNOWLEDGES THEIR  
15 AWARENESS OF THE RESTRICTIONS. AND THIS WAS SIGNED BEFORE THE  
16 HEARING OFFICER TOOK THE ACTION ON AUGUST 1ST OF 2005.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I DO HAVE A MOTION. WE ARE SUPPORTING  
19 THE POSITION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING-- OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING.  
20 AND I'D LIKE TO READ THIS INTO THE RECORD. PROJECT NUMBER  
21 R2004-00269 IN THE SECOND DISTRICT AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
22 NUMBER T2004-00016-2 IN THE SECOND DISTRICT IS THE REQUEST TO  
23 AUTHORIZE PLACEMENT OF A BILLBOARD ON AN EXISTING INDUSTRIAL  
24 BUILDING AT 2408 RANCHO WAY IN RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. A HEARING  
25 OFFICER ORIGINALLY APPROVED THE PROJECT, AN APPROVAL



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1 OVERTURNED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON APPEAL. THE  
2 COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF THE C.U.P., BY SUSTAINING THE APPEAL,  
3 WAS THEN APPEALED TO THIS BOARD. THERE IS NO OTHER EXISTING  
4 BILLBOARD WITHIN A HALF MILE OF THIS SITE, REFLECTING THAT A  
5 BILLBOARD WOULD BE OUT OF CHARACTER WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AN  
6 ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER TESTIFIED THAT THE LACK OF SUCH  
7 BILLBOARDS ADDS TO THE QUALITY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND  
8 ENHANCES PROPERTY VALUES. THAT SAME PROPERTY OWNER HAS  
9 REJECTED OFFERS TO PLACE BILLBOARDS ON HIS PROPERTY. THE  
10 RECORD ALSO INDICATES THAT C.C.N.R.S WHICH PROHIBIT THE  
11 INSTALLATION OF SUCH BILLBOARDS IN THAT AREA WERE INTENDED TO  
12 PRESERVE THE APPEARANCE OF THE PROPERTY WITH THOSE C.C.N.R.S  
13 DEEMING A VIOLATION OF ITS COVENANT TO BE A NUISANCE. ALSO  
14 SUCH LARGE SIGNS COULD DETRACT FROM OR OBSTRUCT EXISTING  
15 PERMITTED SIGNS IDENTIFYING THE BUSINESSES ON THE PROPERTIES  
16 COVERED BY THE C.C.N.R.S. AS SUCH, OVERALL, THE EVIDENCE  
17 REFLECTS THAT ALLOWING A BILLBOARD AT THIS SITE WOULD BE  
18 MATERIALLY DETRIMENTAL TO THE USE, ENJOYMENT AND VALUATION OF  
19 THE PROPERTY OF OTHER PERSONS LOCATED IN THE VICINITY. AS A  
20 RESULT A C.U.P. CAN NOT BE APPROVED. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT  
21 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ONE, CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO  
22 INDICATE ITS INTENT TO UPHOLD THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
23 COMMISSION'S DECISION TO DENY THE C.U.P., AND INSTRUCT THE  
24 COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY DENIAL FOR PROJECT



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1 NUMBER R2004-00269 AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE T 2004-  
2 0016. THAT'S MY MOTION.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN ANTONOVICH:** SECONDED.

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR.  
9 CHAIRMAN, IF WE COULD GO BACK TO ITEM NUMBER 1?

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
14 AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE  
15 THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED  
16 ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE APPROVED  
17 TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING  
18 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING  
19 DISTRICT LLA.-1 UNINCORPORATED IN CARSON ZONES. AS A RESULT IT  
20 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION  
21 ORDERING ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE  
22 APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING  
23 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697 AND COUNTY LLA-1  
24 UNINCORPORATED IN CARSON ZONES.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I WILL SO MOVE. SECONDED BY  
2 MISS BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO NOW WE MOVE TO ITEM 12? CLERK SACHI  
7 HAMAI: ADMINISTRATIVE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S UP, I BELIEVE.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU'RE UP  
10 FIRST.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE ONE ADJOURNMENT THAT I'D LIKE TO SUBMIT.  
13 I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOSE VARGAS.  
14 HE'S THE BELOVED FATHER OF ARTURO VARGAS, WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE  
15 DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LATINO ELECTED AND  
16 APPOINTED OFFICIALS, AND A TREASURED FRIEND OF OURS IN THE  
17 FIRST DISTRICT. MR. VARGAS WAS A LIFE LONG RESIDENT OF  
18 HIGHLAND PARK AND I WANT TO EXTEND OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO  
19 ARTURO AND HIS ENTIRE FAMILY.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO SECOND THAT. WITHOUT  
22 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET'S SEE. I THINK THE ONLY THING, I WAS AMENDING  
2 ANOTHER ITEM. SO I DON'T HAVE ANY SPECIALS. YOU SHOULD GO ON  
3 TO OTHER MEMBERS.

4

5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
8 MEMORY OF AMANDO JOSEPH MARISCAL, JR. LONG TIME SECOND  
9 DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN KILLED BY A RANDOM  
10 ACT OF VIOLENCE WHEN HE, HIS PREGNANT FIANCEE AND A FRIEND  
11 WERE SHOT WHILE SHOPPING, AT A RED LIGHT IN MARINA DEL REY. HE  
12 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS PARENTS, AND FIANCEE PENNY  
13 TORRES.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT.

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17 **SUP. BURKE:** ERNEST C. WITHERS, PHOTOGRAPHER WHO DOCUMENTED  
18 MORE THAN 60 YEARS OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY WITH VISUAL  
19 IMAGES FROM THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, NEGRO LEAGUE BASEBALL,  
20 AND BLUES AND R & B PERFORMANCES. HE PASSED AWAY OCTOBER 15TH  
21 FROM COMPLICATIONS OF A STROKE AT AGE 85. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH  
22 HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE OF 65 YEARS, DOROTHY, HIS SONS ANDREW,  
23 PERRY AND JOSHUA, AND DAUGHTER ROSALIND. AND AMINA NASSARDEEN,  
24 WAS THE MOTHER OF THE LATE MOHAMMAD NASSARDEEN, WHO PASSED  
25 AWAY THE NIGHT FOLLOWING HER SON'S FUNERAL SERVICES. LAST



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1 WEEK. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER SURVIVING CHILDREN,  
2 SALIMA, SAEEDA, ISHMAIL AND BILAL, AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. AND  
3 ROBERT BRUCE, L.A. COUNTY FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDIC OF FIRE  
4 STATION 116 B, BATTALION 7 WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY  
5 OCTOBER 16TH. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS FIANCEE,  
6 MARY PACHECO, . HIS BROTHER DAVE AND BRIAN BRUCE AND HIS SISTER  
7 KATHY EDWARDS. AND DR. LEWIS F. BODDIE, PIONEERING AFRICAN  
8 PHYSICIAN, EDUCATOR, COMMUNITY LEADER WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY  
9 AT THE AGE OF 94. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE OF  
10 65 YEARS BERNICE, HIS FIVE DAUGHTERS AND TWO SONS.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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14 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 22.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ITEM 22?

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT WAS HELD FOR DISCUSSION, IF WE COULD HAVE THE  
19 C.I.O.?

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21 **JON FULLENWIDER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JON  
22 FULLENWIDER.

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THAT WE ALL ARE VERY CONCERNED, OBVIOUSLY,  
25 ANY TIME CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION IS RELEASED. I KNOW THAT WE



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1 HAVE ADOPTED A POLICY THAT SAYS THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE EMPLOYED,  
2 THAT THEY'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO TAKE THEIR LAPTOPS HOME. THEY'RE  
3 NOT SUPPOSED TO HAVE ACCESS TO INFORMATION THAT IS NOT  
4 NECESSARY FOR THEM TO CARRY OUT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES. ALSO,  
5 I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT SUBCONTRACTORS NOT HAVE ANY  
6 INFORMATION THAT THEY DON'T NEED, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE TALK  
7 ABOUT THE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS, ADDRESSES AND ALL OF THAT  
8 INFORMATION OF SOME OF OUR EMPLOYEES. AND I UNDERSTAND IT'S A  
9 BIG LAG BETWEEN THE TIME THE PERSON LOSES, WHETHER IT'S  
10 ACTUALLY A LAPTOP OR WHATEVER METHOD IT'S STORED, THAT THERE'S  
11 A LAG BETWEEN THE TIME THE EMPLOYEE FINDS OUT THAT THAT  
12 INFORMATION HAS GONE OUT AND IS LOST AND CIRCULATING  
13 SOMEWHERE. SO I HAVE THIS MOTION TODAY AS AN AMENDMENT TO 22  
14 SIMPLY TO TRY TO EXPAND AND TO MAKE SURE THAT, FIRST OF ALL,  
15 THAT INFORMATION GOES OUT ON COMPUTING DEVICES TO CONTRACTORS,  
16 SUBCONTRACTORS, WHOEVER, THEY ONLY GET WHAT THEY NEED TO GET.  
17 THAT IF THEY DON'T NEED TO GET A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, THAT  
18 THEY DON'T GET THE WHOLE SOCIAL SECURITY. MAYBE THEY CAN GET  
19 THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OR SOMETHING. BUT WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING  
20 TO PROTECT PEOPLE AND ALSO SET UP A FASTER METHOD OF SOMEONE  
21 FINDING OUT THAT THEIR INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN INTO-- IS  
22 LOST. SO I'LL READ THIS IN, BUT BASICALLY I THINK I'VE  
23 EXPLAINED WHAT MY CONCERN IS. BUT THIS IS MY MOTION. AND I  
24 THINK YOU'VE SEEN IT.

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1    **JON FULLENWIDER:** YES, I HAVE.

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3    **SUP. BURKE:** AND YOU SEE THERE'S NO PROBLEM WITH IT. I MOVE  
4    THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE THE NEWLY PROPOSED  
5    INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY POLICY AS RECOMMENDED AND  
6    FURTHER DIRECT THE C.E.O., WORKING IN CONCERT WITH THE C.I.O  
7    AND COUNTY COUNSEL, TO EXAMINE MEASURES IN EXISTING  
8    INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY POLICIES REGARDING  
9    PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND  
10   REVIEW THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING ADDITIONAL SAFEGUARDS AND  
11   POLICIES TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE PROTECTION OF THIS  
12   INFORMATION WHICH IS SHARED WITH CONTRACTORS. SUCH REVIEW  
13   SHALL INCLUDE A COMPREHENSIVE INVENTORY AND RISK ASSESSMENT OF  
14   COUNTY VENDORS WHO ARE PRIVY TO SENSITIVE AND CONFIDENTIAL  
15   RECORDS, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS, BIRTH DATES AND SO FORTH.  
16   SUCH INVENTORY AND ANALYSIS SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED  
17   TO, THE NUMBER OF CONTRACTORS UTILIZING COUNTY-OWNED COMPUTERS  
18   AS PART OF THEIR CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS AND A ROUTINE COURSE  
19   OF BUSINESS TO THE NUMBER OF CONTRACTORS WITH THE CAPABILITY  
20   OF ASSESSING OR DOWNLOADING EMPLOYEE OR CLIENT CONFIDENTIAL  
21   INFORMATION FROM COUNTY DATA SYSTEMS. THE NUMBER OF  
22   CONTRACTORS WHOSE OWN COMPUTERS CONTAIN CONFIDENTIAL  
23   INFORMATION PERTINENT TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES, OUR CLIENTS, THE  
24   NUMBER OF CONTRACTORS WHO HAVE ACCESS TO PORTABLE STORAGE  
25   DEVICES, MOBILE HARD DRIVES, FLASH DRIVES, AND SO FORTH,



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1 CONTAINING ANY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RELEVANT TO COUNTY  
2 EMPLOYEES OR RECIPIENTS OF COUNTY SERVICES, DETERMINING WHICH  
3 INSTANCES CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEE AND/OR CLIENT INFORMATION IS  
4 NECESSARY TO BE ACCESSIBLE BY OR GIVEN TO CONTRACTORS,  
5 DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ENCRYPTING CONFIDENTIAL  
6 INFORMATION AS A REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS AND ONLY MAKING IT  
7 ACCESSIBLE UPON THE DEPARTMENT HEAD'S WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION.  
8 AND I THINK THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS I WANT TO TRY TO GET SO  
9 THAT WE DON'T SAY "WELL IT'S NOT MY FAULT. I DIDN'T KNOW  
10 ANYTHING ABOUT IT." A CONTRACTOR WHO GETS OUR SOCIAL SECURITY  
11 NUMBERS-- I SAY OUR, I MEAN ANY COUNTY EMPLOYEES' SOCIAL  
12 SECURITY NUMBERS, OR ANY OF THAT CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION  
13 SHOULD BE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT HEAD OF THAT DEPARTMENT.  
14 BECAUSE ANYONE WHO IS GETTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, IT  
15 SHOULD ONLY BE IF IT WAS REVIEWED AND DETERMINED BY THE  
16 DEPARTMENT HEAD THAT IT IS NECESSARY. SO THIS IS MY MOTION.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

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20 **SUP. BURKE:** AMENDMENT TO 22, AND I MOVE 22 AS AMENDED.

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT  
23 OBJECTION, IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? NO OBJECTION? UNANIMOUS  
24 VOTE.

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1    **JON FULLENWIDER:** THANK YOU.

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3    **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ITEM 22.

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5    **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL CALL UP ITEM 25.

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7    **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ITEM 25?

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9    **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST HAVE A COUPLE OF AMENDMENTS TO THE GREEN  
10 BUILDING REPORT AND SOME OF THE THINGS THAT CERTAINLY THE  
11 DIRECTOR OF PLANNING PUBLIC WORKS, INTERNAL SERVICES ARE GOING  
12 TO BE INVOLVED IN. I THINK WE'VE DONE A GREAT JOB OVER AT  
13 M.T.A. I THINK WE'VE DONE A GOOD JOB HERE. BUT AT M.T.A. IN  
14 SOME OF OUR BUILDINGS AS THEY'VE GONE FORWARD HAVE BEEN ABLE  
15 TO ESTABLISH HOW WE'RE ACTUALLY SAVING MONEY AND IT'S BEEN  
16 REALLY AT THE FOREFRONT. AND WE'VE DONE A LOT OF THINGS HERE.  
17 BUT I WOULD LIKE TO JUST ACTUALLY GET SOME IDEA OF EXACTLY HOW  
18 YOU SEE THIS IS GOING TO BE MOVING FORWARD. AND, FIRST OF ALL,  
19 IT'S A FIVE-YEAR PHASE-IN OF NEW PROCUREMENT POLICIES. AND I'D  
20 LIKE TO REALLY FIND OUT HOW THE PROCUREMENT POLICIES WILL BE  
21 ABLE TO GIVE US SOME ASSURANCE ON LEADS AND OTHER AREAS.

22

23    **PAUL MCCARTHY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THAT PROCUREMENT POLICY  
24 IS BEING IMPLEMENTED BY OUR I.S.D. PEOPLE. AND MR. LAMBERTSON  
25 IS HERE TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** ALSO, COULD YOU -- ALSO IN TERMS OF THE WATER,  
3 SOME OF THE WATER ISSUES WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AND FACING.

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5 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS  
6 DAVE LAMBERTSON, I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL SERVICES  
7 DEPARTMENT. SUPERVISOR, IN JUNE WE ISSUED A FAIRLY  
8 COMPREHENSIVE PURCHASING POLICY THAT HAD A WIDE RANGE OF  
9 INITIATIVES IN IT, SOME OF WHICH INCLUDED THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
10 AGREEMENT CATALOGS THAT HAD GREEN OR ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE  
11 ITEMS IN THEM, SAFE PRODUCTS FOR OUR CLEANING CONTRACTORS THAT  
12 WE USE IN THE BUILDINGS. BUT WE'VE ALSO ENGAGED A CONSULTANT  
13 TO HELP US OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS PRIORITIZE WHAT WE OUGHT  
14 TO BE DOING. IT'S A CONSULTANT THAT ALSO WORKED WITH THE STATE  
15 IN FORMULATING THEIR POLICY, SO THAT WE GET ALL THE LITTLE  
16 HANGING FRUIT FIRST. AND THOSE ARE TYPICALLY GREEN ITEMS THAT  
17 YOU CAN BUY AT A NO COST DIFFERENTIAL. AND OVER THE NEXT  
18 SEVERAL YEARS DEVELOP MORE SOPHISTICATED AND EXPANSIVE  
19 PURCHASING POLICIES TO INSURE THAT ALL OF OUR PURCHASING  
20 PRACTICES REFLECT ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE PRACTICES.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW, HOW ARE WE GOING TO MONITOR THE PROGRESS OF,  
23 FOR INSTANCE, SOME OF OUR CONSTRUCTION AND TO DETERMINE  
24 EXACTLY WHETHER THESE-- THERE ARE VARIOUS THINGS THAT WERE SET  
25 UP AND WE'VE ADOPTED, WHETHER THEY'RE BEING ACTUALLY UTILIZED



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1 AND IF THEY'RE IN THE PROJECT OR IF THEY'RE BEING-- BECAUSE SO  
2 OFTEN WE DO END UP BEING-- RE-LEASING BUILDINGS, OFTEN. SO  
3 THEY'RE BEING DEVELOPED BY OUTSIDE DEVELOPERS THAT WE LEASE.  
4 WHAT SAFEGUARDS CAN WE SET UP TO MONITOR THAT?

5

6 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I COULDN'T SPEAK TO WHAT WE'RE DOING IN THE  
7 AREAS OF NEW CONSTRUCTION. IN THE AREA OF REMODELS AND  
8 REFURBISHMENT, MUCH OF WHICH IS DONE IN MY ORGANIZATION. WE'RE  
9 CREATING A DIGITAL DASHBOARD TO MONITOR EACH ONE OF THOSE  
10 PROJECTS TO DETERMINE TO WHAT EXTENT WE ARE COMPLYING WITH  
11 GREEN STANDARDS AS THEY RELATE TO EXISTING BUILDINGS. I WOULD  
12 ASK THEM TO REFERENCE WHAT WE'RE DOING IN THE AREA OF  
13 CONSTRUCTION.

14

15 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, I'M PAUL MCCARTHY,  
16 SUPERVISING REGIONAL PLANNER, DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING.  
17 IN TALKING TO THE I.S.D. STAFF PREVIOUSLY, I WAS INFORMED THAT  
18 IN THE '07/'08 BUDGET, THERE ARE 20 BUILDINGS BEING  
19 CONSTRUCTED BY THE COUNTY WHICH WILL MEET LEAD SILVER  
20 STANDARDS. AND THERE'S HOPE THAT THEY WILL RETROFIT THE--  
21 COMPLETE THE RETROFITTING OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
22 BUILDING AND THE I.S.D. HEADQUARTERS AND THAT THEY WILL MEET  
23 THE LEAD EXISTING BUILDING RETROFIT STANDARDS.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** AND IF WE HAVE DEVELOPERS THAT ARE DEVELOPING  
2 BUILDINGS FOR LEASE TO US, ARE THEY SUBJECT TO THOSE SAME  
3 REQUIREMENTS?

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5 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** UNDER THE BOARD MOTION FROM JANUARY 16TH OF  
6 THIS YEAR, THE BOARD MOTION STATES THAT IT WOULD REQUIRE ALL  
7 NEW BUILDINGS OF AT LEAST 10,000 GROSS SQUARE FEET IN SIZE  
8 THAT ARE AUTHORIZED AND FULLY FUNDED ON OR AFTER FEBRUARY 15TH  
9 OF '07 TO ACHIEVE AT LEAST THE LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL SILVER LEVEL OF CERTIFICATION. SO IF THE COUNTY  
11 HAS BUILT THE BUILDING, THEN IT WOULD MEET THAT-- HAVE TO MEET  
12 THAT REQUIREMENT.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** OR IF WE'RE GOING TO BE A LESSEE.

