



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1                                   **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON**  
2   **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020 ON PAGE 209]**

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5   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. WE WELCOME  
6 YOU TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES  
7 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH,  
8 2020. PLEASE NOTE THAT SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL NOT  
9 BE IN ATTENDANCE TODAY. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY FATHER  
10 CLAUDE WILLIAMS, SAINTS PETER AND PAUL SCHOOL IN THE FOURTH  
11 DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY  
12 CELESTINO CHORA, FORMER SPECIALIST IN THE CALIFORNIA ARMY  
13 NATIONAL GUARD IN THE CITY OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD FROM THE GREAT  
14 THIRD DISTRICT. WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND.

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16   **FATHER WILLIAMS:** GOOD MORNING, LET'S BOW OUR HEADS. OH, GOD,  
17 YOU HAVE TAUGHT US TO CALL YOU THE HOLY ONE, AND SO WE INVOKE  
18 YOU THUS THIS DAY. MINDFUL OF OUR LIMITATIONS AND GRATEFUL FOR  
19 THE COUNTLESS BLESSINGS YOU HAVE BESTOWED UPON US AND UPON  
20 THOSE DEAR TO US, ESPECIALLY FOR THE PRICELESS GIFT OF YOUR  
21 FORGIVENESS FOR OUR PAST TRANSGRESSIONS, OH, LORD, WE ENTREAT  
22 YOU THAT IN YOUR ABUNDANT MERCY, YOU GRANT TO US LEADERS AFTER  
23 YOUR OWN HEART. WE BESEECH YOU THAT IN YOUR GREAT KINDNESS,  
24 YOU GRANT US THOSE RESOURCES NEEDED TO ACCOMPLISH YOUR WILL  
25 AND THAT YOU RAISE UP AMONG US LEADERS WHO, BY THEIR ZEAL FOR

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1 OUR PROSPERITY ON EARTH AND GLORY HEREAFTER, MAY BE PLEASING  
2 TO YOU. GRANT WE PRAY, OH, MIGHTY FATHER, THAT BY THEIR GOOD  
3 GOVERNMENT, OUR LEADERS MAY EVER BE HONORED AND NOBLY BY YOUR  
4 PEOPLE FOR THE GLORY OF YOUR NAME. GRANT ALSO, OH MIGHTY  
5 FATHER, TO OUR ENEMIES, NEAR AND FAR, THE HAPPINESS TO KNOW  
6 YOUR PROTECTION IN THIS LIFE AND THE GRACE TO SHARE ETERNAL  
7 LIFE WITH YOU ON HIGH, AMEN.

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9 **CELESTINO CHORA:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. PLEASE FACE THE FLAG.  
10 PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU ARE A VETERAN,  
11 YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF  
12 ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED  
13 STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE  
14 NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR  
15 ALL.

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17 **SUP. HAHN:** I WILL COME OVER HERE. PLEASE JOIN ME AGAIN IN  
18 THANKING FATHER CLAUDE WILLIAMS OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL  
19 SCHOOL SCHOOL IN WILMINGTON FOR LEADING US THIS MORNING IN OUR  
20 INVOCATION. [ APPLAUSE ]. FATHER CLAUDE IS A NATIVE OF NEW  
21 ORLEANS. HE ENTERED THE NORBERTINE ORDER IN 2000 AFTER  
22 ATTENDING FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY IN OHIO. HE THEN WENT ON TO  
23 EARN HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY AND DOGMATICS FROM THE  
24 PONTIFICAL UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS IN ROME. FATHER  
25 CLAUDE HAS MINISTERED IN SEVERAL SETTINGS, INCLUDING AS VICE



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1 DEAN OF STUDENTS AND INSTRUCTORS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S  
2 PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL IN SILVERADO AND AS CHAIR OF LITURGY  
3 FOR THE NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC CONGRESS. IN AUGUST 2018, HE  
4 WAS NAMED RECTOR OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL SCHOOL IN  
5 WILMINGTON. AND WE'RE GOING TO BE HONORING THAT SCHOOL'S 75TH  
6 ANNIVERSARY LATER IN OUR BOARD MEETING. FATHER CLAUDE, THANK  
7 YOU SO MUCH FOR LEADING US IN THAT INVOCATION. THANK YOU FOR  
8 YOUR LEADERSHIP IN HELPING EDUCATE CHILDREN. YOU HAVE A GREAT  
9 VOICE, MUCH BETTER THAN MINE THIS MORNING. THANK YOU.

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11 **FATHER WILLIAMS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ].

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. OUR PLEDGE TODAY WAS LED  
14 BY CELESTINO CHORA. HE WAS A SPECIALIST IN THE CALIFORNIA ARMY  
15 NATIONAL GUARD FROM 2007 TO 2016. HE SERVED AS A CANNON CREW  
16 MEMBER AND WAS DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF THE KOSOVO AND BAJA  
17 CALIFORNIA BORDER MISSIONS. HE WAS AWARDED THE AIR FORCE  
18 ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, KOSOVO CAMPAIGN MEDAL, OVERSEAS SERVICE  
19 MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM  
20 MEDAL AND ARMY SERVICE RIBBON. HE IS NOW AN INTERMEDIATE  
21 TYPIST CLERK FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
22 SERVICES AND IS TAKING CLASSES AT L.A. VALLEY COLLEGE. PLEASE  
23 JOIN ME IN THANKING SPECIALIST CELESTINO CHORA. [ APPLAUSE ].

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU WANTED TO  
2 ACKNOWLEDGE SOME STUDENTS IN THE AUDIENCE?

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4 **SUP. SOLIS:** I DON'T THINK THEY ARE HERE YET.

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6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN WE WILL DO THAT AFTER BOARD  
7 PRESENTATIONS. WE ARE GOING TO TAKE UP CLOSED SESSION  
8 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE BOARD PRESENTATIONS, AND WE'RE GOING  
9 TO BEGIN WITH THE BOARD PRESENTATION, BEGINNING WITH ME, AND  
10 THEN WE WILL GO ON TO SUPERVISOR HAHN. IT IS A LONG-STANDING  
11 TRADITION OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO WELCOME  
12 OUR NEW CONSULS GENERAL TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM GRATEFUL  
13 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT OUR FIRST CONSUL GENERAL OF THE  
14 YEAR THIS MORNING. I AM PLEASED TO WELCOME AMBASSADOR AHMED  
15 SHAHEEN, CONSUL GENERAL OF EGYPT IN LOS ANGELES. LET'S GIVE  
16 HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. AMBASSADOR SHAHEEN RECEIVED A  
17 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN FROM CAIRO UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF  
18 COMMERCE IN 1988. PRIOR TO HIS APPOINTMENT IN LOS ANGELES, HE  
19 SERVED AS SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE EGYPTIAN AGENCY OF  
20 PARTNERSHIP FOR DEVELOPMENT. DURING HIS TENURE, THE AGENCY  
21 IMPLEMENTED MORE THAN 120 CAPACITY-BUILDING PROGRAMS FOR MORE  
22 THAN 4,000 AFRICAN TRAINEES. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, THE AGENCY  
23 DISPATCHED EXPERTS TO 11 AFRICAN COUNTRIES AND PROVIDED  
24 HUMANITARIAN AND DEVELOPMENTAL ASSISTANCE. IN PREVIOUS  
25 ASSIGNMENTS, AMBASSADOR SHAHEEN SERVED AS EGYPT'S CONSUL



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1 GENERAL IN GENEVA AND MILAN. FROM 1992 TO 2010, HE WAS A  
2 MEMBER OF THE EGYPTIAN EMBASSY, REPRESENTING HIS COUNTRY IN  
3 BERLIN, TOKYO, KUALA LUMPUR, PYONGYANG, AND KABUL. AMBASSADOR  
4 SHAHEEN, MY COLLEAGUES AND I CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR  
5 APPOINTMENT AS CONSUL GENERAL OF EGYPT IN LOS ANGELES. WE WISH  
6 YOU SUCCESS DURING YOUR MISSION AND LOOK FORWARD TO TO WORKING  
7 WITH YOU ON ISSUES THAT UNITE OUR COUNTRIES IN FRIENDSHIPS AND  
8 PEACE. WELCOME. [ APPLAUSE ].

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10 **AMBASSADOR SHAHEEN:** MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER,  
11 CHAIR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SUPERVISOR  
12 HILDA SOLIS, SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL, SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN,  
13 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY PROFOUND  
14 GRATITUDE FOR RECEIVING ME IN YOUR ESTEEMED BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS. I AM BOTH HONORED AND HUMBLLED BY THIS WARM  
16 WELCOME. IT IS CERTAINLY A PRIVILEGE TO BE AMONG YOU TODAY. AS  
17 A CONSUL GENERAL OF EGYPT IN LOS ANGELES, I WILL SPARE NO  
18 EFFORT TO SERVE THE EGYPTIAN COMMUNITY, PROMOTE TRADE,  
19 INVESTMENT, TOURISM, CULTURAL EXCHANGE, AND PEOPLE TO PEOPLE  
20 DIALOGUE. I AM CONFIDENT THAT, WITH THE ALREADY EXCELLENT  
21 LEVEL OF SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE FROM L.A. COUNTY AND ALL  
22 GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE BRANCHES, THESE DUTIES WILL BE FULFILLED  
23 SUCCESSFULLY. THIS YEAR, WE WILL WITNESS 10 YEARS SINCE THE  
24 CONSUL GENERAL OF EGYPT HAS MOVED TO LOS ANGELES. 10 YEARS  
25 FILLED WITH COOPERATION, HARMONY, AND COLLATERAL EFFORTS TO





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1 PROVIDE FOR OUR COMMUNITY WHICH, IN FACT, CONSTITUTES A PART  
2 OF THE LOS ANGELES BIGGER COMMUNITY. WE GREATLY ADMIRE WHAT  
3 L.A. COUNTY REPRESENTS AS A ROLE MODEL OF FUTURE OF  
4 GOVERNMENTS. I SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK L.A. COUNTY AND  
5 ALL ITS OFFICIALS. MRS. LOURDES SAAB AND HER TEAM WERE ALWAYS  
6 THERE TO EXTEND HELP WHEN NEEDED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ].

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10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN? YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION.

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12 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. TODAY, IT GIVES ME GREAT  
13 PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE SAINTS PETER AND PAUL SCHOOL ON THE  
14 OCCASION OF THEIR 75TH ANNIVERSARY! THAT'S A GOOD ANNIVERSARY  
15 FOR ANY ORGANIZATION. [ APPLAUSE ]. JOINING US TODAY IS THE  
16 SCHOOL DIRECTOR FATHER CLAUDE WILLIAMS, WHO JUST LED US IN  
17 THAT BEAUTIFUL INVOCATION, AND PRINCIPAL NANCY KURIA. SAINTS  
18 PETER AND PAUL SCHOOL WAS FOUNDED IN 1944 IN WILMINGTON BY THE  
19 FRANCISCAN SISTER OF CHARITY AND PENANCE. IN 1951, THE SISTERS  
20 OF ST. JOSEPH OF CLOONEY ARRIVED TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF THE  
21 FRANCISCAN SISTERS AND THUS BEGAN AN INCREDIBLE 58 YEARS OF  
22 SERVICE. SO I HAVE REPRESENTED WILMINGTON AND THE SCHOOL IN  
23 ALL MY LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT TO WHICH I HAVE BEEN ELECTED, BOTH  
24 IN THE CITY COUNCIL, BOTH IN THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, AND  
25 NOW AS COUNTY SUPERVISOR. SO THE SCHOOL HAS GIVEN ME GREAT



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1 BRAGGING RIGHTS FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO AND THE EXCELLENCE THAT  
2 YOU PORTRAY. YOU KNOW, ONE OF THEIR ALUMNI, BOB TRUJILLO, WENT  
3 ON TO BE THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF WIENERSCHNITZEL, WHICH, BY THE  
4 WAY, WAS FOUNDED IN WILMINGTON. I BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW THAT.  
5 TODAY THE SCHOOL IS RUN BY NORBERTINE FATHERS AND BOASTS A  
6 SMALL BUT MIGHTY 195 STUDENTS. CONGRATULATIONS TO SAINTS PETER  
7 AND PAUL SCHOOL ON THIS INCREDIBLE MILESTONE, AND THANK YOU  
8 FOR PROVIDING A WONDERFUL EDUCATION TO THE CHILDREN IN  
9 WILMINGTON. YOU ARE TRULY A GEM IN THE HEART OF THE HARBOR.  
10 NANCY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME UP AND SAY A FEW WORDS? [  
11 APPLAUSE ] .

12

13 **NANCY KURIA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN. IT HAS BEEN A  
14 PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOU FOR MANY YEARS. AND YOU ARE NEVER  
15 SHY TO COME BY AND ASK FOR US TO PARTICIPATE IN DIFFERENT  
16 THINGS, BUT, MOST IMPORTANTLY, IS YOU ARE HANDS ON WHEN IT  
17 COMES TO TAKING CARE OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS. I KNOW WE HAVE MET  
18 AT SAINTS PETER AND PAUL SCHOOL FOR MANY A YEAR, AND WE ARE  
19 PROUD TO SAY THAT SAINTS PETER AND PAUL SCHOOL HAS PRODUCED  
20 GREAT STUDENTS AND GREAT LEADERS, AND IT IS NICE TO HEAR ABOUT  
21 BOB TRUJILLO AND THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED ON AMONG US BUT,  
22 WITHOUT GREAT GOVERNANCE, YOU CANNOT MAKE PROGRESS IN THE  
23 RIGHT PACE. SO WE ARE PROUD OF YOU, AND WE ARE GLAD THAT YOU  
24 ARE HERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. DID YOU WANT TO SAY ANYTHING  
2 ELSE? WE'LL DO ONE MORE THING.

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4 **FATHER WILLIAMS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT HAS BEEN GOOD FOR ME  
5 THIS PAST YEAR AND A HALF TO WORK WITH ONE OF THE BEST  
6 PRINCIPALS IN THE COUNTY. I HAVE TO SAY THAT IT IS GREAT TO BE  
7 IN A PLACE WHERE WE REALLY LEARN AS A COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT  
8 SIMPLY THE STUDENTS THAT LEARN FROM THE TEACHERS BUT THE  
9 TEACHERS ALSO LEARN FROM OUR STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES. AND  
10 SO, I THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR US AS WE MOVE FORWARD TO  
11 ANOTHER 75 YEARS, GOD WILLING.

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13 **SUP. HAHN:** WELL, I HAVE TERM LIMITS, SO I WON'T BE HERE  
14 ANOTHER 75 YEARS. [ LAUGHTER ].

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16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WE ARE GETTING SITUATED HERE.  
17 THIS MORNING, WE ARE JOINED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS  
18 FOUNDATION, A NONPROFIT THAT EMPOWERS YOUTH TO BECOME ACTIVE  
19 AND RESPONSIBLE PARTICIPANTS IN THEIR COMMUNITY. MORE THAN  
20 EVER, OUR YOUTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE EXCITED ABOUT CIVIC  
21 ENGAGEMENT. I'M PROUD TO CELEBRATE SOME OF OUR YOUNG COMMUNITY  
22 MEMBERS FOR THEIR COMMITMENT AND PARTICIPATION IN AN  
23 INNOVATIVE PROGRAM THAT GIVES THEM INSIGHT INTO THE JUSTICE  
24 SYSTEM. OUR YOUNG ATTENDEES WERE ALL VICTORIOUS IN THE  
25 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION'S 42ND ANNUAL LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION. LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF  
2 APPLAUSE. [ APPLAUSE ]. STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN MOCK TRIAL  
3 BENEFIT FROM WORKING IN TEAMS AND LEARNING FROM ROLE MODELS  
4 WHO HAVE FIRSTHAND EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD. MORE THAN 2,500  
5 MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PRESENTED THE FICTIONAL CASE  
6 OF PEOPLE V. MOSSIMOTO AT THE STANLEY MOSK COURT HOUSE, THIS  
7 CASE FEATURED AN ALLEGED MURDER. ONE PARTY IS THE FOUNDER OF A  
8 TECH STARTUP THAT DEVELOPS SELF-DRIVING VEHICLES AND IS  
9 CONFRONTED WITH A CONTROVERSY WHEN THEIR PARTNER STARTS AN  
10 ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION CALLED PARENTS AGAINST AUTONOMOUS  
11 DRIVING. THE STUDENTS ARE TASKED WITH DECIDING IF THE DEATH OF  
12 THE ADVOCATE WAS AN ACCIDENT OR IF THE TECH FOUNDER KILLED THE  
13 ADVOCATE OF THE GROUP TO PREVENT THE GROUP FROM TAKING DOWN  
14 THE TECH COMPANY. TO PREPARE FOR THE BIG TRIAL, STUDENTS HAD  
15 TO LEARN ALL ASPECTS OF THE CRIMINAL COURT CASE. WHEN THE  
16 COMPETITION DAY COMES, THEY ARE ALL PREPARED TO ACT AS  
17 ATTORNEYS, WITNESSES, BAILIFFS, AND CLERKS. EACH YEAR, THE  
18 FOUNDATION CREATES A NEW MOCK TRIAL CASE BASED ON IMPORTANT  
19 ISSUES FACING AMERICA'S YOUTH. THROUGH THE COMPETITION,  
20 STUDENTS GAIN SKILLS IN COMMUNICATION, COLLABORATION, AND  
21 ANALYTICAL THINKING. MOCK TRIAL PARTICIPANTS SAY THEIR TIME IN  
22 THE COURTROOM TRULY HELPED THEM SOLVE PROBLEMS AND THINK ON  
23 THEIR FEET IN THEIR FUTURE CAREERS. THERE WERE MORE THAN 150  
24 SCHOOLS REPRESENTED IN THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION, AND OUR  
25 HONOREES TODAY CAME OUT ON TOP. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE



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1 STUDENTS AND TEACHERS FOR YOUR SUCCESS IN THIS INCREDIBLE  
2 PROGRAM! I AM EXCITED TO PRESENT TO OUR AWARDEES, ST. MEL'S  
3 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN WOODLAND HILLS, WHO WON SECOND PLACE IN  
4 THE JUNIOR DIVISION, HOLY FAMILY MIDDLE SCHOOL IN SOUTH  
5 PASADENA, CHAMPIONS OF THE JUNIOR DIVISION. [ APPLAUSE ]. AND  
6 JAMES MONROE HIGH SCHOOL IN NORTH HILLS, CHAMPIONS OF THE  
7 SENIOR DIVISION. LET'S GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [  
8 APPLAUSE ]. WITH OUR YOUTH LEADING THE WAY IN OUR COURTROOMS  
9 AND COMMUNITIES, I KNOW WE ARE IN GOOD HANDS. THANK YOU,  
10 LOURDES MORALES AND JASMINE ESPINOZA FROM THE CONSTITUTIONAL  
11 RIGHTS FOUNDATION FOR THEIR WORK ON THIS PROGRAM AND FOR  
12 JOINING US. WE WISH OUR WINNERS GOOD LUCK AT THE STATE FINALS  
13 IN MARCH AND HOPE THEY GO ON TO REPRESENT L.A. COUNTY IN THE  
14 NATIONALS, AND WE CANNOT WAIT TO HAVE YOU BACK TO CELEBRATE  
15 THOSE WINS. THANK YOU. LET'S GIVE ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [  
16 APPLAUSE ]. AND KATHY, YOU WANTED TO RECOGNIZE SOMEONE WHO  
17 COULD NOT BE HERE TODAY.

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19 **KATHY:** I WANT TO THANK C.R.F. LOURDES MORALES, ESPECIALLY,  
20 ALSO LAURA WESLEY. I HAVE BEEN COACHING MOCK TRIAL FOR OVER 25  
21 YEARS, A QUARTER OF A CENTURY, AND I JUST RETIRED FROM  
22 TEACHING. AND THIS IS THE MONROE LONG GOVERNMENT MAGNATE'S  
23 SECOND TIME YEAR. 2013, WE ALSO WON COUNTY. I JUST WANTED THE  
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO KNOW ESPECIALLY THAT OUR LEGAL ADVISOR  
25 THIS YEAR WAS SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE DAVID YAROSLAVSKY, SON OF



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1 ZEV. AND SO, MOCK TRIAL KIDS GO ON TO DO GREAT THINGS. THEY  
2 BECOME LAWYERS, JUDGES, AND IN EVERY AREA OF LIFE YOU CAN  
3 IMAGINE. THANK YOU SO MUCH

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5 **DEANA LA BARBARA:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DEANA LA BARBARA.  
6 I'M A COACH FOR THE ST. MEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAM.  
7 I HAVE BEEN WORKING IN MOCK TRIAL FOR A LONG TIME. I'M AN  
8 ATTORNEY. AND WE JUST STARTED UP OUR PROGRAM 5 YEARS AGO. THIS  
9 IS OUR 5TH YEAR. AND TO HAVE REACHED THIS LEVEL IS VERY  
10 EXCITING, AND HOLY FAMILY DID A GREAT JOB. WE HAD AN  
11 INCREDIBLE FINAL ROUND. AND I WANT TO THANK THE CONSTITUTIONAL  
12 RIGHTS FOUNDATION FOR GIVING THESE KIDS THE OPPORTUNITY. AND  
13 THEY WORK SO HARD. THEY ARE THERE LATE AT NIGHT, AND THEY ARE  
14 THERE FOR WEEKS ON END, AND THE AMOUNT OF LOGISTICAL PLANNING  
15 THEY HAVE TO DO TO GET THAT MANY COURTROOMS IS INCREDIBLE. AND  
16 I WANT TO THANK LOURDES AND JASMINE FOR ALL YOU DO TO BRING US  
17 HERE, THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ].

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19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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21 **TRACY MERIT:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR  
22 HONORING US TODAY. I'M TRACY MERIT, ONE OF THE COACHES FOR THE  
23 HOLY FAMILY TEAM THIS YEAR. I WANT TO THANK ST. MEL'S FOR A  
24 GREAT FINAL ROUND AND INCREDIBLE SPORTSMANSHIP AND A REALLY  
25 WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE. AND ALSO, LOURDES AND EVERYONE ELSE AT



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1 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION. AND PARTICULARLY, I WANT TO  
2 THANK MY STUDENTS FOR ALL THEIR INCREDIBLE HARD WORK AND THEIR  
3 PARENTS FOR ALL THEIR SUPPORT. IT IS A GREAT PROGRAM, AND  
4 WE'RE GRATEFUL THAT WE GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN  
5 IT. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ].

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7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND, AS I LOOK AROUND, THIS  
8 YEAR, THIS BOARD HAS DECLARED REALLY ABOUT OUR YOUTH, AND I  
9 LOVE THE DIVERSITY AND THE AGES, AND THIS TRULY IS WHAT  
10 SERVING IS ALL ABOUT. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU, AND ACTUALLY,  
11 THE PARENTS AS WELL WHO ARE RAISING GREAT LEADERS FOR THE NEXT  
12 GENERATION. SO THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]. SO NOW I WANT TO  
13 INTRODUCE YOU TO FOXY. I ALWAYS TALK ABOUT THE OLDER DOGS THAT  
14 WE HAVE FOR ADOPTION, AND TODAY, FOXY IS UP FOR ADOPTION. FOXY  
15 IS A 10-YEAR-OLD FEMALE, BEAGLE MIX, THAT IS AVAILABLE AT OUR  
16 DOWNEY SHELTER. SWEET, SWEET, DOG. YOU CAN ADOPT FOXY BY  
17 DIALING 562-728-4610. AND AGAIN, WE ALWAYS HAVE PUPPIES, BUT  
18 WE ALSO HAVE OLDER DOGS THAT ARE LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES.  
19 THEY ARE ALREADY TRAINED, AND THEY ARE READY TO GO HOME AND BE  
20 YOUR BEST FRIEND. SO, WITH THAT, THIS IS FOXY. LET'S HEAR IT  
21 FOR THE OLDER DOGS! [ APPLAUSE ]. AND WE'RE GETTING READY FOR  
22 DODGER SEASON, SO THIS IS DODGER. DODGER IS A TWO MONTH OLD  
23 MALE THAT IS READY FOR ADOPTION AT OUR DOWNEY SHELTER AS WELL,  
24 562-728-4610. AND THIS IS A KITTEN, BUT, LIKE FOXY, WE HAVE  
25 MANY OLDER CATS THAT ARE LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES. AND IF



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1 YOU'RE NOT READY TO ADOPT, IF YOU WANT TO FOSTER ONE OF OUR  
2 KITTENS, WE'RE LOOKING FOR FOSTER PARENTS AS WELL. PLEASE GO  
3 ONLINE OR GO TO ONE OF OUR SHELTERS, AND I GUARANTEE YOU, YOU  
4 WILL NOT REGRET IT. SO THIS IS DODGER. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU  
5 ARE ON.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. BEFORE WE GET STARTED, I  
8 WANTED TO RECOGNIZE A GROUP THAT'S OUT IN THE AUDIENCE TO  
9 ACKNOWLEDGE THE INSTITUTE OF MULTICULTURAL COUNSELING AND  
10 EDUCATION SERVICES, ARE THEY HERE? CAN THEY STAND AND BE  
11 RECOGNIZED? [ APPLAUSE ]. AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM  
12 BECAUSE YOU ARE FUTURE DOCTORAL INTERNS AND POST-DOCTORAL  
13 RESIDENTS FROM THE INSTITUTE OF MULTICULTURAL COUNSELING AND  
14 EDUCATION SERVICES, AND THEY ARE HERE TODAY TO OBSERVE US, THE  
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IN HOW GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS. HOPEFULLY,  
16 YOU WILL WALK AWAY WITH SOME EXPERTISE, AND YOU WILL  
17 UNDERSTAND WHAT WE DO HERE ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK  
18 YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING HERE TODAY. [ APPLAUSE ]. SO THIS  
19 MORNING, AGAIN, WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE THE HAPPY  
20 YEAR OF THE RAT, THE LUNAR NEW YEAR. GONG HAY FAT CHOY, THAT  
21 MEANS GOOD LUCK AND PROSPERITY. BEFORE WE BEGIN OUR  
22 PRESENTATION, I ESPECIALLY WANTED TO INVITE A SPECIAL GROUP OF  
23 DANCERS CALLED THE IMMORTALS, AND THEY ARE FROM MONTEREY PARK  
24 IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, AND THEY'RE GOING TO LEAD US IN THEIR  
25 TRADITIONAL LION DANCE. AND I THINK YOU'RE GOING TO BE A BIT





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1 SURPRISED. THEY'RE VERY, VERY ENERGETIC. OKAY, YOU HAVE THE  
2 FLOOR. [FESTIVE MUSIC]. [ APPLAUSE ].

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** WHOA, GOOD LUCK, RIGHT? [ APPLAUSE ].

5

6 **PERFORMERS:** HAPPY NEW YEAR!

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** ALL RIGHT. YAY! WOW. LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE  
9 IMMORTALS FROM MONTEREY PARK! (OFF-MIC COMMENTS). HAHA, OKAY.  
10 SO, AS WE BEGIN OUR PRESENTATION, I JUST WANT TO REMIND  
11 EVERYONE AGAIN THAT WE'RE CELEBRATING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR, AND  
12 IT IS ONE OF THE MOST CELEBRATED HOLIDAYS IN MANY ASIAN AND  
13 PACIFIC ISLANDER CULTURES. THE ASIAN AMERICAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER  
14 COMMUNITY MAKES UP 15 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY'S POPULATION, AND  
15 THAT REPRESENTS 1.5 MILLION PEOPLE OUT OF 10 MILLION RIGHT  
16 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. MANY OF THEM LIVE IN THE FIRST DISTRICT,  
17 WHICH INCLUDES LITTLE TOKYO, CHINA TOWN, HISTORIC FILIPINO  
18 TOWN, THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND ALSO POMONA REGION. I'D LIKE  
19 TO USE THESE CELEBRATIONS OFTEN TIME TO CELEBRATE SOME OF THE  
20 LEADERS THAT COME OUT OF THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY, AND TODAY I  
21 HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF INTRODUCING TO YOU STEPHEN CHEUNG, THE  
22 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ECONOMIC  
23 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD TRADE  
24 CENTER LOS ANGELES. STEPHEN IS A LONG-TIME FRIEND AND HAS BEEN  
25 A GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE FIRST DISTRICT. FROM HIS TIME AS A



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1 SECRETARY GENERAL OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
2 FOR MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI TO HIS CURRENT ROLE AS A W.T.C. L.A.,  
3 STEPHEN HAS BROUGHT IN A NEW ERA OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO  
4 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HE ORGANIZED INTERNATIONAL TRADE  
5 MISSIONS TO MEXICO, CHINA, KOREA, JAPAN AND USHERED NEW  
6 BUSINESSES AND PROJECTS HERE IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS  
7 ANGELES. STEPHEN IMPLEMENTED THE CITY'S STRATEGIC PLAN TO MAKE  
8 L.A. THE GLOBAL CAPITAL FOR CLEAN ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE.  
9 HE HELPED TO CREATE JOBS, BETTER THE ENVIRONMENT, AND FOSTER  
10 ECONOMIC GROWTH FOR ALL. AND I'M HAPPY TO HONOR HIM TODAY AS  
11 ONE OF OUR HEROES FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS WE  
12 CELEBRATE THE LUNAR NEW YEAR. THANK YOU, STEPHEN. OUR NEXT  
13 HONOREE IS THE U.C.L.A. LABOR CENTER, AND THAT IS OUR GOOD  
14 FRIEND AND DIRECTOR KENT WONG. HE IS HERE TO ACCEPT THIS ON  
15 BEHALF OF HIS STAFF AND THE MANY OF THE PEOPLE THAT WORK WITH  
16 HIM FOR U.C.L.A. I HAVE KNOWN KENT FOR MANY MANY YEARS. HE  
17 RUNS THE U.C.L.A. LABOR CENTER. AND HE'S DONE MANY TREMENDOUS  
18 THINGS. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, THE CENTER'S RESEARCH HAS BEGUN  
19 BY HELPING TO ORGANIZE AND CREATE POLICY THAT LIFTS WORKERS UP  
20 IN DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES AND CREATING GOOD PAYING JOBS,  
21 STRENGTHENING WORKERS AND IMMIGRANT RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS,  
22 WAS PARTICULARLY INFLUENTIAL IN ESTABLISHING THE DREAM  
23 RESOURCE CENTER, AND MANY OF YOU ARE FOLLOWING THE DISCUSSION  
24 AROUND DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDREN, KNOWN AS D.A.C.A. HE HAS  
25 BEEN VERY INTERESTED IN THAT ISSUE AT U.C.L.A. AND MANY OF US



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1 KNOW THAT THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE  
2 WILL HELP CONTRIBUTE TO OUR COUNTRY IF AND WHEN THEY ARE  
3 GRANTED PERMANENT STATUS HERE IN THE COUNTRY. SO WE APPRECIATE  
4 ALL THE WORK THAT THE DREAM RESOURCE CENTER HAS BEEN DOING,  
5 ALSO FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, MR. WONG, FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU'VE  
6 DONE TO HELP INCREASE WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION AND ECONOMIC  
7 DEVELOPMENT, BUT ALSO ON BEHALF OF ALL THE SOCIAL JUSTICE  
8 ISSUES THAT YOU HAVE TAKEN ON, SINGLE-HANDEDLY, WITH YOUR  
9 TEAM. I CANNOT THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU DO.  
10 YOU ARE A TREMENDOUS ASSET TO THE ENTIRE COUNTY OF LOS  
11 ANGELES. PLEASE GIVE THE U.C.L.A. CENTER A ROUND OF APPLAUSE,  
12 THE LABOR CENTER. I ALSO WANT TO HONOR, ALONGSIDE WITH ME, THE  
13 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY FOR EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT IS MR.  
14 KING CHENG. HE IS HERE TO ACCEPT RECOGNITION ON BEHALF OF HIS  
15 STAFF AND FRIENDS. I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THEIR WORK IN  
16 PARTICULAR BECAUSE THEY'RE A GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION AND  
17 ACTIVISTS WHO ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF CHINATOWN RESIDENTS, AND  
18 WE ARE STEPS AWAY FROM CHINATOWN, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, SOME OF  
19 YOU KNOW, THE AREA HAS FACED GENTRIFICATION, AND MANY WHO HAVE  
20 LIVED IN THE COMMUNITY FOR DECADES ARE FACING DISPLACEMENT. IT  
21 IS A PROBLEM NOT JUST THERE BUT AROUND THE COUNTY OF LOS  
22 ANGELES, AND IT IS A GROUPS LIKE THIS THAT WILL DEMAND EQUITY  
23 AND CULTURAL PRESERVATION WHEN NEW PROJECTS ARE BEING PROPOSED  
24 IN CHINATOWN. THEY'LL KEEP THE PRESSURE ON BY MARCHING AND  
25 MOBILIZING, WHICH I'VE SEEN THEM DO VERY EFFECTIVELY. IN FACT,



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1 THEY WERE AT THE CHINATOWN PARADE THIS PAST WEEKEND CONTINUING  
2 TO ADVOCATE FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE RESIDENTS AND TO SPEAK TRUTH  
3 TO POWER. PLEASE JOIN ME IN HONORING THEM. I WILL ASK EACH OF  
4 THEM TO SAY A FEW WORDS. YES. [ APPLAUSE ].