15

16 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** IT DOES NOT ADDRESS LESSEES IN THAT MOTION.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THE AREAS THAT WE NEED TO  
19 BE SURE. BECAUSE OUR WHOLE MOVEMENT IS TOWARDS LEASING  
20 BUILDINGS TODAY. AND CERTAINLY THE BUILDINGS THAT WE HOLD OUT  
21 THAT PEOPLE OFTEN SEE ARE THE ONES THAT ARE BEING LEASED  
22 BECAUSE THE PAYMENTS ARE \_\_\_\_\_. AS A RESULT WE MOVE AWAY  
23 FROM ACTUAL OWNERSHIP. SO I DO THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO BE  
24 NECESSARY TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE BUILDINGS, AS WELL, MEET THE



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1 SAME STANDARDS THAT WE HAVE IN TERMS OF LEADS AND IN TERMS OF  
2 SOME OF THOSE WATER STANDARDS AND SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS.

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4 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** SUPERVISOR, I DON'T BELIEVE THE LEAD  
5 CERTIFICATION THAT WE ADOPTED AS PART OF THE ENERGY POLICY  
6 INCLUDED LEASED BUILDING. I THINK IT'S A VERY VALID POINT THAT  
7 WE OUGHT TO LOOK AT. I THINK MY OFFICE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
8 BILL, COULD EXAMINE THAT AND REPORT BACK ON HOW WE'D  
9 INCORPORATE THAT INTO OUR LEASE ARRANGEMENTS.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT WOULD BE OUR REQUEST, BECAUSE WHEN IT  
12 COMES TO A NEW BUILDING, THERE'S ONE APPROACH WE CAN TAKE OR A  
13 BUILDING THAT'S IN THE MIDDLE OF CONSTRUCTION OR WILL BE  
14 CONSTRUCTED. FOR SOME OF THE OLDER BUILDINGS IN THE COUNTY, IT  
15 CREATES AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT CHALLENGE.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT.

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19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO-- WE ASK THAT WE COULD  
20 REPORT BACK ON THAT.

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22 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW WITH THE LEAD STANDARDS, WILL THERE BE AN  
23 UPDATING OF THOSE STANDARDS AS TECHNOLOGY CHANGES? AND IS  
24 THERE A PROCESS SET UP WHERE WE CAN UPDATE OUR STANDARDS ON  
25 LEADS? OR IS IT PERMANENT? OR HOW IS THAT GOING TO WORK?



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2 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** IT'S ONGOING. LEAD STANDARDS ARE UPDATED ON AN  
3 ONGOING BASIS AS NEW TECHNOLOGY AND APPROACHES ARE MADE  
4 AVAILABLE.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THAT WE HAVE-- WE HAVE A COUPLE MOTIONS.  
7 WE'RE GOING THE PASS THEM OUT. AND YOU'LL HAVE REPORTS BACK  
8 ABOUT QUARTERLY?

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10 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** WE REPORT BACK EVERY SIX MONTHS ON ALL ASPECTS  
11 OF THE COUNTY'S ENERGY POLICY, INCLUDING LEAD, PURCHASING,  
12 PUBLIC OUTREACH.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** IS IT POSSIBLE FOR THAT TO BE QUARTERLY SO WE CAN  
15 KEEP UP TO DATE?

16

17 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** ABSOLUTELY.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THAT WOULD BE ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WOULD  
20 BE VERY, VERY IMPORTANT. ALSO ON THIS IS THAT WE HAVE THE  
21 WHOLE CONCEPT IN TERMS-- AND I GUESS THE C.I.O. IS THE ONE  
22 THAT WE SHOULD ASK THESE QUESTIONS OF-- IN TERMS OF OUR  
23 COMPUTERS AND THE UTILIZATION OF THE TECHNOLOGY ISSUES THAT  
24 TODAY, AS I UNDERSTAND, THAT THE ELECTRONIC PRODUCT  
25 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOOL IS A SYSTEM FOR BEING ABLE TO



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1 EVALUATE THE COMPUTERS. NOW, IS THAT DONE BY YOUR OFFICE, OR  
2 IS THAT DONE BY THE C.I.O.?

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4 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** THAT'S DONE BY MY OFFICE. THE PROGRAM YOU'RE  
5 REFERENCING IS E.P.E.T.E. WE ARE EXAMINING THAT NOW ALONG WITH  
6 ALL THE OTHER STANDARDS THAT WE'D LIKE TO ESTABLISH FOR GREEN  
7 CATALOGS, WHETHER IT'S CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS OR ELECTRONICS.  
8 WE HAVE SOME REQUESTS OUT TO THE VENDOR COMMUNITY NOW. IN  
9 ADDITION TO THEIR ABILITY TO MEET E.P.E.T.E STANDARD, WHICH  
10 WE'D LIKE TO STANDARDIZE ON, WE ALREADY HAVE AN ENERGY STAR  
11 REQUIREMENT THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPTED SEVERAL YEARS AGO, WHICH  
12 INCLUDES COMPUTERS. AND WE'RE ALSO SEEKING INFORMATION ON  
13 ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY PACKAGING FOR ALL THE COMPUTER  
14 PRODUCTS BECAUSE THEY CONSUME, AS MAY YOU WELL KNOW, AN  
15 INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF STYROFOAM WHEN YOU OPEN THOSE BOXES. AND  
16 WE'RE LOOKING FOR ULTIMATE DELIVERY METHODS WITH ALL OF OUR  
17 MANUFACTURERS.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW WILL THAT APPLY TO ALL OF OUR COMPUTERS? I  
20 MEAN THE COMPUTERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, ALL OF THOSE  
21 ACQUIRED BY ALL DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL AS--?

22

23 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** ALL THE COMPUTERS IN THE COUNTY ARE ACQUIRED  
24 THROUGH MY OFFICE, SO THE ANSWER WOULD BE YES.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THEY'LL ALL BE SUBJECT TO THOSE SAME  
2 RECOMMENDATIONS?

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4 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** YES.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** AND RULES AND AN EVALUATION.

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8 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** YES.

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO ASK FOR A REPORT BACK IN THE 45 DAYS  
11 TO THE EXTENT OF HOW THIS IS BEING IMPLEMENTED.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL PASS OUT THE MOTIONS AND I THINK BASICALLY  
16 THAT'S ALL THAT YOU'RE ASKING FOR.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I ALSO HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO THIS. I  
19 WON'T READ THE WHOLE THING. BUT IF MY STAFF WOULD PASS IT OUT.  
20 I'LL JUST READ THE RESOLVE AND THEN I'LL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR  
21 KNABE. I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO GET A HEART ATTACK. I DIDN'T  
22 FORGET. WE THEREFORE MOVE-- AND THIS IS JOINTLY BY ME AND  
23 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF  
24 SUPERVISORS ADOPT STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION WITH THE FOLLOWING  
25 MODIFICATIONS. ONE, PREPARE AND SUBMIT WITHIN 60 DAYS



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1 ORDINANCES ADDRESSING GREEN BUILDING AND LOW IMPACT  
2 DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND  
3 ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE BODY THAT ARE REFLECTIVE OF THE STAFF  
4 RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN TODAY'S REPORT AS WELL AS THE  
5 BOARD'S DISCUSSION ON THIS ISSUE. TWO, IN ADDITION TO THE  
6 RECOMMENDED L.I.D. PROVISIONS FOR DISCRETIONARY PROJECTS, ADD  
7 PROVISIONS ADDRESSING L.I.D. REQUIREMENTS FOR NONDISCRETIONARY  
8 DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCE SUBMITTED TO THE REGIONAL  
9 PLANNING COMMISSION. THREE, INCORPORATE L.I.D. STANDARDS INTO  
10 PUBLIC WORKS ROAD AND FLOOD DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE MANUALS AS  
11 SOON AS PRACTICABLE BUT NO LATER THAN 2009. FOUR, CONDUCT  
12 OUTREACH WITH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATIONS AND TOWN COUNCILS,  
13 BUILDING INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES, UTILITIES AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
14 GROUPS OWNERSHIP AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING  
15 THE DRAFT ORDINANCE TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. FIVE,  
16 PREPARE A COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF THE VARIOUS L.I.D.  
17 REQUIREMENTS THAT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCE  
18 PRIOR TO ITS SUBMITTAL TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.  
19 AND SIX, IN ORDER TO ADDRESS WATER AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY  
20 MEASURES AS A COHERENT POLICY ACTION, INCORPORATE THE BOARD'S  
21 PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED DROUGHT TOLERANT LANDSCAPING ORDINANCE  
22 INTO THE AFOREMENTIONED DRAFT ORDINANCE THAT IS TO BE  
23 SUBMITTED TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION WITHIN 90 DAYS.  
24 MISS BURKE ACCEPTS THAT?  
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1 **SUP. BURKE:** YES.

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3 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SECONDED BY MISS BURKE. MR. KNABE?

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND I HAVE A MOTION AS WELL.  
6 I'LL LET HIM READ IT. THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE OBVIOUSLY IN  
7 REGARDS TO THE CONVERSATION HERE ON ITEM 25, STRONG CONCERNS  
8 ABOUT THE POTENTIAL COST IMPACT TO PARTICULARLY THE SINGLE  
9 FAMILY HOME BUYER. I THINK THAT'S PART OF OUR MOTION, AS WELL,  
10 TOO. BUT THE OTHER THING WE'LL DISCUSS LATER AS IT RELATES TO  
11 ITEM 13, MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION ABOUT COOL COUNTIES OR  
12 SOMETHING LIKE THAT, THAT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A.B.32 AND  
13 ITEM 13, IS THERE A DIFFERENCE AS TO WHAT WE'RE DOING AS FAR  
14 AS IMPLEMENTATION?

15

16 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** DO YOU WANT ME TO ADDRESS THAT?

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SURE, GO AHEAD. IT'S INTERCONNECTED.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S CONNECTED.

21

22 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** IF YOU'D PERMIT ME, I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU KIND  
23 OF A ONE MINUTE GENERAL ANSWER FIRST AND THEN THE SPECIFIC. IN  
24 MY VIEW, COOL COUNTIES IS CONSISTENT WITH A.B.32 AS WELL AS  
25 THE EXECUTIVE ORDER THAT THE GOVERNOR SIGNED, S.305, I THINK.



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1 IN JUNE OF '06, WHICH ESTABLISHED A 50 PERCENT-- I'M SORRY, AN  
2 80 PERCENT GREENHOUSE REDUCTION GOAL BY THE YEAR 2050, WHICH  
3 IS BASICALLY WHAT'S EMBEDDED IN THE COOL COUNTIES PLEDGE. I  
4 BELIEVE IT'S JUST REALLY A COMMITMENT BY LOCAL-- IT STARTED  
5 WITH CITIES, BUT NOW COUNTIES, ACROSS THE NATION TO ENDORSE  
6 THE TYPES OF INITIATIVES THAT S.B.32-- I MEAN A.B.32, RATHER,  
7 AND THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER, ENVISIONS. IT'S JUST A  
8 NATIONAL OUTREACH RATHER THAN SOMETHING THAT'S STRICTLY WITHIN  
9 CALIFORNIA. I THINK SIX COUNTIES SO FAR WITHIN CALIFORNIA HAVE  
10 ADOPTED IT. IN TERMS OF THE SPECIFIC ACTIONS THAT ARE REQUIRED  
11 OR THAT YOU'RE PLEDGING TO DO, ONE IS THE CREATION OF CARBON  
12 FOOTPRINT, IF YOU WOULD, OF AN INVENTORY OF YOUR EMISSIONS. WE  
13 ARE ALREADY DOING THAT AS A RESULT OF THE ENERGY POLICY THAT  
14 THE BOARD ADOPTED BY JOINING IN THE CALIFORNIA CLIMATE  
15 REGISTRY. AND IT'S CERTAINLY GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT'S  
16 ULTIMATELY REQUIRED BY A.B.32. THE SECOND INITIATIVE DEALT  
17 WITH COLLABORATING WITH OTHER LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENT  
18 AGENCIES IN REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. WE'RE DOING  
19 THAT AS PART OF THE COUNTY'S ENERGY POLICY. THE THIRD ELEMENT  
20 WAS TO IDENTIFY YOUR VULNERABILITIES WITHIN A COUNTY AND  
21 CREATE A PLAN, YOUR VULNERABILITIES AS IT RELATES TO  
22 EMISSIONS, AND TO CREATE A PLAN TO ADDRESS THOSE. IT BASICALLY  
23 TAKES THE FORM OF A FAIRLY SIMPLE CHECKLIST THAT THEY ASK YOU  
24 TO FILL OUT IN THE AREA OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY, WHICH INCLUDES  
25 RETROFITS, WHICH WE HAVE ALREADY DONE, RENEWABLE ENERGY,



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1 FLEETS VEHICLES-- IN OTHER WORDS, ARE YOU USING ULTIMATE AND  
2 CLEAN USE FUELS?-- YOUR LAND USE POLICIES ET CETERA. IT'S JUST  
3 A CHECKLIST OF THE INITIATIVES THAT YOU'RE UNDERTAKING TO  
4 REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. AND THE FINAL AREA DEALT WITH  
5 URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO INCREASE THE CORPORATE  
6 AVERAGE FUEL EFFICIENCY OR CAFE STANDARD, I THINK, TO 35 MILES  
7 PER GALLON. LONG-WINDED WAY OF SAYING I THINK ALL THE ELEMENTS  
8 OF COOL COUNTIES ARE CONSISTENT, VERY CONSISTENT WITH WHAT  
9 A.B.32--

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEY'RE REASONABLE AND ATTAINABLE?

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13 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I DON'T KNOW IF ANY OF THIS IS ATTAINABLE.  
14 I'D BE LYING TO YOU IF I THOUGHT WE COULD DO IT. I THINK IT'S  
15 UNAVOIDABLE. I THINK YOU'VE GOT TO ACHIEVE IT. THE 80 PERCENT  
16 OBJECTIVE IS, IN MOST LITERATURE, WHAT THE SCIENTIFIC  
17 COMMUNITY BELIEVES YOU HAVE TO ACHIEVE BY 2050 IN ORDER TO  
18 HAVE A SIGNIFICANT MITIGATION ON THE IMPACT OF GLOBAL CLIMATE  
19 CHANGE. SO IT'S UNAVOIDABLE. I THINK WE HAVE TO DO IT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** FOLLOW UP ON ITEM 25 TO REGIONAL PLANNING.  
22 OBVIOUSLY THE L.I.D.S ARE DRAINAGE-RELATED STANDARDS THAT CAN  
23 BE ADDED TO THE COUNTY CODE TO REGULATE DEVELOPMENT. WHILE  
24 BEING SUPPORTIVE OF THE CONCEPT, WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT THE



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1 COST TO THE HOMEOWNERS TO MEET THESE STANDARDS? DO WE HAVE ANY  
2 IDEA?

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4 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** WITH REGARD TO THE L.I.D. STANDARDS, IT WOULD  
5 BE INCORPORATED WITHIN THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION AND  
6 PROBABLY WOULD BE REALLY ALMOST NO COST TO THE INDIVIDUAL  
7 HOMEOWNER, THE PROSPECTIVE BUYER BECAUSE IT WOULD BE  
8 INCORPORATED IN-- RATHER THAN DO THE GRADING UNDER PLAN A,  
9 THEY WOULD DO THE GRADING UNDER PLAN B, RATHER THAN DESIGN THE  
10 DRAINAGE SYSTEM UNDER PLAN A, THEY WOULD DESIGN IT UNDER PLAN  
11 B. THE COST FOR L.I.D.S ARE MINIMAL, PERHAPS NONEXISTENT.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** REGARDLESS, SO THAT THERE'S NO CONFUSION, YOU DO  
14 PLAN EXTENSIVE OUTREACH TO HOMEOWNER GROUPS?

15

16 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** YES, YES. NOW, AGAIN, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE,  
17 WE'RE NOT GOING TO EMBARK UPON A PROGRAM TO GO INTO EXISTING  
18 NEIGHBORHOODS AND DEMAND THAT THEY RETROFIT. SOME RETROFITTING  
19 IS BEING DONE. FOR EXAMPLE, LOS ANGELES CITY, ADJACENT TO  
20 RIVERSIDE DRIVE WHERE SOME OF THOSE SIDE STREETS GO DIRECTLY  
21 INTO THE L.A. RIVER? THEY HAVE GONE IN WITH L.I.D.S  
22 RETROFITTING USING FEDERAL GRANTS. SO THOSE KINDS. AND THERE'S  
23 NO ADDITIONAL COST. NO COST TO RESIDENTS OF THOSE  
24 NEIGHBORHOODS. BUT WE'RE NOT PROPOSING TO DEMAND THAT  
25 RESIDENTS RETROFIT EXISTING NEIGHBORHOODS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** MIKE, WILL YOU BRING IN THE MOTION?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAD SOME QUESTIONS ON THAT SAME POINT THAT  
5 YOU WERE RAISING, THEN I'LL READ THE MOTION. RELATIVE TO--  
6 YOU'RE SAYING THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE ANY COSTS INCREASE FOR  
7 THE PERMITTING PROCESS, WHEN YOU ADOPT THESE NEW PROCEDURES AT  
8 THE ISSUE OF THE BUILDING PERMIT TIME? THE COSTS WILL BE THE  
9 SAME?

10

11 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** THERE MAY BE A SLIGHT INCREASE IN THE COST FOR  
12 THE FEE. BUT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TO THE BUYER IN A  
13 DEVELOPMENT. THE L.I.D. SHOULD NOT HAVE AN APPRECIABLE COST  
14 INCREASE.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THERE COULD BE AN INCREASE WHEN YOU PICK  
17 UP THE PERMIT.

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19 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** THERE COULD BE.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IS THERE AN INCREASE IN THE TIME FOR YOUR  
22 PERMIT?

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24 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** WE DON'T SEE AN APPRECIABLE INCREASE, 10, 15  
25 PERCENT, AT MOST.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IT COULD BE DELAYED 10 TO 15 PERCENT  
3 LONGER. WHAT IS THE CURRENT TIMEFRAME TO GET A PERMIT IF YOU'  
4 GOING TO BUILD ONE HOUSE, AND WHAT WOULD IT BE IF YOU WERE  
5 GOING TO BUILD TEN HOUSES?

6

7 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** WELL, YOU'RE GOING TO BUILD ONE HOME ON AN  
8 EXISTING LOT, L.I.D. WOULD NOT BE A FACTOR AT THIS POINT IN  
9 TIME. IT'S FOR THE SUBDIVISIONS. WHEN THE SUBDIVISIONS ARE  
10 COMING IN TO BE CONSIDERED AND THOSE DESIGN PLANS ARE BEING  
11 REVIEWED, THE DESIGN WOULD BE DONE SOMEWHAT DIFFERENTLY, QUITE  
12 A BIT DIFFERENTLY THAN IS CURRENTLY BEING DONE. ONE OF THE  
13 MAJOR CONCEPTS-- THE MAJOR DIFFERENCE HERE IS THAT UNDER THE  
14 CURRENT APPROACH, WE TRY TO WITHDRAW THE WATER FROM THE  
15 SUBJECT PROPERTY AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. WE TRY TO GET IT OFF  
16 THE ROOF INTO THE GUTTER, DOWN THE CONCRETE DRIVEWAY, INTO THE  
17 DRAINAGE SYSTEM AND THEN INTO THE RIVER AND OUT TO THE OCEAN.  
18 THAT'S THE CURRENT APPROACH. THE NEW APPROACH WOULD BE TO  
19 DESIGN THE GRADING SYSTEM DIFFERENTLY SO THAT THE WATER WOULD  
20 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PERCOLATE INTO THE GROUND AND RECHARGE  
21 THE SUBTERRANEAN AQUIFERS IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. AND SO  
22 BASICALLY AS STAFF AND THE PRIVATE ENGINEERING COMMUNITY  
23 BECOME INCREASINGLY FAMILIAR WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS  
24 APPROACH, I THINK THE REVIEW TIME WILL EVENTUALLY BE EXACTLY



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1 WHAT IT IS TODAY. INITIALLY THERE MAY BE, BUT IT'S GOING TO  
2 WORK ITS WAY DOWN.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS WHERE SUPERVISOR KNABE AND I HAVE  
5 THAT CONCERN. SO IS THERE ANY CONSIDERATION OF PUTTING  
6 WATERLESS TOILET URINALS IN THE COUNTY FACILITIES?

7

8 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** YES. WE'RE PILOTING A PROJECT AT EASTERN AS  
9 WE SPEAK TO GET REACTION AND SEE HOW THAT WORKS. I BELIEVE  
10 THEY'RE GREAT WATER CONSERVERS. SO BASED ON THE PILOT RESULTS,  
11 WE'LL INCORPORATE THAT INTO THE PROGRAM.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR KNABE AND I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER  
14 THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT BEFORE THE COUNTY ADOPTS THE NEW  
15 GREENING BUILDING AND LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, THAT  
16 STAFF AND REGIONAL PLANNING ASSESS THE IMPACTS UPON INDIVIDUAL  
17 PROPERTY OWNERS AND FUTURE HOME BUYERS. SECURING APPROVALS AND  
18 PERMITS FROM THE VARIOUS AGENCIES FOR A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING  
19 ON AN EXISTING LEGAL LOT, IT COULD BE AN INTIMIDATING PROCESS,  
20 ESPECIALLY FOR A HOMEOWNER SEEKING TO MODIFY OWNER-OCCUPIED  
21 PROPERTY FOR PERSONAL USE. ACCOMMODATION OF MULTIPLE SEPARATE  
22 FILINGS AND REVIEW FEES AS WELL AS CHARGES FROM ENGINEERS AND  
23 ARCHITECTS OFTEN EXCEED \$20,000 FOR ONE HOME. THE LOT SPLIT IS  
24 INVOLVED, COMBINED FEES ARE THEN BETWEEN 50 AND \$100,000.  
25 ENTIRE REVIEW PROCESS FROM SUBMITTAL OF A PARCEL MAP



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1 APPLICATION TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT OFTEN TAKES MORE  
2 THAN TWO YEARS. BEFORE THE COUNTY ADOPTS ADDITIONAL STANDARDS  
3 RELATIVE TO GREEN BUILDINGS OR LOW IMPACT DESIGN, WE NEED TO  
4 TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE IMPACTS UPON THE HOMEOWNER THAT'S  
5 ATTEMPTING TO BUILD SMALLER, MODEST PROJECTS, ESPECIALLY NEW  
6 HOUSING. THE COST OF HOUSING IN L.A. COUNTY IS THE HIGHEST IN  
7 THE NATION. AS THE PRICE OF HOUSING ESCALATES, THE DREAM OF  
8 OWNING ONE'S HOME IS BECOMING MORE OF A DISTANT REALITY FOR  
9 MANY OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. WHILE THE COST TO REAL  
10 PROPERTY IS LARGELY BEYOND COUNTY CONTROL, THE APPLICATION  
11 REVIEW FEES AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS THAT THE COUNTY IMPOSES  
12 BEAR DIRECTLY UPON THE COST OF NEW HOUSING. IT IS THEREFORE  
13 IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNTY ASSESS THE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON ANY  
14 DECISIONS RELATIVE TO THESE PROPOSED STANDARDS. SO WE WOULD  
15 MOVE THAT THE BOARD AMEND THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS TO DIRECT  
16 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO EVALUATE THE ECONOMIC  
17 IMPACTS UPON PROPERTY OWNERS OF SMALL, NONDISCRETIONARY  
18 PROJECTS, PARTICULARLY OWNERS OF AN INDIVIDUAL LOT ATTEMPTING  
19 TO CONSTRUCT A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING FOR THEIR PERSONAL USE  
20 AND ALL PROPOSED GREEN BUILDING LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT  
21 STANDARDS, DIRECT THE-- ALSO DIRECTING THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
22 COMMISSION TO EVALUATE THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS UPON PROPERTY  
23 OWNERS OF SMALLER PROJECTS THAT REQUIRE A DISCRETIONARY  
24 APPROVAL, INCLUDING PROJECTS SUBJECT TO A PLAT PLAN REVIEW,  
25 DIRECTOR'S REVIEW, COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT MODIFICATION,



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1 MINOR C.U.P.S, PARCEL MAPS AND SIMILAR PROJECTS THAT ARE LESS  
2 IMPACTING UPON EXISTING COMMUNITIES OF ALL PROPOSED GREEN  
3 BUILDING AND LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, AND DIRECT THE  
4 C.E.O. TO PREPARE A COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED GREEN  
5 BUILDING LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS TO QUANTIFY THE  
6 ADDITIONAL COSTS OF SUCH STANDARDS UPON FUTURE HOME BUYERS.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO ADD TO THAT "TO  
9 REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS ON THE ADVISABILITY OF EXEMPTING  
10 SINGLE-FAMILY OWNERS?"

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S FINE.

13

14 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, UNDER OUR CURRENT APPROACH,  
15 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES WILL NOT COME INTO THE PROGRAM UNTIL 2010.  
16 THEY WILL BE EXEMPT THROUGH 2008 AND 2009.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, IN THAT CASE, THEN, SIMPLY SAY THAT--

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNDER THE AMENDMENT I'VE MADE IT WOULD  
21 BE LOOKED AT BY THE--

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** IT WOULD BE REVIEWED WHEN IT COMES IN PRIOR TO  
24 2010.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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3 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. NOW, ARE THERE LISTS OF INCENTIVES THAT  
4 YOU'RE PROVIDING?

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6 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** WE DON'T HAVE ANY INCENTIVES IN THE COUNTY FROM  
7 THE STANDPOINT OF GIVING INDIVIDUALS FINANCIAL INCENTIVES  
8 DIRECTLY FROM THE COUNTY. THERE ARE INCENTIVES FROM THE  
9 VARIOUS UTILITIES OUT THERE. AND WE WOULD PROPOSE IN OUR-- ON  
10 OUR WEBSITE TO DEVELOP A LOCATION THAT A PROSPECTIVE BUYER  
11 DEVELOPER COULD GO TO, TO FIND OUT WHERE ALL OF THOSE TAX  
12 REBATES AND VARIOUS INCENTIVES ARE FROM THE EDISON AND GAS  
13 COMPANY AND D.W.P.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I DO WANT TO GET-- UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WOULD  
16 IN NO WAY AFFECT OUR STANDARDS IN TERMS OF OUR BUILDINGS,  
17 CORRECT? THIS AMENDMENT?

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19 **PAUL MCCARTHY:** CORRECT. THIS PROPOSAL IS ADDRESSING THE  
20 PRIVATE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT. IT'S NOT ADDRESSING THE LEASING  
21 ISSUE THAT WAS DISCUSSED A FEW MOMENTS AGO.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT.

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I ALSO HAVE MORE.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AFTER HER.

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SHE'S DONE. MIKE?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RELATIVE TO THE E.P. PROGRAM AND SUPERVISOR  
9 BURKE'S AMENDMENT, HOW LONG HAS THE E.P.E.T.E. PROGRAM BEEN IN  
10 EFFECT?

11

12 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** WE'RE NOT IN THE E.P. PROGRAM NOW. WE'RE  
13 EXAMINING THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING THAT AS A STANDARD. THE  
14 STANDARD ITSELF I THINK IS A COUPLE YEARS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** A COUPLE YEARS? AND HOW MANY COUNTIES AND  
17 CITIES ARE IN THIS ACROSS THE COUNTRY THAT REQUIRE ALL  
18 PURCHASES OF COMPUTERS MEET THESE STANDARDS?

19

20 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I DON'T KNOW. THAT'S PART OF THE EXAMINATION  
21 WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING IN TERMS OF THE FEASIBILITY OF  
22 IMPLEMENTING IT. I KNOW THAT 90 MANUFACTURERS ARE CERTIFIED AT  
23 ONE LEVEL OR ANOTHER ALREADY.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO WE HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL  
2 COST OF REQUIRING ALL COMPUTERS PURCHASED MUST MEET AN  
3 E.P.E.T.E. BRONZE PERFORMANCE RANKING?

4

5 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** NO, WE DON'T AT THIS TIME.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN COULD WE, SUPERVISOR BURKE'S MOTION,  
8 HAVE THAT AS A REPORT BACK SO WE CAN GET THOSE COSTS?

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** IT IS A REPORT IN 45 DAYS. AND THE FEASIBILITY OF  
11 REQUIRING THAT ON ALL REQUESTS RESULTS FROM SOLICITATION AND  
12 ACQUISITION. AND WE COULD ALSO INCLUDE TO REPORT BACK ON ANY  
13 ADDITIONAL COSTS OR SAVINGS.

14

15 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** IF I COULD JUST PROVIDE ONE FRAMEWORK. FOR  
16 EVERYTHING IN OUR ENVIRONMENTAL PURCHASING POLICY NOW IS AN  
17 ALL THINGS BEING EQUAL APPROACH. SO IT SAYS "ALL THINGS BEING  
18 EQUAL, IF YOU CAN GET THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPUTER OR C.U.P. OR  
19 WHATEVER, BUILDING MATERIAL, AT THE SAME COST AS THE  
20 TRADITIONAL, YOU OUGHT TO GO GREEN." THE EXCEPTION TO THAT IS  
21 ENERGY STAR, WHICH TELLS BUYERS TO LOOK AT THE LIFE CYCLE COST  
22 IN DETERMINING WHAT'S THE MOST ECONOMICAL DECISION. SHOULD WE  
23 EVER GO TO A POINT IN TIME WHERE WE'RE ASKING TO BUY MORE  
24 EXPENSIVE PRODUCTS THAN WE OTHERWISE WOULD TO MEET A GREEN



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1 STANDARD, I WOULD COME BACK BEFORE THE BOARD AND SEEK  
2 PERMISSION TO DO THAT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO GET AN UNDERSTANDING NOW. IF THERE IS  
5 IN A COMPUTER A CUTOFF AFTER IT'S NOT UTILIZED AFTER SUCH A  
6 PERIOD OF TIME. FOR INSTANCE OFTEN THEY'RE NOT USED OVER THE  
7 WEEKEND IN OUR COUNTY BUILDINGS. IF IT'S GOING, IT HAS AN  
8 ENERGY EFFECT.

9

10 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** SURE, RIGHT.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** IF THERE IS A CUTOFF, I WOULD THINK THAT YOU WOULD  
13 EVALUATE THE ENERGY SAVING DEVICE VERSUS THE COST OF THE  
14 ENERGY THAT WOULD BE CONSUMED.

15

16 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** IN THE CASE OF ENERGY CONSUMPTION, WE ALREADY  
17 DO THAT BECAUSE THE BOARD ADOPTED THE ENERGY STAR STANDARD  
18 ABOUT FIVE YEARS AGO. AND IN DOING SO REQUIRED A LIFE CYCLE  
19 APPROACH WHICH INCLUDED ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN DETERMINING  
20 WHAT'S THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE APPROACH. SO WE MAY BUY A MORE  
21 EXPENSIVE COMPUTER THAT'S ENERGY STAR CERTIFIED, BUT OVER THE  
22 LIFE OF THE COMPUTER, WE'LL SAVE MONEY BECAUSE IT'S USING LESS  
23 AMPERAGE TO RUN IT.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** ON VENDORS WHO HAVE THE KIND OF MACHINES THAT  
2 PROVIDE COKES AND OTHER THINGS, DO WE HAVE THE REQUIREMENT  
3 THERE THAT THOSE ARE CUT OFF, TOO, UNTIL THEY'RE USED? THOSE  
4 VENDORS WHO COME IN? BECAUSE I KNOW SOME PLACES, THEY REQUIRE  
5 THOSE VENDORS WHO COME IN WITH MACHINES THAT SELL POTATO CHIPS  
6 AND ALL THOSE THINGS, TO HAVE THE DEVICE ON IT SO THAT WHEN IT  
7 IS NOT ACTUALLY IN USE, IT'S CUT OFF AND IT'S NOT ENERGY  
8 CONSUMING?

9

10 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** FRANKLY, I DON'T KNOW. BUT I DO KNOW THAT THE  
11 COUNTY ALSO HAS SOME INITIATIVES TO HAVE BETTER FOOD PRODUCTS  
12 IN THE MACHINES, WHICH REQUIRE, THEN, IT TO BE ON FOR COOLING  
13 PURPOSES SO THAT THEY STAY FRESH. THEY MAY BE MUTUALLY  
14 EXCLUSIVE. I CAN LOOK AT THAT.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT THIS IS USUALLY FOR CANDY BARS AND POTATO  
17 CHIPS AND ALL THE VENDING MACHINES THAT SOME JURISDICTIONS  
18 REQUIRE THAT IT BE SUCH THAT WHEN YOU START TO USE IT, IT  
19 TURNS IT ON.

20

21 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I THINK IT'S A SAFE GUESS ON MY PART THAT WE  
22 DO NOT HAVE THOSE.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. I THINK THAT WE'LL GET THE INFORMATION FOR  
25 YOU FROM THE JURISDICTIONS THAT HAVE THEM.



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2 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** THAT WOULD BE VERY FASCINATING TO LOOK AT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL ACCEPT THE AMENDMENTS.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** AS AMENDED.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'VE BEEN IMPRESSED WITH THE DISCUSSION AND HOW  
13 WELL THE DEPARTMENT IS HANDLING ALL THE QUESTIONS. IT'S MY  
14 UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY'VE DONE A REALLY GOOD JOB. NOW THIS IS  
15 A DIFFICULT AND COMPREHENSIVE ISSUE BUT I'VE BEEN IMPRESSED  
16 WITH HOW RESPONSIVE THEY HAVE BEEN, SO THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE ENTHUSIASM. WE'RE ALWAYS  
19 THE LEADER EVERYWHERE IN L.A. COUNTY. AND WE HAVE TO CONTINUE  
20 TO BE.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT AS AMENDED.

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1       **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND WITH--

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3       **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE'S TWO SPEAKERS.

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5       **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OH YES, THERE ARE--

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7       **SUP. KNABE:** WITH ALL THE AMENDMENTS?

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9       **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE ARE TWO SPEAKERS WHO WANT TO BE  
10       HEARD. TERRA DONLON AND JAMES ALAMILLO.

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12       **TERRA DONLON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
13       BOARD. TERRA DONLON, VICE PRESIDENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FOR  
14       THE BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION, L.A.-VENTURA CHAPTER. AS AN  
15       INDUSTRY, B.I.A. MEMBERS STAND READY TO WORK WITH RAJ AND PAUL  
16       TO HELP REACH GOALS OF GREENING L.A. COUNTY, BUT I CANNOT  
17       STRESS ENOUGH THE NEED FOR FURTHER WORK TO BE DONE ON THIS  
18       REPORT. IN SOME AREAS, THE REPORT IS VERY VAGUE AND THE DEVIL  
19       WILL MOST CERTAINLY BE IN THE DETAILS. AND WE ASK THAT OUR  
20       INDUSTRY BE SEEN AS A RESOURCE AND WORK WITH YOU AS WE MOVE  
21       FORWARD TO STRENGTHEN THESE POLICIES. IN OTHER AREAS SUCH AS  
22       THE COUNTY WIDE GREEN BUILDING PROGRAM, WE FEEL IT'S CURRENTLY  
23       WRITTEN IN SUCH A WAY THAT THOSE OF US IN THE BUILDING  
24       INDUSTRY ARE FEARFUL THAT COUNTY STAFF AND, IN TURN, MAYBE YOU  
25       AS POLICYMAKERS, BELIEVE THAT THE LEAD PROGRAM IS SYNONYMOUS



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1 WITH GREEN BUILDING, WHICH IT IS NOT. AND WE WOULD ASK THAT  
2 THE REMOVAL OF LEAD IN SPEAKING IN GENERAL TERMS FOR GREEN  
3 BUILDING BE CALLED GREEN BUILDING IF THAT IS WHAT IS IN FACT  
4 WE WOULD OUR GOAL TO BE. THERE IS A MENTION IN FOOTNOTE THAT  
5 OTHER GREEN BUILDING PROGRAMS ARE ACCEPTABLE FOR COMPLIANCE  
6 FOR SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES. WE WOULD ASK THAT THAT BE MADE CLEAR  
7 THAT LEAD IS NOT THE ONLY ANSWER TO GREENING L.A. COUNTY IN  
8 THAT RESPECT. ON A SEPARATE NOTE, WE WERE ALSO WANTING TO ASK  
9 FOR A FISCAL ANALYSIS, SO GLAD TO SEE THAT THERE'S A MOTION  
10 BEFORE YOU TO INCLUDE THAT WITH THE MEDIAN HOME PRICES WELL  
11 ABOVE \$500,000 IN L.A. COUNTY, AS POLICYMAKERS, YOU SHOULD BE  
12 AWARE OF THE FINANCIAL IMPACTS THESE POLICIES WILL HAVE ON THE  
13 COST OF A SINGLE-FAMILY HOME FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS. LET ME  
14 PLEASE REITERATE THAT B.I.A.'S WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH THE  
15 COUNTY TO IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND COMBAT GLOBAL WARMING.  
16 WE TRULY FEEL THAT A VOLUNTARY INCENTIVE-BASED APPROACH WILL  
17 HELP ACHIEVE THESE GOALS. I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS QUICKLY  
18 PAUL'S COMMENTS ON LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT COSTS. WE'RE  
19 CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE L.A. REGIONAL QUALITY WATER BOARD  
20 ON THEIR STORM WATER PERMIT AND THE INCORPORATION OF L.I.D. IN  
21 VENTURA COUNTY. YOU GUYS WILL BE SEEING THIS COME TO YOU NEXT  
22 AS WE'LL BE WORKING ON THAT, THAT PERMIT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY.  
23 THERE IS QUITE A COST TO LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT. LOW IMPACT  
24 DEVELOPMENT, DEPENDING ON THE WAYS IN WHICH YOU USE IT, IS  
25 INCREASING THE PERMEABLE SURFACES, SO YOU'RE INCREASING



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1 DIFFERENT MATERIALS. YOU'RE ALSO-- IT'S NOT JUST A GRADING  
2 ISSUE, IT'S THE USE OF THE LAND. DEPENDING UPON WHAT IS  
3 ENCOURAGED, SOMETIMES WE'RE SEEN IN VENTURA COUNTY A LOT-BY-  
4 LOT BASIS OR THE ABILITY TO DO LOT-BY-LOT, SO OBVIOUSLY THAT  
5 LAND WOULD BE REDUCED FOR HOMES AND THEREFORE COST OF HOMES  
6 WILL INCREASE.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. IS JAMES ALAMILLO HERE? NOT  
9 HERE? THEN PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE  
10 US. MOVED BY BURKE, SECONDED BY ME. IS THERE ANY FURTHER  
11 DISCUSSION? IF NOT, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS AMENDED.

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** AS AMENDED.

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AS AMENDED, ALL THE AMENDMENTS.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** THERE ARE ABOUT FIVE, I THINK.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO TAKE UP 13?

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL CALL 13.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAD MY QUESTION ANSWERED ON 13. THAT WAS THE  
2 REASON I HELD IT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU'RE GOING TO MOVE IT, THEN?

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL MOVE IT.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK THERE WAS SOMEONE ELSE THAT HELD IT. MR.  
9 ANTONOVICH HELD IT. BUT I DON'T KNOW IF HE HAD ALL HIS  
10 QUESTIONS ANSWERED. ALL RIGHT. I'LL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY  
11 KNABE.