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE  
7 SUPERVISORS FOR THIS AMAZING RECOGNITION. AS AN ASIAN-AMERICAN  
8 IMMIGRANT, I FEEL FORTUNATE AND PRIVILEGED TO BE WORKING FOR A  
9 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, THE WORLD TRADE CENTER, WHERE I GET TO  
10 PARTNER AND WORK HAND IN HAND WITH THE COUNTY, WITH THE  
11 GOVERNMENT, NONPROFIT SECTOR, ACADEMIA AS WELL AS  
12 INTERNATIONAL AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES REALLY TO MAKE SURE  
13 THAT LOS ANGELES IS PROSPEROUS AND OUR ECONOMY IS DOING BETTER  
14 SO WE CAN BRING BETTER JOBS AND CREATE A BETTER FUTURE FOR THE  
15 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. THAT, I GET TO DO EVERY SINGLE DAY OF  
16 MY LIFE, AND THAT'S ALREADY ENOUGH. AND TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR  
17 THE WORK THAT WE DO, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COUNTY, IS REALLY  
18 SOMETHING ELSE. AND IT MAKES ME VERY THANKFUL AND VERY  
19 GRATEFUL TO BE IN THE REGION AND THE COUNTY THAT HAS THE  
20 LEADERS WHO CAN RECOGNIZE PEOPLE WHO ARE DIFFERENT AND TO ALSO  
21 CELEBRATE DIVERSITY. AND FOR THAT, I WANT TO THANK THE  
22 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN MAKING SURE THAT LOS  
23 ANGELES CONTINUES TO BE A BEACON OF HOPE TO THE REST OF THE  
24 WORLD AS WE ARE LOOKING TO WORK WITH THE INTERNATIONAL  
25 COMMUNITY TO MAKE SURE THEY UNDERSTAND THAT LOS ANGELES IS A



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1 PLACE TO DO BUSINESS AS WELL AS A GREAT PLACE TO BE FOR YOUR  
2 HOME AND FOR YOUR FUTURE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, AND I  
3 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH YOU IN THE FUTURE. [  
4 APPLAUSE ] .

5

6 **KENT WONG:** GOOD MORNING, I'M KENT WONG WITH THE U.C.L.A. LABOR  
7 CENTER. THE U.C.L.A. LABOR CENTER HAS A 50+ YEAR HISTORY OF  
8 ADVANCING WORKER RIGHTS, RACIAL JUSTICE, AND IMMIGRANT RIGHTS.  
9 AND WE ARE A VITAL INSTITUTION THAT SERVES THE ENTIRE  
10 COMMUNITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND THIS YEAR OF THE RAT AND  
11 THE LUNAR NEW YEAR, WE HAVE TWO SPECIAL THINGS TO CELEBRATE.  
12 FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY, THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-  
13 LOS ANGELES IS LAUNCHING A VERY FIRST LABOR STUDIES MAJOR AND  
14 WILL BE GRADUATING THE FIRST CLASS THIS SPRING. SO THAT'S A  
15 HUGE ACCOMPLISHMENT, THE FIRST TIME NOT ONLY ON U.C.L.A.  
16 CAMPUS, BUT IN THE SYSTEM-WIDE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, NINE  
17 UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. IN ADDITION, THE U.C.L.A. LABOR CENTER IS  
18 PLANNING TO PURCHASE OUR BUILDING, LOCATED RIGHT ACROSS FROM  
19 MACARTHUR PARK, SO WE WILL BECOME A PERMANENT INSTITUTION THAT  
20 WILL SERVE THE NEEDS OF WORKING PEOPLE HERE IN THE LOS ANGELES  
21 COUNTY. SO WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND THE OTHER  
22 MEMBERS OF THE SUPERVISORS FOR THIS GREAT HONOR TODAY, AND WE  
23 PLEDGE TO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE A FUTURE  
24 FILLED WITH WORKER JUSTICE AND WITH SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC  
25 FAIRNESS FOR ALL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ] .



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2 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. [SPEAKING IN LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH]. [  
3 APPLAUSE ] .

4

5 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS MRS. AMY MARSH. SHE IS A MEMBER OF THE  
6 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY FOR EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT, AND SHE THANKS  
7 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS AWARD TODAY. CHINATOWN IS FACING A  
8 HOUSING CRISIS RIGHT NOW. A LOT OF WEALTHY DEVELOPERS HAVE  
9 BOUGHT UP PROPERTY IN CHINATOWN TO BUILD UNAFFORDABLE HOUSING.  
10 CHINATOWN IS A COMMUNITY OF LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS AND  
11 IMMIGRANTS. AND SO WE HOPE THAT WE CAN WORK WITH THE COUNTY  
12 GOVERNMENT WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
13 FOR THE RESIDENTS OF CHINATOWN, AND WE ALL WANT CHINATOWN TO  
14 HAVE A BRIGHT FUTURE. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ] .

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WE HAVE ONE MORE  
17 PRESENTATION, WHICH I AM VERY EXCITED ABOUT. I WANT TO BRING  
18 UP ERIC CONTRERAS AND HIS FAMILY, OFELIA ROBLES, HIS FATHER,  
19 AND PARENTS HERE. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR COMING. COME HERE,  
20 ERIC. I WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE ERIC  
21 CONTRERAS, ALSO KNOWN AS ERIC ETSY, WHO HAS JOINED US HERE  
22 WITH HIS MOTHER AND FATHER AND SON, OKAY. ERIC IS A PROUD  
23 RESIDENT OF SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES AND THE FOUNDER OF WHAT IS  
24 KNOWN AS OPEN MIC NIGHT CALLED ALIVIO, THE SPANISH WORD FOR  
25 RELIEF. ERIC CREATED THIS SPACE AFTER REALIZING THAT EVERY



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1 TIME HE WANTED TO SHARE HIS POETRY OR LISTEN TO SOMEONE SING  
2 OR APPRECIATE A PAINTING, HE ALWAYS NEEDED TO EXTRACT HIMSELF  
3 FROM HIS OWN COMMUNITY. HE WANTED TO STOP LEAVING HIS  
4 NEIGHBORHOOD TO FIND SPACES THAT HARVESTED ART AND CULTURE.  
5 WHILE ERIC KNEW MANY TALENTED ARTISTS FROM THE SOUTHEAST LOS  
6 ANGELES AREA, THERE WASN'T A PLATFORM IN THE COMMUNITY FOR  
7 THEM TO COME TOGETHER AND SHARE THEIR WORK WITH VARIOUS  
8 NEIGHBORS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AFTER BEING INSPIRED BY A  
9 CONVERSATION HE HAD WITH A FRIEND, ERIC WAS CERTAIN THAT HE  
10 COULD CULTIVATE A GRASSROOTS CULTURAL SPACE INSIDE THE GARAGE  
11 OF HIS PARENT'S HOME FOR STORYTELLING, ARTS EXHIBITION,  
12 MUSICAL PERFORMANCES, POETRY FOR THE COMMUNITY. IN 2012, ERIC  
13 AND HIS FRIENDS HOSTED THE FIRST OPEN MIC CALLED MICROPHONO  
14 LIBRE. NEARLY A HUNDRED PEOPLE ATTENDED THE EVENT TO SHARE  
15 THEIR DREAMS, THEIR GOALS, THEIR TALENTS, AND VOICES. A FEW  
16 MONTHS LATER, IN JANUARY 2013, ERIC HOSTED THE FIRST ALIVIO  
17 EVER OPEN MIC. REMEMBER, ALIVIO MEANS GETTING WELL. SINCE  
18 2013, ALIVIO OPEN MIC HAS NOT LET UP. FROM DOCUMENTARIES BEING  
19 FILMED AT ALIVIO, TO HOSTING A COMMUNITY OF VENDORS EACH  
20 MONTH, TO L.G.B.T.Q. NIGHTS, AND ALL WOMEN'S POETRY NIGHTS,  
21 ERIC HAS ENGAGED THE SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY IN AN  
22 ORGANIC GRASSROOTS WAY THAT HAS NEVER BEEN DONE BEFORE. LAST  
23 MONTH, ALIVIO OPEN MIC CELEBRATED ITS 6 YEAR ANNIVERSARY. BY  
24 WAY OF THE SPACE, LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE, ARTISTS AND COMMUNITY  
25 MEMBERS, HAVE MET, COLLABORATED, AND CONTINUE TO CREATE



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1 ARTISTIC MAGIC OUTSIDE THE FOUR WALLS OF HIS PARENT'S GARAGE.  
2 AS A HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER FOR HACIENDA LA PUENTE UNIFIED SCHOOL  
3 DISTRICT, ERIC IS CONSISTENTLY PUSHING HIS STUDENTS TO JOIN  
4 THE SCHOOL'S POETRY CLUB, WHICH HE OVERSEES, AND ENCOURAGES  
5 THEM TO EXPRESS THEMSELVES BY WRITING AND SHARING POETRY. OVER  
6 THE LAST FEW YEARS, ERIC HAS DEVOTED HIMSELF TO ORGANIZING THE  
7 ARTS IN THE SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES BY CREATING THE FIRST-EVER  
8 ART WALK IN THE CITY OF BELL AND PRODUCING THE SOUTHEAST LOS  
9 ANGELES ARTS FESTIVAL IN THE L.A. RIVER. RECENTLY, ERIC MADE  
10 HIS DREAM COME TRUE BY PUBLISHING HIS FIRST POETRY BOOK  
11 ENTITLED "FROM MY BLOOD." IT IS IN HIS LOVE LETTER TO HIS  
12 FAMILY, HIS CULTURE, AND THE HARD WORKING IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY  
13 THAT ALWAYS INSPIRED HIM THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE. WE WANT TO THANK  
14 ERIC FOR RECOGNIZING THE LACK OF ACCESS IN THE ARTS AND FOR  
15 HIS LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING EQUITY AND INCLUSION. I KNOW THAT  
16 I'M WITH YOU, AND I KNOW THAT I AM WITH YOU AND WILL CONTINUE  
17 TO SUPPORT YOU IN THE COUNTY AND TO CONTINUE TO MOVE THE  
18 NEEDLE IN INCREASING DIVERSITY, INCLUSIVENESS, AND EQUITABLE  
19 ARTS AND CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL OF THOSE THAT RESIDE  
20 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BUT ESPECIALLY IN PLACES LIKE  
21 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES. PLEASE GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE,  
22 AND I'LL TURN THE MIC OVER TO ERIC. [ APPLAUSE ].

23

24 **ERIC CONTRERAS:** I WANT TO THANK MY SON FOR NOT FREAKING OUT  
25 TOO MUCH RIGHT NOW, [LAUGHS]. I HAVE BEEN NERVOUS ABOUT THAT.





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1 BUT, YEAH, WE'VE BEEN DOING AN OPEN MIC FROM MY PARENT'S HOME  
2 IN THE CITY OF BELL, CALIFORNIA, FOR 6 YEARS NOW. THIS IS A  
3 GARAGE, THIS IS FAMILY. THIS IS GRASSROOTS. IT IS OPEN TO THE  
4 COMMUNITY. IT IS FREE OF CHARGE, AND EVERY FOURTH FRIDAY OF  
5 THE MONTH, WE DO A COMMUNITY CULTURAL CENTER, WHERE, IN THE  
6 DRIVEWAY, WE HAVE UP TO 20 VENDORS FROM THE LOCAL COMMUNITY  
7 THAT CREATE THEIR OWN ART, THEIR OWN HANDMADE JEWELRY, THEIR  
8 OWN PAINTINGS, EVERYTHING. SO IT IS SELF-SUSTAINABLE. WE WANT  
9 TO MAKE SURE WE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL ECONOMY AND OUR LOCAL  
10 ARTISTS. AND THEY GET TO VEND AT THIS SPACE INSIDE THE GARAGE.  
11 WE POST THE PAINTINGS. WE FEATURE ARTISTS FROM THE COMMUNITY  
12 THAT DON'T HAVE SPACES AND MUSEUMS, BUT WE HAVE MADE OUR  
13 GARAGE A MODERN-DAY TEMPLE. WE HAVE MADE OUR GARAGE OUR  
14 MODERN-DAY MUSEUM. IT IS A MUSEUM THAT CAME FROM WHERE WE USED  
15 TO PARK A CAR. BUT THROUGH THAT SPACE, SO MANY OTHER PEOPLE  
16 HAVE MET AND CREATED OTHER COLLECTIVES TO ATTACK DIFFERENT  
17 ISSUES IN OUR COMMUNITY. SO THAT JUST TELLS ME, ALL WE NEED IS  
18 A SPACE, AND WE'LL FIND PEOPLE, AND OUR BRAINS WILL MESH AND  
19 COLLAGE AND CREATE OTHER BEAUTIFUL THINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY. SO  
20 WHEN SPACES DON'T EXIST, WHEN SPACES DO NOT EXIST, IT IS UP TO  
21 YOU TO CREATE THEM FROM WHEREVER YOU CAN, FROM YOUR LIVING  
22 ROOM, YOUR BACKYARD, YOUR GARAGE. WE NEED AN ALIVIO OPEN MIC  
23 EVERYWHERE, ALL OVER LOS ANGELES AND AROUND THE NATION. ALIVIO  
24 IS SPANISH FOR HEALING, HEALING. WE ARE TRYING TO HEAL  
25 OURSELVES, BUILD BRIDGES, AND JUST SHARE GOOD TIMES TOGETHER.



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1 AND I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISOR FOR GIVING ME THIS AMAZING  
2 RECOGNITION. I WANT TO THANK KIMBERLY BECAUSE SHE INVITED ME.  
3 SHE HAS BEEN TO ALIVIO MANY TIMES. I WANT TO THANK MY MOTHER  
4 AND FATHER FOR PUTTING UP WITH US. PLEASE GIVE THEM A ROUND OF  
5 APPLAUSE. [SPEAKING SPANISH] IT IS NOT COMMON TO FIND MEXICAN  
6 PARENTS THAT WILL ALLOW ALL THESE STRANGERS TO COME INTO THEIR  
7 HOUSE. I WANT TO LEAVE YOU OFF BY SHARING THIS -- YEAH, I JUST  
8 RECENTLY PUBLISHED THIS BOOK. IT'S CALLED "FROM MY BLOOD." IF  
9 YOU ARE INTERESTED, JUST TALK TO ME. I'M VERY PROUD OF THIS  
10 BOOK BECAUSE I NEVER SAW MYSELF IN POETRY UNTIL I WROTE IT,  
11 AND I REPRESENTED MYSELF AND MY FAMILY. SO REPRESENTATION IS  
12 IMPORTANT, SO NOW I'M HERE REPRESENTING EVERYBODY ELSE THAT  
13 ALSO FEELS LIKE THEY NEED A PUSH OR A VOICE. THIS IS TITLED,  
14 "FROM MY BLOOD." I RISE LIKE A MOUNTAIN BEYOND BORDERS AND  
15 BOUNDARIES. MY WORDS CRACK OUT OF CALLUSES COVERED IN PURPOSE.  
16 TRUTH BLOOMS FROM MY BLOOD TO SPEAK WITH THE SUN. SACRIFICIAL  
17 FOOTSTEPS ON THE DESERT SAND ARE THE SEEDS OF MY SUCCESS.  
18 ANCIENT HIEROGLYPHICS HARVEST IN MY HEART WAITING FOR THE  
19 BREATH OF MY CHILDREN. LUMINESCENT LEGENDS PULSE INSIDE OF MY  
20 VEINS, GIFTS OF KNOWLEDGE WAITING FOR THE COMING GENERATION.  
21 SOLILOQUIES BURST FROM MY BLOOD AND FIND HOME IN THE GALAXY SO  
22 WHEN MY FAMILY NEEDS MY GUIDANCE IN THE STARS, THEY WILL FIND  
23 ME SHINING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ] .

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES THE PRESENTATIONS. WE'RE  
2 GOING TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION. I ESTIMATE WE WILL COME OUT  
3 OF CLOSED SESSION AT 11:00. SO, WITH THAT, MADAM EXECUTIVE  
4 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, YEAH, WHO  
5 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON CLOSED SESSION.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ERIC  
8 PREVEN PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MR. PREVEN.

11

12 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, IT IS ERIC PREVEN, AND I KNOW YOU'RE  
13 GOING IN TO TALK ABOUT SOMEBODY, BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHO,  
14 OBVIOUSLY. I AM WONDERING WHERE MARY WICKHAM HAS BEEN. SHE'S  
15 THE COUNTY COUNSEL HERE AT L.A. COUNTY FOR THE LAST COUPLE  
16 YEARS AND WE HAVEN'T SEEN HER IN A COUPLE MONTHS. I'M WORRIED  
17 ABOUT HER. I WROTE A NOTE, PERSONALLY. SO, I HOPE THAT IF  
18 THERE'S A TRANSITION OR IF IT IS BECAUSE OF THESE HORRIBLE  
19 COUNTY RISK LITIGATION REPORTS THAT ARE ALSO ON THE AGENDA,  
20 ITEM 10 AND 17, THAT AT LEAST WE CONSIDER RE-THINKING WHAT  
21 SHEILA KUEHL PUT INTO PLACE, WHICH WAS NOT HEARING THE REPORTS  
22 ABOUT THE EGREGIOUS 9 PERCENT INCREASES IN TERRIBLE  
23 ACTIVITIES. WE WANT THAT TO BE MADE PUBLIC BECAUSE I THINK  
24 THERE'S A FEELING THAT PUBLIC SCRUTINY IS BOTH EXPECTED AND IS  
25 THE ONLY WAY TO MAKE THE SYSTEMIC CHANGES TO THE POLICIES THAT



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1 YOU ARE IN A KIND OF KABUKI THEATER FIGHT WITH THE SHERIFF  
2 ABOUT OVER HERE, BUT IN REALITY, YOU GO INTO THE BACK ROOM IN  
3 THE CLOSED SESSIONS AND DEAL WITH CASES LIKE HERIBERTO  
4 RODRIGUEZ, WHICH IS LANDING TODAY AS A JUDGMENT ON THE REPORT,  
5 WHICH COST THE COUNTY OVER \$7 MILLION, OR AMADOR, WHICH IS THE  
6 THE HEARTBREAKING, JUST ASTONISHING WITH FOUR WOMEN COUNTY  
7 SUPERVISORS, A CASE INVOLVING LOOKING UP THE BOTTOMS OF THE  
8 CUSTODY PEOPLE COMING INTO JAIL. I MEAN THE LIKES OF WHICH YOU  
9 HAVE NEVER SEEN. SO I JUST THINK THAT WHAT YOU NEED TO DO IS  
10 FIND A COUNTY COUNSEL WHO IS WILLING TO FIGHT FOR THE GOOD OF  
11 THE PUBLIC, NOT NECESSARILY FOR TRYING IN CLUMSY AND FAILED  
12 WAYS TO MINIMIZE THE LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY. I THINK WE WANT  
13 TO CLEAN UP THE MESS SO WE CAN ALL FEEL CONFIDENT THAT THE  
14 PUBLIC IS GETTING THE SERVICES THAT WE EXPECT WITHOUT  
15 DISGUSTING LAWSUITS THAT ARE APPEALED OVER AND OVER AND OVER  
16 AGAIN BY YOU IN THE BACK ROOM BECAUSE IT IS INCONVENIENT FOR  
17 YOU TO DEAL WITH A CASE THAT SURELY, CERTAINLY THE OLDER  
18 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AND YOU HAVE BEEN HERE FOREVER,  
19 SUPERVISOR, THIS HAS TO CHANGE AND THE ONLY WAY THAT IT WILL  
20 CHANGE IS WITH MEANINGFUL PUBLIC SCRUTINY. WE NEED A COUNTY  
21 BEAT REPORTER, AS WELL. HAVE A GOOD CLOSED SESSION.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN. DR.  
24 CLAVREUL?

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DR.  
2 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I'M BACK AGAIN WITH WHEN ARE WE GOING TO  
3 FIRE CHRISTINA GHALY. NOW, NOT ONLY SHE IS HIRING INCOMPETENT  
4 PEOPLE THAT WE SPEND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO KEEP AND STILL  
5 PAYING WHEN THEY HAVE BEEN FIRED FOR VIOLATING AND FRAUDING  
6 THIS COUNTY, BUT NOW SHE IS, MOST OF THE TIME, NOWHERE TO BE  
7 FOUND, SPENDING MORE TIME IN HER HOME RATHER THAN TAKING CARE  
8 OF THE COUNTY BUSINESS FOR HOSPITAL. YOU KNOW, IT IS TIME THAT  
9 YOU DEMAND ACCOUNTABILITY AND DEAL WITH IT. YOU CAN NO LONGER  
10 KEEP YOUR EYES CLOSED TO THAT FRAUD WHAT IS GOING ON NOW.  
11 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ARE THOSE ALL THE PUBLIC  
14 SPEAKERS FOR CLOSED SESSION? MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU  
15 READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, AND AGAIN WE WILL COME BACK AT  
16 11:00.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
19 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
20 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, DEPARTMENT  
21 HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.  
22 [MEETING ADJOURNS TO CLOSED SESSION]

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WE ARE NOW BACK IN OPEN SESSION. MADAM  
25 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE REPORT OF ACTION.



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2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN  
3 IN CLOSED SESSION ON FEBRUARY 4TH, 2020. ITEM CS-1, NO  
4 REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN.

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6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
7 WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF  
10 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3, CONSENT  
11 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1-8. ON ITEM 1, A MEMBER  
12 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 2,  
13 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS  
14 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, AND 8, MEMBERS OF THE  
15 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 12,  
16 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 9-44, ON ITEM 9, SUPERVISOR  
17 BARGER AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE  
18 HELD. ON ITEM 10, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTED THAT  
19 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 18TH, 2020 AS  
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 11 AND 12, A  
21 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON  
22 ITEM 13 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC  
23 SOCIAL SERVICES REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO  
24 FEBRUARY 11, 2020. ON ITEMS 14 AND 15, 16, A MEMBER OF THE  
25 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 17, COUNTY



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1 COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO  
2 FEBRUARY 18, 2020 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON  
3 ITEM 18, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO  
4 APRIL 7TH, 2020. AND ITEMS 19-37, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
5 REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 38, SUPERVISOR  
6 SOLIS REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO APRIL 7, 2020. AND  
7 ITEMS 39-49, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS  
8 BE HELD. ON PAGE 33, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO  
9 THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
10 THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEMS  
11 42A, 42B, AND 42C, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE  
12 ITEMS BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS THROUGH 42C ARE BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY  
15 SUPERVISOR HAHN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 34 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION ITEM  
18 45 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION EMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE  
19 6 SALARIES BY ADDING AND ESTABLISHING THE SALARY AND ADDING  
20 AND DELETING AND/OR CHANGING CERTAIN EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION  
21 AND NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITION IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. ON  
22 ITEM 45, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
23 HELD.

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY  
2 SUPERVISOR HAHN. WITHOUT OBJECTION.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 38, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM THE  
5 PREVIOUS MEETING FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE  
6 BOARD, ON ITEM A11, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR BARGER AND  
7 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THAT  
8 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. MADAM CHAIR, WE WILL NOW  
9 PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** PLEASE DO, AND WILL EVERYONE PLEASE LISTEN  
12 CLOSELY TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT, THANK YOU.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR  
15 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
16 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW  
17 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE  
18 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE  
19 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD  
20 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,  
21 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED  
22 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE  
23 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE  
24 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES, SPEAKERS MUST CEASE  
25 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT





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1 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT  
2 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE  
3 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE  
4 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.  
5 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM  
6 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,  
7 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE  
8 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY  
9 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF  
10 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS AND  
11 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY  
12 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT  
13 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE  
14 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR  
15 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR  
16 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,  
17 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.  
18 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, LET ME LET YOU ALL KNOW WHAT  
21 THE PLAN FOR TODAY IS. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN WITH A11, THEN  
22 ITEM 2, FOLLOWED BY ITEM 9, AND THEN ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE  
23 BOARD, AND FINISHING WITH PUBLIC COMMENT. SO WITH THAT, DR.  
24 FERRER, IF YOU WOULD COME UP PLEASE TO DISCUSS ITEM A11



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OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 RELATED TO THE DECLARED OUTBREAK OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE  
2 THREATENING THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, MIGHT I --

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH, I WAS GOING TO SAY A FEW WORDS, THEN  
7 I WAS GOING TO CALL ON YOU. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK YOU  
8 FOR KEEPING US UP-TO-DATE IN TERMS OF WHAT'S GOING ON BOTH AT  
9 C.D.C. AS WELL AS WHAT WE'RE DOING AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. THERE'S  
10 NO QUESTION THAT THERE'S A HEIGHTENED AWARENESS AS IT RELATES  
11 TO THIS AND, WITH THAT, COMES A RESPONSIBILITY TO ACT  
12 APPROPRIATELY. I KNOW HERE IN MY DISTRICT, AND SUPERVISOR  
13 SOLIS, I THINK YOU'VE HAD A SIMILAR INCIDENT ABOUT  
14 MISINFORMATION GOING OUT. AND WE REACHED OUT TO ALHAMBRA  
15 SCHOOL DISTRICT BECAUSE THERE WAS A PETITION BEING CIRCULATED  
16 ASKING THEM TO CLOSE ALL THE SCHOOLS PENDING -- BECAUSE OF  
17 THIS ISSUE. AND I THINK THERE ARE SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS BY  
18 SENDING OUT PETITIONS LIKE THIS, SO WE'RE WORKING CLOSELY WITH  
19 ALHAMBRA UNIFIED. I KNOW YOU ARE AS WELL. WE HAD A CONFERENCE  
20 CALL YESTERDAY. MAYOR GARCETTI AND I HOSTED A CONFERENCE CALL  
21 WITH ALL CITIES IN L.A. COUNTY, AND EVERY CITY WAS ON THAT  
22 LINE, ALLOWING THEM TO ASK QUESTIONS AND, AGAIN, THANK YOU,  
23 DR. FERRER FOR THAT. IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO COMMUNICATE AND  
24 TO BE TRANSPARENT BUT ALSO TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, I THINK, TO  
25 DATE THERE HAS BEEN ONE CASE IN L.A. COUNTY. THAT'S NOT TO SAY



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1 THAT WE SHOULD NOT BE VIGILANT, AND WASHING YOUR HANDS, YOU  
2 SHOULD WASH YOUR HANDS ALL THE TIME. BUT, YOU KNOW, I JUST  
3 WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES BECAUSE WE ACTUALLY HAVE BEEN  
4 DISCUSSING THIS FOR WEEKS, TRYING TO GET INFORMATION OUT IN  
5 ALL LANGUAGES. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT IN ALL LANGUAGES.  
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I ATTENDED THE PARADE IN CHINATOWN ON  
7 SATURDAY. AND CLEARLY, THE ATTENDANCE WAS DOWN, BUT IT'S  
8 IMPORTANT FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THE DOS AND DON'TS AND EDUCATE  
9 THE PUBLIC ABOUT THIS. BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, I WOULD ASK THE  
10 PUBLIC TO ACT RESPONSIBLY. DO NOT PROFILE. I'VE HEARD  
11 INSTANCES ON NEXTDOOR WHERE INDIVIDUALS ARE BEING CALLED OUT  
12 AND TOLD -- AND BEING REPORTED WHERE THEY'RE SHOPPING AND ALL.  
13 TOTALLY, TOTALLY, INAPPROPRIATE. SO, WITH THAT, YOU KNOW, I  
14 WANT SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO TALK, AND THEN I WOULD LIKE YOU TO  
15 GIVE AN OVERVIEW. BUT WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS DOES NOT  
16 CREATE A SITUATION WHERE WE'RE PUTTING PEOPLE'S LIFE IN  
17 JEOPARDY AS WELL IN TERMS OF PROFILING AND ASSUMING THAT  
18 BECAUSE YOU ARE FROM, MAYBE, CHINA, MAYBE THE PHILIPPINES,  
19 THAT YOU ARE INFECTED WITH THE CORONA VIRUS. SO WITH THAT,  
20 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR FOR BRINGING THIS UP. I'M  
23 HAPPY THAT WE'RE ABLE TO DISCUSS THIS AS AN ONGOING ISSUE.  
24 LAST WEEK, I ATTENDED A PRESS EVENT WITH ASSEMBLY MEMBER CHOU  
25 TO TALK SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THIS, ABOUT THE HYPERSENSITIVITY

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1 AND THE FACT THAT THERE'S MISLEADING INFORMATION THAT WAS PUT  
2 OUT. I'M NOT SURE WHO THAT WAS, BUT I HOPE THAT WE CAN LEARN  
3 HOW WE CAN PREVENT THAT FROM HAPPENING OR AT LEAST TRACKING  
4 DOWN WHO THE PEOPLE ARE THAT ARE PUTTING OUT INFORMATION THAT  
5 USES OUR LOGO AND USES OTHER SYMBOLS, C.D.C., PUBLIC HEALTH,  
6 WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, SOMETHING THAT REALLY LOOKS LIKE IT  
7 IS LEGITIMATE. AND IT CLEARLY IS STIRRING UP FEAR, RACIAL  
8 BIAS, AND IT DOES TARGET HERE PLACES THAT PEOPLE SHOULD NOT GO  
9 SHOPPING AT, SO SUPERMARKETS AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE. IT IS  
10 DIRECTED TO CONSTITUENTS IN CARSON, BUT ALSO IT LAYS OUT OTHER  
11 ADDRESSES IN TORRANCE. MY CONCERN IS THAT NOW THERE PROBABLY  
12 WILL BE COPYCATS, AND WE REALLY NEED TO ALSO USE WHATEVER  
13 RESOURCES WE CAN TO GO AFTER THE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE  
14 PROMOTING THIS, I WOULD THINK, NUMBER ONE, AND THEN NUMBER TWO  
15 IS THE WHOLE RACIAL STEREOTYPING AND BIAS THAT IS HAPPENING,  
16 AND WE KNOW THAT THAT'S A REAL CONCERN. AND I WANTED TO HEAR  
17 MORE ABOUT WHAT THE ACTUAL C.D.C., FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S,  
18 APPROACH IS, BECAUSE THERE'S SO MANY QUESTIONS NOW WHERE  
19 PEOPLE WILL BE QUARANTINED WHEN THEY ENTER THE COUNTRY, IF  
20 THEY'RE FROM, SAY, A FOREIGN COUNTRY, OR CHINA, WHERE THEY'LL  
21 BE PLAINED, WHAT DO WE HAVE IN PLACE TO HELP PEOPLE UNDERSTAND  
22 WHAT THIS MEANS, AND WHAT OUR LIABILITY, IF ANY, IS, AND THEN  
23 ALSO MAKING CLEAR THAT WE HAVE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO ALL  
24 OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS. I MEAN, IT IS UNHEARD OF. I HEARD THIS  
25 FIRST MENTIONED AT THE PRESS EVENT WITH ASSEMBLY MEMBER CHOU.



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1 IT IS SOMEBODY THAT SAID ALHAMBRA PARENTS OR SOMEONE WERE  
2 CIRCULATING PETITIONS TO CLOSE THE ENTIRE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
3 DOWN. SO THESE THINGS ARE SPREADING LIKE WILDFIRE, SO TO  
4 SPEAK, BUT I THINK WE NEED TO DO MORE AND CALM PEOPLE AND ALSO  
5 MAKE CLEAR WHAT THEY SHOULD BE LOOKING FOR AND WHAT THEY  
6 SHOULDN'T BE LOOKING FOR. I MEAN, THE FACT THAT THERE'S ALSO  
7 PEOPLE THAT ARE VERY WORRIED ABOUT OBTAINING MASKS, WE  
8 UNDERSTAND THAT, AND WE WILL PROBABLY HEAR FROM YOU, AND  
9 DOCTOR DAVIS, IF HE'S HERE, ABOUT WHAT THAT MEANS AND WHAT IT  
10 DOESN'T MEAN AND HOW WE MOVE FORWARD. SO THERE'S A LOT OF  
11 ISSUES OUT THERE, AND I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU'RE DOING, BARBARA  
12 FERRER. YOU HAVE BEEN EXCELLENT IN HELPING US FEND OFF. BUT I  
13 DO THINK THE MORE YOU CAN DO TO WORK WITH OUR SCHOOL  
14 DISTRICTS, OUR COMMUNITY CENTERS, EVEN ELDERLY COMMUNITY  
15 CENTERS FOR A.P.I. INDIVIDUALS, COULD BE VERY HELPFUL. SO I  
16 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR ALLOWING US TO HEAR THIS  
17 DISCUSSION.

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19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I ECHO EXACTLY WHAT YOU  
20 SAID, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU WANTED TO SPEAK?

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS SO THAT  
23 YOU CAN ANSWER THEM IN YOUR PRESENTATION. I UNDERSTAND YOU HAD  
24 A CONFERENCE CALL WITH THE CITIES, BUT SOME OF MY CITIES ARE  
25 WONDERING HOW THEY CAN GET BETTER INFORMATION. SO MAYBE YOU



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1 CAN TALK ABOUT HOW WE'RE TO COMMUNICATE WITH OUR CITIES. IS  
2 THERE A NUMBER? IS THERE A HOTLINE? AND, IF THERE IS, ARE WE  
3 ABLE TO PUT THAT ON THE SCREEN RIGHT NOW THAT PEOPLE CAN CALL?  
4 AND THEN, I HAVE BEEN ASKED, WHEN WILL LOCAL PHYSICIANS HAVE  
5 CORONA VIRUS TESTING KITS AVAILABLE INSTEAD OF NEEDING TO SEND  
6 THEM TO C.D.C. AND I THINK I'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF-- SINCE L.A.X.  
7 IS IN MY DISTRICT, A LOT OF CONCERNS ABOUT THE EVACUATION  
8 FLIGHTS AND HOW ARE WE MAKING SURE THAT THOSE EVACUATION  
9 FLIGHTS, AND THEY'RE AMERICANS THAT WE ARE EVACUATING FROM  
10 CHINA THAT ARE MAYBE COMING THROUGH L.A.X., HOW ARE WE MAKING  
11 SURE THAT THEY ARE BEING TESTED BEFORE THEY EVEN EXIT THE  
12 PLANE. SO THOSE ARE A COUPLE THINGS THAT I HOPE YOU CAN  
13 ADDRESS THAT I HAVE BEEN GETTING QUESTIONS ABOUT, THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SO ON THAT, ON THE PHONE NUMBER, CAN YOU -  
16 - WHEN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THAT, I KNOW WE TALKED ABOUT 211  
17 IS BEING USED, BUT THERE WAS SOME ISSUES WITH SOME OF THE  
18 CITIES, AND THEY HAD A CONCERN ABOUT 211'S ABILITY TO PROPERLY  
19 RESPOND. SO CAN YOU GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THAT AS WELL? THANK  
20 YOU, DR. FERRER.

21

22 **DR. FERRER:** THANK YOU, EVERYONE, AND THANK YOU SUPERVISORS. I  
23 REALLY APPRECIATE ALL YOUR LEADERSHIP AND, AGAIN, FEEL REALLY  
24 BLESSED THAT WE'RE IN A COUNTY WITH SUCH TREMENDOUS  
25 LEADERSHIP. I THINK THIS IS AN EXAMPLE WHERE YOUR LEADERSHIP



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1 MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE AND HAS MADE A HUGE DIFFERENCE, YOUR  
2 ABILITY TO BE OUT FRONT TO PARTICULARLY ADDRESS HEAD ON THE  
3 ISSUES AROUND STIGMA AND DISCRIMINATION ARE EXTRAORDINARILY  
4 IMPORTANT BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF FEAR AND MISINFORMATION,  
5 BUT YOU ARE TRUSTED IN YOUR COMMUNITIES, AND PEOPLE ARE  
6 LISTENING TO YOU, AND YOUR LEADERSHIP SPEAKS VOLUMES AND  
7 REALLY HELPS US GET TO WHAT ARE THE IMPORTANT ISSUES AND  
8 REALLY CREATING A SYSTEM HERE IN L.A. COUNTY THAT PROTECTS  
9 EVERYONE WITHOUT STIGMATIZING ANYONE, WHICH IS REALLY THE TASK  
10 AT HAND. I THOUGHT I WOULD DO THREE THINGS, FIRST, I GIVE YOU  
11 AN UPDATE ON THE SPREAD OF NOVEL CORONA VIRUS AND WHAT WE KNOW  
12 TO DATE ABOUT TRANSMISSION. AND THEN, I WANTED TO FOCUS ON THE  
13 FEDERAL DIRECTIVES THAT WERE ISSUED AND WHAT EXACTLY THAT  
14 MEANS, AND NOT JUST FOR L.A. COUNTY, BUT REALLY FOR THE UNITED  
15 STATES. AND THEN, I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT SOME ACTION STEPS  
16 THAT WE'RE TAKING HERE, AND HOPEFULLY I ANSWER ALL THE  
17 QUESTIONS. I THINK I WILL, BUT IF I DON'T, PLEASE REMIND ME,  
18 AND I WILL ADDRESS THEM. I ALSO WANTED TO START BY REALLY  
19 THANKING BOTH THE STAFF IN MY DEPARTMENT, WHO HAVE NOW WORKED  
20 EXTRAORDINARILY LONG HOURS TRYING TO BE RESPONSIVE AND TRYING  
21 TO CREATE SYSTEMS THAT WORK. AND I ALSO, I KNOW KEVIN MCGOWEN  
22 IS HERE FROM O.E.M., AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK HIM. HE AND  
23 HIS TEAM HAVE JUST BEEN AN ENORMOUS SOURCE OF SUPPORT. THEY'VE  
24 MADE CONNECTIONS WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS FOR US. THEY'VE WORKED  
25 A LOT WITH I.S.D. AND, YOU KNOW, I WANT TO JUST THANK OUR



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1 COUNTY FAMILY, ALL WHO HAVE BEEN REALLY HELPFUL ON SORT OF  
2 MOUNTING THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE FOR THE COUNTY. BUT LET ME  
3 START WITH THE UPDATE ON NOVEL CORONA VIRUS. SO I WANTED TO  
4 JUST START WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING LOCALLY, ONE CASE. WE STILL  
5 ONLY HAVE ONE CASE, AND THAT ONE CASE IS A TRAVELER WHO LIVES  
6 -- WHO LIVES IN WUHAN CITY. WE DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER CASES. ALL  
7 OF THE CLOSE CONTACTS FOR THAT ONE CASE WERE IDENTIFIED AND  
8 ARE BEING FOLLOWED, AND NONE OF THEM HAVE DEVELOPED ANY  
9 SYMPTOMS AS OF THIS POINT. AND THEY'LL BE CLOSING OUT,  
10 REMEMBER THAT INCUBATION PERIOD IS 14 DAYS THAT WE WILL BE  
11 FOLLOWING THEM. BUT I WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE, WE ONLY HAVE  
12 ONE CASE IN L.A. COUNTY. CALIFORNIA HAS SIX CASES. THEY'RE  
13 SPREAD OUT. THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, THERE ARE ONLY 11  
14 CASES. SO WE HAVE 11 CONFIRMED CASES IN THE UNITED STATES,  
15 WASHINGTON STATE, AS YOU KNOW. OUTSIDE OF CHICAGO, THERE'S A  
16 CASE, AND THEN WE HAVE OUR SIX CASES HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. IN  
17 TWO INSTANCES, IN THE 11 CASES, 9 OF THOSE FOLKS ACTUALLY  
18 TRAVELED FROM WUHAN CITY AND WERE EXPOSED IN WUHAN. THERE ARE  
19 TWO CASES WHERE WE HAVE TRANSMISSION, HUMAN-TO-HUMAN  
20 TRANSMISSION, IN THE UNITED STATES, BUT I WANT TO BE REALLY  
21 CLEAR HAT THAT THAT HAPPENED WITH CLOSE CONTACTS, VERY  
22 INTIMATE CASES.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** DID YOU SAY WE HAVE SIX CASES?

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1 **DR. FERRER:** IN CALIFORNIA.

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3 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY.

4

5 **DR. FERRER:** SIX CASES IN CALIFORNIA, IN THE WHOLE STATE.

6 INTIMATE CONTACT IS THE ROUTE OF TRANSMISSION IN THE TWO CASES  
7 WE HAVE, AND THEY ARE LIKE HUSBAND AND WIFE SITUATIONS. I ALSO  
8 WANT TO LET FOLKS KNOW THAT THERE ARE NOW 260 PERSONS THAT ARE  
9 BEING INVESTIGATED AS POSSIBLE CASES OF CORONA VIRUS, AND, OF  
10 THOSE, ONLY 11 TESTED POSITIVE, 167 HAVE ALREADY HAD A TEST  
11 THAT HAS BEEN NEGATIVE, AND THE OTHER 82 ARE PENDING. SO,  
12 AGAIN, THE VAST MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS BEING  
13 POSSIBLY SUSPECT CASES IN THE UNITED STATES, THE VAST MAJORITY  
14 OF THEM END UP NOT HAVING NOVEL CORONA VIRUS. THEY HAVE THE  
15 FLU OR SOME OTHER RESPIRATORY ILLNESS. BUT THE SITUATION IS  
16 VERY DIFFERENT IN CHINA. CHINA HAS OVER 20,000 CONFIRMED CASES  
17 AND SLIGHTLY OVER 400 DEATHS. AND MULTIPLE HOSPITALS IN WUHAN  
18 ARE OVERWHELMED WITH CARING FOR PEOPLE WHO WOULD LIKE TO GET  
19 MEDICAL TREATMENT, AND THE NUMBERS HAVE DRAMATICALLY INCREASED  
20 ON A DAILY BASIS IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF CONFIRMED, INFECTED  
21 PEOPLE IN CHINA. AND, WHILE WUHAN CITY AND THE PROVINCE OF  
22 HUBEI REMAIN THE EPICENTER OF, WHAT THE C.D.C. CALLS THE HOT  
23 ZONE, OTHER PARTS OF CHINA HAVE ALSO SEEN AN INCREASE IN THEIR  
24 NUMBERS. THERE IS, AGAIN, CONTINUES TO BE SMALL NUMBERS OF  
25 PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN INFECTED AFTER PASSING THROUGH CHINA BUT



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1 ARE LIVING IN OTHER COUNTRIES. AND THERE'S A FIRST CONFIRMED  
2 DEATH OF A PERSON WHO DID NOT LIVE IN CHINA. ALMOST ALL THE  
3 DEATHS EXCEPT ONE HAVE BEEN FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING IN  
4 CHINA. BECAUSE THE SITUATION HAS CHANGED SO DRAMATICALLY IN  
5 CHINA, ON FRIDAY NIGHT, THE WHITE HOUSE ISSUED SOME NEW  
6 DIRECTIVES. AND I JUST WANT TO GO OVER WHAT THOSE DIRECTIVES  
7 ARE AND THEN I'LL TALK ABOUT HOW WE ARE RESPONDING, BUT THESE  
8 ARE DIRECTIVES FOR EVERYONE, NOT JUST FOR L.A. COUNTY. SO THE  
9 FIRST THING THAT THE PRESIDENT DID IS, HE'S ISSUED AN ORDER  
10 THAT ACTUALLY FORBIDS THE TRAVEL OF FOREIGN NATIONALS INTO ANY  
11 PLACE IN THE UNITED STATES IF THEY HAVE RECENTLY TRAVELED  
12 ANYWHERE IN CHINA. SO FOREIGN NATIONALS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO  
13 COME INTO OUR COUNTRY IF THEY'VE HAD A PREVIOUS VISIT ANYWHERE  
14 IN CHINA. SO THIS ISN'T JUST CHINESE PEOPLE, THIS IS -- YOU'RE  
15 GERMAN. YOU WERE IN CHINA FOR BUSINESS TWO DAYS AGO OR FOUR  
16 DAYS AGO, YOU NOW CANNOT TRAVEL HERE FOR THE NEXT 14 DAYS. THE  
17 PRESIDENT HAS THE RIGHT AND ABILITY TO EXTEND THAT ORDER IN  
18 14-DAY INCREMENTS AS HE CHOOSES. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY,  
19 THERE'S A LOT LESS TRAVEL OF PEOPLE WHO MIGHT NORMALLY BE  
20 TRAVELING TO THE UNITED STATES EITHER FROM CHINA OR WHO HAVE  
21 PASSED THROUGH CHINA. THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO ARE BEING ALLOWED TO  
22 COME INTO THE UNITED STATES NOW WHO HAVE TRAVELED IN CHINA IN  
23 THE LAST 14 DAYS ARE U.S. CITIZENS, THEIR CLOSE FAMILY  
24 MEMBERS, AND FOLKS WHO ARE EITHER ON A VISA, HAVE A GREEN  
25 CARD, A RESIDENCY CARD, OR A PERMANENT RESIDENCE. YOU KNOW,



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1 THERE'S OBVIOUSLY SOME EXCEPTION CLAUSES THERE THAT THE STATE  
2 -- THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE CAN USE, BUT, IN GENERAL, PEOPLE  
3 WHO COME IN TO OUR COUNTRY, WHO HAVE RECENTLY BEEN IN CHINA,  
4 ARE U.S. CITIZENS AND THEIR CLOSE FAMILY MEMBERS. BUT EVERYONE  
5 WHO COMES IN TO THE UNITED STATES, WHO IS A U.S. CITIZEN OR IS  
6 IN THAT CATEGORY WHERE THEY CAN ENTER, NOW HAS TO COME IN  
7 THROUGH ONE OF 11 AIRPORTS. SO IF, ON YOUR PASSPORT, IT SHOWS  
8 THAT YOU TRAVELED IN CHINA IN THE LAST 14 DAYS AND YOU'RE A  
9 U.S. CITIZEN, YOU WILL BE REBOOKED AND NEED TO FLY THROUGH ONE  
10 OF 11 AIRPORTS WHERE THERE WILL BE BORDER CONTROL AND CUSTOMS  
11 DOING SCREENING OF ALL TRAVELERS THAT ARE COMING IN. SO U.S.  
12 CITIZENS ARE WELCOME BACK. THEY CAN COME BACK IN THROUGH ONE  
13 OF THOSE 11 AIRPORTS. THE GOVERNMENT IS ALSO REPATRIATING  
14 ANOTHER THOUSAND OR SO U.S. CITIZENS WHO ARE AFFILIATED WITH  
15 THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH CHARTER FLIGHTS THAT WILL BE GOING INTO  
16 FOUR MILITARY BASES. THAT'S THEIR ONLY WAY IN, THROUGH ONE OF  
17 11 AIRPORTS OR YOU ARE ON A CHARTER FLIGHT GOING TO ONE OF THE  
18 FOUR BASES. IF YOU COME INTO --

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** CAN YOU NAME THOSE FOUR BASES?

21

22 **DR. FERRER:** TWO ARE IN CALIFORNIA. ONE IS IN TEXAS. I'M NOT  
23 SURE WHAT THE FOURTH IS. I CAN GET YOU THAT INFORMATION,  
24 THOUGH. I DON'T HAVE IT ON THE TOP OF MY HEAD.

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MARCH, FOR SURE. MARCH AIR FORCE BASE, FOR  
2 SURE.

3

4 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH, LET ME CHECK WHERE THE CHARTERS ARE COMING.  
5 THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING AT THE  
6 MILITARY BASES IN CALIFORNIA. ONE IS, THERE ARE TWO BASES THAT  
7 ARE TAKING THESE CHARTER FLIGHTS THAT HAVEN'T LEFT YET FROM  
8 CHINA BUT WILL COME WITH U.S. CITIZENS, MOSTLY PEOPLE WHO WORK  
9 FOR THE GOVERNMENT OR ARE AFFILIATED WITH THE GOVERNMENT. AND  
10 THEN OTHER PEOPLE ARE COMING THROUGH THE AIRPORTS. SO LET ME  
11 TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU'RE A U.S. TRAVELER, RECENTLY  
12 WAS IN CHINA, AND YOU SHOW UP AT ONE OF THESE 11 AIRPORTS  
13 WHICH INCLUDES L.A.X. WE ARE ONE OF THE ENTRY POINTS. YOU WILL  
14 GO THROUGH SCREENING AT BORDER CONTROL, AND THEY WILL -- THEY  
15 WILL REALLY PLACE PEOPLE IN THREE DIFFERENT GROUPS. THE FIRST  
16 GROUP OF FOLKS THAT THEY'RE SCREENING FOR ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
17 SYMPTOMS OF RESPIRATORY ILLNESS AND THAT INCLUDES A FEVER, AND  
18 THAT'S WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING ALL ALONG. WE'VE BEEN SCREENING  
19 FOLKS, ESPECIALLY FROM WUHAN CITY, THROUGH BORDER CONTROL,  
20 CUSTOMS AND BORDER CONTROL, AND WE'VE BEEN IDENTIFYING ANYBODY  
21 WHO HAS FEVER AND RESPIRATORY ILLNESS, AND THOSE PEOPLE ARE  
22 TRANSPORTED SAFELY AND SECURELY TO A MEDICAL FACILITY FOR  
23 FURTHER SCREENING AND TESTING. THAT IS A VERY TINY NUMBER, TO  
24 DATE. VERY FEW PEOPLE HAVE SHOWED UP IN ANY OF THE AIRPORTS  
25 WITH ANY SYMPTOMS THAT MAKES THEM SYMPTOMATIC AND IN NEED OF



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1 ADDITIONAL SCREENING AND TESTING AT A MEDICAL FACILITY. THE  
2 OTHER TRAVELERS WILL FALL INTO THE FOLLOWING TWO GROUPS. IF  
3 YOU'VE BEEN ANYWHERE IN THE HUBEI PROVINCE, ANYWHERE, IN THE  
4 LAST 14 DAYS, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO A 14-DAY QUARANTINE. AND YOU  
5 WILL BE TRANSPORTED SAFELY TO AN IDENTIFIED LOCATION WHERE YOU  
6 WILL BE KEPT UP TO 14 DAYS FROM YOUR LAST KNOWN EXPOSURE,  
7 WHICH MEANS THE LAST TIME YOU VISITED ANY PLACE IN THE HUBEI  
8 PROVINCE. IF YOU ARE -- THE OTHER GROUP THAT WILL BE SUBJECT  
9 TO MANDATORY QUARANTINE IS IF YOU COME FROM ANYWHERE IN CHINA  
10 AND YOU HAD A CLOSE CONTACT WITH A CONFIRMED CASE OF SOMEBODY  
11 WITH NOVEL CORON AVIRUS. SO IF YOU WERE A HOUSEHOLD MEMBER, OR  
12 YOU WERE A HEALTHCARE WORKER THAT CARED FOR SOMEBODY WHO HAS A  
13 CONFIRMED CASE OF CORONA VIRUS, YOU, TOO, WILL NEED TO BE  
14 QUARANTINED FOR UP TO 14 DAYS. AND I'LL EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENING  
15 IN L.A., BUT I WILL PAINT THE PICTURE. THE LAST FOLKS THAT ARE  
16 COMING ARE COMING FROM EVERYWHERE ELSE IN CHINA, WHO ARE,  
17 AGAIN, U.S. CITIZENS OR THEIR CLOSE FAMILY MEMBERS. THEY WILL  
18 NEED TO GET SCREENED AT THE AIRPORT. INFORMATION WILL BE  
19 COLLECTED. THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO GO ON TO THEIR FINAL  
20 DESTINATION. REMEMBER, THESE ARE PEOPLE WITH NO SYMPTOMS.  
21 THEY'VE JUST BEEN IN CHINA. THEY HAVEN'T BEEN A CLOSE CONTACT,  
22 AND THEY AREN'T COMING FROM THE HUBEI PROVINCE WHERE THERE'S  
23 THE MOST CASES. THEY'RE ALLOWED TO GO TO THEIR FINAL  
24 DESTINATION. THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THEIR FINAL  
25 DESTINATION WILL BE FOLLOWING UP WITH THEM FOR UP TO 14 DAYS



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1 FROM THEIR LAST EXPOSURE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE ACTIVELY  
2 MONITORING THEMSELVES FOR ANY SIGNS OR SYMPTOMS OF DISEASE OR  
3 ILLNESS. THAT INCLUDES THEY NEED TO TAKE THEIR TEMPERATURE  
4 TWICE A DAY AND RECORD IT, AND THEY NEED TO MONITOR THEMSELVES  
5 FOR ANY RESPIRATORY ILLNESS SYMPTOMS. THEY WILL BE REPORTING  
6 TO THE LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT. AND AGAIN, I WILL TALK  
7 ABOUT WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE, BUT THAT IS THE SYSTEM FOR THE  
8 WHOLE COUNTRY. THAT WILL HAPPEN WHEREVER YOU ARE IN THE  
9 COUNTRY IF YOU ARE A RETURNING TRAVELER FROM CHINA WHO HAS  
10 BEEN THERE IN THE LAST 14 DAYS. HERE, IN L.A. COUNTY, LET ME  
11 TALK NOW SPECIFICALLY WHAT WE'RE DOING IN L.A. COUNTY IN TERMS  
12 OF TRAVELERS COMING INTO OUR AIRPORT. SO WE'RE WORKING  
13 CLOSELY, AND WE HAVE BEEN FOR THE LAST TWO AND A HALF WEEKS,  
14 WITH THE FOLKS AT THE QUARANTINE STATION AT L.A. COUNTY AND  
15 ALL OF THE WORKERS AT L.A. AIRPORT AND, AGAIN, OUR O.E.M.  
16 PARTNERS, BOTH AT THE CITY LEVEL AND AT THE COUNTY LEVEL.  
17 FOLKS ARE OBVIOUSLY, AS THEY'RE BEING SCREENED, THE SCREENER  
18 ARE USING APPROPRIATE PERSONAL -- USING PERSONAL PROTECTION  
19 EQUIPMENT, SO THAT THERE AREN'T ANY UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES  
20 THERE OF EXPOSURES AS WELL. AND WE, TOO, HAVE A SYSTEM SET UP  
21 TO IMMEDIATELY TRANSPORT TO A MEDICAL FACILITY IN L.A. COUNTY  
22 ANYBODY WHO IS SYMPTOMATIC. IF FOLKS ARE NOT SYMPTOMATIC, AND  
23 THEY HAVE BEEN IN THE HUBEI PROVINCE, WE HAVE A SYSTEM SET UP  
24 TO SAFELY TRANSPORT THOSE FOLKS TO MARSH AIR FORCE BASE IN  
25 RIVERSIDE COUNTY. THE QUARANTINE ORDERS ARE ISSUED BY THE



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1 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BY C.D.C. THEY ARE TRANSPORTED SAFELY AND  
2 SECURELY TO THE BASE, AND THE BASE IS EQUIPPED TO DETERMINE  
3 HOW LONG THAT QUARANTINE PERIOD IS GOING TO BE FOR, AND THEY  
4 ARE SET UP TO ACTUALLY ALLOW PEOPLE TO BE SAFELY QUARANTINED  
5 AND MAKE SURE THEY'RE FED, AND IF THEY NEED MEDICAL ATTENTION,  
6 THEY ARE EASILY ABLE TO GET MEDICAL ATTENTION. OBVIOUSLY, WE  
7 WORK CLOSELY WITH OUR PARTNERS AT THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY PUBLIC  
8 HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND OUR WONDERFUL PARTNERS AT THE STATE  
9 HEALTH DEPARTMENT, SO WE'RE ALL COORDINATED ABOUT INFORMATION  
10 SHARING THAT NEEDS TO BE SHARED, AND MAKING SURE THERE'S  
11 ENOUGH SUPPORT AT THE BASE FOR FOLKS TO BE SAFELY CARED FOR  
12 DURING THE QUARANTINE PERIOD. FOR THOSE FOLKS WHOSE FINAL  
13 DESTINATION IS L.A. COUNTY, AND THEY'RE NOT SUBJECT TO THE  
14 MANDATORY QUARANTINE, WE GET THEIR INFORMATION FROM THE BORDER  
15 CONTROL FOLKS. WE SET UP A SYSTEM. WE MONITOR -- ACTIVELY  
16 MONITOR THOSE PEOPLE FROM 14 DAYS FROM THEIR LAST EXPOSURE.  
17 AND THOSE FOLKS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO EXCLUDE THEMSELVES FROM  
18 PUBLIC ACTIVITIES. SO, LET ME TALK ABOUT THAT FOR A SECOND.  
19 EVERYBODY WHO HAS BEEN ANYWHERE IN CHINA, AND IS NOT  
20 QUARANTINED BECAUSE THEY CAME FROM THE HUBEI PROVINCE, THEY  
21 NEED TO SELF-ISOLATE THEMSELVES FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR UP  
22 TO 14 DAYS FROM THEIR LAST EXPOSURE AS THEY ARE BEING  
23 MONITORED BY THEIR LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THIS MEANS  
24 THAT THOSE FOLKS WHO ARE COMING IN NOW, THIS IS A MOVE-FORWARD  
25 BASIS, THIS ISN'T FOLKS WHO CAME IN BEFORE THIS DIRECTIVE WAS



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1 ISSUED. THIS IS ON A MOVE-FORWARD BASIS. THOSE FOLKS ARE  
2 GETTING NOTICED AT THE QUARANTINE STATION ABOUT THEIR  
3 RESTRICTIONS. THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL BE WORKING WITH  
4 THEM TO MAKE SURE THEY, TOO, WHILE THEY STAY HOME, HAVE WHAT  
5 THEY NEED. SO WE NEED TO WORK WITH -- WITH PEOPLE WHO MAY NOT  
6 HAVE A GOOD WAY TO GET THEIR FOOD, ETC., SO THAT THEY CAN  
7 REMAIN IN THEIR HOMES SAFELY. WE ARE ASKING SCHOOLS AND  
8 EMPLOYERS TO ACCOMMODATE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT ABLE TO NOW ATTEND  
9 SCHOOL FOR UP TO 14 DAYS OR GO TO WORK FOR UP TO 14 DAYS. IF  
10 THERE ARE TELEWORK OPTIONS FOR SOME EMPLOYEES, WE SUGGEST  
11 THAT. WE ARE TRYING TO MINIMIZE ECONOMIC HARDSHIP FOR FOLKS  
12 WHO ARE SUBJECT TO THIS RESTRICTION. AND OBVIOUSLY FOR FOLKS  
13 WHO ARE IN SCHOOL, WE'D LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT SCHOOLS ARE  
14 ABLE TO PROVIDE THEM WITH THE MATERIALS THEY NEED CONTINUE  
15 THEIR STUDIES IN A HOME ENVIRONMENT. THEY ARE NOT QUARANTINED,  
16 HOWEVER. THEY ARE JUST ASKED TO EXCLUDE THEMSELVES FROM PUBLIC  
17 ACTIVITIES. AND WE ARE WORKING WITH THEM, OUR -- OUR PUBLIC  
18 HEALTH NURSES ARE ASSIGNED TO FOLKS. SO WE -- EVERY PUBLIC  
19 HEALTH NURSE IS ASSIGNED TO A GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT THEY  
20 MONITOR, AND THEY CHECK IN WITH THEM TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS  
21 ALL WORKS AND THAT THEY ARE, IN FACT, ADHERING TO THE  
22 RESTRICTION TO NOT CIRCULATE IN THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THE OTHER  
23 THINGS WE NEED TO DO, AS YOU'VE NOTED AND THAT WE'RE IN THE  
24 PROCESS OF DOING, IS MAKING SURE PEOPLE HAVE REALLY GOOD  
25 INFORMATION. SO, TODAY, WE WILL DO THREE MORE TELEBRIEFINGS,





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1 STARTING AT 2:00. ELECTED OFFICIALS, COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, WILL  
2 BE DOING ONE, I THINK, AT 3:00 WITH CHILDCARE PROVIDERS IN K-  
3 12 SCHOOLS AND THEN ONE AT 5:00 WITH UNIVERSITIES AND  
4 COLLEGES. WE'RE ALSO SETTING UP A CALL CENTER THAT WILL BE  
5 SPECIFIC FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS, SCHOOLS, AND UNIVERSITIES, AND  
6 CHILDCARE CENTERS, AND OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS  
7 THAT NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. THEY HAVE QUESTIONS THAT  
8 REALLY NEED A SPECIFIC PERSON TO ANSWER, AND IT IS NOT GOING  
9 TO BE THE 211 OPERATORS. BUT THE 211 OPERATORS WILL STILL BE  
10 THE PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO GO FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THEY HAVE  
11 A LOT OF GOOD INFORMATION. THEY CAN REFER PEOPLE TO OUR  
12 WEBSITE. THEY CAN CONNECT PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE CARE AND ARE  
13 LOOKING FOR CARE TO A CARE PROVIDER. WE ALSO CONTINUE TO  
14 UPDATE ALL THE GUIDANCE TO ALL OF THE PROVIDERS IN L.A.  
15 COUNTY. WE ISSUE OUR -- OUR L.A. NETWORK ISSUES UPDATES. WE  
16 WORK WITH ALL OF OUR HOSPITALS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY, TOO,  
17 HAVE UPDATED INFORMATION AND CAN, IN FACT, MANAGE WHAT MAY BE  
18 AN INFLUX OF FOLKS WHO ARE GOING TO BE SEEKING CARE.

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, I JUST WANTED TO ASK, BARBARA, YOU  
21 MENTIONED GOING OUT TO CHILD CARE CENTERS.

22

23 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** WHAT ABOUT ADULT DAY CARE CENTERS WHERE YOU HAVE  
2 PEOPLE COMING IN. YOU HAVE A LOT OF FOLKS TRAVELING FROM  
3 DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

4

5 **DR. FERRER:** WE CAN ADD THAT. I MEAN, WE KNOW THAT THERE'S A  
6 LOT OF CONCERN WHERE CHILDREN ARE. AND WE WANT TO ABSOLUTELY  
7 MAKE SURE THAT NO SCHOOLS ARE CLOSING. THERE'S NO REASON FOR  
8 ANY SCHOOL TO CLOSE. WE HAVE ONE CASE IN L.A. COUNTY, AND IT  
9 IS NOT A RESIDENT CASE. THERE'S NO REASON FOR SCHOOLS TO  
10 CLOSE. THERE'S NO REASON FOR THAT LEVEL OF PANIC. PEOPLE CAN  
11 REALLY GO ABOUT THEIR DAILY ACTIVITIES. THE ONLY PEOPLE THAT  
12 ARE IMMEDIATELY AFFECTED ARE RECENT TRAVELERS TO CHINA WHO ARE  
13 U.S. CITIZENS. AND WE'RE GOING TO BE -- WE KNOW WHO THOSE  
14 PEOPLE WILL BE, AND WE'LL BE WORKING WITH THEM. THE NUMBER OF  
15 PEOPLE THAT ARE ANTICIPATED TO COME BACK IS NOT A VERY LARGE  
16 NUMBER, ACCORDING TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. AND WE'RE AT THE  
17 AIRPORT. WE MONITOR THE FLIGHTS AS WELL. WE HAVE OUR  
18 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM SET UP FOR THE FOLKS WHO NEED TO BE  
19 QUARANTINED OR TRANSPORTED TO A MEDICAL FACILITY. AND I JUST  
20 WANT TO URGE EVERYONE, IT IS SCARY WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHINA,  
21 BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN L.A. COUNTY. AND I THINK  
22 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED US TO TAKE SOME VERY SENSIBLE  
23 STEPS ON A MOVE-FORWARD BASIS TO PROTECT OUR COMMUNITIES FROM  
24 ANY UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES THAT COULD HAPPEN WITH THE SPREAD  
25 OF THE VIRUS.



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2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WELL, I WANT TO THANK YOU DR. FERRER, AND  
3 I THINK THE REASON THEY ARE SENSIBLE APPROACHES IS BECAUSE  
4 YOU'VE AGGRESSIVELY WORKED WITH THEM TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE  
5 CONCERNS AS IT RELATES TO THE GEOGRAPHY, WELL -- YOU WERE THE  
6 MESSENGER. AND SO, YOU KNOW, THERE WAS A GIVE-AND-TAKE IN  
7 TERMS OF THE EXPERTISE THAT YOU HAVE, BOOTS ON THE GROUND HERE  
8 IN L.A. COUNTY IN TERMS OF WHAT WILL WORK AND WHAT WON'T WORK.