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S 13. YOU WERE HOLDING 13.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK A QUESTION. THE ONE PROBLEM, THE  
16 CAFE STANDARDS WITHIN 10 YEARS, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE  
17 IMPACT ON PUBLIC SAFETY, PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLES ARE FULL SIZED  
18 VEHICLES BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO TRANSPORT SUSPECTS AND OTHERS.  
19 AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT TYPE OF VEHICLE IN 10 YEARS IS GOING TO  
20 BE ABLE TO MEET THOSE STANDARDS THAT REQUIRE THAT TYPE OF  
21 VEHICLE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES, AND I WOULD ASSUME SOME  
22 OTHER AGENCIES, AS WELL.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. LAMBERTSON, DO YOU WANT TO TRY TO  
25 ADDRESS THAT?



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2 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** THE COOL COUNTY PROGRAM REQUESTS COUNTIES TO  
3 SEEK FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR RAISING THE CAFE STANDARDS. THOSE  
4 HAVE HISTORICALLY APPLIED TO LIGHT TRUCKS AND PASSENGER  
5 VEHICLES. I BELIEVE PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLES ARE EXCLUDED. I'LL  
6 CONFIRM THAT AND REPORT BACK.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THEY'RE STILL FULL SIZED VEHICLES.

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10 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I BELIEVE THAT THEY HISTORICALLY HAVE BEEN  
11 EXCLUDED FROM THOSE STANDARDS. I'VE GOT TO DOUBLE CHECK THAT.  
12 IT ALSO EXCLUDES ANY VEHICLE THAT'S OVER 8,500 POUNDS, SO AS  
13 NOT TO IMPACT FARMERS. THAT DID INCLUDE SOME OF THE HEAVIER  
14 S.U.V.S AS TIME--

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE WEIGHT OF A--? WHAT DO WE USE  
17 NOW, CHEVROLETS AND FORDS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND  
18 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT USUALLY? WHAT IS THE WEIGHT FOR FORD  
19 VICTORIA AND THE I'M NOT SURE OF CHEVROLET MODEL?

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21 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I DON'T KNOW THE SPECIFIC WEIGHT. I THINK I  
22 CAN GUARANTEE YOU IT'S LESS THAN 8,500 POUNDS.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ABOUT HOW MANY?

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1 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** IT'S LESS THAN 8,500 POUNDS.

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3 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHAT DAVE IS REFERRING TO IN THIS INSTANCE,  
4 IT'S THE FUNCTION THAT'S BEING PERFORMED. AND SO THEY MAY BE  
5 ABLE TO VERIFY THAT, AN EXEMPTION FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE.  
6 EVEN THOUGH IT DOES FALL IN CATEGORY OF A PASSENGER CAR,  
7 BECAUSE OF THE FUNCTION THAT'S BEING PERFORMED, THAT'S  
8 PROBABLY THE BASIS FOR THE EXEMPTION. BUT WE'LL VERIFY THAT.

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10 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** AND I WOULD ADD THAT THE COOL COUNTY  
11 INITIATIVE SEEKS SUPPORT FOR HIGHER CAFE STANDARDS, BUT THAT  
12 DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS IN  
13 THAT REGARD THAT WE THINK MAKE SENSE. AND SO IF IT'S SEEK  
14 HIGHER STANDARD WITH EXCEPTION FOR PARTICULAR PUBLIC SAFETY  
15 VEHICLES, YOU COULD DO THAT, OR FOR THINGS THAT THE COUNTY  
16 THOUGHT THAT THEY OUGHT TO ADOPT AS A MATTER OF POLICY.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THIS GOAL WOULD ALSO BE FOR PRIVATE  
19 INDIVIDUALS? WE'RE NOT RESTRICTING IT JUST TO PUBLIC AGENCIES'  
20 PURCHASES?

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22 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** NO, NO, NO. THIS IS FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE.  
23 IT IS A STANDARD THAT SPEAKS TO WHAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS  
24 GOING TO REQUIRE OF AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS TO HAVE AS THEIR  
25 AVERAGE FUEL EFFICIENCY WITHIN THEIR FLEET. CURRENTLY IT'S 27



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1 SOMETHING, I THINK? AND THEY ARE SEEKING TO RAISE THAT TO 35.  
2 IT'S BEEN THAT WAY FOR ABOUT A DECADE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS ONE THAT'S HAD, I GUESS, RECENT EXPERIENCE  
5 WITH CHILDREN, CAR SEATS, WHEN YOU HAVE MORE THAN TWO CAR  
6 SEATS IN YOUR BACK SEAT, THERE IS NO ROOM. THE PROBLEM: WHAT  
7 DO YOU DO WITH FAMILIES THAT HAVE THREE CHILDREN, TWO  
8 CHILDREN? AND I THINK THOSE ARE SOME FACTORS THAT WE HAVE TO  
9 CONSIDER. AND I'M NOT SAYING THAT THIS OUGHT NOT TO BE A GOAL  
10 TO INCREASE MILEAGE, WHICH IT OUGHT TO BE, BUT IT'S TO  
11 MANDATE-- I READ THIS AS MANDATING A MINIMUM OF 35 INSTEAD OF  
12 HAVING A GOAL. I THINK YOU CAN HAVE SOME IMPACTS ON NOT JUST  
13 SMALL FAMILIES BUT EVEN LARGER FAMILIES. I MEAN, CAR SEATS FOR  
14 THE FIRST FOUR TO FIVE YEARS.

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16 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I'LL HAVE TO RE-READ IT BUT I DON'T BELIEVE  
17 THE COOL COUNTY INITIATIVE HAS ANY TIMEFRAME.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, I'M TALKING ABOUT THE PRIVATE SECTOR,  
20 MANDATING THAT FOR-- WE'RE SUPPORTING A PROPOSAL NOT JUST FOR  
21 THE PUBLIC SECTOR BUT ALSO MANDATING ON THE PRIVATE SECTOR.  
22 THOSE ARE SOME CONSIDERATIONS THAT NEED TO BE CONSIDERED. HOW  
23 DOES IT IMPACT A YOUNG FAMILY?

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25 **DAVE LAMBERTSON:** I AGREE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU PUT GRANDMA IN THE BACK SEAT. SHE'S VERY  
3 DIFFICULT.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M SERIOUS. IT'S A HELL OF A PROBLEM.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** A LOT OF THEM HAVE S.U.V.S NOW, I THINK.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, WE'RE GOING TO BE OUTLAWING THAT, TOO.

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, IS THERE ANY FURTHER  
14 DISCUSSION? IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO APPROVING ITEM 13? I  
15 HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.  
16 THANK YOU. THANKS, DAVE.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ABSTAIN ON THAT FOR THAT REASON.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. ABSTAIN FOR MR. ANTONOVICH. NO  
21 PROBLEM. DAVE, THANKS FOR YOUR BEING PREPARED.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S ON 13?

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25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S 13, YES.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL CALL UP 16.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** 16. MR. SACHS, ARE YOU STILL HERE?

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** IS HE 21, ALSO?

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M GOING TO ASK HIM TO SPEAK TO ALL OF  
9 THEM SINCE HE'S HERE.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** WHICH ONES ARE THOSE?

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** 16, 21, 24 AND 26.

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** OF COURSE 26 IS HELD FOR DISCUSSION.

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, BUT ALSO HELD FOR HIM.

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ACTUALLY I'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO 26 AFTER THE  
20 REPORT.

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I'LL TELL YOU WHAT. THIS IS YOUR  
23 SHOT.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'LL CALL IT UP NEXT. WHAT WE'LL DO IS CALL IT  
2 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING YOUR STATEMENT, WE'LL CALL IT UP.

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL I'M GOING TO SPEAK TO THE THREE, THAT'S  
5 FINE.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S FINE.

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9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ON 16, YES, I WANTED TO SPEAK ABOUT THAT  
10 REGARDING THE LOBBYISTS. THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE L.A.  
11 TIMES REGARDING THE SACRAMENTO LOBBYIST GETTING FUNDING FROM  
12 GROUPS HAVING AN AGENDA THAT IS DIFFERENT OR OPPOSED TO THE  
13 AGENDA THAT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE REPRESENTING FROM THE  
14 COUNTY, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE  
15 HAVING OUR LOBBYIST GROUP PUSH THIS AGENDA ITEM FORWARD,  
16 THEY'RE NOT GETTING FUNDING FROM AN OPPOSING POINT OF VIEW TO  
17 REPRESENT THEIR SIDE ALSO. AND ALSO THAT THE WASHINGTON  
18 LOBBYISTS, WOULD THESE BE THE SAME LOBBYISTS THAT DID NOT  
19 DEFEND THE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE V.A. HOSPITAL THAT WAS  
20 ALSO IN THE NEWS REPORT, THAT WERE RESCINDED PRIOR TO THE  
21 PRESIDENT SIGNING FUNDING FOR THE IRAQI DEPLOYMENT, FUNDING  
22 FOR THE WAR, CLAIMING THAT THERE WERE SOME PROVISIONS  
23 REGARDING THE V.A. HOSPITAL IN WEST L.A. THAT NEEDED TO BE  
24 REMOVED, THAT THE LOBBYISTS DID NOT DEFEND, AND THAT IF THEY  
25 WEREN'T REMOVED, THE PRESIDENT WOULD NOT SIGN THE FUNDING



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1 BILL? THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS REGARDING THE LOBBYISTS THAT WE  
2 HAVE WORKING FOR THE COUNTY. ITEM 21? DO YOU WANT ME TO TALK  
3 ON THAT?

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, YOU GOT 37 SECONDS.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, YOU'RE SPORTS. THIS IS MORE OR LESS  
8 REGARDING SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S COMMENTS LAST WEEK REGARDING  
9 FLOOD CONTROL BILLS AND BONDS THAT WERE ISSUED BY THE STATE  
10 FOR RESERVOIRS, DAMS, RECYCLING DUE TO THE WATER SHORTAGES  
11 THAT WE'RE GOING THROUGH. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT IT WOULD  
12 HAVE BEEN SO MUCH BETTER IF YOU PREFACED HIS REMARKS BY  
13 STATING THAT IN THE TIME THAT THE FIVE OF YOU HAVE SPENT AS  
14 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE COUNTY HAS GOTTEN MILLIONS  
15 AND BILLIONS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF FUNDING FROM THE STATE. AND  
16 WE'RE STILL IN THE SITUATION WE'RE IN BEC-- WHAT'S HAPPENED TO  
17 THE MONEY. ITEM NUMBER 24, COUNTY U.S.C. SPENDING. I BELIEVE  
18 THEY WERE BEFORE US THREE WEEKS AGO REGARDING AN INCREASE OF  
19 COSTS FOR COUNTY U.S.C. AND I BELIEVE THAT YOU, SUPERVISOR  
20 YAROSLAVSKY, MENTIONED THAT YOU DIDN'T WANT THAT TO COME  
21 BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ASK FOR MORE MONEY AND  
22 HERE THEY ARE COMING BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
23 ASKING FOR MORE MONEY. I'M GLAD TO SEE THEY TOOK YOU UP ON  
24 YOUR THREAT TO HOLD DOWN THEIR EXPENSES. AND I'LL WAIT, I'D  
25 LIKE TO WAIT ON M.L.K. HOSPITAL. THANK YOU.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** IF HE COULD STAY CLOSE BY, WE'LL CALL THAT UP.

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'LL STAY CLOSE BY, THAT'S NO PROBLEM.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO MOVE 16, 21 AND 24?

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL SO MOVE.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS  
13 VOTE.

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I'LL CALL UP 26. ARE YOU GOING TO STAY  
16 CLOSE BY, MR. SACHS?

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, HE GOES ALL THE WAY TO THE BACK.  
19 BECAUSE THAT'S WHY I DON'T GIVE HIM THE SLACK. HE DOES THAT  
20 INTENTIONALLY AND IT'S DISRESPECTFUL TO THE REST OF THE WORLD  
21 WHICH IS RELYING ON GETTING THINGS DONE IN A TIMELY FASHION  
22 AND WE'VE RAISED IT BEFORE. DR. CHERNOF?

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24 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. LET ME MAKE A  
25 FEW BRIEF COMMENTS CONSISTENT WITH THE REPORT THAT OUR



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1 DEPARTMENT RELEASED ON FRIDAY. THE M.L.K. MACK IN THE LAST  
2 REPORTING WEEK SAW 475 PATIENTS. THAT'S UP SLIGHTLY FROM THE  
3 WEEK PRIOR AND A GOOD NUMBER CONSIDERING THAT ONE OF THOSE  
4 DAYS WAS A HOLIDAY AND GENERALLY HAS LOWER-- HOLIDAYS ARE LIKE  
5 WEEKENDS. WE GENERALLY SEE SLIGHTLY FEWER PATIENTS. THE  
6 PRIMARY CARE AND SPECIALTY CLINIC VISITS DOWN SLIGHTLY. BUT  
7 AGAIN THERE WAS A HOLIDAY. ONE OF THE DAYS WAS A HOLIDAY SO  
8 THERE WERE ONLY FOUR SCHEDULED DAYS IN THAT WEEK. TWO VERY  
9 IMPORTANT THINGS I WANTED TO COVER, HIGHLIGHT FOR YOU TODAY.  
10 ONE IS OUR CONTINUED WORK WITH THE IMPACTED HOSPITALS. AS I'VE  
11 SHARED WITH YOU IN PREVIOUS REPORTS, THE NUMBER OF 911  
12 TRANSPORTS HAS GENERALLY REMAINED LEVEL SINCE THE CLOSURE OF  
13 M.L.K. HARBOR. BUT ALL OF THE HOSPITALS CONTINUE TO REPORT A  
14 SUSTAINED INCREASE IN AMBULANCE TRAFFIC AND THE BEDS REMAINED,  
15 AS WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT PREVIOUSLY, BUSIER THAN USUAL FOR THIS  
16 TIME OF YEAR. WE'RE DOING A COUPLE OF THINGS AROUND THIS THAT  
17 I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT FOR YOU. FIRST, THE DEPARTMENT IS WORKING  
18 WITH H.A.S.C. TO SET UP ONE OF OUR REGULAR MEETINGS WITH THE  
19 NINE IMPACTED HOSPITALS TO REVIEW THE OPERATIONS OF THE  
20 CONTRACTS AND TRANSFER OF PATIENTS, AND TO DISCUSS THE  
21 MEETINGS THE D.H.S AND THE PRIVATE HOSPITALS HAD IN SACRAMENTO  
22 WITH THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSISTANCE COMMISSION REGARDING  
23 THE IMPACT OF THE VARIOUS E.D. AND HOSPITAL CLOSURES HAVE HAD  
24 LOCALLY AS WELL AS THEIR ROLE IN SETTING MEDI-CAL  
25 REIMBURSEMENT RATES AND IF THE IMPACT OF THOSE LOWER RATES



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1 THAT WE FACE HERE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, PARTICULARLY FOR  
2 THOSE IMPACTED HOSPITALS, ON THEIR ABILITY TO DELIVER BOTH  
3 EMERGENCY AND INPATIENT SERVICES. ANOTHER IMPORTANT ACTIVITY  
4 IS, THE E.M.S. COMMISSION HAS BEEN-- AND KATHY IS HERE TO  
5 ANSWER QUESTIONS IF YOU HAVE THEM-- HAS BEEN WORKING VERY  
6 CLOSELY WITH THE E.M.S. PROVIDERS. AND WE ARE GETTING READY TO  
7 REPORT TO YOUR BOARD THIS WEEK-- IN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO. WE  
8 THOUGHT WE WOULD HAVE IT THIS WEEK BUT THE E.M.S. PROVIDERS  
9 WANTED TIME TO VALIDATE THEIR DATA. FIRE DEPARTMENTS DON'T  
10 NORMALLY COLLECT THE KIND OF DATA THAT WE'RE ASKING, AND I AM  
11 CONCERNED GIVEN THAT THE FIRES THAT THEY'RE DOING FAR MORE  
12 IMPORTANT WORK AS WE SPEAK. ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, WE WILL BRING  
13 A REPORT TO THIS TABLE BY NEXT WEEK, EVEN IF IT'S ONLY  
14 FORMATIVE IN PLACES WITH THE INFORMATION WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM  
15 THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. THE KEY THING TO SHARE WITH YOU IS THAT  
16 AS PART OF KATHY'S WORK, THE E.M.S. PROVIDERS ARE CONTINUING  
17 TO REPORT AN INCREASE 911 CALL VOLUME. THEY ARE REPORTING  
18 ANECDOTALLY AND ARE GOING TO PROVIDE DATA THAT THERE ARE  
19 LONGER TRANSPORT TIMES TO HOSPITALS. AND AS WE ALREADY KNOW  
20 BECAUSE IT'S BEEN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED LONGER WAIT TIMES AT  
21 HOSPITALS TO TRANSFER CARE TO THE E.D. STAFF. E.M.S. STAFF  
22 HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE E.M.S. PROVIDERS AND WE EXPECT  
23 THAT WE WILL COME FORWARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS, NOT JUST DATA,  
24 WHEN WE BRING YOU THAT REPORT. WE ARE ALSO VERY MINDFUL OF THE  
25 FACT THAT THE FLU SEASON IS NOT THAT FAR AWAY. I WANTED TO



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1 SPEND ONE MOMENT TALKING WITH YOU ABOUT THAT TODAY. THE WINTER  
2 SEASON TYPICALLY BRINGS HIGHER VOLUMES IN EMERGENCY  
3 DEPARTMENTS AND A GREATER DEMAND FOR HOSPITAL BEDS. AND WE  
4 HAVE TAKEN A COUPLE OF STEPS NOW TO PROACTIVELY WORK WITH  
5 HOSPITALS TO ADDRESS THIS. FIRST, WE ARE GOING TO BE WORKING  
6 WITH H.A.S.C. H.A.S.C DOES A SUPERB JOB, THE HOSPITAL  
7 ASSOCIATIONS OF DEVELOPING AN ANNUAL WHITE PAPER THAT DEALS  
8 WITH RECOMMENDED MANAGEMENT ACTIONS TO PREPARE HOSPITALS FOR  
9 OVERFLOW SITUATIONS IN THE WINTER SEASON. THEY'VE RECENTLY  
10 RELEASED THEIR UPDATED PLAN AND H.A.S.C. AND THE E.M.S. AGENCY  
11 WILL BE DISCUSSING THE ACTUAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE PLAN AT  
12 THE NEXT H.A.S.C. EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES MEETING ON  
13 NOVEMBER 15TH. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE SOME OF  
14 THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS GET AT ACTIONS THAT HOSPITALS, BOTH  
15 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, CAN TAKE NOW WITH RESPECT TO WAIVERS OF  
16 STAFFING LEVELS IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS AND OTHER KINDS OF  
17 THINGS THAT GIVE THEM SOME FLEXIBILITY. AND WE ARE GOING TO  
18 WORK WITH THE PRIVATE HOSPITALS TO ENCOURAGE ASKING FOR THAT  
19 FLEXIBILITY NOW IN PREPARATION. A SECOND THING THAT WE'RE  
20 DOING IS THE E.M.S. AGENCY IS WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF  
21 PUBLIC HEALTH TO DISCUSS ITS ANNUAL FLU SEASON CAMPAIGN,  
22 INCLUDING PLANS FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION. WE THINK WORKING CLOSELY  
23 WITH THEM WITH THE PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND THE E.M.S. PROVIDERS  
24 TO GET INFORMATION OUT ABOUT WHERE FLU LOCATIONS ARE, WILL BE  
25 A VERY IMPORTANT PIECE OF WORK WE CAN DO OVER THE NEXT COUPLE