9

10 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND THAT I THINK IN THE END IS WHAT GOT US  
13 THE COMMON-SENSE PRACTICES MOVING FORWARD.

14

15 **DR. FERRER:** I CAN JUST ANSWER THE QUESTION ON TESTING ALSO.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YEP.

18

19 **DR. FERRER:** SO THE ONLY PLACE THAT CAN CURRENTLY TEST FOR THE  
20 NOVEL CORONA VIRUS IS IN ATLANTA, AT THE C.D.C. THEY ARE  
21 DEVELOPING CAPACITY FOR THAT TESTING TO HAPPEN IN STATES, BUT  
22 THIS IS -- THIS IS NOT A SIMPLE TEST. SO IT WILL HAPPEN AT  
23 PUBLIC HEALTH LABS ONLY. SO THE STATE LAB WILL BE PART OF THE  
24 ROLL-OUT, AND THEY WILL HAVE CAPACITY AT THE STATE LEVEL, AND  
25 BECAUSE WE HAVE A LARGE PUBLIC HEALTH LAB IN L.A. COUNTY,



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1 THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THAT, WE TOO WILL GET  
2 REAGENTS AND WILL BE SET UP TO DO TESTING HERE. THAT --

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR. AND DO WE TEST EVERYONE WHO IS ON  
5 THOSE -- OR JUST PEOPLE WHO HAVE SYMPTOMS?

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7 **DR. FERRER:** JUST PEOPLE WHO ARE SYMPTOMATIC AND SICK,  
8 ACTUALLY, AND NEXUS TO CHINA. OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

11

12 **DR. FERRER:** VERY STRICT TESTING PROTOCOLS AND, AS YOU'VE SEEN,  
13 MOST OF THE TESTS TO DATE HAVE BEEN NEGATIVE, BUT IT WOULD  
14 HAVE BEEN VERY NICE TO HAVE TESTING CAPACITY LOCALLY BECAUSE  
15 THERE'S A LONG TURN AROUND TIME.

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17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHAT IS THE ABILITY TO DO THAT?

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19 **DR. FERRER:** TWO WEEKS, WE THINK.

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21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** TWO WEEKS?

22

23 **DR. FERRER:** WE THINK WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO LOCAL TESTING.

24

25 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY.



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1

2 **DR. FERRER:** I'LL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** GOOD. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I THINK GIVEN HOW FLUID THIS IS, IT IS  
7 IMPORTANT FOR US TO CONTINUE TO DO THE PHONE CALLS, CONTINUE  
8 TO REACH OUT TO THE MEDIA. I WOULD EVEN ARGUE THAT MAYBE  
9 PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE IN ORDER AS IT RELATES TO  
10 BOTH IN CHINESE, SPANISH, IN ORDER TO REALLY GET THE WORD OUT  
11 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE BROCHURE THAT YOU SHOWED, SUPERVISOR  
12 SOLIS, THEY'RE STILL OUT THERE. AND MANY OF THOSE PEOPLE DO  
13 NOT KNOW THAT'S FAKE. I MEAN, YOU DID A GREAT JOB WITH YOUR  
14 PRESS, YOU KNOW, CONFERENCE. BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAVE TO  
15 BE VERY VIGILANT IN MAKING SURE WE DO NOT CREATE HYSTERIA, BUT  
16 THAT WE ALSO LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT THIS IS A REAL CONCERN AND  
17 THAT THEY NEED TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS. I MEAN, IT IS A FINE  
18 BALANCE BETWEEN THE SKY IS FALLING, AND YOU NEED TO TAKE CARE,  
19 AND HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO DO. AND I WANT TO REACH THAT  
20 BALANCE SO THAT WE ARE RESPONSIBLE IN HOW WE ROLL THIS OUT, SO  
21 WE CAN KEEP IT TO ONE IN L.A. COUNTY WHO IS NOT EVEN HERE  
22 PHYSICALLY.

23

24 **DR. FERRER:** THAT MIGHT NOT HAPPEN, BUT WE WILL NOT HAVE A LOT  
25 OF CASES.



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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WELL, HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL, RIGHT, BUT  
3 KEEP THE NUMBER DOWN.

4

5 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY.

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7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND HAVE A BALANCED APPROACH.

8

9 **DR. FERRER:** I ALSO WANT TO LET YOU KNOW, I HAVE A GREAT TEAM  
10 THAT HAS BEEN OUT IN EVERY COMMUNITY. WE DISTRIBUTED  
11 INFORMATION, YOU KNOW, IN PACKETS TO EVERY 800 COMMUNITY-BASED  
12 ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE OFTEN WELL-TRUSTED IN THEIR  
13 COMMUNITIES, AND THAT INFORMATION IS OBVIOUSLY IN MULTIPLE  
14 LANGUAGES. SO WE ARE TRYING TO, YOU KNOW, WE KNOW WE HAVE A  
15 LOT OF GOOD INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE. EVERYONE DOESN'T GO TO  
16 OUR WEBSITE. IT IS ON MULTIPLE LANGUAGES ON OUR WEBSITE, BUT  
17 WE DID A HUGE DISTRIBUTION IN OUR COMMUNITIES AS WELL JUST SO  
18 PACKETS WOULD BE THERE, AND OUR COMMUNITY-BASED PARTNERS COULD  
19 ACTUALLY GET OUT THAT INFORMATION.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, YOU RAISED AN ISSUE EARLIER ABOUT  
22 211. THERE IS AT SOME POINT NO CAPACITY TO ADDRESS THE CALLS  
23 COMING IN. SO WHAT IS OUR PLAN B, AND WHAT DO WE DO? DO WE  
24 HAVE AN INTERNET ADDRESS?

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1 DR. FERRER: YEAH.

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3 SUP. SOLIS: WHAT ELSE DO WE HAVE AVAILABLE?

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5 DR. FERRER: RIGHT NOW, WE ARE RELYING A LOT ON 211, AND 211  
6 HAS A SET OF NUMBERS TO FORWARD CALLS TO ANOTHER NUMBER. SO,  
7 FOR EXAMPLE, ANY PROVIDERS THAT CALL TO 211 ARE REDIRECTED TO  
8 OUR PROVIDER LINE. SO WE HAVE ALREADY SET UP A LINE THAT IS  
9 SPECIFIC FOR PROVIDERS. WE OBVIOUSLY DON'T GIVE THAT OUT TO  
10 EVERYONE BECAUSE THEY ONLY WANT MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TO CALL  
11 THAT LINE. I WILL SAY WE WENT WITH FROM 100 CALLS A WEEK TO  
12 600 CALLS FROM PROVIDERS IN FIVE DAYS. SO WE ARE -- WE ARE  
13 MANAGING A LOT OF DIRECT CALLS AROUND PATIENT CARE WITH THAT  
14 NUMBER. THOSE ARE PROVIDERS CALLING ABOUT A PARTICULAR  
15 PATIENT. WE'VE ADDED A LOT OF STAFF INTERNALLY TO HELP MAKE  
16 SURE WE'RE HANDLING ALL THOSE CALLS. WE ALSO HAVE AN AFTER-  
17 HOURS CALL FOR HEALTHCARE FACILITIES AND FOR PROVIDERS. SO  
18 THIS IS A 24/7 SERVICE THAT WE OFFER TO PROVIDERS. SO  
19 REGARDLESS OF THE TIME OF DAY, THEY'RE ABLE TO REACH US. AND  
20 AS I SAID, WE'LL BE SETTING UP A SPECIAL HOTLINE FOR, YOU  
21 KNOW, ELECTED OFFICIALS, YOU KNOW, UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES,  
22 FOLKS WHO HAVE A LOT OF LEGITIMATE QUESTIONS RIGHT NOW AND  
23 REALLY NEED ATTENTION, MORE ATTENTION THAN THEY GET ON A  
24 TELEBRIEFING. MANY PEOPLE HAVE SHARED THEIR DOCUMENTS. WE'LL  
25 BE POSTING GUIDANCE FOR SCHOOLS TODAY. WE FINALLY HAVE GOTTEN



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1 SOME CLEARANCE FROM C.D.C. ON WHAT THAT GUIDANCE SHOULD LOOK  
2 LIKE. SO WE WILL BE TRANSLATING THAT AND POSTING THAT AS WELL.  
3 WE KNOW THAT'S THE AREA WHERE RIGHT NOW, THERE'S PEOPLE THAT  
4 WANT A DOCUMENT THAT THEY COULD USE.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WILL YOU MONITOR 211.

7

8 **DR. FERRER:** YES.

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10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** TO SEE WHAT THE WORKLOAD IS.

11

12 **DR. FERRER:** WE WILL.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND IF IT IS -- BECAUSE I AGREE WITH YOU.  
15 IF IT BECOMES SUCH THAT THEY CANNOT --

16

17 **DR. FERRER:** WE WILL COME UP WITH ANOTHER SOLUTION.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND THEN WE WILL CREATE AN 800 NUMBER,  
20 WHICH WE MAY WANT TO THINK ABOUT DOING MOVING FORWARD.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** AND IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE IT WAS THE CAPACITY THAT  
23 WAS THE PROBLEM. IT WAS LIKE THEY WERE NOT ABLE TO GIVE GOOD  
24 INFORMATION.

25





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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT WAS WHAT THEY FIRST SAID THAT  
2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS IS RIGHT.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** IF THAT NUMBER IS NOW BEING GIVEN OUT AND  
7 THEY CAN'T KEEP UP WITH IT, SO YOU'RE RIGHT. I MEAN THAT WAS  
8 THE ISSUE YESTERDAY, BUT NOW I THINK IT IS MORE ABOUT  
9 CAPACITY. ISN'T THAT RIGHT SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

10

11 **DR. FERRER:** WE TRY TO GIVE THEM UPDATED SCRIPT, AND WE HAVE A  
12 PERSON THAT IS A POINT ON THIS TRYING TO WORK WITH 211 TO MAKE  
13 SURE THEY ARE GIVING ACCURATE INFORMATION, AND I WILL TELL  
14 YOU, WE TEST THE LINE. WE RANDOMLY MAKE CALLS TO SEE WHAT KIND  
15 OF INFORMATION PEOPLE GET BECAUSE WE'RE WORRIED, NOT BECAUSE  
16 THERE IS ANY MALINTENT, BUT BECAUSE THEY ARE OVERWHELMED, THEY  
17 DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT SCRIPT IN FRONT OF THEM. THE WORST THING  
18 THAT COULD HAPPEN FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE IS PEOPLE GET THE WRONG  
19 INFORMATION. WRONG INFORMATION, RIGHT NOW, IS NOT HELPFUL AT  
20 ALL, AND IT CAN GENERATE A LOT OF FEAR AND HAVE SOME  
21 UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES THAT CAN BE QUITE DEVASTATING TO SOME  
22 PEOPLE. SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT INFORMATION IS ACCURATE.

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. WE HAVE FIVE PEOPLE THAT HAVE  
2 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU CALL  
3 THEIR NAMES.

4  
5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, WOULD THE FOLLOWING  
6 PEOPLE PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME? ARNOLD  
7 SACHS, DR. MELLO DESIRE, ERIC PREVEN, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,  
8 LUPITA CARBALLO. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST  
9 YOU.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, I THINK DR.  
12 FERRER, I CAN SPEAK FOR ALL OF US THAT WE REALLY APPRECIATE  
13 HOW ACCESSIBLE YOU HAVE BEEN, AND YOUR TEAM, AND YOUR ENTIRE  
14 TEAM FOR SURE. SO PLEASE, THANK YOU. AND, YOU KNOW, TO KEVIN -  
15 - OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, WHO HAS BEEN A CONDUIT AS  
16 WELL. WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. SO THE FIRST  
17 PUBLIC SPEAKER, DR. CLAVREUL.

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING BOARD OF  
20 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ONE GOOD THING, WE ARE IN  
21 THE U.S., AND WE HAVE FANTASTIC SCIENTISTS, AND TONY FAUCI,  
22 WHO IS THE HEAD OF N.I.A.I.D. FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. AND ONE  
23 THING HE STRESSED WAS TO REALLY KEEP IN MIND THAT WE NEED TO  
24 BE CAREFUL, BUT WE ALSO NEED TO NOT OVER REACT BECAUSE  
25 ACTUALLY WE REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW LONG THE CORONA VIRUS HAS



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1 BEEN DOING THIS EFFECT IN CHINA BECAUSE THE CHINESE ARE  
2 USUALLY NOT VERY GOOD ABOUT SHARING THIS KIND OF INFORMATION,  
3 BUT WE HAVE EXCELLENT SCIENTISTS AT THE C.D.C. AND SO ON, WHO  
4 ARE LOOKING AT THAT ISSUE AND ARE ALREADY WORKING ON A  
5 VACCINE. AND, YOU KNOW, I AM VERY UPSET WHEN I SEE PEOPLE  
6 SAYING THAT, YOU KNOW, IT IS A RACIST ISSUE, AND ALL THE  
7 PEOPLE INVOLVED ARE WHITE, BUT FOR ONE REASON, THOSE  
8 SCIENTISTS ARE THE ONE THAT HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR THE LAST 30  
9 YEARS, LIKE ON H.I.V. AND SO ON. AND DURING THAT WHOLE TIME, I  
10 ONLY MET TWO BASIC SCIENTIST RESEARCHERS WERE BLACK, AND THEY  
11 WERE FROM TRINIDAD. I THINK WE NEED TO TRY TO LET OUR YOUNG  
12 PEOPLE INVOLVED IN BASIC SCIENCE, AND THAT IS A GOOD THING  
13 MAYBE NOW TO START, BUT ALSO ONE THING DR. FERRER DID NOT  
14 MENTION, ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS BESIDES WASHING YOUR  
15 HANDS AND SO ON IS TO KEEP YOURSELF IN GOOD HEALTH BECAUSE IF  
16 YOU ARE IN TOP HEALTH, MUCH LESS LIKELY, IF YOU GET THE  
17 DISEASE, TO DIE. SO I THINK EMPHASIZE PEOPLE TO LIVE AN ACTIVE  
18 LIFE AND TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. ANYBODY ELSE --  
21 MR. PREVEN.

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** ONE MINUTE, THANK YOU. HOLD ON.

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** PLEASE, LET -- IT IS OKAY. WE ARE GOING TO  
2 PUT UP SIGNS BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE'VE PUT UP THE SIGNS YET  
3 TO EXPLAIN THE NEW PROTOCOL. SO UNTIL THOSE UP -- THANK YOU.

4

5 **ERIC PREVEN:** MAYBE PUT UP SIGNS THAT THE FLU IS A BIG EPIDEMIC  
6 IN AMERICA NOW. WE HAVE 10,000 PEOPLE DIED ACCORDING TO THE  
7 C.D.C. SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IS ALSO GETTING A FAIR  
8 AMOUNT OF ATTENTION, BUT SIGNS TO BLOCK PEOPLE FROM COMING AND  
9 GOING IS RIDICULOUS. I WILL SAY ABOUT ONE QUESTION FOR THE  
10 DOCTOR IF SHE'S LISTENING, YOU MENTIONED WASH YOUR HANDS  
11 CONSTANTLY, BUT IF YOU LIVE IN STUDIO CITY AND YOU'RE NOT  
12 EXPOSED NECESSARILY, IS IT REALLY A GOOD IDEA TO WASH YOUR  
13 HANDS CONSTANTLY BECAUSE I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT YOU  
14 SHOULD WASH YOUR HANDS, OBVIOUSLY, AFTER CERTAIN ACTIVITIES,  
15 BUT IF YOU WASH THEM CONSTANTLY, YOU WEAKEN YOUR OWN IMMUNE  
16 SYSTEM. SO I JUST WONDER IF THAT CAN BE CLARIFIED, AND ALSO  
17 THIS IS SUCH A HEARTBREAKER FOR THE PEOPLE IN CHINA, IN WUHAN.  
18 I KNOW PEOPLE ARE TRACKING -- PEOPLE ARE BEING TURNED AWAY  
19 FROM THE HOSPITAL. SO I JUST WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO  
20 APPRECIATE THAT WE ARE ACTIVELY LOOKING AT THIS AND SEEING,  
21 AND MAKING SURE THAT, YOU KNOW, IT DOESN'T SPREAD AND GET  
22 WORSE. BUT AGAIN, MUCH LIKE THE FLU. SO LET'S NOT GO  
23 HYSTERICAL. I DON'T THINK THAT'S NECESSARY. AND I THINK THAT  
24 WE SHOULD DO --

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP.

2

3 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD MARY LOU JACOBS, PLEASE COME FORWARD  
4 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND FOR POINT OF CLARIFICATION, I DON'T  
7 THINK I SAID CONSTANTLY. I SAID I THINK WE SHOULD ALWAYS WASH  
8 OUR HANDS. GO AHEAD.

9

10 **MARY JACOBS:** UM, CHINESE PEOPLE WEARING MASKS, AND RECENTLY, I  
11 HAVE NOTICED THEM WEARING DESIGNER MASKS. AND SOME OF THEM  
12 HAVE LEOPARD. SOME OF THEM HAVE POLKA DOTS. SOME OF THEM ARE  
13 BLUE. AND I KNOW IT SOUNDS WEIRD, BUT IF BECOME FASHIONABLY  
14 CAREFUL, IT MAKES IT ALL THE MORE POSSIBLE TO WEAR A MASK  
15 BECAUSE YOU DON'T ALL LOOK LIKE YOU ARE IN AN OPERATING ROOM  
16 IN SURGERY. AND THAT MIGHT BE THE NEW THING TO WEAR INSTEAD OF  
17 AROUND YOUR NECK, YOU PUT IT OVER YOUR HAND. AND THERE'S  
18 THOUSANDS OF EXOTIC, BEAUTIFUL, COTTON, SAFE FABRICS IN THE  
19 FABRIC DISTRICT. I'M LIVING THERE NOW -- NOT LIVING THERE, BUT  
20 I GO DREAM AT THE AREA WHERE THEY HAVE DESIGNER CLOTHES, AND  
21 THEY SELL FABRIC VERY CHEAP, AND PEOPLE MAKE MONEY SELLING  
22 THEM. YOU GET 5 OR 6 OF THEM, AND YOU PUT THEM IN THE WASH,  
23 AND EVERYBODY'S GOT THEM. AND THEY ARE FASHIONABLY CORRECT.

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THERE ARE NO MORE SPEAKERS  
2 SIGNED UP FOR THIS. ITEM A11 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT,  
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO RECEIVE AND FILE THIS ITEM. IF  
4 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE  
5 ORDER. THANK YOU. NOW, WE ARE GOING TO GO ON TO ITEM NUMBER 2,  
6 CREATING THE COUNTY WIDE YOUTH COMMISSION. IT WAS HELD BY  
7 SUPERVISOR HAHN. WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE YOUR REMARKS?

8

9 **SUP. HAHN:** YES, THANK YOU. AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK  
10 SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR JOINING ME ON THIS MOTION TO ESTABLISH  
11 THE COUNTY WIDE YOUTH COMMISSION. I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO  
12 ALL OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN HERE SINCE 8:30 THIS  
13 MORNING TO BE HERE AS WE TOOK THIS ITEM UP. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
14 PATIENCE. WE ARE GOING THROUGH A MAJOR SEA CHANGE HERE IN L.A.  
15 COUNTY AS WE'RE TRYING TO REFORM OUR JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM.  
16 AND WE HAVE NOT BEEN LISTENING TO OUR EXPERTS, WHO ARE READY  
17 TO HELP, AND THAT'S THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO GREW UP IN THESE  
18 SYSTEMS AND KNOW WHAT IT TAKES TO MAKE THEM BETTER. THIS  
19 COMMISSION WOULD BE THE FIRST-EVER COUNTY WIDE YOUTH  
20 COMMISSION, AND IT WOULD BE OF THE YOUTH, BY THE YOUTH, AND  
21 FOR THE YOUTH. IT IS OF THE YOUTH BECAUSE THIS COMMISSION WILL  
22 START WITH 15 COMMISSIONERS, ALL AGED 18-26, WHO HAVE LIVED  
23 EXPERIENCE IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM, THE CHILD WELFARE  
24 SYSTEM, OR BOTH. IT IS BY THE YOUTH BECAUSE THE YOUTH  
25 COMMISSION FRAMEWORK WAS DESIGNED BY A GROUP OF YOUNG



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1 ADVOCATES AND THE YOUTH COMMISSION ARCHITECTS WHO HAVE SPENT  
2 MANY LATE NIGHTS HERE IN THIS BUILDING DEVELOPING THE PLAN.  
3 AND IT IS FOR THE YOUTH BECAUSE THE YOUNG PEOPLE APPOINTED TO  
4 THIS BODY WILL BE THE VERY BEST ADVOCATES, CHAMPIONS, AND  
5 CHANGE AGENTS. I AM NOT GOING TAKE ANY MORE TIME BECAUSE I  
6 CAN'T TALK TODAY.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I WILL READ THEM FOR YOU.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** AND I WANT THEM TO TALK BECAUSE ONCE YOU HEAR FROM  
11 THEM, YOU'RE GOING TO UNDERSTAND WHY WE'RE DOING THIS AND WHY  
12 IT IS SO IMPORTANT. I KNOW THAT WE'VE GOT RAY AND GINGER HERE  
13 TO TALK, BUT I REALLY WANT TO GET TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE AS SOON  
14 AS WE CAN TO LET THEM TO TALK, BUT I CAN'T TALK ANYMORE.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR HAHN. WHO  
17 ARE WE GOING TO -- GINGER, AND THEN RAY. OH, I'M -- SUPERVISOR  
18 KUEHL?

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I HEAR THE ADMONITION, AND  
21 I REALLY APPRECIATE THE CALL FOR BREVITY ON OUR PART, BUT I  
22 WANT TO SAY, IT IS NOT AN UNUSUAL THING THROUGHOUT HISTORY  
23 THAT WE HAVE ONLY ALLOWED PEOPLE WHO ARE IN A POWERFUL GROUP  
24 TO BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK FOR THOSE WHO ARE LESS POWERFUL. BEFORE  
25 WOMEN WERE GIVEN THE VOTE, OR EVEN ALLOWED TO RUN FOR OFFICE,



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1 EVERYONE SAID, WELL, YOU DON'T NEED TO HAVE WOMEN  
2 REPRESENTATIVES BECAUSE MEN WILL SPEAK FOR YOU. AND IT IS THE  
3 SAME WITH ANY KIND OF MINORITY OR OPPRESSED GROUP, AND WE HAVE  
4 BEEN WORKING AND WORKING ON OUR MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION. WE  
5 MADE SURE THERE WERE PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE WHO HAD  
6 RECEIVED SERVICES WHO ARE APPOINTED AND REALLY MAKING AN  
7 ATTEMPT TO DO THAT ACROSS THE BOARD. THIS IS THE ONE AREA  
8 WHERE EVERYONE TAKES FOR GRANTED, OH, BUT YOUNG PEOPLE, THEY  
9 CAN'T SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. AND THERE ARE ALWAYS EXCUSES. I  
10 DON'T KNOW OF A CHILDREN'S COMMISSION THAT HAS A CHILD ON IT.  
11 MAYBE THEY WOULD BE THERE ASKED FOR WHAT THEY THINK,  
12 OCCASIONALLY. WE ALSO DON'T MAKE IT VERY EASY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE  
13 TO PARTICIPATE. WE DON'T PAY A STIPEND FOR OUR COMMISSIONS. WE  
14 MEET DURING SCHOOL HOURS, YOU KNOW, A LOT OF THINGS THAT I  
15 WANT US TO LOOK AT AND THAT THIS COMMISSION WILL LOOK AT. AND  
16 I PROMISE YOU THAT THE BOARD MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE TAKING THIS  
17 INTO ACCOUNT. WE DON'T WANT TO MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE ONCE YOU  
18 OPEN UP A DOOR FOR PEOPLE TO WALK THROUGH IT. THE REASON WHY  
19 YOU WANT PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE ON A COMMISSION IS  
20 BECAUSE THERE IS NOTHING ELSE, NO OTHER WAY, TO GAIN THE KIND  
21 OF INFORMATION AND INSIGHT THAT CAN BE SHARED BY THOSE WHO  
22 HAVE GONE THROUGH IT. I WAS REALLY MOVED AND A LITTLE BIT  
23 STUNNED AS WE'VE BEEN RECEIVING INFORMATION ABOUT OUR  
24 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, ABOUT THE CHANGES THAT WE'RE MAKING IN  
25 PROBATION AND THE INSTALLATION IN THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT





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1 COMMISSION. WHEN WE DECIDED NOT TO GO AHEAD WITH OUR PLANS FOR  
2 THE JAIL, OR MIRALOMA, ALL OF THOSE TIMES, YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE  
3 COME TO DISCUSS -- THEY'RE ADULTS NOW, BUT THEY HAVE COME TO  
4 DISCUSS, THEY THOUGHT, WHAT'S HAPPENING TO THEM AS ADULTS, BUT  
5 EVERY ONE OF THEM CAME UP TO THE TABLE AND SAID, I HADN'T  
6 KNOWN YOU HAVE HAD THIS ISSUE ON PROBATION, BUT I WANTED TO  
7 TELL YOU MY EXPERIENCE IN PROBATION, MY EXPERIENCE IN FOSTER  
8 CARE. THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. I'M VERY GRATEFUL TO  
9 SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS AND ALLOWING ME TO COAUTHOR.  
10 I ALSO WANT TO THANK DR. WENDY SMITH, WHO IS THE CHAIR OF THE  
11 COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, AND DR. TAMARA HUNTER,  
12 WHO IS A STAFF PERSON ON THE COMMISSION, BOTH OF THEM ARE  
13 GOING TO SPEAK AS WELL. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING THIS,  
14 BUT I WANT TO SAY IT IS MY COMMITMENT TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO  
15 CARE ABOUT THIS, I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT WORKS, AND THAT  
16 IT IS NOT JUST PUT IN PLACE AND OPENS A DOOR THAT CAN'T BE  
17 ENTERED. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** EXCELLENT. ALL RIGHT. I THINK -- WHO WANTS  
20 TO GO, GINGER AND THEN -- ALL RIGHT.

21

22 **GINGER PRYOR:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME  
23 IS GINGER PRYOR, AND I'M CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE  
24 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, AND I'M GRATEFUL  
25 TO BE HERE IN ATTENDANCE TODAY ON BEHALF OF DIRECTOR BOBBY



# THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 KAGEL TO SPEAK ABOUT OUR DEPARTMENT'S SUPPORT OF THE CREATION  
2 OF A YOUTH COMMISSION. I'M IMMENSELY GRATEFUL TO THE BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS FOR WORKING TO ACTUALIZE THE VISION OF A YOUTH  
4 COMMISSION IN L.A. COUNTY. I'M PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL TO  
5 SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN AND SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL FOR THEIR  
6 SPONSORSHIP OF TODAY'S MOTION. ACROSS THE NATION, CHILD  
7 WELFARE JURISDICTIONS ARE EMBRACING THE YOUTH PERSPECTIVE AND  
8 INSTITUTIONALIZING THEIR VOICES IN PROGRAM DESIGN AND  
9 DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES. TODAY, L.A. COUNTY HAS THE  
10 OPPORTUNITY TO BE A LOCAL LEADER FOR A NATIONAL MOVEMENT. THE  
11 DEPARTMENT IS COMMITTED TO THE SUCCESS OF THE YOUTH  
12 COMMISSION. WE KNOW THAT WE WILL BE BETTER ABLE TO UNDERSTAND  
13 THE EXPERIENCES AND NEEDS OF VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES  
14 WHEN WE WORK ALONGSIDE THOSE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE TO DESIGN  
15 SUCCESSFUL INTERVENTIONS. WE ARE COMMITTED TO MEANINGFULLY AND  
16 CONSISTENTLY ENGAGING THE COMMISSION TO MAKE CERTAIN OUR  
17 PROGRAMS AND POLICIES ENSURE CHILDREN ARE SAFER, FAMILIES ARE  
18 HEALTHIER, AND COMMUNITIES ARE STRONGER. THE DEPARTMENT LOOKS  
19 FORWARD TO COLLABORATING WITH THE YOUTH COMMISSION ON SEVERAL  
20 INITIATIVES, INCLUDING INVEST L.A., OUR STRATEGIC PLANNING  
21 FRAMEWORK. ELEVATING YOUTH VOICE AND EXPERIENCE IS CENTRAL TO  
22 THE SUCCESS OF OUR VISION FOR STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY AND CROSS  
23 SECTOR PARTNERSHIPS. WE ARE ALSO EXCITED TO PARTNER WITH THE  
24 COMMISSION TO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT OF OUR POLICIES AND PRACTICES  
25 AND TO HELP US DO MORE OF WHAT WE DO WELL AND IDENTIFY



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1 OPPORTUNITIES TO INNOVATE AND IMPROVE OUR PRACTICE. EXCUSE ME.  
2 THE COMMISSION WILL ALSO BE AN ASSET AS WE DEVELOP THE OFFICE  
3 OF EQUITY, WHICH WILL ALIGN THE DEPARTMENT'S EFFORTS FOR  
4 L.G.B.T.Q. PLUS YOUTH, ELIMINATING RACIAL DISPROPORTIONALITY  
5 AND DISPARITY, AND SUPPORTING WOMEN AND GIRLS' INITIATIVES.  
6 WORKING LOCK STEP WITH THOSE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE WILL HELP  
7 US STRENGTHEN INCLUSION AND PREVENTION PRACTICES. A DIVERSE  
8 BODY OF YOUTH COMMISSIONERS REPRESENTING A VAST DEMOGRAPHIC OF  
9 L.A. COUNTY WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE KEY INSIGHTS AND  
10 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HOW WE MOVE THESE INITIATIVES FORWARD. IN  
11 CLOSING, YOUTH ARE OUR GREATEST HOPE, AND WE BELIEVE THE YOUTH  
12 VOICE WILL TRANSFORM THE CHILD WELFARE NARRATIVE, AND THE  
13 DEPARTMENT IS DELIGHTED TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A YOUTH  
14 COMMISSION FOR SYSTEMS IMPACTED YOUTH AND LOOKS FORWARD TO  
15 NEXT STEPS, THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **RAY LEYVA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MADAM CHAIR. I'M RAY  
20 LEYVA, HERE AS YOUR INTERIM CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, RECENTLY  
21 ARRIVED. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF THE  
22 CREATION OF THE COMMISSION. WE ARE VERY EXCITED ON THE  
23 JUVENILE SIDE AS WELL AS ADULT SIDE, GIVEN THAT MANY OF OUR  
24 YOUTH OFTEN TRANSITION FROM OUR JUVENILE SIDE TO ADULT SIDE.  
25 WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE COMMISSION AS ENVISIONED BY THE BOARD



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1 BECAUSE WE BELIEVE IT BRINGS A BROAD PERSPECTIVE FROM MANY  
2 SEGMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY THAT WE CAN LEARN FROM HAVING LIVED  
3 OF THE EXPERIENCE OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SIDE AS WELL AS THE  
4 FOSTER FAMILY SIDE. THE WISDOM THEY HAVE GARNERED THROUGH  
5 THEIR YEARS OF EXPERIENCE HAVING BEEN INVOLVED IN THAT WILL  
6 HELP US DEVELOP BETTER PROGRAMS TO BETTER IMPACT THOSE TRAUMA  
7 IMPACTED YOUTH THAT WE ARE NOW SERVING. AND I WILL BE BRIEF,  
8 AS SUPERVISOR HAHN SUGGESTED. I HOPE THAT WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
9 WORKING WITH THE COMMISSION AND OUR PARTNER, OUR PARTNER  
10 AGENCIES, D.P.S.S., D.C.F.S., AND THE OTHER FOLKS THAT ARE  
11 GOING TO BE ENGAGED WITH THE COMMISSION AND WE THINK AT LEAST  
12 TO EXCITING TIMES FOR US AS WE MOVE FORWARD FORWARD IN  
13 PROVIDING THE SERVICES FOR OUR YOUTH, AND AGAIN, WE THANK YOU  
14 SUPERVISORS HAHN AND KUEHL FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. AND WE  
15 LOOK FORWARD TO A GREAT PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NEW YOUTH  
16 COMMISSION. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** FANTASTIC. DO YOU WANT TO CALL YOUR  
19 SPEAKERS UP, SUPERVISOR HAHN. IT IS WENDY -- DR. WENDY SMITH,  
20 DR. TAMARA HUNTER, TIFFANY BOYD, CARMEN NOYOLA, AND MYRIAH  
21 SMILEY. WELCOME, DOCTORS.

22

23 **DR. WENDY SMITH:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M DOCTOR WENDY  
24 SMITH, CHAIR OF THE L.A. COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.  
25 ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION, I THANK YOU ALL, AND ESPECIALLY



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1 SUPERVISORS HAHN AND KUEHL, FOR INITIATING THE GROUNDBREAKING  
2 WORK OF EXPLORING THE COMMISSION OF A COMMISSION THAT IS  
3 COMPRISED ENTIRELY OF YOUTH WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE IN EITHER  
4 THE FOSTER CARE OR JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM OR BOTH. SUCCESSFUL  
5 YOUTH COMMISSIONS OF ANY KIND ARE EXCEEDINGLY RARE ACROSS THE  
6 UNITED STATES AND RARER STILL, ANY COMPRISED OF YOUTH WHO ARE  
7 ALUMNI OF FOSTER CARE OR JUVENILE JUSTICE. L.A.'S MODEL IS  
8 TRULY INNOVATIVE IN ITS PROPOSED MEMBERSHIP, IN THE SUPPORTS  
9 IT HAS BUILT IN TO ENSURE SUCCESS, IN ITS PLACE IN LOCAL  
10 GOVERNMENT, AND IN ITS EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH TO HAVE DIRECT  
11 IMPACT ON POLICIES AND PROGRAMS THAT AFFECT CHILDREN, YOUTH,  
12 AND FAMILIES IN OUR COUNTY. THIS COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION WILL  
13 LIFT UP VOICES THAT ARE TOO OFTEN NOT HEARD AT ALL.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NO, YOU CAN SUMMARIZE. OKAY, NEXT SPEAKER?

16

17 **TAMARA HUNTER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS TAMARA HUNTER, AND I'M  
18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND  
19 FAMILIES. AS STATED BY DR. SMITH, THE COMMISSION THANKS YOU  
20 FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION AND FOR ENLISTING US TO LEAD THE  
21 WORK THAT LED US TO THIS POINT. IN ASSESSING THE FEASIBILITY  
22 OF ESTABLISHING A YOUTH ADVISORY BODY HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WE  
23 ENGAGED MORE THAN 170 YOUNG PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE AND  
24 REPRESENTATIVES FROM APPROXIMATELY 75 ORGANIZATIONS AND COUNTY  
25 DEPARTMENTS THROUGH A VARIETY OF WAYS. THROUGH THESE EFFORTS,



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1 IT BECAME EXCEEDINGLY CLEAR THAT THIS IS AN IDEA AND  
2 INITIATIVE WHOSE TIME HAS COME. THE YOUTH COMMISSION WILL NOT  
3 ONLY GIVE A POWERFUL VOICE TO THOSE IMPACTED BY THE CHILD  
4 WELFARE AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEMS, BUT IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE  
5 YOUR BOARD AND COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BETTER  
6 LEVERAGE THE UNIQUE AND INVALUABLE EXPERTISE THAT CAN ONLY BE  
7 DERIVED FROM LIVED EXPERIENCE. AND THIS EXPERTISE CAN BE  
8 UTILIZED TO DRIVE SYSTEMS TRANSFORMATION AND IMPROVE LIFE  
9 OUTCOMES FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES IN THIS  
10 COUNTY.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

13

14 **TIFFANY BOYD:** HELLO AND GOOD AFTERNOON! MY NAME IS TIFFANY  
15 BOYD. I STAND BEFORE YOU, NOT JUST AS A FOSTER YOUTH WHO WAS  
16 EMANCIPATED OUT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SYSTEM, NOT JUST AS  
17 A PROBATION YOUTH WHO CAME OUT OF THE LONG BEACH PROBATION  
18 OFFICE, NOT JUST A COMMISSIONER ON THE COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN  
19 AND FAMILIES, BUT I'M THE VICE CHAIR NOW, Y'ALL. SO THANK YOU  
20 TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR TAKING THE CHANCE TO PUT ME ON THE  
21 COMMISSION. THESE ARE THE TYPE OF THINGS THAT HAPPEN WHEN YOU  
22 PUT PEOPLE IN THE DRIVER SEATS TO THEIR LIVES. IN TWO YEARS,  
23 NOT ONLY WAS I ABLE TO BECOME THE VICE CHAIR OF THE  
24 COMMISSION, WE CREATED AN ENTIRE NEW COMMISSION FROM UNDER  
25 THAT. I WISH YOU WERE ALL THERE TWO YEARS AGO WHEN WE STARTED



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1 HAVING THE CONVERSATIONS. I WISH YOU GUYS WERE THERE TO SEE MY  
2 FACE WHEN THEY TOLD ME THE COUNTY HAD ENOUGH COMMISSIONS, AND  
3 THEY WOULD NEVER CREATE ANOTHER ONE. I WISH YOU COULD SEE MY  
4 FACE WHEN WE WERE TOLD THAT THERE ARE PLATFORMS FOR US THAT  
5 CURRENTLY EXIST RIGHT NOW AND THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE ACCESS TO  
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, NOT THE TYPE OF ACCESS THAT WE  
7 NEEDED. AND I THANK YOU ALL. AND ONE THING THAT I WANT TO  
8 POINT OUT TO THIS BECAUSE I KNOW WE HAVE SPOKEN TO THE FACT OF  
9 OUR BENEFIT TO THIS, BUT THIS IS VERY MUCH QUID PRO QUO.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **TIFFANY BOYD:** WE GET ACCESS TO YOU. YOU GET ACCESS TO US, AND  
14 WE ARE APPRECIATIVE.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, CAN YOU CALL SOME MORE NAMES  
17 PLEASE. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS  
20 PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME? ANTHONY ROBLES,  
21 ARNOLD SACHS, BLACC JACKSON, DAVID TURNER, DIANE SAMERON,  
22 DOVONTRAY FARMER, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, MELLO DESIRE, EMILIO  
23 ZAPIEN, ERIC PREVEN, ERICA MONTELONGO, EZEKIEL NISHIYAMA,  
24 HERMAN HERMAN, GREENIERFY TRUMPS, IRVING AL, JACI CORTEZ, JAE



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1 CANAS, AND JARED O'BRIEN. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL  
2 ASSIST YOU.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, GO AHEAD. NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **CARMEN NOYOLA:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS AND MEMBERS OF THE  
7 PUBLIC. MY NAME IS CARMEN NOYOLA. I'M A FORMER  
8 PROBATION/FOSTER YOUTH AND AN ARCHITECT OF THE YOUTH  
9 COMMISSION. I FULLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THE YOUTH COMMISSION  
10 IS AN INTENTIONAL EFFORT TO IMPROVE L.A. COUNTY POLICIES AND  
11 PRACTICES FOR SYSTEM IMPACTED YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES THROUGH  
12 THE INCLUSION OF THOSE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE. I WOULD LIKE TO  
13 THANK EVERYONE WHO HELPED THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS, ESPECIALLY  
14 THOSE WHO EXECUTED THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PIECE. PAID  
15 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY-BASED PARTICIPATORY  
16 RESEARCH WERE PRACTICES THAT ALLOWED FOR REAL INPUT AND  
17 PARTNERSHIP. WHEN WE ACKNOWLEDGE YOUTH AS EXPERTS OF THEIR OWN  
18 LIVES, WE BEGIN TO VALUE THEM AS PARTNERS IN THIS WORK.  
19 PROVIDING A VOICE AND A PLATFORM ALSO GIVES COMMUNITIES THE  
20 SKILLS AND RESOURCES NEEDED TO HEAL THEMSELVES. SO THANK YOU  
21 FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SEE YOUTH AS VALUABLE PARTNERS IN  
22 IMPROVING THE SYSTEMS THEY ARE CURRENTLY IN OR HAVE BEEN A  
23 PART OF. I LOOK FORWARD TO ASSISTING THE YOUTH COMMISSION  
24 DEVELOP INTO ITS FULLEST POTENTIAL.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE LUCERA  
2 NOYOLA, WHO ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE WORKING GROUP. SHE WAS  
3 INTERNING IN OUR OFFICE, AND I KNOW THIS MEANS A GREAT DEAL,  
4 NOT JUST TO HER, BUT TO SO MANY OF US. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
5 SERVICE. YES, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **MYRIAH SMILEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MYRIAH SMILEY. I'M  
8 ONE OF THE ARCHITECTS FOR THE YOUTH COMMISSION BOARD, AND I  
9 WANTED TO SAY THAT I'M HONORED TO HAVE MY VOICE REPRESENT  
10 THOUSANDS OF YOUTH AND HELP TO CREATE CHANGE. THIS YOUTH  
11 COMMISSION IS GOING TO IMPROVE THE LONG-TERM EFFECT AND  
12 SUCCESS FOR FOSTER YOUTH AND PROBATION YOUTH. SO I FULLY  
13 SUPPORT EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING AND THANK YOU GUYS AHEAD  
14 OF TIME, BUT THIS IS IMPORTANT TO ME AND OUR ARCHITECTS AND  
15 OTHER YOUTH IS BECAUSE WE ARE THE -- WE ARE THE ONES WHO WENT  
16 THROUGH THE TRAUMATIC EFFECT IN THE FOSTER SYSTEM AND HAVE TO  
17 DEAL WITH OUR PROBLEMS BECAUSE OF THAT, AND WE ARE THE ONES  
18 THAT CAN ONLY GET OURSELVES OUT OF IT. AND NOT ONLY THAT, BUT  
19 SOME PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO REPRESENT THEMSELVES SO THAT WE'RE  
20 HERE AND THE YOUTH COMMISSION IS HERE FOR THAT, AND OUR VOICES  
21 IS POWER, AND OUR POWER IS WHAT BUILDS SELF WORTH AND SELF  
22 VALUE TO US BECAUSE OF WHAT WE WENT THROUGH. SO I THINK THAT  
23 IS THE MAIN GOAL HERE.

24

25 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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1

2 **MYRIAH SMILEY:** THIS IS A HISTORICAL MOMENT. SO I THINK YOU  
3 GUYS, AND WE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **JAE CANAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JAE CANAS. I AM WITH THE  
8 D.M.H. U.C.L.A. CENTER OF EXCELLENCE. I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU,  
9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND KUEHL. AS A FORMER  
10 FOSTER YOUTH, I AM INSPIRED BY MY LIVED EXPERIENCE TO  
11 TRANSFORM THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM THROUGH POLICY AND HIGH-LEVEL  
12 SYSTEMS CHANGE. AND SO ARE MEMBERS WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE,  
13 STORIES, LESSONS, AND ACHIEVEMENTS THAT CAN SHAPE POLICY,  
14 PROGRAMMING, AND SERVICE PROVISION. THIS -- THIS COMMISSION  
15 ALLOWS THE OPPORTUNITY TO NOT ONLY AMPLIFY YOUTH VOICES, BUT  
16 SHAPE THE FUTURE OF L.A. COUNTY COMMUNITIES AND RE-WRITE  
17 NARRATIVES FOR MANY OTHER UNHEARD VOICES. I SUPPORT THIS  
18 MOTION AND THE POTENTIAL TO IMPACT THE LIVES OF THE WORKING  
19 YOUTH BOARD AND THE THOUSANDS OF LIVES THAT WILL BENEFIT FROM  
20 THESE RECOMMENDATIONS. THIS WILL BE A CONTINUATION OF A  
21 JOURNEY OF HEALING FOR SOME, BUT THE BEGINNING OF HEALING FOR  
22 MANY OTHERS. THANK YOU.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. SO, WONDERFUL  
25 PRESENTATION, THE YOUTH ADVISORY BODY WORK GROUP YOU HAVE TO



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1 MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO CREATE A YOUTH COMMISSION. WHY NOT  
2 JUST USE YOUR YOUTH ADVISORY BODY? YOU HAD A D.C.F.S. BLUE  
3 RIBBON COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS. YOU HAD SO MANY  
4 DIFFERENT COMMITTEES TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS WITH ALL THESE  
5 DIFFERENT THINGS. UNDER 18 REFERS TO YOUTH. OVER 18 REFERS TO  
6 ADULTS. IS THIS ON, BY THE WAY? IS THIS WORKING? --

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, MR. SACHS. WE'RE GOING TO  
9 RESTORE YOUR TIME, BUT WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A 5-MINUTE RECESS,  
10 PLEASE. SO WE WILL TAKE A FIVE-MINUTE RECESS.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE ARE BACK IN SESSION. AS CHAIR,  
13 AND UNFORTUNATELY THE INDIVIDUALS IN QUESTION WERE NOT HERE  
14 WHEN THE CODE OF CONDUCT WAS READ, BUT YOU ARE OUT OF ORDER  
15 AND DISRUPTIVE, AND THERE HAVE BEEN COMPLAINTS LODGED,  
16 THEREFORE, MR. HERMAN, I'M ASKING YOU TO TAKE THE SIGN DOWN OR  
17 REMOVE YOURSELF FROM THE ROOM. AND THAT IS A DIRECT ORDER. AND  
18 IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO DO IT, THEN YOU WILL BE ESCORTED OUT OF  
19 THE BOARD ROOM. NO, THERE WAS A COMPLAINT LODGED ABOUT BEING  
20 DISRUPTIVE TO THE BOARD MEETING. THEREFORE, I'M ASKING YOU --  
21 I'M NOT TALK TO WAYNE. I'M TALKING TO YOU, TO CONDUCT YOURSELF  
22 APPROPRIATELY. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. I AM GOING TO WARN YOU  
23 BOTH. THAT IS YOUR SECOND WARNING, MR. HERMAN, AND THAT IS  
24 YOUR FIRST WARNING, WAYNE. PLEASE DO NOT BE DISRUPTIVE. MR.



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1 SACHS, YOUR ONE MINUTE IS RESTORED. I APOLOGIZE AND THANK YOU  
2 FOR BEING PATIENT.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. YOU HAVE IN  
5 PLACE A YOUTH ADVISORY BODY WORK GROUP, AND YOU HAVE A YOUTH  
6 ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO INFORM PEOPLE. NOW YOU WANT TO CREATE  
7 A YOUTH COMMISSION. IS THIS A NEW CLASSIFICATION WITH A SALARY  
8 INCREASE? ALSO, NOT HEARD IN THIS ITEM IS A BUDGET FOR THIS  
9 ITEM. AND WE HEARD SOMEBODY JUST TALK ABOUT UNHEARD VOICES.  
10 WELL, THERE'S A LOT OF UNHEARD VOICES. THE WAY YOU GET YOUR  
11 VOICE HEARD IS YOU GO TO A MEETING, AND YOU SPEAK UP, THEN YOU  
12 GET YOUR VOICE HEARD. NOW, UNDER 18 REFERS TO YOUTH. I BELIEVE  
13 THAT'S THE LAW. AND OVER 18, YOU'RE AN ADULT. THAT'S ALSO THE  
14 LAW. SO YOUR COMMITTEE IS ONLY TO INFORM PEOPLE THAT ARE UNDER  
15 18, WHICH MAKES THEM YOUTH. DOES THAT INCLUDE THEIR GUIDANCE  
16 COUNSELORS OR WHATEVER? ANOTHER -- BY THE WAY, THE BLUE RIBBON  
17 COMMITTEE THAT YOU HAD, BEFORE YOU WERE SUPERVISORS, WHAT WORK  
18 DID THEY DO ON THIS PROBLEM?

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS, AND AGAIN, THANK YOU  
21 FOR YOUR PATIENCE. NEXT SPEAKER.

22

23 **DIANA SAMERON:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DIANA GAMA  
24 SAMERON.

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU PULL THE MIC CLOSER TO YOU SO WE  
2 CAN HEAR YOU?

3

4 **DIANA SARMERON:** YES, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH.

7

8 **DIANA SAMERON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS DIANA GAMA SAMERON,  
9 AND I'M THE TRANSITION AGE YOUTH PROJECT COORDINATOR AT PUBLIC  
10 COUNSEL. OUR PROJECT ASSISTS CURRENT AND FORMER FOSTER CARE  
11 AND PROBATION YOUTH TRANSITIONING OUT OF THESE SYSTEMS. THE  
12 TRANSITION FOR MANY OF THESE YOUTH MEAN BECOMING HOMELESS ON  
13 THE DAY THEY TURN 21. FOR YOUNG PARENTS IN THESE SYSTEMS, IT  
14 MEANS BEING OVER POLICED ON THEIR PARENTING PRACTICES, WHICH  
15 TOO OFTEN LEAD TO THE REMOVAL OF THEIR OWN CHILDREN. MANY OF  
16 THESE YOUNG PEOPLE SHARE THE SAME FEELING OF ANGER TOWARDS  
17 THESE SYSTEMS BECAUSE OF THE HARM AND TRAUMA INFLECTED ON THEM  
18 AND THEIR COMMUNITIES. THIS ANGER BEGINS WHEN THEY ARE  
19 SEPARATED FROM THEIR FAMILIES AND PLACED IN A SYSTEM THAT  
20 MOVES THEM AROUND FROM PLACEMENT TO PLACEMENT WITH NO REGARD  
21 TO THE HARM CREATED. THIS ANGER DOES NOT END WHEN THEY EXIT  
22 FOSTER CARE BECAUSE THEY ARE NOW LEFT WITH NO CONNECTION TO  
23 THEIR FAMILIES OR COMMUNITIES AND MUCH LESS TO THE SYSTEM  
24 THAT, IN THE NAME OF PROTECTION, DID MORE HARM THAN PROTECT.  
25 IT IS TIME FOR THESE SYSTEMS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE VOICES OF



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1 THOSE IMPACTED ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT VOICES, AND I'M HOPEFUL  
2 THE CREATION OF THE COUNTY WIDE YOUTH COMMISSION WILL MEAN  
3 THAT YOUNG PEOPLE DO NOT ONLY HAVE A PLACE TO BE HEARD, BUT  
4 THEIR VOICES AND CONCERNS TO LEAD TO ACCOUNTABILITY --

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT  
7 SPEAKER.

8

9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
10 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I KNOW THAT BOTH SUPERVISOR HAHN AND  
11 KUEHL CARE A LOT ABOUT THEIR YOUTH, AND I UNDERSTAND YOUR  
12 DESIRE TO CREATE A COMMISSION, BUT I AM CONCERNED WHEN I SEE  
13 MANY OF THE COMMISSION WE HAVE NOW, MOST OF THE TIME, CANNOT  
14 EVEN ESTABLISH A QUORUM. THAT IS CONCERNING TO ME. WE ARE  
15 GOING TO ADD STAFF AND SO ON. I REALLY REQUEST, AND IF YOU ARE  
16 GOING TO CREATE, AND I KNOW IT IS BECAUSE YOU CARE, SO DO I,  
17 BUT WHEN I HAVE SEEN MANY OF THE COMMISSIONS THAT I GO TO,  
18 SOMETIMES IT IS SIX MONTHS BEFORE THERE'S A QUORUM, INCLUDING  
19 W.G.I. AND SO I THINK, YOU KNOW, I UNDERSTAND THE INTENT, BUT  
20 PLEASE BE CAREFUL TO MAKE SURE IT FUNCTIONS THE WAY YOU HAVE  
21 INTENDED TO. AND ALSO TELL THE GUARD NOT TO RETALIATE AGAINST  
22 ME.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, HE WILL NOT. NEXT SPEAKER.

25



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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** OTHERWISE, WE COULD BE FACING A HIT AND RUN  
2 SITUATION. LET'S NOT GO THERE. I WANTED TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS  
3 FOR REACHING OUT --

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU PULL THE MIC CLOSER TO YOU?

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** CAN YOU START AT THE BEGINNING, PLEASE?

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I CANNOT HEAR YOU.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** CAN WE JUST START THE TIME?

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** START HIS ONE MINUTE AGAIN. IF YOU PULL  
14 THE MIC THERE, THANK YOU.

15

16 **ERIC PREVEN:** SO FOR THOSE WHO MISSED IT, A LITTLE COMMENT  
17 ABOUT THE OFFICERS GETTING OUT OF THE AISLE OR WE'LL HAVE A  
18 HIT AND RUN SITUATION WITH DR. CLAVREUL AND THE MOBILE, NUMBER  
19 ONE. NUMBER TWO, I APPRECIATE THE YOUTH INVITATION AND RAMP UP  
20 INTO THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, BUT I WANT TO EMPHASIZE  
21 THAT HISTORICALLY, SUPERVISOR KUEHL WILL REMEMBER AND OTHER --  
22 YOUNG PEOPLE PROTEST. AND TODAY, UNFORTUNATELY, I THINK  
23 SUPERVISOR KUEHL JUST STORMED THE AUDIENCE AND TRIED TO  
24 DEFENESTRATE TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WERE HOLDING THEIR



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1 PROTEST. I DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE. NONE OF US NOTICED, BUT IT  
2 INFURIATED HER.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOU ARE OFF TOPIC.

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** NO, NO. YOU ARE GOING TO PICK FIVE WHO ARE GOING  
7 TO PICK THE REST ON THIS COMMISSION. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THEY  
8 ARE VERSED ON THE IDEA OF SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER. I'M NOT  
9 ALLEGING THAT THESE GUYS ARE SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER OR THOSE  
10 GUYS. ALL I'M SAYING IS IS THAT'S PART OF THE PROCESS. SO WHEN  
11 YOU HAVE A COMMISSION, YOU NEED TO HEAR FROM THE VOICES WHO  
12 MAY BE A LITTLE DISSONANT BUT HAVE INFORMATION BECAUSE, AS WE  
13 ALL AGREED, EXPERIENCING YOUTH IS IMPORTANT, BUT GETTING  
14 PEOPLE TO OPT IN, YOU HAVE TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE ARE  
15 COMFORTABLE SAYING KATHRYN BARGER --

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. [  
18 APPLAUSE ]. NEXT SPEAKER.

19

20 **DR. MELLO DESIRE:** SO THIS COMMISSION IS A LONG TIME COMING,  
21 AND I'M GLAD THAT IT IS COMING TO FRUITION. THE AGE SHOULD BE  
22 16 NOT 18. IF YOU ARE SNATCHING KIDS AT AN EARLY AGE, THEY  
23 HAVE WAY MORE EXPERIENCE THAN YOU THINK WHEN THEY ARE STUFFED  
24 IN ABUSIVE FOSTER CARE SYSTEMS. THEY GROW UP FAST. 14 YEARS  
25 OLD WAS WHERE I WOULD START BECAUSE, AT 14, YOU HAVE SOME OF





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1 THEM GETTING PREGNANT. SO, IF THEY CAN GET PREGNANT, THEY CAN  
2 DEFINITELY ADVISE THEIR OPINION ON WHAT BETTER TO SUIT THEM  
3 AND SERVE THEIR FAMILIES. I AM, RIGHT NOW, HAVING TO SERVE AN  
4 EULOGY BECAUSE A MOTHER WHO WAS TRYING TO GET FUNDING, TRYING  
5 TO GET HOUSING FOR HER TWO KIDS THAT D.C.F.S. SNATCHED IS NOW  
6 DEAD. SO LET'S HOPE THAT THIS IS DOING SOMETHING GREAT, BUT  
7 LET'S START WITH THE 16-YEAR-OLDS.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **DOVONTRAY FARMER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DOVONTRAY WITH  
12 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION, AND I'M EXCITED TO BE HERE TO CREATE  
13 L.A.'S COUNTY FIRST COMMISSION. I GREW UP IN LOS ANGELES  
14 MYSELF. GROWING UP IN L.A., EVEN AS A BABY, I WAS AFFECTED BY  
15 THIS. WHY? BECAUSE ME GROWING UP WITHOUT MY FATHER, BEING  
16 LOCKED AWAY IN CHAINS IN JAIL, IT DID SOMETHING TO ME AND  
17 AFFECTED ME IN A REAL WAY. AND WHEN I WAS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL, ME  
18 WALKING THROUGH MY NEIGHBORHOOD, PLAYING OUTSIDE IN MY FRONT  
19 YARD, GETTING PRESSED UP BY GANG MEMBERS IN THE COMMUNITY  
20 BECAUSE WE HAD NO PARKS OR ANYTHING CLOSE BY TO GO TO WAS A  
21 HASSLE. AND WHEN HIGH SCHOOL CAME, POLICE WERE PRESSED UP ON  
22 ME AND MY FRIENDS BECAUSE OF MY TATTOOS AND JUST BECAUSE OF  
23 WHO I HANG AROUND WITH. THEY LOOKED AT US AS IF WE WERE  
24 MONSTERS IN HOW WE LOOKED AND DRESSED. I DON'T KNOW, THEY JUST



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1 LOOKED AT US AS MONSTERS. L.A. COUNTY HAS BEEN MORE -- WE HAVE  
2 MORE SCHOOL POLICE THAN SCHOOL COUNSELORS THAN --

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IF YOU WANT TO SUBMIT IN  
5 WRITING WHAT YOU WERE READING, WE WILL PUT IT INTO THE RECORD.  
6 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CAN YOU READ SOME MORE NAMES.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING  
9 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME? JOASIEL  
10 GONZALEZ, JOSE CANIZAL, JOSHUA HAM, JULIE MCCORMICK, KENNETH  
11 CHANCEY, KIM MCGILL, LUPITA CARBALLO, MAGDELENA MIRELES, MARY  
12 JACOBS, PATRICIA MCALLISTER, PHAL SOK, RENE AVILA, RICARD  
13 CORTEZ, RONALDO VILLEDA, WAYNE SPINDLER, YAHNIJE BRIDGES.  
14 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME. I'M HERE IN FAVOR FOR  
19 THIS. I KNOW AS A FORMER FOSTER YOUTH, THE IMPACT THAT FOSTER  
20 YOUTH CAN HAVE IS NEGATIVE, BUT WITH THE RIGHT PEOPLE  
21 INVESTING IN US, FOSTER CARE CAN BE A BLESSING. I WAS IN  
22 FOSTER CARE FROM 4 YEARS OLD TO 21 YEARS OLD, AND I'M STANDING  
23 HERE IN FRONT OF YOU WITH SO MUCH EXPERIENCE FROM WORKING WITH  
24 THE CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER, P.B.S., PENNY LANE, AND SO MANY  
25 OTHERS. WE ARE MORE THAN JUST TRAUMA. WE ARE HERE TRYING TO



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1 PAVE A WAY FOR OTHER FOSTER YOUTH TO SUCCEED AND HAVE THE  
2 GUIDANCE THAT MAYBE MY GENERATION IN FOSTER CARE DIDN'T HAVE.  
3 BUT, YOU KNOW, IT IS ALL ABOUT CHANGE AND JUST HAVING THIS  
4 CONVERSATION IS CHANGE. SO IN ORDER TO BETTER COMMUNITIES, WE  
5 NEED TO INVEST IN THE YOUTH, AND A BUNCH OF OUR YOUTH ARE IN  
6 FOSTER CARE. SO IMPROVING FOSTER CARE STARTS WITH TALKING TO  
7 FOSTER YOUTH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **JACOB JACKSON:** HOW ARE YOU DOING? MY NAME IS JACOB JACKSON,  
12 AND I'M WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COLLATION, AND IT IS AN HONOR  
13 TO CREATE THE FIRST L.A. YOUTH COMMISSION. GROWING UP IN LOS  
14 ANGELES, A POLICE STOP AFFECTED ME BEFORE I WAS BORN DUE TO MY  
15 BROTHER BEING SHOT AND KILLED BY L.A.P.D. IN 1994. MY MOTHER  
16 WAS NEVER THE SAME. SHE WAS DEPRESSED, HANDLED THINGS TO  
17 HERSELF, AND BECAME VERY HYPERALERT FOR MY SAFETY GROWING UP  
18 IN MY COMMUNITY. I WAS SEEN BY POLICE AS A THREAT TO THEM,  
19 ALWAYS GETTING STOPPED, PATTED, FRISKED, AND QUESTIONED WITH  
20 THE FIRST LINE, "WHERE IS THE GUN AT?" AT THE AGE OF 16, I WAS  
21 AFFECTED BY THE SCHOOL TO JAIL TRACK, PUSHED OUT OF SCHOOLS  
22 INTO THE STREET. THAT LED ME TO BE ARRESTED, DETAINED, AND ON  
23 PROBATION. I AM NOW WITH YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION HIGH SCHOOL  
24 AND SET TO GRADUATE. MY EXPERIENCES, OUR EXPERIENCES, HAVE TO  
25 BE PART OF THIS COUNTY GOVERNMENT. AND SO, THE YOUTH, I FEEL



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1 LIKE, ME, WE NEED TO BE IN THIS. WE NEED TO PRIORITIZE OUR OWN  
2 VOICES. AND DON'T BELITTLE US OR ADULTISM BECAUSE I FACE THAT  
3 EVERY DAY, AND I KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE NEED MORE OPPORTUNITIES.  
4 THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE, INSTEAD  
7 OF CLAPPING, IF YOU WANT TO RAISE YOUR HANDS. NEXT SPEAKER.

8

9 **DAVID TURNER:** HEY, GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS DAVID  
10 TURNER, AND I'M THE MANAGER OF THE BROTHERS, SONS, SELVES  
11 COALITION, THE YOUTH ORGANIZING COALITION FOR BOYS AND YOUNG  
12 MEN OF COLOR ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE PROUD TO BE HERE TO  
13 SUPPORT OUR PARTNERS, THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION, IN TO  
14 ESTABLISH L.A. COUNTY'S FIRST YOUTH COMMISSION. I WANTED TO  
15 JUST TO PROVIDE SOME STATISTICS FROM OUR B.S.S. SAFETY AND  
16 YOUTH JUSTICE SURVEY. WE SURVEYED OVER 3700 YOUNG PEOPLE  
17 ACROSS L.A. COUNTY, AND WE FOUND SOME THINGS THAT I THINK ARE  
18 GOING TO BE IMPORTANT AND ARE GOING TO HELP TO SHAPE POLICY.  
19 WHEN WE SURVEY YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE SYSTEMS IMPACTED,  
20 WE HAD 200 CASES WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE SAID THEY ARE ARRESTED OR  
21 THEY WERE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY THE SYSTEM. I'M GOING TO READ  
22 TO YOU SOME OF THEIR STATS. 85 PERCENT OF THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE  
23 WANT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CIRCLES IN THEIR COMMUNITY. 92  
24 PERCENT OF THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE, RIGHT, WANT TO INVEST IN  
25 RESOURCES IN JOBS AND EMPLOYMENT. 91 PERCENT OF THOSE PEOPLE



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1 WANT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN THEIR COMMUNITY. WHEN WE ARE  
2 LED BY SYSTEMS IMPACTED YOUTH, WE GET BETTER RESULTS. WE NEED  
3 TO FOLLOW THEIR LEAD, AND WE NEED TO ESTABLISH THIS YOUTH  
4 COMMISSION. PLEASE VOTE YES FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

7

8 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCALLISTER. I TAUGHT IN THE  
9 CAMPS, CENTRAL JUVENILE, KILPATRICK, KIRBY, I CAN GO ON AND  
10 ON, FOR 7 YEARS. AT THAT TIME, MOST OF THE YOUTH WERE AFRICAN-  
11 AMERICAN. NOW IT IS ABOUT 90 PERCENT HISPANIC, LATINO, ASIAN,  
12 AND FILIPINO. AND SO, NOW YOU WANT A COMMISSION. I THINK IT IS  
13 A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE A COMMISSION. I CAN SAY THAT WHEN IT WAS  
14 MOSTLY AFRICAN-AMERICAN, THERE WAS NO VIOLENCE. WE DIDN'T HAVE  
15 VIOLENCE. MAYBE SOME OF THE BOYS JUST DIDN'T WANT TO BE THERE,  
16 BUT WE FELT SAFE, THE TEACHERS. IT WASN'T UNTIL WE GOT A LOT  
17 OF HISPANICS AND LATINOS WHEN IT GOT VIOLENT, AND THE DRUG  
18 PROBLEMS REALLY -- I MEAN I WAS HIT IN THE BACK WITH A CHAIR.  
19 ONE TEACHER WAS PARALYZED ALMOST. I MEAN IT WAS REALLY BAD. SO  
20 WHAT I'M SAYING IS WE NEEDED A COMMISSION MAYBE BACK THEN  
21 BECAUSE THOSE ACTS WERE COMMITTED BY HISPANICS, ME BEING HIT  
22 WITH A CHAIR AND ALL OF THAT. SO I'M SAYING NOW WE -- THE  
23 YOUTH NOW ARE MORE VIOLENT BECAUSE THEY ARE GANG MEMBERS. A  
24 LOT OF THEM ARE ON DRUGS. SO DON'T TRY TO MINIMIZE PROBATION  
25 BECAUSE IF IT WASN'T FOR PROBATION, SITTING OUT IN FRONT OF



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1 OUR CLASSROOMS, A LOT OF TEACHERS WOULD HAVE LEFT A LONG TIME  
2 AGO.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **MARY JACOBS:** FIRST OF ALL, I'M EMBARRASSED BY WHAT MY SO-  
7 CALLED FRIENDS DID TO THE LADIES HERE, AND I SAID, YOU WOULD  
8 NEVER DO THAT TO A MAN. SO I THINK WE SHOULD SIT AND THINK  
9 ABOUT HOW WE CALL NAMES, AND I MEAN IF YOU ARE GOING TO SAY  
10 SOMETHING BAD ABOUT SOMEBODY, DON'T BE SEXUALLY INCORRECT OR  
11 SEXUALLY ABUSIVE. I WANTED TO SAY ABOUT THIS SIGN BECAUSE THIS  
12 SORT OF MADE ME THINK ABOUT SIGNS, WHEN I HAD THE SIGN ON MY  
13 PROPERTY --

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU REMAIN ON TOPIC?