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1 OF MONTHS. FINALLY, THE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO-- WE HAVE BEEN  
2 IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE E.M.S. COMMISSION LOOKING TO HAVE THEM  
3 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS AND GUIDANCE WITH RESPECT TO  
4 ACTIONS THAT CAN BE TAKEN TO HELP FREE HOSPITAL CARE PROVIDERS  
5 HANDLE POTENTIALLY INCREASING 911 WORKLOAD VOLUMES OVER THE  
6 WINTER MONTHS. DR. SPLAWN, OUR SENIOR MEDICAL DIRECTOR HAS  
7 ALREADY BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE E.M.S. COMMISSION. I'LL BE  
8 RELEASING A LETTER TO THEM LATER THIS WEEK, AND HE AND I WILL  
9 BE MEETING AT THEIR NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING. YOUR BOARD WAS DUE  
10 A REPORT ON THE HARBOR U.C.L.A. URGENT CARE CENTER, AND WE  
11 WILL-- I HAVE A RECOMMENDATION FOR YOU TODAY, BUT WE'LL  
12 ACTUALLY COME FORWARD WITH A BUDGETED RECOMMENDATION NEXT  
13 WEEK. WE'RE STILL FINISHING THE DETAILS. HARBOR HAS VERY  
14 THOROUGHLY REVIEWED THEIR WORK. THEY CURRENTLY SEE 34,800  
15 ROUGHLY VISITS A YEAR IN THEIR URGENT CARE. IT CURRENTLY RUNS  
16 MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8:00 TO 11:00 WEEKDAYS. WE ALREADY HAD  
17 IN PLACE A PLAN TO EXPAND IT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1ST ON  
18 SATURDAYS FROM 10:00 TO 6:30. THE HARBOR FOLKS HAVE THOROUGHLY  
19 REVIEWED THIS REQUEST, AND THEIR RECOMMENDATION, WHICH I  
20 SUPPORT, IS THAT WE EXPAND TO SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, 16 HOURS A  
21 DAY, WHICH WILL GIVE US A TOTAL OF 11,000 ADDITIONAL URGENT  
22 CARE VISITS. THEY SUGGEST THAT WE START THERE BECAUSE THERE  
23 ARE FEW VISITS IN THE WEE HOURS OF THE MORNING, SAY BETWEEN  
24 MIDNIGHT AND 6 A.M. THAT ARE REALLY APPROPRIATE FOR URGENT  
25 CARE SETTINGS. SO BEING MINDFUL, THE FIRST STEP OF OPENING UP



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1 ALL SEVEN DAYS A WEEK UNTIL VERY LATE EVENING HOURS IS A GOOD  
2 FIRST STEP. AND WE WILL REVISIT THE NEED TO INCREASE THE HOURS  
3 BOTH AT HARBOR AND AT OUR M.L.K. MACK URGENT CARE, WHICH IS  
4 NOW SEEING MORE VISITS THAN WE HAD INITIALLY PROJECTED. WE  
5 WILL REVISIT THE NEED TO KEEP THEM OPEN EVEN MORE HOURS.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** I APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE I THINK THAT WE'RE  
8 SEEING AN IMPACT ON THESE HOSPITALS WITH THE EMERGENCY ROOM  
9 CLOSURES. AND NOW WE'RE LOOKING AT POSSIBLY OTHER HOSPITALS  
10 CLOSING THAT ARE IN THAT WHOLE AREA, SO THAT WE DO HAVE TO  
11 PREPARE.

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13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** AS WE'VE DISCUSSED, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY  
14 RIGHT, SUPERVISOR. WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE DIRECTLY  
15 IMPACTED HOSPITALS, BUT THE ENTIRE HOSPITAL DELIVERY SYSTEM IN  
16 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, EVEN BROADER THAN JUST THIS IMPACTED AREA  
17 IS VERY FRAGILE AT THE MOMENT. AND SO WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY  
18 WITH E.M.S. AND THE PROVIDERS TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS  
19 WHERE WE CAN AND WHERE NECESSARY AND TO TRY TO BE THOUGHTFUL  
20 ABOUT WHAT THIS FLU SEASON MEANS FOR US.

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22 **SUP. BURKE:** I DON'T KNOW ABOUT ANYONE ELSE'S DISTRICT, BUT  
23 WHAT TENNANT DID IS, THEY PULLED OUT AND THEY SOLD THESE  
24 HOSPITALS AND NOW THEY'RE NOT SURVIVING. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER



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1 IN OTHER AREAS, BUT CERTAINLY IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. TENNANT  
2 GOT OUT AND --

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'RE THREATENING TO DO THE SAME THING  
5 IN TARZANA MEDICAL CENTER.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** ARE THEY?

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9 **WELL, I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT IT'S BEEN DEVASTATING, JUST**  
10 **DEVASTATING. AND IT LOOKS LIKE THAT WE HAVE TWO MORE WHO ARE**  
11 **CLOSE TO BANKRUPTCY, CENTINELA AND BROTTMAN.**

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13 **>>DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** AT A PERSONAL LEVEL, SUPERVISORS, I WORRY  
14 THAT SOME OF THE MAJOR HOSPITAL SYSTEMS HAVE EXITED SOUTHERN  
15 CALIFORNIA, BOTH FOR PROFIT AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT, THAT THEY HAVE  
16 SOLD HOSPITALS TO MUCH SMALLER ENTITIES THAT HAVE MUCH LESS  
17 RESERVE THAN A LARGE SYSTEM WOULD HAVE. SOME OF THOSE ENTITIES  
18 VERY WELL MEANING THE GOAL OF KEEPING A HOSPITAL OPEN, I  
19 REALLY RESPECT THAT, BUT ARE POTENTIALLY WERE A LITTLE  
20 UNDERCAPITALIZED FOR THE WORK, REALLY DIDN'T REALIZE WHAT THEY  
21 WERE GETTING INTO, BUT I THINK THAT THE PRIVATE HOSPITAL  
22 SYSTEM IS MUCH MORE FRAGILE IN GENERAL AS A RESULT OF THESE  
23 SALES. SO I THINK I'M AGREEING, SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH YOUR  
24 OBSERVATIONS. WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH SHEILA, WITH THE  
25 C.E.O. STAFF, WITH MISS SHIMA, TO DO TWO THINGS. WE WILL BE--



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1 THE C.E.O. STAFF WILL BE RELEASING A REPORT AND THE DEPARTMENT  
2 WILL BE RELEASING A REPORT TO ADDRESS THE QUESTIONS THAT YOUR  
3 BOARD RAISED LAST WEEK ABOUT FINALIZING THE STATUS OF THE H.R.  
4 MOVEMENTS FROM KING TO THE OTHER FACILITIES, THE STATUS OF  
5 CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, LEAVE OF ABSENCES, THE ARRAY OF QUESTIONS  
6 WE ARE WORKING TO GET YOU DEFINITIVE ANSWERS. AND THOSE WILL  
7 BE OUT THIS WEEK. THE FINAL COMMENT-- AND I'LL BE GLAD TO TAKE  
8 QUESTIONS-- ON OCTOBER 8TH, THE REQUEST FOR SOLUTIONS WENT  
9 OUT, AS YOU KNOW. WE'VE HAD A TOTAL OF SIX PARTIES THAT HAVE  
10 EXPRESSED INTEREST AT THIS POINT. AND WE WILL BE FOLLOWING UP  
11 WITH YOUR BOARD AND THOSE PROVIDERS TO TAKE THE NEXT STEPS TO  
12 EXPLORE THEIR INTEREST IN POTENTIALLY REOPENING THE FACILITY.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I'M JUST GLAD TO HEAR THERE'S SIX, THOUGH,  
17 AREAS OF INTEREST THERE. MORE THAN SHAKING THEIR HEADS, RIGHT  
18 THEY'RE ACTUALLY SURVEYING?

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20 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THERE ARE SIX PARTIES, SUPERVISOR, THAT  
21 HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** AND YOUR ISSUE ABOUT THE PRIVATES MAYBE BEING  
24 UNDERCAPITALIZED BY THE IMPACT OF THE CLOSURE OF M.L.K., THAT  
25 DOESN'T HELP THEIR CAPITAL SITUATION VERY MUCH EITHER.



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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ABSOLUTELY NOT. AND ONE OF MY GREAT  
3 CONCERNS, SUPERVISORS, AND IT'S PART OF WHY WE WENT TO MEET  
4 WITH THE C.M.A.C. COMMISSION, THE STATE HAS TRIED TO WORK WITH  
5 MY DEPARTMENT. I APPRECIATE THEIR HELP IN MANY WAYS. WE WILL  
6 BE COMING BACK ON NOVEMBER 1ST TO TALK ABOUT THE S.B.474  
7 FUNDS. SO THERE ARE MANY WAYS WE WORK TOGETHER. BUT I THINK  
8 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE STATE ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR  
9 RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY A FAIR MEDI-CAL RATE TO THESE PROVIDERS.  
10 PART OF BEING CAPITALIZED APPROPRIATELY IS TO BE PAID A FAIR  
11 RATE FOR YOUR WORK. THE REIMBURSEMENT RATES BETWEEN NORTHERN  
12 AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ARE NOT THE SAME. THAT'S IMPORTANT.  
13 AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE STATE PAY TIMELY. AND I THINK  
14 THAT FOR SOME OF THESE HOSPITALS, I DON'T WORK THERE AND I'VE  
15 NOT LOOKED AT THEIR CLAIMS, BUT I WORRY THAT THERE ARE SOME OF  
16 OUR HOSPITALS, PRIVATE HOSPITALS THAT ARE AWAITING PAYMENTS  
17 FOR VARIOUS REASONS FROM THE STATE, COULD BE IN THE CLAIMS  
18 REVIEW PROCESS; BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THE STATE TO  
19 CONTINUE TO STEP UP AND HELP US HERE LOCALLY. AND THIS IS ONE  
20 OF THE PLACES THAT THEY CAN BE HELPFUL.

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANYBODY ELSE?

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24 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** STAY BY, BRUCE.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. SACHS?

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. THAT STILL DOESN'T-- ACCORDING TO THE  
8 REPORT STILL DOESN'T LEAVE US ANY NOTE ON WHAT'S HAPPENED TO  
9 THE STAFF THAT'S STILL WAITING TO BE MOVED AROUND. I BELIEVE  
10 TWO WEEKS AGO THERE WERE 25 STAFF THAT NEEDED TO BE RE-  
11 EVALUATED. LAST WEEK IT WAS DOWN TO 15 OR 17 OR EVEN LESS THAN  
12 THAT. AND THIS WEEK THERE'S NO REPORT ON IT. THAT'S WHY I  
13 WAITED FOR THE REPORT. THANK YOU. AND I GUESS YOU GOT TO GET  
14 BACK TO YOUR BUSINESS NOW.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE--

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE IS NO ACTION REQUIRED ON ITEM 26,  
21 CORRECT? THAT'S JUST A REPORT. MISS BURKE?

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY REQUESTS.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS. IS THERE  
2 ANYBODY ELSE WANTED TO BE HEARD ON THAT? THAT WILL BE AT THE  
3 END. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF SANDY  
4 BERKE JORDAN, A LONG TIME MOTION PICTURE TELEVISION COSTUMER  
5 AND UNION OFFICIAL RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74. HER  
6 CREDITS INCLUDED SUCH FILMS AS "THE GODFATHER," "THE DEER  
7 HUNTER," "HEAVEN'S GATE," "SPLASH," "PEEWEE'S BIG ADVENTURE"  
8 AND MANY OTHERS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND PAUL AND MANY  
9 FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. WAS A RESIDENT OF THE SAN FERNANDO  
10 VALLEY. AND ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF POQUITA  
11 MACRISS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU DID THAT WHILE I WAS GONE LAST  
12 WEEK, BUT POQUITA WAS ACTIVE IN THE BEL AIR ASSOCIATION, LONG  
13 TIME RESIDENT OF BEL AIR, A CONSERVATIONIST AND A HUNTER AND A  
14 GREAT PHILANTHROPIST TO OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF  
15 NATURAL HISTORY WHERE SHE AND HER HUSBAND HAVE DONATED  
16 THOUSANDS, LITERALLY THOUSANDS, OF ARTIFACTS THAT ARE PART OF  
17 THE COLLECTION AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF NATURAL  
18 HISTORY. SHE DIED AT THE RIPE OLD AGE OF 95 AND LIVED HER AGE  
19 TO THE FULLEST AS LONG AS I KNEW HER. SO I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN  
20 IN HER MEMORY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND I'LL GET YOU  
21 THE INFORMATION ON HER IN THE NEXT COUPLE HOURS. I'M NOT  
22 HOLDING ANYTHING. WHAT'S LEFT? 12 AND 27? 27 E? CAN WE TAKE UP  
23 27 E? WAS IT HELD OR WAS IT A DISCUSSION ITEM?

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT WAS HELD FOR A REPORT.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, DR. CHERNOF?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN MR. CHAIRMAN?

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THEN MR. ANTONOVICH.

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8 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISORS, LET ME MAKE A COUPLE OF  
9 COMMENTS, AND I'VE ASKED BOTH OUR C.E.O. AND CHIEF MEDICAL  
10 OFFICER TO MAKE SOME ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, AND THEN WE ARE HERE  
11 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE. LET ME SAY THAT WE ARE  
12 HERE TO PROVIDE A REPORT TO YOUR BOARD AS REQUESTED IN  
13 FOLLOWUP TO SOME INCIDENTS THAT WERE REPORTED IN THE NEWSPAPER  
14 AT OLIVE VIEW. I WANT TO START BY SAYING TO ALL OF YOU THAT  
15 ALL OF OUR HOSPITALS HAVE COMPREHENSIVE CASE SENTINEL EVENT,  
16 CASE REVIEW QUALITY IMPROVEMENT RISK MANAGEMENT AND OTHER  
17 APPROPRIATE CLINICAL OVERSIGHT PROCESSES. THESE PROCESSES ARE  
18 MATERIALLY THE SAME IF NOT EXACTLY THE SAME AS EVERY PRIVATE  
19 HOSPITAL HAS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND THESE ARE  
20 FUNDAMENTALLY REQUIREMENTS OF ACCREDITING BODIES, SUCH AS  
21 J.C.A.H.O., C.M.S. AND THE STATE IN TERMS OF THEIR LICENSING  
22 PROCESS. OLIVE VIEW U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER, HARBOR U.C.L.A.  
23 MEDICAL CENTER, L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., AND RANCHO LOS AMIGOS HAVE  
24 ALWAYS DONE EXTREMELY WELL ON THESE AND OTHER ACCREDITATION  
25 AND LICENSURE SURVEYS. AND I'M JUST INCREDIBLY PROUD OF THEIR



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1 SUSTAINED PERFORMANCE ON THOSE OBJECTIVE REVIEWS. THE STATE  
2 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AS PART OF THEIR FIDUCIARY  
3 RESPONSIBILITY, ROUTINELY REVIEWS ALL PATIENT COMPLAINTS AND  
4 ALL SELF-REPORTED CASES. THIS IS ANOTHER FACET OF INDEPENDENT  
5 OVERSIGHT AND REVIEW. AT THIS POINT IN TIME-- AND THIS MAY BE  
6 A CHANGE, MANY OF YOU HAVE BEEN IN YOUR ROLES A LONG TIME AND  
7 HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH J.C.A.H.O, THEIR SURVEYS ARE NO LONGER  
8 THEIR KIND OF STANDARD TRIENNIAL, THEY TELL YOU WHEN THEY'RE  
9 GOING TO SHOW UP. THEY'RE NOW UNANNOUNCED SURVEYS AND WE ARE  
10 IN A STATE OF CONTINUOUS READINESS FOR THESE EVENTS. OUR  
11 FACILITIES WORK UNDER THE EXPECTATION THAT THEY COULD BE  
12 SURVEYED ANY DAY, ANY TIME. THE D.H.S. Q.I STAFF, UNDER THE  
13 GUIDANCE OF OUR SENIOR MEDICAL DIRECTOR, REVIEW INDIVIDUAL  
14 CASES AND TRENDS BOTH IN SPECIFIC FACILITIES BUT ALSO ACROSS  
15 FACILITIES LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE CARE. AND  
16 THESE REVIEWS ARE REALLY DRIVEN BY THE NATURE OF THE  
17 INDIVIDUAL CASE. IF AN INDIVIDUAL CASE RISES TO THE NEED FOR  
18 AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW WE'LL DO THAT. IF YOU GET A CLUSTER IN A  
19 PERIOD OF TIME, SIMILAR IN FACILITIES. THOSE LEAD TO  
20 APPROPRIATE, INDEPENDENT, CROSS-ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW. WITH  
21 RESPECT TO THE SPECIFIC INCIDENT THAT INVOLVED O.P.S., I WANT  
22 TO SHARE WITH YOU THAT I'VE REACHED OUT TO OUR O.P.S.  
23 LEADERSHIP. I THINK THAT THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY HERE TO  
24 DEVELOP A SHARED POLICY IN THE EXTREMELY RARE BUT OBVIOUSLY  
25 NOT ZERO PERCENT CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE WE MAY NEED THEIR HELP IN



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1 GAINING ACCESS TO A SERVICE OR A SUPPLY URGENTLY AND THEY  
2 MIGHT BE ABLE TO PLAY A ROLE SUCH AS IN TRANSPORTATION, AND  
3 THEY HAVE COMMITTED TO WORK WITH ME ON THAT. SO I LOOK FORWARD  
4 TO WORKING COLLABORATIVELY TO GET THAT DONE. AT THIS POINT  
5 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS ASK GRETCHEN MCGINLEY, OUR ACTING  
6 C.E.O. AT OLIVE VIEW U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER TO COMMENT  
7 BRIEFLY, VERY BRIEFLY ON THE CASES, AND WE'D BE GLAD TO ANSWER  
8 ANY QUESTIONS. MR. ANTONOVICH? OH, I'M SORRY. YOU WERE GOING  
9 TO GO AHEAD, I'M SORRY.

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11 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** PARDON ME, SUPERVISOR.

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13 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, I'M HERE TO  
14 DISCUSS AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THE EIGHT  
15 INCIDENTS THAT HAVE BEEN REVIEWED BY THE STATE AT OLIVE VIEW  
16 THIS YEAR. JUST TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF WHAT THE INCIDENTS  
17 COMPRISE, THERE ARE FOUR PATIENT COMPLAINTS. THERE WAS ONE  
18 COMPLAINT ABOUT THE STAFFING IN OUR PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENT  
19 UNIT. AND THEN THE THREE MOST RECENT EVENTS WERE THREE  
20 CLINICAL EVENTS, AN O.R. FIRE, A BAD DELIVERY AND AN OLEANDER  
21 POISONING. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT WE TAKE ALL OF THESE  
22 VERY, VERY SERIOUSLY. OLIVE VIEW IS COMMITTED TO IMPROVING  
23 QUALITY OF CARE AT ALL TIMES. WE ARE REALLY FOCUSED ON MAKING  
24 SURE THAT THE PATIENTS RECEIVE THE TYPE OF CARE THAT WE WOULD  
25 ALL EXPECT. WHEN THESE EVENTS OCCUR, WE INVESTIGATE THEM



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1 INTERNALLY. WE IDENTIFY AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT. WE EDUCATE  
2 STAFF. WE TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION WITH STAFF IF THERE'S A  
3 DISCIPLINARY ISSUE. AND WE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO LEARN FROM THE  
4 SITUATION. WE'RE A LEARNING ORGANIZATION. AND WE REALLY DO TRY  
5 TO LEARN WHEN THERE ARE MISTAKES THAT WE MAY HAVE MADE. MANY  
6 OF THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS WERE ACTUALLY IN PLACE BEFORE THE  
7 STATE SURVEYOR CAME ON SITE. AND WE ARE CONTINUING TO MONITOR  
8 THOSE AND TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE SUSTAINED THROUGHOUT THE  
9 ORGANIZATION. I THINK THAT REALLY IS ABOUT IT.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK--

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. ANTONOVICH.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT PROCEDURAL ACTIONS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED  
16 TO PREVENT THE SPARKS OF FIRE DURING SURGERIES?