16

17 **MARY JACOBS:** YES, IT IS. I SAID [EXPLETIVE] THE D.C.F.S. I'M  
18 SORRY TO USE THAT WORD.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOU'RE NOT ON TOPIC.

21

22 **MARY JACOBS:** NO, NO, IT IS. THE D.C.F.S. IS CONNECTED TO THE  
23 CHILDREN THAT ARE FOSTER CHILDREN. AND --

24



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC OR WAIT FOR PUBLIC  
2 COMMENT.

3

4 **MARY JACOBS:** THIS IS THE TOPIC. THE REASON IS IMPORTANT. IS IT  
5 BECAUSE I SAID F-U-C-K (OFF MIC COMMENTS) FOR COMPLAINING  
6 ABOUT THE D.C.F.S.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOU ARE NOT ON TOPIC.

9

10 **MARY JACOBS:** THAT IS THE TOPIC.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED, NEXT SPEAKER. NEXT  
13 SPEAKER. THAT IS YOUR SECOND -- THAT IS YOUR FIRST WARNING,  
14 ACTUALLY.

15

16 **JOSHUA HAM:** HOW ARE YOU GUYS DOING TODAY? MY NAME IS JOSH. I'M  
17 REALLY EXCITED TODAY. I THINK A LOT OF THIS STUFF IS OVER DUE.  
18 THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE CAME HERE AND TALKED ABOUT THIS  
19 STUFF TIME AND TIME AGAIN. I THINK IT IS TIME TO INVEST IN THE  
20 YOUNG PEOPLE AND MAKING SURE THAT THEY HAVE THE RESOURCES AND  
21 STUFF THAT THEY NEED. A LOT OF THIS STUFF THAT WE'VE BEEN  
22 TALKING ABOUT, PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT FOR A LONG TIME,  
23 DECADES, TO GET THE YOUNG PEOPLE THE RESOURCES TO BE ABLE TO  
24 HAVE A DECISION TO HAVE CONTROL OF THEIR OWN FUTURES. I'M FROM  
25 SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES, IN A TARGETED AND MARGINALIZED



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1 COMMUNITY, AND THINK IT IS TIME TO GIVE THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE  
2 ACCESS TO STUFF LIKE THIS. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO COME HERE AND  
3 TALK ABOUT THESE THINGS AGAIN. IT'S OBVIOUS. LOVE ON THE YOUNG  
4 PEOPLE, SUPPORT THE YOUNG PEOPLE. PEOPLE THAT HAVE SEEN ME  
5 HERE BEFORE, WE NEED TO LOVE AND SUPPORT OUR YOUNG FOLKS AND  
6 MAKE SURE WE HAVE SOME COMPASSION FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE,  
7 ESPECIALLY KIDS THAT ARE LIVED IN DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES.  
8 WE HAVE SEEN IT. WE HAVE SEEN IT IN MEDIA. WE HAVE SEEN IT IN  
9 REAL LIFE. YOU GUYS HAVE SHARED SPACES WITH THESE YOUNG FOLKS,  
10 SO LET'S NOT COME HERE NO MORE AND TALK ABOUT GETTING THE  
11 PEOPLE YOUNG ACTIONS THEY NEED. WE ARE STARTING TO SOUND LIKE  
12 BROKEN RECORDS. SO LET'S GET THESE YOUNG PEOPLE THE THINGS  
13 THAT THEY NEED. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER. WELCOME.

16

17 **PHAL SOK:** CAN YOU TURN THE MIC BACK ON? I CAN BE LOUD ENOUGH  
18 WITHOUT IT, ANYWAY. PHAL SOK WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION.  
19 I THINK WE HAVE GOT ENOUGH YOUNG PEOPLE RIGHT HERE TO CREATE A  
20 COMMISSION RIGHT HERE RIGHT NOW. RIGHT? THAT'S THE REAL TALK.  
21 AND I WILL NOMINATE MY LITTLE SISTER, LUPITA CARBALLO, TO BE  
22 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THAT COMMISSION, REAL TALK. BUT I  
23 SAY THESE THINGS BECAUSE OF THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN  
24 IMPACTED. THESE ARE THE YOUNG PEOPLE THAT KNOW WHAT SITUATIONS  
25 CAUSE AND WHERE THEY COME FROM, THE ROOTS OF THOSE THINGS, BUT





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1 THE THING I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT IS WHAT ABOUT THE YOUNG PEOPLE  
2 THAT ARE STUCK IN HALLS IN THE CAMP. HOW ARE THEY GOING TO  
3 INTERACT WITH THIS COMMISSION? HOW CAN THEY BE A PART OF IT?  
4 HOW CAN THEY SPEAK TO WHAT REALLY DRIVES THEM TO FILL A BED  
5 INSIDE OF A CONCRETE CAGE THAT IS NOT HELPING THEM AT ALL. SO  
6 THAT'S JUST A QUESTION I WANT TO LEAVE WITH YOU ALL TO THINK  
7 ABOUT THOSE THINGS. I REALLY GOT TO GO. SORRY. I GOT ANOTHER  
8 APPOINTMENT AT SOUTHWESTERN LAW. I'VE GOT TO GO TALK TO SOME  
9 STUDENTS. PEACE OUT.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

12

13 **ERICA MONTELONGO:** HI. MY NAME IS ERICA. I'M WITH THE YOUTH  
14 JUSTICE COALITION. THERE ARE 160 COUNTY COMMISSIONS AND NONE  
15 HAVE A YOUTH REPRESENTATION. SO HAVING A YOUTH COMMISSION IS  
16 VERY IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY IF IT IS CENTERED WITH SYSTEM  
17 IMPACTED YOUTH. THEIR VOICE IS CRUCIAL INTO MAKING DECISIONS  
18 AFFECTING THEM. SO THIS PROVIDES THEM WITH BEING A PART OF A  
19 POLITICAL PROCESS AND HAVING COMMUNITY INPUT. AND ALSO THE  
20 SAME SYSTEM IMPACT YOUTH CAN PUSH FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, THANK  
21 YOU.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. WELCOME.

24



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1 **JOSE CANIZAL:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JOSE CANIZAL. I'M RAISED IN LA  
2 PUENTE, AN ENGINEERING MAJOR AND CURRENTLY INTERNING AT F.Y.I.  
3 HAVING HAD 18 YEARS OF PERSONAL EXPERIENCE IN THE JUVENILE AND  
4 THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM, LIKE MANY OTHERS HERE, I CAN SAY  
5 THAT I HAVE FIRST HAND EXPERIENCED THE HARDSHIPS AND THE HOPE,  
6 THE GOOD AND THE BAD, OF THE WELFARE SYSTEM. SO IN SAYING THAT  
7 WE, WE YOUTH, WE KNOW THE DIFFERENT CRACKS THAT WE NEED TO  
8 FILL. LET US BE YOUR HAMMER TO BE ABLE TO BREAK THE CYCLE OF  
9 OPPRESSION THAT THIS VULNERABLE POPULATION FACES. AND MOST  
10 IMPORTANTLY, GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO ADVOCATE  
11 FOR OURSELVES, OUR WELL BEING, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, OUR  
12 FUTURE. IF I AM NOT UP FOR IT, THEN THERE IS OBVIOUSLY 35,000  
13 OTHER CURRENT AND FORMER FOSTER YOUTH IN L.A. COUNTY ALONE  
14 THAT CAN DO THE 15 COMMISSION YOUTH COMMITTEE. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

17

18 **JARED O'BRIEN:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS JARED O'BRIEN WITH THE  
19 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION, AND I'M ONE OF THE ARCHITECTS OF THE  
20 L.A. COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION. WE ARE FINALLY HERE TO PUSH FOR  
21 THE L.A. COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION, SOMETHING THAT IS LONG OVER  
22 DUE FOR YOUTH IN L.A. COUNTY. FOR YEARS UPON YEARS, DECISIONS  
23 HAVE BEEN BEING MADE FOR YOUTH AND ABOUT YOUTH, BUT WE HAVEN'T  
24 BEEN INVOLVED IN THE DECISION MAKING. WHEN I WAS 16, GOING ON  
25 17, I WAS LOOKING AT 9 YEARS IN STATE PRISON. I WAS HOMELESS,



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1 AND I WAS HUNGRY. I DIDN'T HAVE ACCESS TO MONEY OR RESOURCES  
2 AND DIDN'T GET ANY HELP WITH FOOD OR SCHOOL. THEY FOUND OUT  
3 THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE ON ME AND GAVE ME PROBATION WITH TIME  
4 SERVED, BUT MY PROBATION OFFICER NEVER OFFERED ANY RESOURCES,  
5 EVEN THOUGH I WAS GOING THROUGH THE SAME CIRCUMSTANCES OF  
6 BEING HOMELESS AND HUNGRY. ME AND MY BROTHER WAS HERE IN THIS  
7 COUNTRY ALONE BECAUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW ANYONE IN THIS COUNTRY.  
8 FIGHTING FOR SOMETHING LIKE THIS L.A. COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION  
9 IS GOING TO GIVE A VOICE, A SAY, IN WHAT HAPPENS IN L.A.  
10 COUNTY.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

13

14 **ANTHONY ROBLES:** HI, MY NAME IS ANTHONY ROBLES WITH THE YOUTH  
15 JUSTICE COALITION. I WAS KICKED OUT LAST WEEK. BUT YOUTH,  
16 YOUTH, SO ONE THING THAT GETS LOST IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IS  
17 YOUTH EMPOWERMENT. AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT IS ONE OF THE MOST  
18 IMPORTANT THINGS, IF NOT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING FOR YOUTH  
19 DEVELOPMENT. YOUNG PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE A SAY AND MAKE DECISIONS  
20 ABOUT WHAT AFFECTS THEIR OWN LIVES, AND THAT INCLUDES, IN THIS  
21 CASE, SYSTEM IMPACTED YOUTH HAVING THE DECISIONS OVER THE  
22 POLICIES AND BUDGETS TO THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AND OVER  
23 PROBATION AND OVER THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THE SHERIFF'S  
24 DEPARTMENT, AS WE KNOW, GETS OVER 40 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY'S  
25 DISCRETIONARY BUDGET, AND THE YOUTH COMMISSION AND YOUNG WHO



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1 ARE AFFECTED BY POLICING AND SUPPRESSION SHOULD HAVE A SAY AND  
2 HAVE DECISION-MAKING POWER OVER THE POLICIES AND BUDGETS OF  
3 NOT JUST FOSTER CARE AND PROBATION BUT ALSO THE SHERIFF'S  
4 DEPARTMENT AND EVERY COUNTY ISSUE BECAUSE IT AFFECTS YOUNG  
5 PEOPLE. SO, YEAH, THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **ANTHONY ROBLES:** I WANT TO APOLOGIZE TO ABSOLUTELY NOBODY FOR  
10 LAST WEEK, [LAUGHS].

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

13

14 **KENNETH CHANCEY:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
15 TIME. MY NAME IS KENNETH CHANCEY. I'M THE POLICY MANAGER WITH  
16 NATIONAL FOSTER YOUTH INSTITUTE. I JUST WANT TO START OFF BY  
17 THANKING ALL FOUR OF YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN TAKING ON THIS  
18 MOTION. I KNOW TWO OF YOU ARE ON THE MOTION, BUT I KNOW ALL  
19 FOUR OF YOU ARE CHAMPIONING IT. SO I APPRECIATE THE EFFORT,  
20 AND I THANK YOU. THIS IS A TRAIL BLAZING MOMENT FOR L.A.  
21 COUNTY, AND YOU ARE GOING TO SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE ENTIRE  
22 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. BUT I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE IN  
23 ADDITION TO YOUR LEADERSHIP, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PEOPLE THAT  
24 HAVE BEEN MEETING CONSISTENTLY OVER THE PAST YEAR, LED BY  
25 TIFFANY, A STRONG WOMAN AND A POWERFUL LEADER AND A POWERFUL



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1 ORGANIZER, AND TO BE ABLE TO ORGANIZE THIS GROUP OF VULNERABLE  
2 PEOPLE, IT IS REALLY A TESTAMENT TO HER STRENGTH. I KNOW I  
3 HAVE 20 SECONDS LEFT, SO I JUST WANT TO SAY I TELL PEOPLE ALL  
4 THE TIME, YOU GET -- WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU SURVIVE A DAY OF  
5 HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY? YOU GET ANOTHER DAY OF HOMELESSNESS  
6 AND POVERTY. AND WE NOW HAVE YOUNG PEOPLE HERE TO TELL YOU.  
7 AND I WILL SAY IT TOOK ALL WOMEN, COMMON SENSE SOLUTION, AND  
8 IT TOOK ALL WOMEN TO DO IT. SO I THANK THE YOUNG PEOPLE. I  
9 THANK YOU ALL. AND I APPRECIATE IT.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THERE WAS A LOT OF GUYS IN THOSE MEETINGS, TOO. I WAS  
12 THERE.

13

14 **KENNETH CHANCEY:** AND THE YOUNG MEN.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER. KIM.

17

18 **KIM MCGILL:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. KIM MCGILL FROM THE YOUTH  
19 JUSTICE COALITION. ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP OF THE  
20 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION ALONG WITH MANY OF US THAT ARE HERE,  
21 WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT TODAY'S HISTORIC MOTION, AND WE ALSO  
22 WANT TO THANK TIFFANY, TAMARA, WHO HASN'T BEEN MENTIONED YET,  
23 TAMARA HUNTER FROM D.C.F.S. AND MERAL WHO WERE WITH US EVERY  
24 NIGHT IN THOSE LONG MEETINGS. TO RESPOND TO AN EARLIER  
25 COMMENT, THIS MOTION CAME ABOUT THROUGH NUMEROUS ACTIONS AND



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1 MEETINGS AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT CAME THROUGH YOUTH  
2 SPEAKING UP AND SPEAKING OUT, SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER. AFTER  
3 YEARS OF DREAMING AND ORGANIZING AND LIVING UNDER THE CUSTODY  
4 AND SUPERVISION OF THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AND THE JUVENILE  
5 INJUSTICE SYSTEMS, YOUNG PEOPLE WILL FINALLY HAVE A VOICE  
6 WITHIN COUNTY GOVERNMENT. IMAGINE IF L.A. COUNTY HAD A  
7 COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN WITH ONLY MEN REPRESENTING,  
8 OR A COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS, BUT ONLY  
9 WHITE PEOPLE ARE APPOINTED TO SERVE ON IT. IN 2020, I DON'T  
10 THINK THAT WOULD BE TOLERATED, BUT EVERY DAY FROM L.A. COUNTY  
11 TO THE STATE CAPITAL TO CONGRESS, POLICIES, BUDGETS, AND  
12 PROGRAMS ARE PLANNED FOR YOUTH WITHOUT ANY OFFICIAL YOUTH  
13 INPUT. A YOUTH COMMISSION IS ESPECIALLY ESSENTIAL IN A COUNTY  
14 THAT LEADS THE WORLD IN INCARCERATION AND IN THE PUSHING OF  
15 YOUNG PEOPLE INTO FOSTER CARE.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, KIM. THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

18

19 **RENE AVILA:** HELLO, GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS RENE AVILA. I AM A  
20 POLICY ASSOCIATE WITH THE ANTI RECIDIVISM COALITION AS WELL AS  
21 A MEMBER AND COORDINATING MEMBER OF THE L.A. YOUTH UPRISING  
22 COALITION. SO I'M HERE TO SPEAK AND LET EVERYBODY IN THIS ROOM  
23 KNOW THAT I MYSELF AM NOT BORN OR RAISED IN L.A. COUNTY,  
24 HOWEVER I RESIDE HERE NOW AND CAN SEE THE OBVIOUS STRUGGLES  
25 THAT THE YOUTH ARE GOING THROUGH, PROJECTING THEIR CONCERNS



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1 AND LETTING THE ADULTS KNOW WITHIN THE POWER OF PUTTING THINGS  
2 OUT THERE THAT WE HAVE A LOT TO SAY. I HAVE A LOT OF  
3 EXPERIENCE WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. FROM 12 YEARS OLD  
4 TO 21, I WAS INCARCERATED IN JUVENILE HALL, D.J.J., AND  
5 PRISON. I WAS ON PROBATION, ON PAROLE STILL CURRENTLY AND AM  
6 DOING GREAT, ALL BECAUSE I TOOK THE INITIATIVE TO SPEAK UP AND  
7 VOICE MY CONCERNS AND OBJECTIVES TOWARD PEOPLE OUT THERE IN  
8 THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS PEOPLE OF YOUR POSITION. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

11

12 **EZEKIEL NISHIYAMA:** HELLO AND GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS  
13 EZEKIEL NISHIYAMA. I'M 18 YEARS OLD AND A YOUTH POLICY INTERN  
14 AT THE ANTI RECIDIVISM COALITION. I WANT TO FIRST START BY  
15 THANKING SUPERVISORS JANICE HAHN AND SHEILA KUEHL FOR BRINGING  
16 THIS MOTION FORWARD. AFTER SPENDING THREE YEARS INCARCERATED  
17 AND CURRENTLY BEING ON PROBATION, I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS  
18 FOR YOUTH WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED OUR SYSTEM OF INCARCERATION TO  
19 HAVE A VOICE. I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE A.R.C. AND THE  
20 L.A. UP COALITION IN SUPPORT OF THE CREATION OF THE COUNTY  
21 WIDE YOUTH COMMISSION. THE CREATION OF THIS BODY IS OVERDUE,  
22 HOWEVER IT IS CRUCIAL FOR L.A. COUNTY TO CREATE IT AND INVEST  
23 IN IT TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE YOUTH LIVING IN THIS COUNTY,  
24 HAVE BETTER GUIDANCE ON HOW TO APPROACH AND ADDRESS YOUTH



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1 RELATED ISSUES, AND ULTIMATELY PROVIDE A VOICE FOR YOUTH.

2 THANK YOU AND HAVE A GREAT DAY.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **MAGDELENA MIRELES:** HI, MY NAME IS MAGDELENA MIRELES. I'M THE  
7 SENIOR PROGRAM MANAGER FOR CAPACITY-BUILDING AT LIBERTY HILL  
8 FOUNDATION WHERE I COORDINATE OUR COMMISSION'S TRAINING  
9 PROGRAM WHICH PREPARES GRASSROOTS LEADERS TO SERVE ON LOCAL  
10 COMMISSIONS. WE KNOW THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE DIRECTLY  
11 IMPACTED BY COUNTY SERVICES, IN THIS CASE, YOUTH WITH  
12 EXPERIENCE IN FOSTER CARE, THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM,  
13 HOMELESSNESS, AND MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS, HAVE THE EXPERTISE  
14 NEEDED TO SHAPE POLICIES AND PROVIDE CRITICAL OVERSIGHT.  
15 THAT'S WHY LIBERTY HILL SUPPORTS THIS YOUTH COMMISSION. TO AID  
16 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MOTION, WE FUNDED MULTIPLE YOUTH FOCUS  
17 GROUPS, CO-CONVENED LISTENING SESSIONS, AND CONDUCTED A  
18 NATIONAL LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS EXAMINING BEST PRACTICES. WE'RE  
19 HAPPY TO SEE THAT THE YOUTH LEADERS VOICES AND THEIR  
20 RECOMMENDATIONS ARE REFLECTED IN THIS MOTION AND THAT IT IS  
21 INDEED A FULL COMMISSION AND NOT AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. IN  
22 ADDITION TO SUPPORTING THE MOTION BEFORE YOU, WE ENCOURAGE THE  
23 BOARD TO SEE THIS AS JUST ONE IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS A LARGER  
24 VISION OF A YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM IN LOS ANGELES.

25





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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

2

3 **JULIE MCCORMICK:** GOOD AFTERNOON, JULIE MCCORMICK FROM THE  
4 CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER OF CALIFORNIA. I REPRESENT THEM AS AN  
5 ATTORNEY AND A POLICY ASSOCIATE. WE REPRESENT ALL THE CHILDREN  
6 AND YOUTH UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPENDENCY COURT IN  
7 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH IS ABOUT APPROXIMATELY 30,000 YOUTH,  
8 AND WE UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUTH VOICE. WE THANK  
9 SUPERVISORS HAHN AND KUEHL AND ALL OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
10 FOR THIS IMPORTANT MOTION, FOR PUTTING IT FORTH, AND COMMEND  
11 THE COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FOR BEING ON THE  
12 FOREFRONT OF THE ISSUE. I WANT TO SECOND A FEW OF THE SPEAKERS  
13 UP HERE. WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR THE YOUTH VOICES THAT HAVE  
14 ALREADY BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS  
15 COMMISSION, THE YOUTH VOICES THAT HERE, AND THE YOUTH THAT  
16 WILL SERVE ON THIS COMMISSION. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS  
17 MOTION. WE ARE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF L.A.'S COMMITMENT TO  
18 INCORPORATE THE YOUTH VOICE, AND SPECIFICALLY TO LOOK TOWARDS  
19 SYSTEMIC CHANGE. SO WE URGE THE BOARD'S SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION  
20 AND THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS HAHN AND  
25 KUEHL FOR THIS MOTION. AND THIS YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION



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1 IS A NEW STEP, A NEW WAY OF LIFE, FOR US YOUTH TO SAY WHAT WE  
2 NEED AND WHAT WE COULD DO IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND HOW WE COULD  
3 HELP OUT BECAUSE, AS YOUTH, WE NEED TO BE HEARD, AND WE NEED  
4 TO BE ADDRESSED BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT A YOUTH IS  
5 SUFFERING OR GOING THROUGH IF YOU DON'T ADDRESS THE ISSUE OR  
6 EVEN KNOW HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE YOUTH. SO I WANT TO  
7 THANK YOU ALL FOR REALLY DOING THIS, AND I'M IN FULL SUPPORT.  
8 SO THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

11

12 **LUPITA CARBALLO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS LUPITA WITH THE  
13 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. FINALLY, WE'RE HERE TO CREATE L.A.  
14 COUNTY'S YOUTH FIRST COMMISSION. GROWING UP IN L.A. BEYOND  
15 BAIL, THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM WAS MY BABYSITTER. THE PROGRAM  
16 WAS SO UNDER BUDGET THAT WE HAD ONE PROGRAM COORDINATOR FOR  
17 EACH GRADE. THEY REALLY DIDN'T CHECK IF WE DID OUR HOMEWORK  
18 AND HARDLY DID ANY EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. WE HAD A LOT  
19 OF FREE TIME. WE WOULD EITHER BE PLAYING AROUND AT THE  
20 PLAYGROUND OR SITTING DOWN WAITING FOR TIME TO PASS BY. L.A.  
21 NEEDS TO STOP BEING THE LARGEST SPENDING IN SHERIFF,  
22 PROBATION, JAIL SYSTEMS, JUVENILE HALLS, COURT SYSTEMS IN THE  
23 WORLD. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.



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1

2 **RONALDO VILLEDA:** HELLO, MY NAME IS RONALDO VILLEDA. I'M 22  
3 YEARS OLD. I'M A POLICY INTERN WITH THE ANTIRECIDIVISM  
4 COALITION, AND I AM ALSO WITH L.A. YOUTH UPRISING. THIS IS A  
5 HISTORIC MOMENT FOR L.A. COUNTY. YOU ARE CREATING A MECHANISM  
6 WHICH ENSURES YOUNG PEOPLE ARE HEARD. YOU ARE GIVING YOUNG  
7 PEOPLE A VOICE. NOT ONLY ARE YOU EMPOWERING YOUTH AND  
8 ACKNOWLEDGING OUR WORTH, YOU ARE ACKNOWLEDGING OUR PLACE AT  
9 THE TABLE, ALLOWING US TO PLAY A ROLE IN THE REHABILITATIVE  
10 PROCESS. AS A FORMERLY INCARCERATED YOUTH WITH LIVED  
11 EXPERIENCE IN OUR SYSTEM, I CAN TELL YOU WHAT WORKS AND WHAT  
12 DOESN'T WORK. WHO BETTER TO CREATE THE MOST EFFECTIVE AND  
13 HOLISTIC PROCESSES THAN THOSE THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM HAS  
14 FAILED? YOU HAVE FINALLY PUT THE POWER OF DECISION WHERE IT  
15 BELONGS, WITH THE YOUTH. I STRONGLY URGE YOU TODAY TO VOTE YES  
16 ON THIS MOTION, THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** YES, KATHRYN BARGER, LAST TIME I WAS HERE, I SPOKE ON  
21 AN ISSUE. YOU TOLD ME TO GO SPEAK TO ALDO --

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** IS THIS REGARDING THIS ITEM?

24



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1 **SPEAKER:** YES, I SPOKE TO ALDO, BUT SPEAKING TO ALDO WAS IS NOT  
2 ENOUGH. I WANT US TO EXPECT RESULTS, OKAY? I WANT RESULTS. I  
3 DON'T WANT TO JUST SPEAK TO ALDO AND GET NOTHING DONE, OKAY  
4 MS. BARGER?

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT IS RELATED TO THIS ITEM, IT IS -- WE  
7 WILL HAVE SOMEONE FROM D.C.F.S. TALK TO YOU, IF YOU WALK BACK  
8 THERE.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** EVERY TIME I TALK TO SOMEONE FROM D.C.F.S. NOTHING  
11 HAPPENS. SO I JUST WANT RESULTS. IMMEDIATE RESULTS, JUST  
12 RESULTS.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. WOULD YOU RAISE YOUR HAND BACK  
15 THERE, AND THEN YOU WILL GIVE US AN UPDATE? THANK YOU. NEXT  
16 SPEAKER.

17

18 **RICHARD CORTEZ:** HELLO, MY NAME IS RICHARD CORTEZ. I AM 23  
19 YEARS OLD AND A MEMBER OF THE ANTIRECIDIVISM COALITION, I  
20 WOULD LIKE TO THANK JANICE HAHN AND SHEILA KUEHL FOR BEING  
21 ABLE TO BRING FORWARD THIS MOTION. AS A MEMBER OF THE A.R.C.,  
22 WE BELIEVE IN SECOND CHANCES AND CONSIDERING THOSE WITH REAL  
23 LIFE EXPERIENCE OF INCARCERATION LED TO THE DISCUSSIONS ON THE  
24 ISSUES RELATED TO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM. YOUNG MEN AND  
25 WOMEN YOUTH MUST HAVE A VOICE IN THE COMMITTEES LIKE THESE TO



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1 BE ABLE TO SPEAK ON WHAT THEY FEEL AND BE ABLE TO EXPRESS WHAT  
2 THEY ARE EXPERIENCING. THEY NEED TO HAVE A PLATFORM WHERE THEY  
3 HAVE -- WHERE THEY CAN HAVE REAL POWER. BASED ON MY EXPERIENCE  
4 OF BEING A KID IN AND OUT OF THE JUVENILE SYSTEM, IT HAS  
5 AFFECTED ME IN MANY WAYS. IT HAS CAUSED A LOT OF TRAUMA FROM  
6 ALL THE PAIN AND SUFFERING I CAUSED TO THE COMMUNITY, AND I  
7 KNOW HOW IT IS NOT BEING ABLE TO BE A VOICE IN THE COMMITTEES  
8 LIKE THESE. WE HOPE THE BOARD WILL CONTINUE TO INVEST IN THIS  
9 BODY AND BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THE YOUTH.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE  
12 THOSE COMMENTS FOR -- WHAT YOU WERE NOT ABLE TO FINISH FOR THE  
13 RECORD, WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO TAKE IT. NEXT SPEAKER?

14

15 **HERMAN HERMAN:** DEAR MOMMY, DEAR MOMMY ON THIS YOUTH  
16 COMMISSION, THAT OF ITEM 2 IN WHICH ALREADY COLON VERSUS THE  
17 UNITED STATES. HOW DARE WE DEPRIVE THE CHILDREN, MOMMY, THAT  
18 RIGHT? THE RIGHT TO THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS REGARDING SERVICES,  
19 POLICIES, AND A BUDGET THAT REFLECTS YOUTH. NO MATTER WHO WE  
20 ARE, DISABLED ACTIVISTS, COMMUNITY ACTIVISTS, YOUNG PEOPLE  
21 ACTIVISTS, BUT NO. I GET ATTACKED ON THIS ITEM 2 PRIOR TO ME  
22 COMING HERE, PETITIONING YOU, MOMMY, PLEASE DON'T WARN ME ON  
23 THE SECOND WARNING. AND LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE. YOU'VE COSTED  
24 ME PAIN AND SUFFERING, THE SAME YOU'VE DONE WITH THESE  
25 CHILDREN IN THEIR LIVES.

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. HERMAN, NEXT SPEAKER.

3

4 **EMILIO ZAPIEN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EMILIO WITH THE YOUTH  
5 JUSTICE COALITION, L.A. YOUTH UPRISING. THANK YOU FOR THE  
6 INTRODUCTION OF THE FIRST YOUTH COMMISSION IN THE HISTORY OF  
7 L.A. COUNTY, FINALLY. WE ALL KNOW WE'RE BEHIND L.A. OUR  
8 ADDICTION TO THROWING ANGELENO TAX DOLARS AT INCARCERATION,  
9 CRIMINALIZATION, AND POLICING OF BLACK AND BROWN YOUTH HAS  
10 BLOCKED US FROM CREATING AN L.A. THAT LOVES ITS YOUTH. WE'VE  
11 BEEN FIGHTING FOR THIS SPACE FOR OVER A DECADE NOW. THIS IS AN  
12 OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE IT ANOTHER STEP IN THE PROCESS OF  
13 UPLIFTING THE YOUTH OF L.A. INSTEAD OF LOCKING THEM DOWN.  
14 THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING THAT THIS BODY NEEDS TO BE MORE THAN  
15 AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. OUR YOUTH DON'T NEED TO GIVE ADVICE. IN  
16 ORDER TO TRULY ADDRESS THE SYSTEMATIC HARM CAUSED BY THE  
17 MISUSE OF OUR TAX DOLLARS FOR DECADES, WE MUST CENTER THE  
18 SYSTEM IMPACTED YOUTH AS LEADERS, DECISION MAKERS, POLICY  
19 MAKERS, EXPERTS, FACILITATORS, ORGANIZERS, AND EMPLOYEES. WE  
20 ARE BEHIND, L.A. OTHER MAJOR CITIES HAVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
21 DEPARTMENTS FOR YEARS. WE ENVISION AN L.A. THAT 2, 5, 10, 20  
22 YEARS FROM NOW HAS FREE PUBLIC YOUTH CENTERS AND SPACES, YOUTH  
23 JOBS, AND INTERVENTION RESOURCES SO PEOPLE OF THIS GENERATION  
24 HAVE A CHANCE TO GROW UP IN AN L.A. THAT LOVES ITS YOUTH.

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

2

3 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** IT'S WAYNE FROM ENCINO, FROM OUR NONPROFIT  
4 GROUP CALLED ABORT ME, JANICE. SO THAT'S WHAT WE WANT TO DO.  
5 WE WANT TO TEACH YOUNG PEOPLE ABOUT THE FIRST AMENDMENT. WE  
6 WANT AN AGE LIMIT OF 15. YOU'RE 15. YOU'RE OLD ENOUGH TO BE ON  
7 THIS COMMISSION. THE FIRST TIME THAT I WENT AGAINST MY FATHER,  
8 I WAS 14 YEARS OLD. THAT'S WHEN I BECAME A MAN IN THE JEWISH  
9 WORLD, AND THANK YOU, SHEILA KUEHL, SHE NOTED THIS DOWN HERE.  
10 SHE SAYS, WHEN YOU ARE [EXPLETIVE] -- (OFF-MIC COMMENTS).