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18 **DR. WILLIAM LOOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU. WE'RE PROUD OF  
19 OLIVE VIEW U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER'S EXCELLENT REPUTATION. AND  
20 WE'RE ALSO PROUD OF OUR OPERATING ROOM, WHICH IS A MODEL OF  
21 EFFICIENCY AND TEAMWORK. IT'S WON AWARDS FOR ITS EXCELLENT  
22 PERFORMANCE. BUT CLEARLY THE FIRE THAT OCCURRED IN THE  
23 OPERATING ROOM LAST MONTH DID NOT MEET OUR HIGH STANDARDS. THE  
24 FIRE RESULTED FROM THE USE OF ELECTROCAUTERY IN THE PROXIMITY  
25 OF FACE MASK OXYGEN. THE FIRE WAS EXTINGUISHED IMMEDIATELY.



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1 WITHIN HOURS AFTER THE EVENT, OUR CHIEF OF SURGERY, CHIEF OF  
2 ANESTHESIOLOGY, HEAD NURSE FOR THE OPERATING ROOM,  
3 ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS MET TO EVALUATE THE SITUATION. THE  
4 INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM DETERMINED THAT IN THE FUTURE, THE  
5 SURGEON MUST CONSULT WITH THE ANESTHESIOLOGIST IN ADVANCE OF  
6 THE OPERATION IF THERE'S A PLAN TO USE ELECTROCAUTERY ON THE  
7 FACE OR HEAD ON A PATIENT RECEIVING OXYGEN BY MASK. SO THE  
8 ANESTHESIOLOGIST CAN TURN OFF THE OXYGEN DURING THE  
9 ELECTROCAUTERY. ALSO THE ELECTROCAUTERY INSTRUMENT IS NOW  
10 PLACED AWAY FROM THE OPERATIVE FIELD UNTIL IT IS REQUESTED.  
11 THIS FORCES A TIMEOUT AND GIVES ALL THE STAFF A CHANCE TO  
12 EVALUATE THE SITUATION AS TO WILL IT IS SAFE TO USE  
13 ELECTROCAUTERY. IN ADDITION, THE USE OF DRAPING OF THE FACE IN  
14 THIS SITUATION WILL BE MINIMIZED TO PREVENT THE ACCUMULATION  
15 OF OXYGEN UNDER THE DRAPE. ALL THIS HAS BEEN PUT INTO POLICY  
16 AND THE STAFF HAVE BEEN EDUCATED REGARDING THIS NEW POLICY. WE  
17 BELIEVE THIS COMBINATION OF INTERVENTIONS WILL SIGNIFICANTLY  
18 REDUCE THE LIKELIHOOD OF ANOTHER O.R. FIRE.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WAS IT A FREAK ACCIDENT? OR WAS IT FAULTY  
21 EQUIPMENT?

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23 **DR. WILLIAM LOOS:** IT WAS POOR JUDGMENT ON THE PART OF THE  
24 PHYSICIAN TO USE ELECTROCAUTERY IN THIS SITUATION. THE  
25 INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN COUNSELED. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE PUT



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1 INTO PLACE THESE PROCEDURES THAT WILL PREVENT AN INDIVIDUAL  
2 FROM DOING THIS AGAIN IN THE FUTURE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN THERE IS A NEED TO GET AN ANTIDOTE, IN  
5 MY YEARS ON THE BOARD, I'VE NEVER HEARD OF INSUBORDINATION OR  
6 PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER REFUSING TO GO CODE 3 TO PICK UP LIFE  
7 SAVING EQUIPMENT. WHY WAS THERE A BREAKDOWN IN THAT CASE?

8

9 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** MY UNDERSTANDING, SUPERVISOR, IS THAT THERE  
10 WAS A WATCH COMMANDER ON THAT NIGHT WHO DID NOT ROUTINELY WORK  
11 IN HEALTH SERVICES AND HE WASN'T PARTICULARLY FAMILIAR WITH  
12 THE WAY THAT THE COUNTY POLICE WORK WITH US ON SITUATIONS LIKE  
13 THIS.

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15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD ON THIS  
16 PARTICULAR MATTER REFERENCES A SEPARATE INVESTIGATION BEING  
17 INITIATED BY OUR OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY. OUR OFFICE, THE  
18 C.E.O.'S OFFICE, IS WORKING WITH THE CHIEF ON THAT  
19 INVESTIGATION. WE'LL BE REPORTING BACK.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THERE SHOULD BE AN INVESTIGATION.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** IS IT ROUTINE, THOUGH? MIKE, COULD I JUST FOLLOW-  
24 UP? IS THAT A ROUTINE SITUATION WHERE YOU WOULD HAVE THE  
25 O.P.S.?



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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THIS IS EXTREMELY RARE. PEGGY YORK IS HERE,  
3 SO IF WE WANT TO ASK O.P.S. QUESTIONS, WE CAN.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT I'M ASKING IS: IS IT BUSINESS AS USUAL THAT  
6 WE WOULD NEED O.P.S. TO GO GET PHARMACEUTICALS ON A 24-HOUR  
7 OPERATION?

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9 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** WE HAVE NOT UNTIL YESTERDAY HAD 24-HOUR  
10 PHARMACY COVERAGE. WHAT WE HAVE HAD IS A NIGHT LOCKER WHERE  
11 THE NURSING SUPERVISOR CAN ACCESS PHARMACEUTICALS AFTER HOURS.  
12 AND THIS WAS BECAUSE, ACCORDING TO PHARMACY LAW, NO ONE BUT A  
13 PHARMACIST CAN HAVE A KEY TO THE PHARMACY. SO WE HAD TO SET UP  
14 THESE NIGHT LOCKERS SO THAT THE NURSES WHO WERE ON IN THE  
15 ADMINISTRATIVE NURSING OFFICE CAN ACCESS THE DRUGS. THE PAR  
16 LEVELS FOR THAT ARE PRE-ESTABLISHED, THE PAR LEVEL BEING THE  
17 AMOUNT OF DRUGS THAT ARE KEPT IN THE NIGHT LOCKER. AND THEY  
18 ARE REVIEWED PERIODICALLY BY OUR P.N.T. COMMITTEE.

19

20 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** TO YOUR QUESTION, SUPERVISOR, IT IS  
21 UNCOMMON. VERY UNCOMMON TO EVER ASK O.P.S. TO DO SOMETHING  
22 LIKE THIS, WHICH MAY BE PART OF WHY THIS WAS A CHALLENGE.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, I GUESS THERE WOULD BE FOR  
25 CHIEF YORK. WHY WOULD NOT YOUR FOLKS RESPOND AFTER ALL THE



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1 LITTLE INCIDENT AT M.L.K.? IT BECOMES A COMMON SENSE POINT FOR  
2 MEDICAL REASONS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S THE FIRST RESPONSIBILITY IS TO PROTECT  
5 PUBLIC SAFETY, PROTECT LIFE. AND HERE YOU HAD YOU HAD APPARENT  
6 INSUBORDINATION WHICH ENDED UP IN A FATALITY.

7

8 **MARGARET YORK:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS  
9 OF THE BOARD. MARGARET YORK, CHIEF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
10 POLICE. AS SOON AS WE LEARNED OF THIS INCIDENT, THERE WAS AN  
11 INVESTIGATION BEGUN. WHAT WE DON'T KNOW AT THIS TIME, BECAUSE  
12 THE INVESTIGATION IS ONGOING, IS HOW THE INFORMATION WAS  
13 PRESENTED AND WHAT THE OFFICER WAS TOLD. BUT CERTAINLY IF THE  
14 INFORMATION WAS CONVEYED THAT THIS WAS AN EMERGENCY SITUATION  
15 WHERE WE NEEDED TO HAVE THE-- THE HOSPITAL NEEDED TO HAVE THE  
16 ANTIDOTE, AN OFFICER SHOULD HAVE BEEN SENT TO PICK UP THE  
17 ANTIDOTE.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, THANK YOU. DOCTOR, WHAT IS THE  
20 APPROPRIATE MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR OLEANDER POISONING?

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22 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WHY DON'T YOU TAKE THAT?

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD YOU MIND ASKING HOW OFTEN THIS COMES UP? HOW  
25 OFTEN YOU FIND SOMEONE WITH OLEANDER?



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2 **DR. WILLIAM LOOS:** IT'S NOT VERY COMMON.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** I KNOW. I'VE READ ABOUT IT IN THE LITERATURE.

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6 **DR. WILLIAM LOOS:** OLEANDER IS HIGHLY TOXIC, HIGHLY POISONOUS.  
7 THE LEAVES, THE WOOD OF IT, THE SEEDS OF IT ALL CONTAIN  
8 CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES WHICH ARE SIMILAR TO DIGITALIS. SO THE  
9 TREATMENT FOR AN OLEANDER OVERDOSE IS CALLED DIGIBIND WHICH IS  
10 USED FOR AN OVERDOSE OF DIGITALIS. NOW, THE CHEMICALS IN  
11 OLEANDER ARE NOT EXACTLY THE SAME AS DIGITALIS. AND THE  
12 DIGIBIND WAS MANUFACTURED AND DESIGNED TO TREAT DIGITALIS  
13 OVERDOSE, NOT OLEANDER POISONING, BUT STILL THERE ARE CASE  
14 REPORTS OF DIGIBIND BEING EFFECTIVE IN THE TREATMENT OF  
15 OLEANDER POISONING.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO HOW MUCH OF THE ANTIDOTE DO YOU KEEP AT A  
18 NORMAL HOSPITAL, DO THEY HAVE IN SUPPLY IN THEIR PHARMACY?

19

20 **DR. WILLIAM LOOS:** WELL, WE'VE DETERMINED THAT THE RIGHT AMOUNT  
21 TO HAVE ON HAND IS AT LEAST 20 VIALS, AND THAT'S THE AMOUNT  
22 THAT WE HAVE ON HAND NOW.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DIDN'T THE STATE-- OR THE HOSPITAL INFORM  
25 THE STATE ABOUT THIS INCIDENT IMMEDIATELY? AND WHY ARE WE



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1 FIRST HEARING ABOUT THESE CASES FROM NEWSPAPERS RATHER THAN  
2 THE DEPARTMENT?

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4 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** THE STATE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS HAVE  
5 CHANGED DRAMATICALLY THIS YEAR. THE INCIDENTS WERE REVIEWED  
6 INTERNALLY AND WE DIDN'T BELIEVE AT THE TIME THEY WERE  
7 REPORTABLE. WE WERE WRONG. WE'RE LEARNING FROM THIS, ALSO.  
8 FROM NOW ON, WE'RE GOING TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF REPORTING. AND  
9 ALSO WE'VE BEEN TALKING WITH THE FOLKS DOWNTOWN, AND WE'RE  
10 GOING TO IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM-WIDE REVIEW TO-- THE FACILITIES  
11 WILL DETERMINE WHEN-- WHETHER THEY THINK A REPORT SHOULD BE  
12 MADE AND THEN WE'LL REVIEW THEM WITH FOLKS DOWNTOWN AND THEN  
13 SUBSEQUENTLY DECIDE WHETHER IT'S TO BE REPORTED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW WERE THE NEWSPAPERS ABLE TO GET THE  
16 INFORMATION PRIOR TO THE BOARD?

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18 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** I DON'T KNOW.

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20 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, TO THAT QUESTION, I'M NOT SURE  
21 THAT WE UP HERE HAVE THE ANSWER TO THAT. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO  
22 COMMENT ON ADDING TO WHAT MISS MCGINLEY JUST SAID IS THAT ONE  
23 OF THE THINGS AT A DEPARTMENT LEVEL THAT WE'VE LEARNED AND  
24 WILL IMPLEMENT FROM THIS IS AN EXPECTATION-- AND WE GET  
25 REGULAR REPORTS IF THE FACILITIES ABOUT CASES THAT THEY



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1 BELIEVE ARE REPORTABLE, BUT WHAT WE'RE GOING TO IMPLEMENT  
2 GIVEN THESE NEW STATE GUIDELINES FOR ALL OF OUR HOSPITALS IS  
3 THAT ANY CASE THAT EVEN IS REMOTELY BEING CONSIDERED FOR  
4 REPORTING COME THROUGH D.H.S. TO BE REVIEWED. AND I THINK  
5 THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE IF WE AGREE WITH THE FACILITY'S  
6 DETERMINATION THAT IT'S NOT A REPORTABLE EVENT, THEN THE  
7 DECISION WILL HAVE BEEN MADE IN A WAY THAT IS SUBSTANTIATED  
8 OUTSIDE THE FACILITY, AND THAT WAY NOBODY COULD EVER ACCUSE  
9 THE FACILITY OF HIDING SOMETHING BECAUSE THEY BROUGHT IT  
10 FORWARD. AND IT ALSO MEANS THAT MY Q.I. STAFF, MY SENIOR  
11 MEDICAL DIRECTOR, WE ARE ACCOUNTABLE FOR PARTICIPATING IN THAT  
12 DECISION MAKING AND SHARING WITH YOUR BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WERE THERE JUST THREE INCIDENTS? OR WERE  
15 THERE FIVE INCIDENTS?

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17 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** THERE HAVE BEEN EIGHT TOTAL THIS YEAR. FOUR  
18 PATIENT COMPLAINTS, ONE INQUIRY ABOUT STAFFING IN THE PSYCH.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE REASON I ASKED THIS IS BECAUSE WHEN THE  
21 PRESS ASKED US RESPONSE, THEY HAD MORE CASES THAN WE HAD BEEN  
22 GIVEN, AS TO WHAT OCCURRED.

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24 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** MOST RECENT RECENTLY THERE WERE THREE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE ONES THE NEWSPAPER HAD--

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3 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** WERE FROM A VISIT THAT THE STATE MADE IN  
4 MAY. AND THEY INVOLVED CASES THAT DATED BACK INTO 2006.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE BOARD WAS INFORMED OF THOSE CASES?

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8 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** I DON'T BELIEVE SO. I THINK THERE'S-- SOME  
9 OF THESE, I THINK, ARE MORE CRITICAL THAN OTHERS. WHILE WE  
10 WERE TAKING THEM SERIOUSLY AND TAKING CORRECTIVE ACTION DIDN'T  
11 SEEM TO RISE TO THE LEVEL OF REPORTING TO THE BOARD.

12

13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, COMPLAINT REVIEWS ARE COMMON IN  
14 ALL HOSPITALS, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE. THEY'RE-- UNLESS THE STATE  
15 VIEWS THEM AS PARTICULARLY SERIOUS FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER,  
16 THEY SAVE THEM UP AND THEY COME OUT FROM TIME TO TIME TO  
17 REVIEW THEM. IT IS TRUE THAT OLIVE VIEW HAD A REVIEW IN MAY.  
18 THEY CAME OUT AND DID AN INITIAL REVIEW. AND THE FACILITY DID  
19 SUBMIT AN APPROPRIATE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID THE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC INFORMATION  
22 OFFICER CLAIM THAT THE STATE WOULD LIKELY FIND THE HOSPITAL'S  
23 TREATMENT DEFICIENT?

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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I REVIEWED THIS WITH OUR DIRECTOR OF BOARD  
2 RELATIONS, AND THAT IS NOT AN ACCURATE STATEMENT OF WHAT HE  
3 SAID.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HAS THE HOSPITAL INCREASED THE NUMBER OF  
6 NURSES TO THE PSYCHIATRIC UNITS?

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8 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** YES, SUPERVISOR. WE'VE HIRED FOUR  
9 REGISTERED NURSES AND ONE L.V.N. WE'VE ALSO HIRED TRAVELING  
10 NURSE. AND WE HAVE PUT INTO PLACE PROCESSES FOR CLOSING BEDS  
11 IF OUR STAFFING RATIO IS BELOW EXPECTATIONS. WE HAVE NOT BEEN  
12 BELOW THE STAFFING STANDARD SINCE THE STATE WAS OUT.

13  
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE CURRENT PROTOCOL FOR GETTING  
15 EMERGENCY MEDICATION AND EQUIPMENT FROM ANOTHER FACILITY?

16  
17 **GRETCHEN MCGINLEY:** IT DOESN'T HAPPEN VERY OFTEN. WE'VE HAD  
18 DISCUSSIONS WITH OUR COUNTY OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY CAPTAIN ON  
19 SITE, AND IF WE GET AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, IF THEY GET A CALL  
20 FROM OUR NURSING SUPERVISOR, THEY WILL RESPOND.

21  
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION THAT THE  
23 BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
24 TO DEVELOP A POLICY IN REGARDS TO EMERGENCY MEDICINE AND



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1 EQUIPMENT RETRIEVAL WITH A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN TWO  
2 WEEKS.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? I'LL  
5 SECOND THAT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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7 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND MYSELF.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANYTHING ELSE OF THESE FOLKS? IF NOT,  
12 THANK YOU. ITEM NUMBER 12? NOT 12. YEAH, 12. MR. KNABE AND MR.  
13 ANTONOVICH HELD THIS. MR. KNABE, MR. ANTONOVICH, YOU HELD  
14 NUMBER 12.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** OBVIOUSLY I THINK THE WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE SO FAR  
17 IS VERY COMMENDABLE. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE  
18 TO LOOK AT THAT WORKGROUP AND MAYBE HAVE SOME INDEPENDENT EYES  
19 REVIEW IT, AS WELL, TOO, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET COUNTY-WIDE  
20 UNINCORPORATED LOOK AT THIS THING. I SUPPORT THE MOTION. I  
21 JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES POTENTIALLY  
22 TO SOME REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE RED CROSS AND SOME OTHERS  
23 THAT WE'RE NOT TRYING TO RECREATE THE WHEEL. THERE'S A LOT OF  
24 THIS THAT HAS BEEN GOING ON IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY. I



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1 THINK WE JUST NEED TO-- FROM MY PERSPECTIVE. I DON'T KNOW WHAT  
2 MIKE--

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MIKE?

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A VERY GOOD GUIDE THAT'S BEING  
7 DEVELOPED. IT INCLUDES USEFUL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
8 INFORMATION FOR THE RESIDENTS OF TOPANGA CANYON. AND WHILE THE  
9 GUIDE INCLUDES SPECIFIC INFORMATION FOR TOPANGA CANYON, A  
10 SIGNIFICANT APPLIES TO THE RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. SO  
11 I'D LIKE TO MOVE WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND I THAT THE BOARD  
12 DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO UTILIZE TOPANGA DISASTER SURVIVAL GUIDE  
13 TO DEVELOP A DISASTER SURVIVAL GUIDE FOR DISTRIBUTION TO THE  
14 RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES AND  
15 PROVIDE A PROGRESS REPORT IN TWO WEEKS.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S FINE. ACCEPT THAT AS A FRIENDLY  
18 AMENDMENT, SO TO SPEAK. I JUST DON'T KNOW WHETHER -- IS TWO  
19 WEEKS ENOUGH?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO. NOT FOR SOMETHING OF THIS MAGNITUDE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MANY WEEKS DO YOU NEED?

24



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I ACTUALLY-- CAN I MAKE A SUGGESTION?  
2 WHY DON'T YOU JUST DIRECT THEM TO DO THAT, TO DO THAT, AND  
3 WHENEVER THEY COME BACK?

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** IT SHOULD BE SPECIFIC TO THE AREA.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ABSOLUTELY.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** BECAUSE I KNOW PEOPLE AROUND KENNETH HAHN PARK,  
10 THEY'RE SUBJECT TO--

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD'S DIFFERENT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT WAS THE ESSENCE OF MINE, TOO. I MEAN,  
15 HACIENDA HAS REAL--

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL THAT'S THE STRENGTH OF THE TOPANGA GUIDE.  
18 IT'S JUST SPECIFIC TO THAT AREA.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** IT SHOULD BE SPECIFIC TO THE AREA.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT MAKES COMMON SENSE. SO AS LONG AS  
23 YOU UNDERSTAND THAT. BY THE WAY, THE TOPANGA EMERGENCY PLAN  
24 WAS KICKED INTO EFFECT IN THE LAST 48 HOURS, AND IT'S WORKED  
25 LIKE A CHARM. PEOPLE ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT GETTING TOO MUCH



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1 INFORMATION. BUT TONGUE IN CHEEK COMPLAINING. IT'S WORKED REAL  
2 WELL. OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, AS AMENDED BY MR. ANTONOVICH'S  
3 MOTION, ITEM 12, I'LL MOVE IT. OH, WE HAVE ONE SPEAKER, I'M  
4 SORRY. JANET THIGPEN. AND THEN I WILL MOVE AND MR. ANTONOVICH  
5 WILL SECOND. IS MISS THIGPEN HERE? SHE IS NOT HERE. SO WE HAVE  
6 NO OTHER PERSON WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
7 UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 12. BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC-- WE GOT TO  
8 GO TO YOU. BUT BEFORE WE GO TO YOU, I GOT TO GO TO KNABE. AND  
9 BEFORE WE GO TO KNABE, I HAVE A QUESTION OF MR. FUJIOKA. AND I  
10 REALLY AM ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK ON TUESDAY. I DON'T KNOW IF  
11 ANY OF THE OTHER MEMBERS HAVE HAD THIS COME TO THEIR  
12 ATTENTION. WE HAVE HAD TWO AGENCIES RESPOND TO THE HOMELESS  
13 INITIATIVE R.F.P. OR .R.F.Q., WHATEVER IT WAS, R.F.P. I THINK  
14 IT IS., WHOSE APPLICATIONS WERE NOT ACCEPTED BECAUSE THEY  
15 SUBMITTED IT IN A FLOPPY DISK FORM AS OPPOSED TO SOME OTHER  
16 DISK FORM. I KNOW VERY LITTLE ABOUT THE DETAILS OTHER THAN TO  
17 KNOW THAT THESE ARE TWO VERY WELL RESPECTED AND GREAT PARTNERS  
18 WITH THE COUNTY. AND IT SEEMS TO ME TO BE A TECHNICALITY, IF  
19 IT IS. I WANT YOU TO LOOK INTO IT AND GET US A REPORT BACK  
20 NEXT WEEK BECAUSE WE'RE ONLY SHOOTING OURSELVES IN THE FOOT IF  
21 WE CAN --

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE NEED TO BE A LITTLE MORE FLEXIBLE. I AGREE  
24 WITH THAT.

25



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE AREN'T A LOT OF PEOPLE AT LEAST  
2 AROUND MY PART OF TOWN WHO DO THIS SORT OF THING. THEY  
3 COULDN'T EVEN APPEAL IT BECAUSE THEIR APPLICATION WASN'T EVEN  
4 ACCEPTED. SO THEY COULDN'T EVEN MAKE THEIR CASE. IT WAS A  
5 NIGHTMARE. SO I'M JUST ASKING YOU TO REPORT BACK AND SEE IF  
6 THERE'S ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE.

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ABSOLUTELY.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** WE HAD THE SAME PROBLEM IN OUR DISTRICT WITH ONE  
11 GREAT PROVIDER.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NOT LATE. THE FORMAT. AND THAT'S JUST,  
14 TO ME, IS--

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I AGREE.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS LIKE TELLING SOMEBODY YOU GOT TO DO  
19 IT ON A WORD PROCESSOR AND THEY BRING IT ON A TYPEWRITER AND  
20 YOU DISQUALIFY THEM BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T DO IT ON A WORD  
21 PROCESSOR. NOT SMART. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, BILL. I APPRECIATE  
22 THAT. DO THAT NEXT WEEK. THAT'S ALL I. MR. KNABE?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
25 SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS AND WE'LL GET YOU FOLLOWUP INFORMATION ON



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1 THIS. I WAS JUST NOTIFIED MR. PAUL ROODZANT THE FATHER OF A  
2 GOOD FRIEND , DR. JERRY ROUTSANT, PASSED AWAY THIS PAST  
3 SUNDAY. WE WILL GET YOU THE INFORMATION. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN  
4 IN MEMORY TODAY OF PHYLLIS LOWENTHAL WHO PASSED AWAY THIS PAST  
5 WEEKEND. SHE WAS A SISTER OF SENATOR ALAN LOWENTHAL. SHE WILL  
6 BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE  
7 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. LINDA EVANS WHO WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED  
8 IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT. SHE WAS A SPANISH TEACHER AT  
9 MAYFAIR HIGH SCHOOL, A VERY INSTRUMENTAL AND VERY WELL LIKED  
10 AT THE SCHOOL. SHE WAS ALSO VERY INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT  
11 SHEPHERD FOOD DRIVE FOR NEEDY LAKEWOOD FAMILIES DURING THE  
12 HOLIDAYS, AND WITH HER STUDENTS COLLECTED MORE THAN 20,000  
13 CANNED GOODS EACH AND EVERY YEAR. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER  
14 DAUGHTERS, JANNA AND JANDY, AND GRANDDAUGHTER SASHA. SO WE  
15 SEND OUR CONDOLENCES THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. THAT'S IT. OKAY.  
18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? HE MAY HAVE STEPPED OUT. WHY DON'T WE  
19 HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME? AND WE'LL GET TO MR.  
20 ANTONOVICH'S ADJOURNMENTS. MARCIA HANSCOM AND JUNE JACKSON--

21

22 **MARCIA HANSCOM:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MARCIA HANSCOM WITH THE  
23 COASTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTION NETWORK ALSO SPEAKING AS THE  
24 VICE CHAIR OF SIERRA CLUB'S CONSERVATION COMMITTEE FOR THE  
25 ANGELES CHAPTER AND THE BALLONA INSTITUTE. FIRST I WANT TO



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1 COMMEND SUPERVISOR BURKE FOR THE GREAT LIGHTS OUT L.A.  
2 LEADERSHIP SHE TOOK. AND I'M HOPING YOU WILL ALL EMBRACE THIS  
3 IN THE FUTURE, AS WELL. I ALSO WANT TO MENTION SOMETHING ABOUT  
4 THIS OLEANDER WHICH IS A VERY SERIOUS POISONOUS PLANT. IT'S  
5 NOT NATIVE. ALSO, IT'S GOT A LOT OF PROBLEMS. AND IT WOULD BE  
6 GREAT IF YOU COULD CONSIDER REMOVING THIS POISONOUS PLANT,  
7 ESPECIALLY FROM OUR PARKS WHERE CHILDREN ARE, BUT FROM ANY OF  
8 OUR COUNTY PROPERTIES. THE TWO THINGS I REALLY WANTED TO SPEAK  
9 WITH YOU ABOUT TODAY, THOUGH, IS ONE IS RELATED TO THE FIRE  
10 SITUATION. I WAS RATHER ASTONISHED TO READ ON THE L.A. TIMES'  
11 WEBSITE THIS MORNING THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAD SUGGESTED  
12 THAT IT MIGHT BE THE COASTAL COMMISSION THAT WAS AT FAULT FOR  
13 THE MALIBU FIRES. AND I WOULD THINK THAT SUPERVISOR BURKE'S  
14 HUSBAND WHO IS ON THE COMMISSION MIGHT TAKE ISSUE WITH THAT.  
15 AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT MAYBE WE ALL LOOK AT THE  
16 RESPONSIBILITIES WE HAVE FOR THE OVERDEVELOPMENT OF THESE  
17 AREAS THAT ARE FIRE PRONE. AND MAYBE WE LOOK AT SOME  
18 SOLUTIONS. I WANT TO TAKE THE SPIRIT WITHIN WHICH PASTOR  
19 HOCKING STARTED THIS MORNING AND THINK ABOUT SOME NEW WAYS OF  
20 DOING THINGS. ONE IS TO LOOK AT WHAT THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
21 DOES WITH THEIR HISTORICAL PROPERTIES. IT'S SOMETHING I'VE  
22 NEVER HEARD ANYONE TALK ABOUT HERE. THE NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE  
23 HAS A PROGRAM WHERE THEY HAVE STRUCTURES THAT ACTUALLY PROTECT  
24 ALL OF THEIR HISTORICAL STRUCTURES THAT GO UP WHEN THE HEAT  
25 ARISES, AND THEY ARE VERY SUCCESSFUL AT PROTECTING THEIR



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1 PROPERTIES WITH THESE FIRE PRONE-- FIRE RESISTANT CANOPIES  
2 THAT GO OVER THE STRUCTURES AND FOAM THAT IS IN ALIGNMENT WITH  
3 THAT. I KNOW THIS BECAUSE I LIVE WITH A BIOLOGIST WHO ACTUALLY  
4 WORKS FOR L.A. COUNTY PARKS. BUT HE'S NOT REALLY--  
5 UNFORTUNATELY HE'S NOT BEING USED IN THE WAY HE PROBABLY OUGHT  
6 TO BE, NOT FOR WHAT HE WAS HIRED OR HIRED FOR OR TRAINED FOR.  
7 AND PERHAPS YOU COULD TALK TO HIM OR OTHERS AT THE NATIONAL  
8 PARK SERVICE WHO HAVE WORKED WITH THESE SORTS OF STRUCTURES. I  
9 ALSO WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT THE MARINA DEL REY L.C.P. BE HELD  
10 IMMEDIATELY FOR A PUBLIC HEARING. FOR SEVEN YEARS, YOUR STAFF  
11 HAS BEEN DELAYING THE HEARING OF THE MARINA DEL REY L.C.P. AND  
12 COMMISSIONER BURKE ACTUALLY TOLD US IN THE SUMMER THAT HE WAS  
13 GOING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE A PUBLIC  
14 HEARING. NOT ONE PUBLIC HEARING IN SEVEN YEARS. I UNDERSTAND  
15 THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE IS SUPPORTIVE OF THIS. AND I WOULD ASK  
16 THAT YOU SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS MATTER BEFORE  
17 JANUARY WHEN THE COASTAL COMMISSION IS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** WE ARE. WE ARE WORKING ON THE DATE.

20

21 **MARCIA HANSCOM:** GREAT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVEN'T SEEN THE L.A. TIMES BLOG OR  
24 WHATEVER IT WAS IN, BUT LET ME MAKE IT CLEAR, NOBODY'S  
25 ACCUSING ANYBODY OF STARTING THE FIRE. BUT MY COMMENTS DID



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1 RELATE TO THE CONSTANT BATTLE THAT RESIDENTS OF THE SANTA  
2 MONICA MOUNTAINS IN THE COASTAL ZONE HAVE WITH THE COASTAL  
3 COMMISSION STAFF IN COMPLYING WITH THE FIRE SAFETY  
4 REQUIREMENTS, THE 300-FOOT CLEARANCE AROUND THEIR STRUCTURES.  
5 THE COASTAL COMMISSION DOES NOT WANT THEM TO CLEAR IT, BECAUSE  
6 AS YOU OR SOMEONE EARLIER TESTIFIED, EVERY PIECE OF CHAPARRAL  
7 IS ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE. AND WHAT ENDS HAPPENING IS THEY  
8 CLEAR IT AND THEY GET FINED. I THINK WHILE YOU MAY BE  
9 ASTONISHED AT MY COMMENTS, I THINK MOST ANGELINOS WOULD BE  
10 ASTONISHED THAT CITIZENS WHO ARE TRYING TO COMPLY WITH THE  
11 FIRE REGULATIONS ARE HAVING TO FIGHT ANOTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY  
12 THAT IS LESS CONCERNED ABOUT THAT THAN-- WELL, THEN YOU SHOULD  
13 TALK TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE HILLS AND TO YOUR COLLEAGUES IN  
14 THE CITY OF MALIBU WHO HAVE COMPLAINED TO ME ABOUT IT, AND  
15 YESTERDAY COMPLAINED TO THE GOVERNOR ABOUT IT. IT'S AN ISSUE.  
16 AND I DON'T THINK-- THIS IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE  
17 RESOLVABLE.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** I WILL, SINCE HIS NAME WAS MENTIONED, MY HUSBAND  
20 WAS VERY CONCERNED ABOUT SAN DIEGO WHERE APPARENTLY THERE WAS  
21 AN ATTEMPT TO GET CLEARANCE AND IT WAS TURNED DOWN BY A VOTE  
22 OF A COASTAL COMMISSION.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** REALLY?

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** REALLY, AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT THERE'S NO  
2 QUESTION IT HAS SOME BEARING ON WHAT IS HAPPENING THERE.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT HAS ANY BEARING  
5 OR NOT. THAT I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH SAN DIEGO. AND I'M NOT SURE  
6 IT HAD ANY BEARING IN THIS INSTANCE IN MALIBU. BUT I JUST  
7 THINK-- WELL I'LL BE VERY BLUNT. I THINK THAT PEOPLE WHO LIVE  
8 IN AN IVORY TOWER AND HAVE A VERY NARROW VIEW OF THE WORLD AND  
9 DON'T SEE THE IMPLICATIONS, THE BROADER IMPLICATIONS NEED TO  
10 BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE, ALSO. AND I HAVE-- I PERSONALLY, I WAS  
11 ASKED BY A REPORTER EARLIER TODAY. I WOULDN'T LIVE IN THE  
12 MOUNTAINS AND PUT MYSELF AND MY FAMILY AT THAT RISK. OTHER  
13 PEOPLE-- I KNOW PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD THEIR HOMES BURNED TWO AND  
14 THREE TIMES AND HAVE REBUILT IT A THIRD AND A FOURTH TIME  
15 BECAUSE THEY LOVE IT, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT, YOU KNOW,  
16 I'LL SAY IT. I BELIEVE THE FIRST THING IS PUBLIC SAFETY. THE  
17 FIRST THING IS PUBLIC SAFETY. AND IF I HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN  
18 THE SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS IN THOSE MOUNTAINS AND THE  
19 FIREFIGHTERS WHO WE CHARGE WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO GO IN  
20 THERE AND SAVE THEM AND THEIR PROPERTIES, IF I HAVE TO CHOOSE  
21 BETWEEN THEM AND SOME BRUSH THAT IS AROUND THEIR HOME OR EVEN  
22 IF IT'S CHAPARRAL AROUND THEIR HOME, I DON'T THINK IT'S A  
23 CLOSE CALL. NOW WHETHER THE HOME SHOULD BE THERE OR NOT IS  
24 ANOTHER STORY. AND WE'VE DONE EVERYTHING SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE  
25 TO TRY TO BE RESPONSIBLE IN THE WAY THAT IF YOU WILL LET



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1 DEVELOPMENT TAKE PLACE UP THERE. BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF HOMES  
2 IN THE MOUNTAINS. NOT JUST IN SANTA MONICA, IN THE SANTA  
3 MONICA MOUNTAINS, BUT IN THE SAN GABRIELS, IN THE TEHACHAPIS,  
4 IN THE SAN BERNADINOS, ALL OVER THE PLACE, ALL OVER  
5 CALIFORNIA. AND IF YOU'RE GOING TO LET PEOPLE BUILD AND LIVE  
6 IN THOSE AREAS, YOU'VE GOT TO INSIST THAT THEY INOCULATE  
7 THEMSELVES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE FROM FIRE DANGER. NOT EVERYBODY  
8 SHARES THAT VIEW. I UNDERSTAND THAT. NOT EVERYBODY IN THE  
9 COASTAL COMMISSION STAFF SHARES THAT VIEW. NOT EVERY CITIZEN  
10 SHARES THAT VIEW. I HAPPEN TO SHARE THAT VIEW. THAT SOMEBODY'S  
11 LIFE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN A PLANT. I'M SORRY. I'M NOT SORRY.  
12 I TELL IT LIKE IT IS. YET, IF ANY ONE OF US HAD TO WALK  
13 THROUGH, AS MR. ANTONOVICH DID YESTERDAY, IN HIS PART OF THE  
14 COUNTY AND I DID IN MY PART OF THE COUNTY AND SEE THE  
15 DEVASTATION, IT JUST IS NOT A CLOSE CALL. AND, AGAIN, I DON'T  
16 BELIEVE THAT THEY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THE FIRES. IF  
17 THAT'S WHAT THEY SAID, THEY'RE MISTAKEN. IF THAT'S WHAT I  
18 SAID, I WAS MISTAKEN, NO QUESTION. BUT THE POLICIES OF FIRE  
19 SAFETY, THERE IS ALSO NO QUESTION, THAT THERE IS A BATTLE  
20 BETWEEN PROPERTY OWNERS, RESIDENTS AND THE REGULATORY AGENCIES  
21 OUT THERE. ON THE ONE HAND FIRE SERVICE WHICH SAYS DO IT. ON  
22 THE OTHER HAND, REGULATORY AGENCIES THAT SAY DON'T. OKAY, JUNE  
23 JACKSON. IS JUNE JACKSON HERE? SHE WAS NEXT TO BE HEARD. OH,  
24 I'M SORRY. I GOT SO CARRIED AWAY. MISS JACKSON.

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1 **JUNE JACKSON:** YES. MY NAME IS JUNE JACKSON. I WAS HERE ON--  
2 LAST MONTH AT YOUR BOARD MEETING. I AM A PREVIOUS L.A. COUNTY  
3 SHERIFF DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE WHOSE JOB HAS BEEN WRONGLY DENIED.  
4 I'M BEING DENIED MY JOB AS I SAID ON LAST MONTH BECAUSE I WENT  
5 TO FILE A CRIME REPORT AGAINST THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WAS  
6 SURROUNDED BY EIGHT PEOPLE. WHEN I LEFT, I WAS FOLLOWED BY  
7 HELICOPTER. THE HELICOPTER STALKED ME TO MY DESTINATION LIKE I  
8 WAS A CRIMINAL. I LATER FOUND OUT THAT SHERIFF DEPARTMENT  
9 COERCED A MENTAL HEALTH NURSE, WHO THEY WRONGLY CALLED IN TO  
10 SET ME UP, TO WRITE UP A FRAUDULENT MEDICAL REPORT ON ME. THAT  
11 FRAUDULENT MEDICAL REPORT HAS BEEN USED FOR THE LAST FIVE  
12 YEARS TO KEEP ME OFF WORK. I'VE ASKED THIS BOARD TO  
13 INVESTIGATE THE MATTER AND I HAVEN'T GOTTEN ANY RESPONSE FROM  
14 THE BOARD. THERE'S QUITE A FEW OTHER FRAUDULENT REPORTS THAT  
15 HAS BEEN WRITTEN ON ME, AND IT WAS NOT BASED ON AN EVALUATION,  
16 WHICH IS ILLEGAL. OKAY? AN EVALUATION OF A PERSON IS THE ONLY  
17 THING YOU CAN USE TO KEEP A PERSON OFF WORK. I HAVE BEEN MORE  
18 THAN PATIENT, NICE. I'VE ADDRESSED EVERY COUNTY AGENCY ABOUT  
19 THIS. AND I DON'T JUST STAND HERE, I MEAN SIT HERE AND  
20 REPRESENT MYSELF, BUT I REPRESENT OTHER COUNTY EMPLOYEES. WE--  
21 YOU GUYS HAVE CIVIL SERVICE RULES, COUNTY POLICY CODES AND  
22 PROCEDURES, AND THEY'RE BEING VIOLATED. AND MY LIFE, I JUST  
23 HEARD YOU MENTION ABOUT A PERSON'S LIFE BEING IMPORTANT, MY  
24 LIFE HAS BEEN AFFECTED FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. I'VE BEEN  
25 HOMELESS AND A MYRIAD OF OTHER THINGS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE



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1 ALL BECAUSE I EXERCISED MY RIGHTS AND FILED A CRIME REPORT.  
2 AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW FROM THIS BOARD, I'VE ADDRESSED A  
3 LETTER TO MISS MOLINA AND THIS ENTIRE BOARD AND I HAVE NOT  
4 GOTTEN A RESPONSE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHY THIS BOARD IS  
5 NOT INVESTIGATING THIS MATTER.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DISTRICT DO YOU LIVE IN?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU DIDN'T GIVE US THE LETTER.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHOSE DISTRICT DO YOU LIVE IN?