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MR. SPINDLER, YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE.  
13 THAT IS YOUR SECOND WARNING. NEXT SPEAKER. ARE THOSE ALL THE  
14 SPEAKERS? SUPERVISOR HAHN, DO YOU HAVE ANY CLOSING REMARKS?  
15 SHE DOES. ANYONE ELSE WANT TO MAKE A CLOSING -- OKAY. SO ITEM  
16 2 IS BEFORE US. THE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY  
17 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT.  
18 NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM NUMBER 9, WHICH IS THE  
19 STATUS REPORT ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHELTER CRISIS AND  
20 HOUSING INITIATIVE FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.  
21 FOR THOSE LEAVING THE ROOM, IF YOU WOULD DO SO QUIETLY, I  
22 WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE IT. AS EVERYONE GETS IN PLACE, WE WILL  
23 HOLD ON A MINUTE. OKAY, ON ITEM 9, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK  
24 C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI FOR WORKING SO DILIGENTLY TO PUT TOGETHER  
25 WHAT WE HAVE BEFORE US TODAY. I KNOW IT WAS A LOT OF WORK BY



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1 YOU AND YOUR TEAM. THIS IS OUR SECOND TIME HEARING AN UPDATE  
2 ON THE COUNTY'S URGENT EFFORTS TO MORE QUICKLY -- MOVE MORE  
3 QUICKLY AND AFFORDABLY TO BRING HOMELESS HOUSING ONLINE. I  
4 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR COAUTHORING THE URGENT  
5 HOUSING INITIATIVE MOTION WITH ME BACK IN NOVEMBER. AND I WANT  
6 TO THANK ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR SUPPORT. JUST A  
7 REMINDER, THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH WILL BE DEDICATED  
8 TO DISCUSSIONS OVER THIS COMPLEX ISSUE. THIS IS REFLECTIVE OF  
9 OUR COORDINATED AND DEEP COMMITMENT AS A BOARD TO DOING BETTER  
10 AS IT RELATES TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING. I WOULD LIKE TO  
11 GO AHEAD AND HEAR THE PRESENTATION TODAY SO WE CAN OPEN UP FOR  
12 QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION. BUT, BEFORE I DO THAT, I HAVE TO  
13 SAY, I WAS UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY LAST WEEK, AND WE TALK  
14 ABOUT PIPELINE INTO GOOD PAYING JOBS. AND BOTH NORTHROP AND  
15 LOCKHEED REACHED OUT TO ME BECAUSE THEY HAVE MORE JOBS THAN  
16 THEY DO PEOPLE THAT ARE PROPERLY TRAINED, AND SO THEY'RE  
17 WORKING WITH A.B. COLLEGE TO COME UP WITH THE CURRICULUM TO DO  
18 THAT. THEIR SECOND ISSUE IS, THEY ESTIMATE THEY NEED AT LEAST  
19 7,000 HOMES OR 7,000 HOUSING UNITS TO COME ONLINE. THEY ARE  
20 HAVING A HOUSING SHORTAGE UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHICH IS  
21 CREATING A BARRIER TO PEOPLE WANTING TO APPLY FOR JOBS. SO,  
22 YOU KNOW, IT IMPACTS -- HOUSING CAN IMPACT ALSO ON THE LABOR  
23 SIDE. AND IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO WORK ACROSS THE BOARD TO  
24 ENSURE THAT THERE'S AN INVENTORY TO SUPPORT THE LABOR MARKET.  
25 AND THESE ARE JOBS THAT ARE GOING TO OUT ASKED. THESE ARE JOBS





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1 THAT WILL GO OUT FOR 15 OR 20 YEARS AT LEAST. SO, WITH THAT,  
2 AMY, DO YOU WANT TO GO FIRST, AND THEN -- I'M SORRY,  
3 SUPERVISOR.

4

5 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** [LAUGHS].

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SACHI HAMAI. I ELEVATED YOU OR DEMOTED,  
8 DEPENDING ON HOW YOU LOOK AT IT. SACHI?

9

10 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
11 BOARD. AS YOU INDICATED, MADAM CHAIR, TODAY IS OUR SECOND  
12 PRESENTATION ON THIS VERY URGENT CRISIS, AND WE WOULD, IN JUST  
13 A MOMENT, I WILL INTRODUCE THOSE WHO WILL WILL BE SPEAKING.  
14 THERE WILL ACTUALLY BE FOUR SECTIONS WE WILL GO OVER. AT THE  
15 LAST MEETING, WE GAVE YOU A PRESENTATION OF OUR FIRST ATTEMPT  
16 TO ADD A G.I.S. MAP AND MANY OF YOU HAD REQUESTS TO ADD TO  
17 THAT MAP. WE'VE TRIED TO ADD ON TO THAT MAP. WE KNOW IT IS  
18 STILL A PRODUCT THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH, BUT WE WILL  
19 SHOW YOU ALL OF THE UPDATES. THE SECOND SECTION WILL BE ABOUT  
20 BARRIERS TO HOUSING AND SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE ARE ABLE TO  
21 DO WITHIN THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS, BUT OUTSIDE OF THE  
22 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THERE CERTAINLY ARE VARIOUS ISSUES THAT  
23 WE ARE FACING, AND THEN AMY BODEK, OUR DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL  
24 PLANNING, WILL GO OVER THAT SECTION AND ALSO TALK ABOUT  
25 LEGISLATIVE ASKS. OUR THIRD AREA WILL BE TALKING ABOUT THE



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1 AVERAGE COST OF BOTH INTERIM AND PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING,  
2 AND JERRY RAMIREZ FROM OUR HOMELESS INITIATIVE WILL GO THROUGH  
3 THAT. AND THEN I WILL ALSO GO THROUGH, LAST TIME THERE WAS A  
4 QUESTION ABOUT THE FUNDING THAT IS COMING INTO L.A. COUNTY AND  
5 HOW WE ARE FUNDING ALL OF THE PROJECTS, WHETHER IT IS INTERIM  
6 OR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AS WELL AS THE SERVICES THAT  
7 ARE PROVIDED FOR THE HOUSING SITES. AND THEN LASTLY, I WILL  
8 GIVE YOU AN UPDATE WITH RESPECT TO THE HIRING OF A HOUSING  
9 EXPERT AND ALSO A COMMUNICATIONS TEAM. SO LET ME JUST BEGIN  
10 WITH AN UPDATE TO OUR G.I.S. MAP, AND WE WILL GO TO THE FIRST  
11 SCREEN. AS YOU RECALL, THE G.I.S. MAP IS A MAP THAT IDENTIFIES  
12 ALL OF THE PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND THE INTERIM  
13 HOUSING AS WELL AS WE COULD OVERLAY IT WITH OUR POINT IN TIME  
14 COUNT TO SEE WHERE THE GAPS IN HOUSING ARE. SO TODAY, I'M  
15 PLEASED TO SHARE WITH YOU SEVERAL NEW LAYERS OF THE MAP WHICH  
16 INCLUDES SAFE PARKING SITES, WINTER SHELTERS, AND FAMILY  
17 MOTELS. WE HAVE ALSO BROKEN OUT THE DATA TO SHOW THE HOUSING  
18 PROJECTS, WHAT WAS BUILT BEFORE 2017 AND WHAT WAS BUILT AFTER  
19 2017. AND I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE THERE WERE A NUMBER  
20 OF QUESTIONS ABOUT THE MEASURE H TAX AND WHERE THAT MONEY MAY  
21 BE GOING TO. SO WITH THAT, LET'S LOOK AT THIS FIRST SLIDE, AND  
22 THIS IS THE BREAKDOWN OF THE HOUSING THAT WAS COMPLETED BEFORE  
23 2017. AND AGAIN, WE KEPT IT IN THE COLOR CODE OF KIND OF THE  
24 LIGHTER BLUE. THE LARGER DOTS IDENTIFY THE LARGER CAPACITY,  
25 AND THE SMALLER DOTS ARE THE SMALLER CAPACITY, AS -- ON THE



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1 LEFT-HAND SIDE, YOU CAN SEE THE HOUSING AT EACH SITE.  
2 ALTOGETHER, THERE WERE 206 SITES WITH 7,051 UNITS THAT WERE  
3 CREATED BEFORE JANUARY 2017. ON THE NEXT SLIDE, WE SHOW THE  
4 BREAK DOWN. AGAIN, THIS IS PRE-2017 OF THE SITES BEFORE --  
5 BROKEN DOWN BY DISTRICT AND AGAIN BEFORE 2017. ON THE NEXT  
6 SLIDE, THIS SHOWS THE NUMBER OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING  
7 THAT CAME IN POST-2017. AGAIN, IT GOES FROM SMALL TO LARGE IN  
8 TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF UNITS. AND IT IS SHADED IN THE DARKER  
9 BLUE COLORS. SO, WHEN YOU ACTUALLY OVERLAY ALL THE MAPS, YOU  
10 ARE ABLE TO EASILY TELL WHAT WAS PRE-2017, WHAT IS POST-2017.  
11 AND ON THE NEXT SLIDE, IT BREAKS DOWN WHAT HAS COME IN SINCE  
12 2017. OKAY, ON THE FOLLOWING SLIDE, THIS IS THE OVERLAY, AS I  
13 INDICATED, OF BOTH. AGAIN, I THINK THAT IT GIVES EVERYBODY THE  
14 ABILITY TO SHOW WHAT'S BEEN COMING ONLINE POST 2017. THE NEXT  
15 SLIDE IS BROKEN DOWN BY DISTRICTS. AND THEN THE NEXT SLIDE, WE  
16 GET INTO -- THESE ARE THE SAFE PARKING SITES THAT HAVE COME  
17 ONLINE. AGAIN, YOU CAN SEE THE SMALLER SITES, AND THEN IT GOES  
18 UP TO THE MAXIMUM SITE OF 50 PARKING SPACES, BUT THESE ARE  
19 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WE DO HAVE, ON THE NEXT SLIDE, BROKEN  
20 OUT BY DISTRICT. ON THE FOLLOWING SLIDE, WE ALSO TALK -- OR WE  
21 SHOW THE WINTER SHELTERS. AND THESE, I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT,  
22 TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS, THESE WINTER SHELTERS  
23 ARE ONLY FOR COUNTY SHELTERS. WE HAVE NOT PUT ON ANY OTHER  
24 SHELTERS. SO THESE ARE THE 21 COUNTY SHELTERS. AND ON THE NEXT  
25 SLIDE, IT AGAIN BREAKS IT DOWN BY DISTRICT, AND DURING THE



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1 WINTER, AGAIN, WE HAVE 2,133 BEDS AVAILABLE. AND THE LAST AREA  
2 WAS THE FAMILY MOTELS. I KNOW SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SUPERVISOR  
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS WERE VERY INTERESTED IN THE MOTEL ASPECT. AND WE  
4 WERE ABLE TO ACTUALLY PUT ON THE SLIDE, SO FAR, WHAT WE HAVE  
5 GATHERED ON THE FAMILY MOTELS. AND, ON THE NEXT SLIDE, AGAIN,  
6 WE BREAK IT UP BY DISTRICT. AND THEN I THINK THE FINAL SLIDE  
7 OF THIS WAS THE OVERLAY, IF ANDREW, I THINK, CAN TOGGLE TO  
8 THIS, IS THE OVERLAY OF JUST KIND OF A COMBINATION OF ALL OF  
9 THIS INFORMATION. SO IF SOMEBODY FROM THE PUBLIC, OR ANY OF  
10 OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS, OR ANY OF OUR CITIES WANT TO FIND OUT  
11 INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR SPECIFIC AREA, THEY COULD ACTUALLY GO  
12 TO THE MAP, AND ALL OF THIS INFORMATION IS ON ONE MAP, AND  
13 THEN IT CAN BE BROKEN DOWN, JUST WHAT I HAD SHOWN YOU. SO I  
14 JUST WANTED TO DO A QUICK UPDATE ON THE G.I.S. MAP, AND WORK  
15 CONTINUES ON IT. BUT IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS, I CAN STOP  
16 THERE. AND THEN WE WILL MOVE INTO THE NEXT SECTION, WHICH IS  
17 THE BARRIERS TO HOUSING.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THIS IS UP AND RUNNING NOW, CORRECT?

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** IT IS.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ARE WE MONITORING TRAFFIC ON IT TO SEE IF  
24 IT IS BEING USED?

25



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1 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ANDREW, WE ARE, CORRECT?

2

3 **ANDREW:** WE CAN TRACK NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE VISITING THE  
4 SITE AS WELL AS VIEWING THE MAP.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND WE ARE WORKING WITH OUR NON PROFITS  
7 AND ALL OF THE PROVIDERS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'VE GOT ACCESS  
8 TO THIS AS WELL?

9

10 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THIS IS A PUBLIC MAP.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I KNOW, BUT IF THEY DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT,  
13 THEY CAN'T ACCESS IT. SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE  
14 ACTUALLY PUBLICIZING IT IS AVAILABLE?

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** WE WILL, THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, I JUST HAD A QUESTION, SACHI, ON  
19 SLIDE NINE, YOU HAVE THESE WINTER SHELTERS, AND I KNOW WE HAVE  
20 THE BASSET PARK, WHERE WE HAVE 100 COTS. WOULD THIS -- DOES  
21 THIS FIGURE THEN NOT INCLUDE THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY  
22 COALITION?

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** CORRECT.

25



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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** OR CHURCHES? BUT THEY DO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM US.

2

3 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THEY DO, AND SO SOME OF THOSE MIGHT FALL  
4 OVERLAP I THINK, INTO, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, IT WAS S.D.4 AND 5.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS:** BUT WE'RE NOT COUNTING HOW MANY COTS OR WHATEVER  
7 ARE PROVIDED? I THAT IS IMPORTANT.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THEY WE WOULD BE COUNTED IN THE S.D. 4 AND 5 NUMBERS.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** 4 AND 5.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, ARE YOU DONE?

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS:** DOES THAT INCLUDE STEINMETZ PARK, AS WELL.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** I'M SORRY.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** STEINMETZ IN WHITTIER. I THINK THAT'S --

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** STEINMETZ PARK.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** HACIENDA HEIGHTS, YEAH.

24



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1 **SPEAKER:** STEINMETZ PARK, I BELIEVE IS ALSO IN S.D.4. SO IT  
2 WOULD INCLUDED IN THAT FOURTH DISTRICT COUNT.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** I'M JUST MORE CONCERNED ABOUT GETTING A BETTER  
5 HANDLE ON THE WINTER SHELTER PROGRAM, THE ROTATING, BECAUSE  
6 THAT HAS NOT BEEN SUFFICIENT, AND IT LEADS ME TO THINK, OKAY,  
7 WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP AFTER BASSET PARK AS WEL. WHAT OTHER  
8 WINTER SHELTERS ARE WE LOOKING AT?

9

10 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** WE SHOULD BE LOOKING IN YOUR AREA, AGAIN,  
11 WHEN WE DO IN THE OVERLAY, WE DO SEE ON THE EAST SIDE THERE IS  
12 NOT ENOUGH BEDS AVAILABLE.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** AND ALSO ON THE SAFE PARKING, I NOTICE WE ARE NOT  
15 DOING TOO WELL THERE IN OUR AREA. AND I'M WONDERING WHAT CAN  
16 WE DO TO INCENTIVIZE OUR PARTNERS BECAUSE I KNOW A LOT OF, I  
17 GUESS, CITIES OR C.B.O.S AREN'T FULLY AWARE OF WHAT THAT  
18 MEANS, AND I GET THESE BIZARRE LOOKS THAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING,  
19 "WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, SUPERVISOR?"

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** I THINK IT IS WORKING WITH OUR CITIES IN  
22 TRYING TO DO MORE OUTREACH. I'M HOPEFUL WHEN WE DO GET OUR  
23 COMMUNICATIONS GROUP ON BOARD, SPECIFICALLY ONE OF THEIR  
24 CHARGES WILL BE FOR MORE OUTREACH IN THESE AREAS. SO WE  
25 REALLY, REALLY NEED TO KEEP WORKING WITH OUR CITY PARTNERS



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1 BECAUSE JUST IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS ALONE, WE JUST -- IT  
2 IS NOT ENOUGH.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** AND I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE I KNOW THERE ARE MORE  
5 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT, ONCE THEY HEAR ABOUT THIS, I  
6 THINK THEY'RE MORE OPEN AND APT TO WANT TO DO IT, AT LEAST IN  
7 PARTS OF MY DISTRICT. WE JUST HAD A MEETING A WEEK AGO, AND WE  
8 HAD 140 PEOPLE, AND IT WAS DIRECTED AT FAITH-BASED, AND PEOPLE  
9 ARE WANTING TO KNOW HOW THEY CAN OPEN UP THEIR PARKING LOT AND  
10 WHAT THAT MEANT, WHAT THE FUNDING STREAM WAS LIKE, HOW HARD IT  
11 WOULD BE TO GET THE FUNDING, AND HOW QUICKLY COULD THAT BE SET  
12 UP. SO I REALLY DO THINK WE NEED TO ADD THAT TO OUR AGENDA.  
13 CITIES ARE GREAT, BUT NOT ALL OF THEM ARE ON THE SAME PAGE  
14 WITH US. AND FAITH-BASED SOMETIMES CAN HAVE THAT INFLUENCE ON  
15 OUR CITY ELECTEDS IF THEY SHOW THAT GOOD-FAITH EFFORT AND THAT  
16 WE CAN GET SOMETHING UP QUICKLY.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. MY QUESTION IS WHAT GOOD IS THIS MAP FOR  
21 PEOPLE TO ACCESS IF -- IT SEEMS STAGNANT, LIKE, HOW MANY OF  
22 THOSE UNITS ARE AVAILABLE? HOW MANY OF THOSE PARKING SPACES  
23 ARE OPEN? HOW MANY BEDS ARE AVAILABLE? DOES IT SAY THAT WHEN  
24 YOU GO ON IT?

25





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1 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** I WAS GOING TO SAY, MADAM CHAIR. I'M  
2 SORRY, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SHE CAN BE CHAIR.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** BEEN THERE, DONE THAT [ LAUGHTER ].

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** I THINK THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION, AND THAT  
9 WAS ASKED AT THE LAST MEETING AS WELL. I THINK THIS WAS OUR  
10 FIRST ATTEMPT TO REALLY PUT A VISUAL MAP IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY  
11 TO SHOW WHERE THE NEED WAS --

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** I GUESS, BUT IT DOESN'T HELP IF WE DON'T KNOW WHAT  
14 IS OPEN, WHAT IS VACANT, SOMETHING SOMEONE COULD GO TO  
15 TONIGHT.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NO, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. WE DID ASK  
18 THAT BECAUSE THE WHOLE GOAL IS, THIS STARTED AS WE DIDN'T KNOW  
19 WHAT WE HAD. THERE WAS NO INVENTORY TO SHOW WHERE THE NEED IS.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN:** AGAIN, THIS DOESN'T TELL ME WHAT WE HAVE.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WELL, IT DOES. BUT IT IS NOT PERFECT.

24

25 **SUP. HAHN:** IT IS NOT AVAILABLE. ARE THESE ALL FULL?



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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NO, I THINK WE ARE DOING INVENTORY, BUT  
3 NOW -- GO AHEAD.

4

5 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER IS CORRECT. I THINK WE  
6 NEEDED A STARTING POINT TO SHOW WHAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE HERE IN  
7 THIS COUNTY, AND I THINK THAT WAS A QUESTION FROM YOUR BOARD  
8 IS WHERE IS THE HOUSING, WHERE IS IT LOCATED IN THE COUNTY.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** TRUE, BUT IT IS AVAILABLE? IS IT OPEN? IF IT IS  
11 FULL, HOW DOES THAT HELP US?

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** RIGHT, I THINK OUR NEXT STEP IS WORKING  
14 WITH THE PROVIDERS TO GET TO THAT POINT. SO WE'VE ADDED WHAT  
15 WE BELIEVE IS NECESSARY TO SHOW THESE ARE ALL THE AVAILABLE  
16 SITES. NOW WE NEED TO START DRILLING DOWN TO THE --

17

18 **SUP. HAHN:** WELL, THEY MIGHT NOT BE AVAILABLE.

19

20 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** CORRECT. BUT WHAT COULD HELP PROVIDERS IN  
21 IDENTIFYING --

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NOT IF THEY'RE NOT AVAILABLE.

24

25 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** WELL --



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1

2 **SUP. HAHN:** NOT IF THEY ARE NOT OPEN OR VACANT.

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** RIGHT.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** DO YOU SEE WHAT I'M SAYING? I'M REALLY SERIOUS  
7 ABOUT THIS, QUIT CUTTING ME OFF. THIS IS A STAGNANT MAP THAT  
8 DOESN'T TELL MY PROVIDERS TONIGHT WHERE THERE ARE OPEN BEDS  
9 OR, IF WE'RE LOOKING TO PUT SOMEBODY INTO PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE  
10 HOUSING, IS IT OPEN -- BECAUSE IF IT'S NOT, IT DOESN'T REALLY  
11 MATTER. IT IS GREAT THAT THEY'RE FULL, AND WE'VE GOT THEM.  
12 BUT, AS WE KNOW, WE HAVE 59,000 PEOPLE ON THE STREETS. SO I  
13 LIKE THIS AS A STARTING PLACE, BUT IT DOESN'T HELP IF IT DOES  
14 NOT GIVE US A TIME AND PLACE, IS IT OPEN, IS IT AVAILABLE  
15 BECAUSE WE HEAR ALL THE TIME FROM OUR PROVIDERS, WE CAN'T FIND  
16 ANY PLACE. THERE IS NOTHING AVAILABLE. THERE IS NOTHING OPEN.  
17 WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR THOSE WHO ARE ON  
18 THE STREETS. THE OTHER THING ABOUT SAFE PARKING, AND I KNOW,  
19 AND I HAVE TOLD THE STORY BEFORE. I HAD THE SYNAGOGUE, THE  
20 METHODIST CHURCH, AND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. ALL OF THEM SHOWED  
21 INTEREST. THEY WERE ALL TURNED AWAY BY A VERY ANGRY COMMUNITY.  
22 WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING THESE SAFE PARKING, AGAIN I  
23 FEEL LIKE SOMETIMES MY STAFF DRIVING AROUND, TALKING TO  
24 PEOPLE. WHO IN THIS GROUP IS ACTIVELY SEEKING SAFE PARKING  
25 SPACES, AND HOW ARE YOU DOING IT? AND EVEN ON THE SAFE OF



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1 PARKING SPACES, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN, 59 SPACES? ARE THEY ALL  
2 TAKEN? IS THAT ALL CAN BE HANDLED ON THAT PLACE? DO YOU SEE  
3 WHAT I'M SAYING? LET'S NOT PAT OURSELVES ON THE BACK. THIS  
4 DOESN'T TELLING ME ANYTHING.

5

6 **JEFF PROCTER:** I CAN TRY TO PROVIDE A PARTIAL RESPONSE.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU IDENTIFY YOUR NAME AND YOUR --

9

10 **JEFF PROCTER, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FOR**  
11 **THE LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY, L.A.H.S.A. WE**  
12 **WORK WITH CITY AND COUNTY PARTNERS, NONPROFITS, TO DEVELOP,**  
13 **IMPLEMENT, AND FUND, PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR ALL**  
14 **THE COMPONENTS OF THE SYSTEM THAT WE FUND, SAFE PARKING BEING**  
15 **ONE OF THEM. WE HAVE A SAFE PARKING R.F.P. THAT IS CURRENTLY**  
16 **OPEN RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE HAD, I BELIEVE, SOMETHING LIKE 20 SAFE**  
17 **PARKING PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED COUNTY WIDE SO FAR.**

18

19 **>>SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, LET ME ASK YOU MORE DIRECT. WHY ARE THERE  
20 ZERO SAFE PARKING SPACES IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT?

21

22 **JEFF PROCTER:** I CANNOT PROVIDE AN ANSWER TO THAT SPECIFICALLY.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** EXACTLY. DO YOU SEE MY FRUSTRATION, MADAM CHAIR?

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I DO, AND I DO NOT DISAGREE. AND THERE'S A  
2 REASON WHY WE HAD TO RETURN MONEY TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
3 FOR BEDS THAT WERE NOT UNUSED, OKAY? THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT  
4 THIS -- AND THIS IS EXACTLY WHY I WANTED THIS ON THE AGENDA  
5 BECAUSE THESE TYPES OF THINGS NEED TO GET FLUSHED OUT, AND IT  
6 IS PROBLEMATIC, AND IT IS PROBLEMATIC FROM THE STANDPOINT, I  
7 LOOK AT MY DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND I LOOK AT THE NUMBER  
8 OF UNITS, AND I LOOK AT WHAT THE NUMBER OF HOMELESS ARE WITHIN  
9 THE 5TH DISTRICT, AND WE ARE WAY BELOW WHAT IS NEEDED. AND, TO  
10 YOUR POINT, I KNOW, I DON'T THINK OUR STAFF SHOULD ALONE HAVE  
11 TO BE GOING OUT AND AGGRESSIVELY PURSUING THIS. IT SHOULD BE  
12 DONE ACROSS THE BOARD WITH L.A.H.S.A., EVEN WITH COUNTY  
13 DEPARTMENTS. I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO DO. AND, BY  
14 THE WAY, IT STARTS WITH OUTREACH IN THE COMMUNITY. OUTREACH IN  
15 THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T EDUCATE, THE PUSH BACK IS  
16 EVEN HARDER. SO I DO NOT DISAGREE WITH YOU, BUT THIS IS THE  
17 TYPE OF DISCUSSION WE SHOULD BE HAVING AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN  
18 HAVING ALL ALONG BECAUSE WE'RE BRINGING IN MOTIONS EACH, YOU  
19 KNOW, ONCE A WEEK, ONCE A MONTH, AND WE'RE NOT LOOKING AT THE  
20 BIG PICTURE, AND THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO START WITH THE BIG  
21 PICTURE.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** RIGHT, BUT THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO TELL ME  
24 WHEN THERE IS NO SAFE PARKING ANYWHERE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

25



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1 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: AGREED.

2

3 SUP. HAHN: THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO ANSWER THAT.

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5 JEFF PROCTER: NO ONE HAS APPLIED FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT TO  
6 MY UNDERSTANDING.

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8 SUP. HAHN: SO YOU WAIT FOR SOMEBODY TO APPLY. OKAY, WE NEED A  
9 BETTER -- THAT'S NOT WORKING. THAT'S NOT WORKING.

10

11 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: EXCUSE ME --

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13 SUP. HAHN: OKAY.

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15 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL? AND THEN SUPERVISOR  
16 SOLIS.

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18 SUP. KUEHL: I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN TO SOME EXTENT,  
19 ALTHOUGH ONE OF THE REASONS THAT YOU SEE A GREAT DEAL OF SAFE  
20 PARKING IN THE THIRD DISTRICT ISN'T BECAUSE EVERYBODY JUMPED  
21 UP AND SAID I WANT TO DO SAFE PARKING. AND I HAVE TO SAY THAT  
22 SOMETIMES, EVEN THOUGH IT SEEMS COUNTERINTUITIVE TO SOME  
23 PEOPLE, THE TRUSTED MESSENGER IS NOT NECESSARILY THE COUNTY  
24 STAFF, BUT THE COUNTY SUPERVISOR. WE DID A LOT OF OUTREACH IN  
25 -- ALL OVER THE 3RD DISTRICT TO SEE, AND WE ALSO ASKED WHERE



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1 THE COUNTY LOTS WERE AND WORKED WITH EVERY SINGLE COUNCIL  
2 MEMBER ABOUT WHERE THE CITY LOTS WERE. WE ACTUALLY PUT 3RD  
3 DISTRICT MONEY INTO SOME OF THE -- ATTRACTING SOME OF THE  
4 PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY STAFF THESE LOTS, AND IT MADE IT MORE  
5 FAMILIAR, WE FOUND, TO PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT WHEN THEY WOULD  
6 SEE SAFE PARKING LOT DIDN'T CAUSE A LOT OF TROUBLE OVER HERE.  
7 SO MAYBE THEY COULD DO IT, TOO, AND IT MAKES IT EASIER TO SOME  
8 EXTENT I THINK. I KNOW THAT WE EXPECT THAT OUR DEPARTMENTS AND  
9 OUR PROGRAMS WILL DO IT ALL, AND YOU ARE NOT WRONG TO EXPECT  
10 THAT. I'M JUST SAYING THAT SOMETIMES, AS YOU KNOW, PEOPLE LIKE  
11 TO HEAR FROM US THIS IS REALLY OKAY AND I WILL HELP YOU GET  
12 THIS FIRST ONE STARTED. AND, BECAUSE I'M, YOU KNOW, VERY PROUD  
13 WHEN WE SAW THE MAP A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, THE FIRST AND SECOND  
14 ARE DOING BETTER. THEY HAVE BEEN AT IT LONGER. THEY HAVE A LOT  
15 OF PEOPLE ENGAGED FROM THE BEGINNING. IN THE 3RD, IT WAS A  
16 LITTLE UNFAMILIAR. PEOPLE WERE -- WE WOULD SEE HOMELESS  
17 ENCAMPMENTS, ESPECIALLY IN THE VALLEY AND ALONG THE RIVER,  
18 GROWING AND GROWING, BUT IT WAS A LITTLE UNFAMILIAR TO DEAL  
19 WITH IT. BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE, AS YOU KNOW, ALL OF YOU, THEY  
20 WILL CALL AND SAY, "WHAT CAN I DO? WHAT CAN I DO? WHAT CAN I  
21 DO?" SO WE STARTED DEVELOPING AN ANSWER TO WHAT I CAN DO KIND  
22 OF THING. AND IT IS ONE THING AT A TIME, BUT WE HAVE NOW GOT  
23 MORE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING IN THE PIPELINE THAN EVER BEFORE,  
24 AND IT'S -- I THINK IT IS A PARTNERSHIP, HONESTLY. AND I THINK  
25 STAFF, YOU KNOW, CAN ALWAYS DO MORE, AND I CAN ALWAYS DO MORE,



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1 AND I THINK WE SHOULD JUST KEEP GOING WITH WHERE WE'VE SEEN A  
2 SUCCESS AND KIND OF LEARN FROM EACH OTHER AS WELL BECAUSE I  
3 KNOW, IN MARK'S DISTRICT AND HILDA'S DISTRICT, THEY HAVE DONE  
4 SOME INNOVATIVE THINGS. AND THEY TRANSLATE IN THINGS THAT I  
5 WOULD HAVE NEVER THOUGHT OF. I DIDN'T KNOW THAT YOU HIRED  
6 SOMEONE TO RUN A SAFE PARKING LOT, YOU KNOW, I JUST IMAGINED  
7 YOU OPEN IT UP, THEY COME AT NIGHT, ETC. BUT YOU HAVE TO HAVE  
8 BATHROOMS, AND YOU HAVE TO HAVE SECURITY, AND WE WANT SERVICES  
9 THERE BECAUSE IT IS JUST LIKE OUTREACH, EXCEPT THEY'RE RIGHT  
10 THERE, YOU KNOW. SO I DO THINK THAT IT IS A LEARNING CURVE,  
11 AND IT IS -- I WILL JUST SAY, IT WAS FOR ME, BUT I'M VERY  
12 PLEASED AT THE WAY, ALL ACROSS THE DISTRICT, PEOPLE HAVE  
13 RESPONDED IF, YOU KNOW, IF YOU GIVE THEM A WAY TO DO IT. I DO  
14 AGREE, WE DON'T HAVE A DYNAMIC WAY FOR FINDING OUT WHAT'S OPEN  
15 EVERY NIGHT. AND I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT IS POSSIBLE FOR SAFE  
16 PARKING BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT ALL SUPERVISED YET, BUT I THINK  
17 EVENTUALLY WE COULD. WE CERTAINLY HAVE DONE IT FOR PERMANENT  
18 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. YOU KNOW, THE ENTRY SYSTEM IS -- WAS PUT  
19 IN PLACE, AND WE HAD TO FUND IT. SO WE MAY WANT TO DO IT FOR  
20 TRANSITIONAL HOUSING AS WELL, FOR BRIDGE HOUSING, AND FOR  
21 PARKING. ALTHOUGH, PARKING IS --

22

23 **SUP. HAHN:** CAN I JUST FOLLOW UP ON THAT AND SAY SO ALL THE  
24 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING ON THIS MAP, WE KNOW IS FILLED.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THAT THEY'RE OPEN AND WHEN THEY'RE OPEN, BUT IT IS  
2 NOT JUST A NIGHTLY THING --

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT NIGHTLY. I'M TALKING ABOUT  
5 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, OF THESE SITES, WE KNOW THEY ARE  
6 ALL FILLED. SO IT DOESN'T DO US ANY GOOD.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** THEY ARE NOT ALL FILLED, BUT I THINK WHEN THE  
9 OUTREACH TEAMS HAVE A WAY OF ASCERTAINING IF SOMEONE IS  
10 WILLING TO AND AVAILABLE AND THERE IS A UNIT, TRY TO MATCH  
11 THEM.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, THERE IS USUALLY  
14 MINIMAL TURNOVER THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, BUT THERE'S A PROCESS IN  
15 PLACE WHERE THERE'S A COMMUNITY QUEUE WHERE BASICALLY FOLKS  
16 WHO HAVE BEEN MATCHED TO THAT RESOURCE ARE PULLED FROM SO THAT  
17 THEY ARE THEN, AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE, THEN MOVED INTO  
18 THAT UNIT. I DID WANT TO PROVIDE ONE UPDATE REGARDING SAFE  
19 PARKING IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT  
20 THERE IS A CITY OF LONG BEACH SITE THAT WILL BE COMING ONLINE  
21 NEXT MONTH. SO THERE WILL BE ONE SAFE PARKING PROGRAM NEW IN  
22 LONG BEACH IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** HOW MANY SPACES?