12

13 **JUNE JACKSON:** MR. KNABE, THE LAST TIME I WAS HERE, YOU TOLD ME  
14 TO STEP OUT, AND I SPOKE WITH MR. KNABE'S ASSISTANT. WELL TO  
15 THIS DATE, I HAVE NOT HEARD FROM MR. KNABE'S OFFICE. I HAVE  
16 NOT RECEIVED ANY DOCUMENTATION, A LETTER OR NOTHING.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL IT MAY BE THAT IT'S STILL A WORK IN  
19 PROGRESS. IT HASN'T BEEN THAT LONG SINCE YOU WERE HERE.

20

21 **JUNE JACKSON:** BUT THE POINT I'M MAKE BEING, SIR, IS THAT ANY  
22 TIME SOMEONE'S INVESTIGATING SOMETHING, I SHOULD RECEIVE  
23 SOMETHING FROM THEM, SOME TYPE OF DOCUMENTATION, TO LET ME  
24 KNOW.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S NOT NECESSARILY TRUE. THAT IS NOT  
2 NECESSARILY TRUE. I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT THE RULES, THAT'S NOT  
3 NECESSARILY TRUE.

4

5 **JUNE JACKSON:** WELL, YOU KNOW, I COULD SAY WELL, YOUR BOARD  
6 TOLD ME THAT THEY'RE GOING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL YOU DID SAY THAT.

9

10 **JUNE JACKSON:** MY POINT IS IT COULD BE MY WORD AGAINST THEIR  
11 WORD IF I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING IN WRITING. I HAVE NO WRITTEN  
12 DOCUMENTATION. YOU PERSONALLY, MR., I DON'T KNOW HOW TO  
13 PRONOUNCE YOUR NAME, CAN YOU SAY AT THAT FOR ME, YOUR NAME?

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YAROSLAVSKY. NOW YOU SAY IT.

16

17 **JUNE JACKSON:** I DON'T THINK I CAN GET THAT, BUT ANYWAY.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NO. YOU ASKED, NOW I'M GOING TO  
20 TEACH YOU A WORD IN RUSSIAN: YAROSLAVSKY.

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22 **JUNE JACKSON:** YAROSLAVSKY.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** EXCELLENT.

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1 **JUNE JACKSON:** ANYWAY, I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM YOU TELLING ME  
2 THAT HE WAS INVESTIGATING. HOWEVER PROPER PROCEDURE AND  
3 PROTOCOL I SHOULD RECEIVE A LETTER STATING THAT HE IS TAKING  
4 CARE OF THE MATTER. OTHER THAN THAT, IT CAN JUST BE MY WORD. I  
5 HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANYTHING.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, YOU HAVE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM US. WE  
8 LEFT A MESSAGE, UNLESS YOU'VE CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER FROM  
9 THE LAST TIME.

10

11 **JUNE JACKSON:** NO, NO. I RECEIVED NOTHING FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT,  
12 SIR. AND AS I SHARED WHEN I WAS HERE LAST MONTH, I TOLD YOU  
13 PRIOR TO ME COMING HERE THAT I HAD TALKED TO MR. KNABE'S  
14 OFFICE. AND I WAS IGNORED. SO RIGHT NOW TO ME, IT'S JUST LIKE  
15 THE SAME THING IS HAPPENING. IT'S JUST THAT I'M BEING  
16 PATRONIZED HERE AND THAT'S HOW I FEEL.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL IT MAY BE THE WAY YOU FEEL. I'M NOT  
19 SURE THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING.

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21 **JUNE JACKSON:** NOTHING, THAT'S THE PROBLEM.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU KNOW, AT THE END OF THE DAY, YOU MAY  
24 NOT GET SATISFIED ON THIS. BUT I THINK THAT MR. KNABE'S OFFICE  
25 IS MAKING THE EFFORT TO TRY TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT.



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2 **SUP MOLINA:** WE DIDN'T GET A LETTER, SO WE'RE GOING TO GIVE YOU  
3 A BUSINESS CARD TO --.

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5 **JUNE JACKSON:** I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I'LL DO: HOW HOW ABOUT SINCE  
6 SHE SAYS YOU GUYS SAY YOU DIDN'T GET A LETTER AND I SENT ALL  
7 OF THEM CERTIFIED, HOW ABOUT IF I RESEND THEM CERTIFIED AGAIN?

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DO WHATEVER YOU WANT TO DO. MR.  
10 KNABE, HIS STAFF WILL TALK TO YOU. BUT MAKE SURE THEY HAVE  
11 YOUR CORRECT PHONE NUMBER BECAUSE THEY DID MAKE AN EFFORT  
12 APPARENTLY TO CONTACT YOU.

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14 **JUNE JACKSON:** OKAY. CAN I ASK YOU ONE MORE THING? CAN I JUST  
15 ASK YOU ONE QUICK THING? YOU'RE THE -- THE CODE FOR BEING A  
16 WHISTLE BLOWER, I DON'T KNOW THE TOP OF MY HEAD, I THINK IT'S  
17 0.5260 OR SOMETHING, I MAY BE OFF ONE OR TWO DIGITS, THAT IS  
18 WHAT I AM TRYING TO GET THIS BOARD TO ADDRESS BECAUSE THAT IS  
19 WHY I HAVE BEEN DENIED MY JOB FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. AND  
20 I'VE AGAIN WORKING OUTSIDE L.A. COUNTY FOR THE LAST FIVE  
21 YEARS. AND IF I CAN WORK OUTSIDE L.A. COUNTY, I CAN WORK MY  
22 SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S JOB. SO THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THIS  
23 PICTURE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THAT MAYBE YOU SHOULD TALK TO THE COUNTY  
2 COUNSEL WHO CAN TELL YOU FIRST OF ALL THE TIME LIMIT IN TERMS  
3 OF A WHISTLE BLOWER AND EXACTLY HOW YOU PROCEED WITH A WHISTLE  
4 BLOWER. I THINK SOMEONE FROM COUNTY COUNSEL.

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6 **JUNE JACKSON:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, MA'AM. BUT MY RIGHTS ARE  
7 BEING ABUSED THROUGH THE COUNTY SYSTEM IS WHAT I HAVE BEEN  
8 SAYING ALL ALONG.

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK AS A WHISTLE BLOWER, YOU DON'T HAVE TO  
11 FILE A LAWSUIT. WE GET WHISTLE BLOWER ACTIONS. BUT WE DON'T  
12 ACT ON THEM THIS WAY. THERE'S A LAWSUIT THAT COMES AND THEN  
13 THE COUNTY COUNSEL GETS INVOLVED. IT'S ALL DECIDED BY THE  
14 COURT. WE DON'T DO IT.

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16 **JUNE JACKSON:** I UNDERSTAND. YOU KNOW, I COULD BE-- EACH ONE OF  
17 YOU BOARD MEMBERS' DAUGHTER SITTING HERE, AND I DON'T THINK IF  
18 I WAS, YOU GUYS WOULD BE--

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20 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD TELL HER THE SAME THING. SHE WOULD HAVE TO  
21 FILE A LAWSUIT.

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23 **JUNE JACKSON:** BUT YOU WOULDN'T BE VERY HAPPY TO THE THINGS  
24 THAT WERE DONE FOR ME AND THE BOARD IS NOT DOING WHAT THEY  
25 SHOULD INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE ENTITLED TO THAT OPINION. IF  
3 THAT'S THE WAY YOU FEEL ABOUT IT, SCREAM IT FROM THE TOP OF  
4 THE HILLS, BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE IT SO. ANYWAY, I THINK WE  
5 HEARD YOU. AND MR. KNABE'S STAFF WILL WANT TO MAKE SURE THEY  
6 HAVE YOUR CORRECT PHONE NUMBER AND THEY CAN FOLLOW UP. THANK  
7 YOU.

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9 **JUNE JACKSON:** THANK YOU. ONCE AGAIN. OKAY.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. ANTONOVICH, YOU HAD YOUR --

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME DO THE ADJOURNMENTS. JOHN WILLIAM BILL  
14 LEVETTE OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, WORKED FOR N.A.S.A. FOR 20 YEARS  
15 WAS AN EQUESTRIAN, MEMBER OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY DESERT RIDERS  
16 AND DESERT MARKSMEN GUN CLUB, ALSO IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL RUBEL  
17 OF GLENDORA. HE BELT THE RUBEL CASTLE WHICH WITHSTANDS AS A  
18 SOLID CITY LANDMARK AND NOW VIRTUALLY EVERY SCHOOL CHILD IN  
19 GLENDORA HAS VISITED ON THEIR FIELD TRIPS. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
20 HIS WIFE AND HIS DAUGHTER AND SISTER AND BROTHER AND HIS  
21 NEPHEWS. VINCENT DEDOMENICO, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92,  
22 STILL WORKING, HE WAS THE CREATOR OF RICE-A-RONI, THE SAN  
23 FRANCISCO TREAT, THAT WE ALL GREW UP SINGING. HE STARTED UP  
24 THE NAPA VALLEY WINE TRADE WHERE HE WAS STILL WORKING AT THE  
25 AGE OF 92 WHEN HE PASSED AWAY. AND HE WAS ONE OF SIX CHILDREN



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1 OF ITALIAN IMMIGRANTS WHO CAME HERE AND BECAME A VERY  
2 SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEUR. NANCY MALIN, LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
3 DEPUTY SHERIFF, SHE RETIRED AND WAS LAST ASSIGNED TO THE  
4 TRANSPORTATION BUREAU, PROBATION OFFICER VANESSA MITCHELL, HER  
5 LAST DAY OF SERVICE WAS OCTOBER 14TH WHO PASSED AWAY. SHE IS  
6 SURVIVED BY HER MOTHER AND BROTHERS AND SISTER. GARY WEINS,  
7 ALSO RETIRED SERGEANT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
8 DEPARTMENT, LAST ASSIGNED TO CUSTODY DIVISION. AND THE LATE  
9 GREAT JOEY BISHOP WHO I BELIEVE HAD ONE OF THE GREATEST WITS  
10 OF ALL TIME. GREAT COMEDIAN AND PHILANTHROPIST. I MOVE THAT WE  
11 ADJOURN IN THEIR MEMORY. AND WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE FIRE,  
12 WE HAVE TO ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHANNEL 5. THIS IS THE  
13 FIRST TIME IN MY YEARS OF GROWING UP IN THIS COUNTY THAT WE  
14 DIDN'T HAVE A STAN CHAMBERS. AND WHEN WE LOST HAL FISHMAN, WE  
15 ALSO, I BELIEVE, LOST THE LEADERSHIP THAT CHANNEL 5 HAS  
16 PROVIDED, THE L.A. TIMES FAILED TO PROVIDE IN HAVING THIS 24-  
17 HOUR COVERAGE SO NECESSARY FOR THE VICTIMS. AND AS YOU KNOW,  
18 ZEV AND I VISITED THE EVACUATION CENTERS, PEOPLE ARE LISTENING  
19 TO TELEVISION TO FIND OUT WHAT IS HAPPENING BECAUSE THERE IS A  
20 LACK OF INFORMATION THAT THEY RECEIVE. AND TO THEIR CREDIT  
21 CHANNEL 9-- AND I KNOW CHANNEL 7 AND 4 WERE THERE BROADCASTING  
22 LIVE THERE ON THE FIRE LINES. CHANNEL 5 USED TO BE AN  
23 INSTITUTION THAT WE REALLY RELIED ON. AND STAN CHAMBERS WAS  
24 REALLY THE NUMBER ONE NEWS GATHERER WITH THE THEIR OTHER  
25 COLLEAGUES FROM THE OTHER STATIONS. BUT I JUST THOUGHT IT WAS



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1 A DISSERVICE WHEN YOU TURN ON 5 TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING AND  
2 THERE WAS SOME THIRD-RATE SOAP OPERA. BUT LET ME MAKE SOME  
3 MOTIONS. ONE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND I, ON OCTOBER 21ST,  
4 NUMEROUS FIRES BROKE OUT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY RESULTING IN  
5 LOSS OF PROPERTY. THE DISASTER SITE STILL REMAINS UNSAFE,  
6 UNUSABLE WHICH HAS HAD A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON LIVES AND  
7 BUSINESSES. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IS NECESSARY FOR THOSE  
8 INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY NOT BE ABLE TO RECOVER FROM THE DISASTER.  
9 THE CONDITIONS NECESSITATE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE  
10 OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY WITHIN OUR COUNTY. THESE DISASTERS WILL  
11 REQUIRE CONTINUED EMERGENCY RESPONSE OPERATIONS TO ASSURE THE  
12 SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC IN ALL RESPONSE AND RECOVERY PERSONNEL,  
13 INCLUDING FIRE, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER RESPONSES NECESSARY.  
14 ONCE THE CASES OF THESE FIRES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED TO PREVENT  
15 OCCURRENCE OF SUCH EVENTS IN THE FUTURE. WE WOULD MOVE THAT  
16 THE BOARD WOULD RATIFY THE ATTACHED PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL  
17 EMERGENCY MADE ON OCTOBER 21ST FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
18 FIRES EVENT ON OCTOBER 21ST THAT STILL CONTINUE. THIS  
19 PROCLAMATION SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL ITS TERMINATION IS  
20 PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD, PROVEN DIRECTIVES CHAIRED ASSIGN UPON  
21 THE BOARD APPROVAL THE ATTACHED PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL  
22 EMERGENCY TO OUR COUNTY, FORWARD A COPY OF THE PROCLAMATION TO  
23 THE GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA WITH THE REQUEST THAT HE PROCLAIM  
24 THE EXISTENCE OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY,  
25 FORWARD A COPY OF THE PROCLAMATION TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE



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1 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES WITH THE REQUEST THAT  
2 THE DIRECTOR FIND IT ACCEPTABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW  
3 AND DIRECT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLACE ON THE BOARD AGENDA,  
4 A REVIEW EVERY TWO WEEKS OF THE NEED TO CONTINUE THIS  
5 EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION WHILE EMERGENCY RESTORATION ACTIONS ARE  
6 BEING TAKEN. SO MOVED.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, NONE UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OVER THE PAST WEEKEND, THE DEVASTATION, AS I  
11 SAID IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, THESE FIRES ORIGINATED IN  
12 AGUA DULCE, CASTIC, AND VAL VERDE AND THE STEVENSON RANCH.  
13 THESE WERE IN ADDITION TO THE FIRE IN MALIBU NOT TO MENTION  
14 THOSE DEVASTATIONS THAT WERE TAKING PLACE IN OTHER PARTS OF  
15 THIS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION. AS WE HAVE SEEN WITH OTHER  
16 DISASTERS, PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS ARE CRUCIAL AND  
17 CRITICAL IN ASSISTING INDIVIDUALS TO RECOVER MORTGAGE  
18 PAYMENTS, PERMITS TO REBUILD AND PAYING PROPERTY TAXES. THE  
19 COUNTY NEEDS TO EXPEDITE THE PERMITTING PROCESS AND REDUCE OR  
20 RESTRUCTURE PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS. THE COUNTY CAN ASK BANKS  
21 AND FINANCE COMPANIES TO RESCHEDULE MORTGAGE PAYMENTS TO  
22 PROVIDE RELIEF FOR RESIDENTS WHO HAVE LOST THEIR HOMES OR  
23 SUFFER DAMAGE. I MOVE THAT THE BOARD WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENTS  
24 OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS TO EXPEDITE ISSUANCE OF  
25 PERMITS AND ESTABLISH ONE STOP PERMITTING CENTERS TO THOSE



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1 AREAS IMPACTED BY THE RECENT FIRES. DIRECT THE COUNTY TAX  
2 ASSESSOR TO DEVELOP CONCESSIONS FOR PROPERTY OWNERS WHOSE  
3 HOMES WERE DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY THE FIRES, EXTENDING  
4 DEADLINES FOR UPCOMING PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS OR ADJUSTING  
5 THOSE TAXES TO REFLECT THOSE LOSSES OR DEFERRING PAYMENTS FOR  
6 FUTURE TAX YEARS. AND IF WE COULD WORK WITH THE TAX ASSESSOR  
7 IN DEVELOPING SOME TYPE OF PROTOCOL. AND PREPARE A FIVE-  
8 SIGNATURE BOARD LETTER TO LENDING INSTITUTIONS ASKING THAT  
9 MORTGAGE PAYMENTS ON HOMES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY THE RECENT  
10 FIRES IN LOS ANGELES BE TEMPORARILY DELAYED AND THAT ACCRUED  
11 PAYMENTS BE ADDED TO THE END OF THE MORTGAGE TERM. WE'RE  
12 TALKING ABOUT PERHAPS DELAYING THE MORTGAGE PAYMENTS FOR FIVE,  
13 SIX MONTHS AND THEN EXTENDING THEIR MORTGAGE FIVE OR SIX  
14 MONTHS AT THE END OF THE CONTRACT, BUT WORKING WITH THE  
15 PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP. THE QUESTION IS: CAN WE PASS THIS  
16 TODAY?

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18 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** YES, WITH THE APPROPRIATE FINDINGS. THE  
19 NEED FOR THIS MATTER CAME UP AND IT IS AN URGENT NEED. SO IF  
20 YOUR BOARD MADE THOSE FINDINGS, IT COULD ACT ON IT.

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE MOTION THAT THE FINDINGS TO APPROVE  
23 THOSE FINDINGS IS MADE BY ANTONOVICH, I'LL SECOND IT; WITHOUT  
24 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN COULD WE DIRECT THE C.I.O --

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3 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO APPROVE THE MOTION NOW?

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH SO MOVED.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, I'LL SECOND  
8 IT. NO OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD WE ALSO ASK A REPORT FROM THE C.I.O.,  
11 TO REPORT BACK IN A FEW WEEKS ON THE IMPACT THAT THE FIRES HAD  
12 ON OUR EMPLOYEES AND HOW WE CAN ASSIST THEM, AS WELL? REPORT  
13 BACK.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MISS BURKE, DID YOU WANT TO SAY  
20 SOMETHING? OR MR. KNABE? WE HAVE NOTHING ELSE BEFORE US? WE  
21 HAVE A CLOSED SESSION AHEAD OF US?

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS  
24 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
25 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-1



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1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND  
2 DESIGNATED STAFF. CS-2 AND CS-3 CONFERENCES WITH REAL PROPERTY  
3 NEGOTIATORS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA, STAN WISNIEWSKI, AND RICHARD  
4 AND VOLPERT WITH RESPECT TO NEGOTIATIONS FOR PROPERTIES WITHIN  
5 THE MARINA DEL REY SMALL CRAFT HARBOR AND CS-4 CONFERENCE WITH  
6 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON  
7 THE POSTED AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1       **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON OCTOBER 23, 2007**

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5       No reportable action was taken on closed session items CS-1,  
6       CS-2 and CS-3.

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8       CS-4 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

9       (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Julian  
10       Lopez v. Daniel Gordon, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court  
11       Case No. MC 013260

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13       This is a lawsuit for damages resulting from injuries  
14       sustained by the plaintiff in a collision with a County  
15       Sheriff's vehicle. (07-2643)

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17       The Board authorized settlement of the above lawsuit titled  
18       Julian Lopez v. Daniel Gordon, et al.. The substance of the  
19       settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as  
20       soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all  
21       parties.

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23       The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being  
24       present.

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