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1 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T HAVE THAT ANSWER, BUT WE CAN PROVIDE AN  
2 UPDATE FOR YOU FOR THAT.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** I'M STILL CONFUSED IF SOMEBODY ACCESSED THIS MAP,  
5 WHETHER OR NOT THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO TELL, EVEN ON THE  
6 HOUSING. IT SEEMS LIKE IT IS A SYSTEM THEY HAVE TO GO THROUGH.  
7 THEY CANNOT JUST LOOK AT THE MAP.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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11 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, WELL, I THINK ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT I HAVE  
12 IS THAT I RECENTLY READ THERE IS MONEY THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE  
13 RETURNING TO H.U.D. \$30 MILLION AND THAT'S A REFLECTION OF OUR  
14 INABILITY TO UTILIZE SOME BEDS, AND A GOOD NUMBER ARE IN THE  
15 CITY OF L.A. IN MY DISTRICT. AND THAT REALLY CONCERNS ME. AND  
16 I UNDERSTAND THAT NOT EVERYONE FROM MY DISTRICT WILL COME  
17 DOWNTOWN. THAT IS SOMETHING THAT IS VERY REAL. WHAT ARE WE  
18 DOING TO RECTIFY THIS SO WE DON'T LOOK AS THOUGH WE ARE NOT  
19 BEING RESPONSIBLE? AND I ASK EMILIO, MAYBE PERHAPS YOU CAN, I  
20 KNOW YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THIS, IF YOU COULD TELL ME  
21 WHAT THE \$30 MILLION, IF YOU CAN, WHAT THAT TRANSLATES IN  
22 TERMS OF BEDS OR SPACES BECAUSE I WANT TO HAVE A BETTER  
23 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WE'RE LEAVING ON THE TABLE.

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1 **EMILIO SALES:** EMILIO SALES WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
2 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. IN TERMS OF THE C.O.C. FUNDING, THE  
3 PORTION THAT THE L.A.C.D.A. IS RESPONSIBLE, REALLY IS FOR  
4 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, NOT NECESSARILY BEDS THEMSELVES.  
5 AND THE PORTION THAT CORRESPONDS TO THE COUNTY IS \$12 MILLION  
6 OF THAT \$30 MILLION THAT REALLY CORRESPONDS TO HOW THE SYSTEM  
7 IS FUNDED. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN YOU GET A NEW GRANT, YOU GET ALL  
8 OF THAT FUNDING UP FRONT, BUT WE KNOW IT IS GOING TO TAKE AT  
9 LEAST A 12 MONTH AND SOMETIMES LONGER IN THIS TIGHT RENTAL  
10 MARKET TO ACTUALLY FULLY UTILIZE THAT GRANT. SO ANYTHING THAT  
11 IS UNEXPENDED DURING THAT TIME THEN GETS RETURNED TO H.U.D.  
12 AND THEN, MORE THAN LIKELY, RETURNED BACK TO THE CONTINUUM  
13 WHEN WE RE-APPLY FOR THE GRANT THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS:** BUT IN THIS CASE, WE ARE ACTUALLY HAVING TO RETURN  
16 OUR PORTION, \$30 MILLION. YOU SAID \$12 MILLION IS THE COUNTY,  
17 AND THE OTHER PORTION IS THE CITY?

18

19 **EMILIO SALES:** A COMBINATION OF THE CITY AND I BELIEVE --

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** COULD MAYBE L.A.H.S.A. EXPLAIN A LITTLE BIT MORE  
22 ABOUT THIS?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** SO THAT REPRESENTS MY UNDERSTANDING IS UNDERSPEND ON  
25 GRANTS FROM THE YEAR PRIOR. HOWEVER, L.A.H.S.A. DID RECEIVE



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1 NOTIFICATION OF THIS YEAR'S FUNDING AWARD FOR, THERE ARE  
2 DIFFERENT TIERS OF FUNDING THAT COMES THROUGH FROM H.U.D. TO  
3 THE CONTINUUM. WE ARE FULLY FUNDED FOR OUR TIER ONE PORTION OF  
4 OUR FEDERAL PORTION OF THE C.O.C. FUNDING OF THIS YEAR. I  
5 BELIEVE THAT CAME OUT TO ABOUT \$114, \$115 MILLION, AND WE  
6 EXPECT TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE TIER 2 IN THE D.B.  
7 BONUS AS WELL. SO HOW MUCH MONEY WILL STILL COME BACK THIS  
8 YEAR WILL BE ROUGHLY THE SAME AS WAS AWARDED TO THE CONTINUUM  
9 THE YEAR PRIOR.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** WHEN YOU DESCRIBE THE HOUSING, THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE  
12 SAYING, SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT UNITS OF  
13 HOUSING, APARTMENTS, WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** FOR THE PORTION THAT CORRESPONDS TO L.A.C.D.A., THESE  
16 ARE TENANT BASED CERTIFICATES THAT WORK VERY MUCH LIKE HOUSING  
17 CHOICE VOUCHERS, WHERE IT IS A RENTAL SUBSIDY THAT IS  
18 PROVIDED, AND THE INDIVIDUAL THEN SECURES HOUSING ON THE  
19 PRIVATE RENTAL MARKET.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** WHAT WAS THE NEXUS HERE THAT THEY WERE UNABLE TO  
22 UTILIZED?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** IN OUR PARTICULAR CASE, THESE WERE EXPANSION GRANTS.  
25 WE HAD AN EXPLOSION OF NEW FUNDING THAT CAME IN THE LAST TWO-



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1 YEAR PERIOD, AND SO AS FOLKS WORK THROUGH THE PIPELINE, YOU  
2 DON'T NECESSARILY EXPAND THE ENTIRE AMOUNT. YOU DON'T GET  
3 INDIVIDUALS PLACED. ON AVERAGE, THIS TAKES SOME OF OUR  
4 CLIENTS, EVEN ON THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM, IN EXCESS  
5 OF 12 MONTHS TO SECURE AND FIND HOUSING ON THE PRIVATE RENTAL  
6 MARKET. SO THAT'S PART OF -- THAT IS PART OF THE DELAY.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** IS THERE A WAY TO WORK WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
9 SO THEY UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR DILEMMA IS HERE BECAUSE IT SOUNDS  
10 VERY IMPRACTICAL, AND TO THE PUBLIC, THEY ARE GOING TO SAY,  
11 WOW, YOU ARE RETURNING MONEY, AND WE ARE FIGHTING TO TRY TO  
12 ESTABLISH HOUSING AND USAGE HERE. SO, I MEAN, IS THAT  
13 SOMETHING THAT YOU ALL WOULD RECOMMEND, MAYBE?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** PRESENTLY, L.A.H.S.A. IS WORKING WITH H.U.D. T.A. AS  
16 WELL AS VARIETY OF SYSTEM PARTNERS, COUNTY PARTNERS, CITY AND  
17 COUNTY MAYOR'S OFFICES INVOLVED, HOMELESS INITIATIVE ON A  
18 HOUSING CENTRAL COMMAND, WHICH IS BASICALLY A PROJECT TO WORK  
19 ON ACTIVE SYSTEM MANAGEMENT OF OUR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE  
20 HOUSING AS A RESOURCE TO MAKE SURE THAT RESOURCE IS UTILIZED  
21 TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE. PART OF THE FIRST STEP HAS BEEN, AS  
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER MENTIONED EARLIER, FULLY UNDERSTANDING WHAT  
23 THAT UNIVERSE OF THE AVAILABLE RESOURCE IS. THAT WAY WE KNOW  
24 EXACTLY WHERE COUNTY WIDE WHERE ALL OF THE UNITS ARE, HOW MANY  
25 THERE ARE, AND THEN FROM THERE WORK ON ACTIVE UTILIZATION OF



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1 ALL OF THOSE. THOSE ARE EFFORTS THAT ARE CURRENTLY UNDER WAY  
2 RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE OPEN MEETINGS AT L.A.H.S.A. WE COULD EXTEND  
3 INVITATIONS TO YOUR STAFF OR YOURSELVES IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
4 COME IN AND SIT IN ON THE MEETINGS. THEY HAPPEN EVERY DAY AT  
5 L.A.H.S.A.'S OFFICE ON WILSHIRE.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO THE ONLY LAST THING I WOULD ADD IS THAT GIVEN  
8 THE CONCENTRATION OF THIS FUNDING, I SEE IS DIRECTED, AT LEAST  
9 IN MY DISTRICT, MORE CENTRAL TO DOWNTOWN. AND WE DO HAVE A BIG  
10 GAP ON THE MAP. JUST LOOK AT DISTRICT ONE I MEAN IN ANY OF  
11 YOUR MAPS. SO I WOULD THINK THAT ONCE WE HAVE ANY -- REALLY  
12 GET A BETTER HANDLE ON ALL OF THIS, THAT WE COULD START TO  
13 PLAN OUT WHERE THESE SPACES AND WHERE WE CAN ENLIST PEOPLE TO  
14 GET INVOLVED. SO TO SUPERVISOR HAHN'S POINT ABOUT GETTING THE  
15 STAFF ENGAGED, I THINK THAT IS REALLY CRITICAL. I KNOW OUR  
16 STAFF WORKS REALLY HARD WITH YOU ALL, BUT WE NEED MORE  
17 EXPERTISE BECAUSE WE ARE FAILING, IN MY OPINION, AND IT  
18 DOESN'T LOOK GOOD IF WE ARE NOT EXPLAINING OURSELVES WELL TO  
19 THE PUBLIC IN TERMS OF WHY MONIES ARE BEING RETURNED. I'M NOT  
20 TRYING TO CRITICIZE OUR STAFF. I'M JUST SAYING HOW CAN WE GET  
21 SOME BETTER SOLUTIONS TOWARDS THIS END? THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I COMPLETELY AGREE.  
24 AND I DON'T TAKE IT AS CRITICISM. I THINK THIS IS WHAT'S  
25 NECESSARY IS COMMUNICATION BECAUSE AGAIN, ON ANY GIVEN



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1 TUESDAY, WE CAN BRING IN A MOTION, BUT WE DON'T LOOK AT THE  
2 BIG PICTURE AND HAVE EVERYBODY HERE TO REALLY FLUSH OUT WHAT  
3 SOME OF THE ISSUES ARE WITH H.U.D. WITH THE RETURNING OF THE  
4 MONEY WHICH IS A LITTLE -- THERE'S A LITTLE MORE OF A NUANCE  
5 TO IT. BUT WHAT YOU SAID IS FINE. I THINK WE HAVE TO, AS A  
6 BOARD, LOOK AT WHERE THE NEED IS FOR US TO IMPROVE AND WHERE  
7 WE NEED TO WORK WITH THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO  
8 ADJUST SOME OF THE BARRIERS. AND THAT REALLY IS THE PURPOSE,  
9 BUT THIS IS, LIKE, THE SECOND REPORT. PRIOR TO THIS, WE DIDN'T  
10 EVEN KNOW, I COULD KIND OF TELL YOU WHERE THERE WAS A NEED IN  
11 THE 5TH DISTRICT ONLY BECAUSE WE WORK UP IN THE ANTELOPE  
12 VALLEY WITH THE SALVATION ARMY, AND WE ARE WORKING ON  
13 KENSINGTON PLACE TO PUT IN THE PERMANENT HOUSING, EMERGENCY  
14 HOUSING. BUT I DIDN'T REALLY KNOW HOLISTICALLY FOR THE ENTIRE  
15 COUNTY WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT. THAT'S WHAT HAS BEEN  
16 MISSING, A LOT OF WORK TO DO. YOU TALKED ABOUT, SUPERVISOR  
17 HAHN, CALLING 211 TO TRY TO GET ACCESS FOR SOMEBODY DOWN IN  
18 SAN PEDRO AND THE FRUSTRATION THAT YOU EXPERIENCED AND THE  
19 INDIVIDUAL FINALLY TOOK OFF. THERE SHOULD BE, ON ANY GIVEN  
20 DAY, THE ABILITY TO HAVE AN APP WITH OUTREACH TO SAY WHERE ARE  
21 THE BEDS AVAILABLE, AND IF THEY'RE NOT, THEN OBVIOUSLY THERE'S  
22 PROBABLY A NEED IN THAT AREA, AND THEN WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO  
23 QUICKLY RAMP UP SERVICES, WHETHER IT BE THE PARKING LOT,  
24 WHETHER IT BE A POP-SPRING SHELTER, OR WHETHER IT BE LONG-TERM  
25 HOUSING. AND I SEE DR. GALEY, AND WE HAVE GOT PATIENTS IN OUR



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1 HOSPITAL THAT NEED A PLACE TO GO WHEN THEY'RE DISCHARGED SO  
2 THEY DON'T END UP BACK ON THE STREET. THIS IS NOT A ONE SIZE  
3 FITS ALL. THIS IS A VERY, VERY, VERY COMPLICATED ISSUE. BUT  
4 WE, AS A BOARD NOW, HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY FLUSH IT OUT  
5 AND FIND OUT WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE'RE FAILING AND WHERE WE  
6 REALLY NEED TO ACCELERATE. SO I DO AGREE WITH YOU, 100  
7 PERCENT, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** IF THERE'S NO OTHER QUESTIONS, I AM GOING  
10 TO TURN IT OVER TO AMY BODEK, WHO WILL GO THROUGH THE  
11 BARRIERS.

12

13 **AMY BODEK:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK YOU VERY  
14 MUCH. I THOUGHT MINE WAS GOING TO BE THE TOUGH PART OF THE  
15 PRESENTATION. SO HERE WE GO. I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT  
16 INTERIM AND PERMANENT HOUSING, AND I'M GOING TO BE TALKING TO  
17 YOU FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF USUALLY THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS  
18 ONLY, BUT I AM GOING TO REFERENCE SOME ISSUES WITH CITIES THAT  
19 WE DO HAVE, BUT MOST OF MY TALK IS GOING TO BE REALLY DIRECTED  
20 TO THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE  
21 AUTHORITY OVER FROM A LAND USE PERSPECTIVE. SO I WANT TO TALK  
22 TO YOU ABOUT FUNDING RESTRICTIONS, REGULATORY BARRIERS, AND  
23 SOCIAL BARRIERS, AND WE DID HIT UPON SOME OF THOSE TODAY. BUT  
24 LET ME GIVE YOU A FLAVOR OF SOME FUNDING RESTRICTIONS THIS  
25 TEAM AND YOUR STAFF FACE ON A DAILY BASIS. ONE SUCH EXAMPLE IS





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1 A SECTION 8 VOUCHER. THE SECTION 8 VOUCHER IS NOT FUNDED TO  
2 THE FULLEST ALLOCATION, AND WE CANNOT USE ALL OF OUR  
3 ALLOCATION BECAUSE OF THE COST OF MARKET RENTS WITHIN THE  
4 COUNTY. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHES A SET CAP ON THE  
5 AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT THEY GIVE THE COUNTY FOR SECTION 8. IN  
6 THIS CASE, IT GIVES US ABOUT \$25 MILLION FOR ALL OF OUR  
7 SECTION 8 VOUCHERS. UNFORTUNATELY, OUR VOUCHERS COST MORE THAN  
8 \$28 MILLION. SO WE ARE NOT ACTUALLY ABLE TO USE ALL OF OUR  
9 SECTION 8 VOUCHERS BECAUSE WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO USE  
10 ALL OF THOSE VOUCHERS. THE RENTS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY ARE  
11 GOING TO BE VASTLY DIFFERENT THAN THE MARKET RENTS IN FLORENCE  
12 FIRESTONE, WHICH IS GOING TO BE DIFFERENT THAN THE RENTS IN  
13 THE UNINCORPORATED SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, BUT THE FEDERAL  
14 GOVERNMENT DICTATES A SINGLE MARKET RENT FOR THE ENTIRE  
15 COUNTY. AND, IF YOU ARE RENTING IN A HIGH-RENT AREA WITH YOUR  
16 SECTION 8 VOUCHER, IT'S GOING TO COST YOU MORE, OR YOU MAY NOT  
17 BE ABLE TO BUY THAT UNIT OR RENT THAT UNIT BECAUSE YOUR  
18 SECTION 8 VOUCHER IS NOT GOING TO BE FULLY-FUNDED. SO THAT IS  
19 AN ISSUE WITH A LACK OF FUNDING. THAT IS REAL, AND THAT -- OUR  
20 STAFF AND L.A.H.S.A. AND L.A.C.D.A. ARE, FRANKLY, EXPLORING  
21 WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I'VE GOT SOME MORE EXAMPLES, AND  
22 CERTAINLY MR. SALES CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL EXAMPLES OF SOME OF  
23 THE STRUGGLES THAT WE HAVE RELATED TO LACK OF FUNDING FOR  
24 CAPITAL AND OPERATING EXPENSES BECAUSE, FRANKLY, THE AVAILABLE  
25 DOLLARS DO NOT MATCH UP WITH THE ACTUAL NEED. IN TERMS OF USE



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1 OF FUNDS, AS DEVELOPERS ARE PROPOSING PROJECTS AND THEY ARE  
2 GOING AFTER DIFFERENT TYPES OF FUNDS, THERE ARE MYRIAD  
3 RESTRICTIONS ON THOSE FUNDS, DEPENDING ON WHAT KIND OF FUNDING  
4 YOU'RE GOING AFTER. FOR EXAMPLE, THE STATE'S A.H.S.C. GRANT  
5 PROGRAM, WHICH STANDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUSTAINABLE  
6 COMMUNITIES, IT IS THE NEWEST GRANT CYCLE WE ARE TRYING TO  
7 ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN, AND IT IS FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE  
8 HOUSING IN T.O.D. AREAS. AS PART OF THAT FUND, IF YOU ARE  
9 GRANTED AN AWARD OF FUNDS, YOU, AS A DEVELOPER OF A HOUSING  
10 DEVELOPMENT, HAVE TO MAKE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS THAT IS  
11 GOING TO RELATE TO MOBILITY AND INCREASING MOBILITY. SO THERE  
12 ARE RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF FUNDS THAT DO LIMIT HOW FAR  
13 THOSE FUNDS CAN ACTUALLY GO. AND IT IS ALMOST A HIDDEN COST TO  
14 APPLYING FOR THESE GRANTS. REGULATORY BARRIERS IS -- WE COULD  
15 SPEND A WHOLE DAY JUST ON REGULATORY BARRIERS, FRANKLY, AND MY  
16 DEPARTMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A LOT OF THOSE REGULATORY  
17 BARRIERS, AND WE HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO BREAK THOSE  
18 REGULATORY BARRIERS DOWN, BUT THEY CLEARLY INVOLVE ENTITLEMENT  
19 BARRIERS, ZONING BARRIERS, AND THEN ACTUALLY PERMITTING  
20 BARRIERS. ANOTHER BARRIER THAT IS, FRANKLY, A REGULATORY  
21 BARRIER IS THE ZONING DEFINITIONS THAT ARE VERY LIMITED ON  
22 WHAT TYPE OF HOUSING UNIT CAN GO WHERE. AND YOU, AS A BOARD,  
23 HAVE BEEN VERY PROACTIVE IN PUSHING THAT ENVELOPE WITH US OVER  
24 THE LAST THREE YEARS, AND I'LL GET INTO SOME OF THOSE EFFORTS  
25 ON HOW WE ARE TRYING TO BREAK THOSE BARRIERS DOWN RIGHT NOW.

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1 BUT THEN SOCIAL BARRIERS, AND YOU'VE ALREADY DISCUSSED THOSE  
2 THIS MORNING AND THIS AFTERNOON. IT IS THE NIMBYISM, AND IT IS  
3 THE YIMBYISM, AND IT IS EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. WE HAVE A LIST  
4 OF ACRONYMS THAT DESCRIBE DIFFERENT REACTIONS. SOME OF THEM  
5 ARE N.O.P.E., NOT ON PLANET EARTH. WE'VE GOT ACRONYMS TO  
6 DESCRIBE EVERY SINGLE TYPE OF PROJECT THAT GETS DENIED BY A  
7 COMMUNITY BECAUSE OF CONCERN FOR CHANGE. I DO REALLY BELIEVE  
8 THAT IT IS AN ISSUE WITH CHANGE, AND IT IS AN ISSUE WITH  
9 FEELING THAT THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD IS CHANGING IN A WAY THEY DO  
10 NOT HAVE CONTROL OVER. AND, FRANKLY, COMMUNITY WILL IS A HUGE  
11 BARRIER THAT WE, AS YOUR STAFF, DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO  
12 HANDLE. WE CAN ONLY OFFER ADVICE, BUT THAT REALLY IS A BARRIER  
13 THAT, NO MATTER HOW MANY C.E.Q.A. EXEMPTIONS YOU HAVE OR YOU  
14 GRANT TO US, THE SOCIAL BARRIERS ARE STILL GOING TO REMAIN.  
15 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO WHAT CAN AND SHOULD THE COUNTY DO? THIS  
16 SLIDE COULD BE MUCH LONGER THAN IT CURRENTLY IS, BUT FIRST  
17 CERTAINLY YOU HAVE DECLARED IT TO BE AN EMERGENCY. AND LIKE  
18 THESE MAPS, WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT THEM. AND WE NEED TO TALK  
19 ABOUT THEM EVERYWHERE WITH EVERYONE, WHETHER THEY ARE WILLING  
20 TO LISTEN OR NOT. WE NEED TO PUSH THIS INFORMATION OUT AND NOT  
21 WAIT FOR THIS INFORMATION TO BE SOUGHT BY OUR CONSTITUENTS.  
22 THE ROLE THAT WE CAN ALL PLAY, BOTH AS STAFF AND AS A BOARD,  
23 IS PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE CITY. I DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY, AS A  
24 DEPARTMENT HEAD, TO TELL A CITY HOW TO REZONE THEIR PROPERTY  
25 AND HOW THEY SHOULD STREAMLINE. BUT I DO HAVE THE ABILITY TO

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1 SLIGHTLY ENCOURAGE THEM TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY, AND WE ARE  
2 DOING THAT. WHEN THE BOARD APPROVED THE DENSITY BONUS MOTION A  
3 COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, WE ACTUALLY SENT A COPY OF THE COUNTY'S  
4 ORDINANCE TO ALL 88 CITIES WITH A COVER LETTER THAT JUST SAID,  
5 "IN CASE YOU NEED A GOOD DENSITY BONUS ORDINANCE, HERE'S OUR  
6 ORDINANCE, AND FEEL FREE TO USE IT."

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN I INTERRUPT YOU FOR ONE MINUTE BECAUSE  
9 WE ARE HAVING A SIDE TALK HERE. AND THIS HAS BEEN, SACHI, THIS  
10 IS NOTHING NEW TO THIS BOARD, OKAY? SO ALL OF THESE THINGS  
11 ABOUT LEGISLATION AND ALL, IF WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE BARRIERS  
12 ARE, WHAT WE ARE ASKING FOR BY NOW, WE ARE A SORRY BUNCH IF  
13 THAT'S THE CASE. I MEAN I'M SERIOUS. THIS IS NOTHING NEW,  
14 EXCUSE ME, AND IT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED AND DISCUSSED AND  
15 DISCUSSED AND DISCUSSED AND DISCUSSED. AND I DIDN'T HEAR YIMBY  
16 UNTIL SUPERVISOR HAHN BROUGHT IT UP ONE TIME. SO THAT IS  
17 NOTHING NEW TO KNOW, AND THEN THE NIMBY, I THINK WE'VE ALL  
18 EXPERIENCED IT. YOU EXPERIENCED IT WITH SAN PEDRO. SO I GUESS  
19 MY QUESTION IS, I'M CHANNELING JANICE BECAUSE SHE DOESN'T HAVE  
20 A VOICE, WE DON'T WANT A STAGNANT REPORT THAT TALKS ABOUT WHAT  
21 WE ALREADY KNOW. WE WANT A ROAD MAP IN TERMS OF ACTION ITEMS.  
22 WHEN I TALKED ABOUT THE NEED TO BRING IN SOMEONE TO OVERSEE  
23 HOUSING AND HAVE THEM REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD, IT IS  
24 BECAUSE WE HAVE TO DO THIS IN REAL TIME. THE NUMBERS, YOU  
25 KNOW, WE ARE WAITING FOR OUR NUMBERS TO COME BACK ON THE



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1 HOMELESS COUNT. AND SO, YOU KNOW, IF IT TRENDS THE WAY IT DID  
2 LAST TIME, WE PUT TWO IN HOUSING, AND ONE ENDS UP ON THE  
3 STREET. AND SO WE ARE LITERALLY DOG PADDLING AS IT RELATES TO  
4 THIS. AND SO I THINK, AND AMY, I KNOW THIS IS A GREAT REPORT,  
5 BUT I THINK WHAT I'M HEARING FROM MY COLLEAGUES, COLLEAGUE, IS  
6 THAT IT IS TIME -- THIS REPORT IS -- YEAH.

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** SO, MADAM CHAIR, AND WE CAN CERTAINLY  
9 COME BACK WITH THAT. I THINK, AT THE LAST MEETING, THERE WERE  
10 TWO BOARD MEMBERS WHO SPECIFICALLY ASKED FOR US TO BRING BACK  
11 THE BARRIERS AND TALK ABOUT THEM HERE, BUT WE COULD CERTAINLY  
12 SKIP. AMY COULD MOVE ON TO LEGISLATION, BUT I THINK IT IS ALSO  
13 IMPORTANT TO TALK ABOUT WHAT, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, WE  
14 ARE DOING TO STREAM LINE AND MOVE THINGS VERY QUICKLY.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT'S WHAT WE WANT TO HEAR.

17

18 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** AND AMY, IF YOU WANT TO SKIP TO THAT.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ASKING ABOUT BECAUSE WE  
21 KNOW --

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** SHE IS ALSO GOING TO GET INTO THAT. SO IF  
24 YOU WANT TO JUST SKIP FORWARD ABOUT THE STREAMLINING.

25



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1 **AMY BODEK:** CERTAINLY, I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT AND REMIND  
2 YOU OF THE ORDINANCES THAT WE ARE WORKING ON WHICH YOU WILL  
3 SEE THIS YEAR. AND SO ONE OF THOSE IS THE INCLUSIONARY  
4 ORDINANCE WHICH WILL BE, FRANKLY, IT REQUIRES C.E.Q.A. AND  
5 THAT IS ONE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASKS IS TO REALLY WORK WITH THE  
6 SACRAMENTO TEAM TO REDUCE OUR BARRIERS RELATED TO C.E.Q.A. BUT  
7 AS YOU KNOW, THE INCLUSIONARY ORDINANCE WILL BE PROCEEDING  
8 THIS YEAR AND WILL BE AT YOUR BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE  
9 END OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR. AND THAT WILL AFFECT ALL HOUSING  
10 PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY. WE ARE ALSO  
11 WORKING ON AN INTERIM AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IMPORTANCE THAT  
12 WILL ALLOW US TO DEVELOP THESE PROJECT BY RIGHT. AND THAT IS  
13 NEW TO THE COUNTY. THAT IS VERY NEW TO THE COUNTY. THAT WILL  
14 ALSO BE BEFORE YOU BY THE END OF THIS YEAR. WE ARE WORKING ON  
15 A -- AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRESERVATION ORDINANCE, WHICH IS  
16 ESSENTIALLY A NO-NET LOSS ORDINANCE. AGAIN, THAT WILL BE TO  
17 YOU BY THE END OF THIS YEAR. THAT WILL ALLOW US TO MAKE SURE  
18 THAT THERE'S NO NET LOSS OF THE NATURALLY-OCCURRING AFFORDABLE  
19 HOUSING. AND THEN --

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN THAT BY EXPEDITED? YOU SAY THE END OF  
22 THE YEAR, IS THERE A REASON WHY IT TAKES LONGER?

23



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1 **AMY BODEK:** C.E.Q.A. SHORT AND SIMPLE, C.E.Q.A. IF WE HAD  
2 C.E.Q.A. EXEMPTIONS FOR ALL OF THESE ORDINANCES, OUR LIFE  
3 WOULD BE IMMENSELY EASIER.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I'M STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW THIS --  
6 WE SUPPORTED SANTIAGO'S LEGISLATION, AND WE THOUGHT IT WAS  
7 COUNTY, AND IT WAS FOR THE CITY.

8

9 **AMY BODEK:** I CAN TALK ABOUT THAT AS WELL. WE ARE ALSO DOING AN  
10 ACTUAL BY RIGHT ORDINANCE WHICH WILL ALLOW MULTIFAMILY IN  
11 CERTAIN ZONES WITHOUT C.U.P.S AND, FRANKLY, WITHOUT HEARINGS.  
12 LAST WEEK, OR TWO WEEKS AGO, YOU APPROVED THE COMPACT LOT  
13 SUBDIVISION, WHICH ALLOWS YOU TO DO A SMALL SUBDIVISION OF UP  
14 TO 8 LOTS. WE HAVE REDUCED THE SIZE OF THE MINIMUM LOT. SO YOU  
15 NO LONGER NEED A 5,000 SQUARE FOOT SINGLE FAMILY LOT. WE HAVE  
16 REDUCED THAT SIZE TO TRY TO ENCOURAGE IN FILL IN SINGLE FAMILY  
17 NEIGHBORHOODS. WE HAVE THE DENSITY BONUS ORDINANCE YOU JUST  
18 APPROVED, AND THEN WE HAVE SOME SPECIFIC PLANS THAT ARE ON  
19 THEIR WAY, WHICH ARE ALSO ENCOURAGING MULTIFAMILY DENSITY  
20 UNITS IN T.O.D. AREAS. AND THEN LASTLY, OUR A.D.U. ORDINANCES.  
21 AND I'M GOING TO SWITCH TO -- THAT IS ON LEGISLATIVE ASKS. I  
22 AM GOING TO SWITCH TO OTHER ADDITIONAL STREAMLINING  
23 APPROACHES. ONE IS FORM-BASED CODES. THIS WOULD TAKE A LITTLE  
24 BIT FOR US TO IMPLEMENT, BUT WE COULD THEORETICALLY PROPOSE A  
25 FORM-BASED CODE THAT WOULD ALLOW SUPPORTIVE HOUSING



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1 DEVELOPMENTS IF THEY WERE WITHIN A CERTAIN ENVELOPE, A HEIGHT,  
2 SET-BACK, AND DENSITY, TO JUST GET APPROVED WITHIN A SET TIME  
3 FRAME. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE COULD ABSOLUTELY LOOK AT. AND  
4 WE'RE LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN EXEMPT PROJECTS FROM TITLE 22. AS  
5 A COUNTY, WE HAVE SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY ON OUR OWN PROPERTY OR ON  
6 OUR OWN PROJECTS. WE DO NOT HAVE THAT ABILITY TO EXEMPT OTHER  
7 PROJECTS FROM TITLE 22. SO IF IT IS A PRIVATE DEVELOPER WHO IS  
8 PROPOSING IT, THEY HAVE TO COMPLY WITH TITLE 22. IF THERE'S A  
9 WAY THAT WE CAN LOOK TO EXEMPT THEM FROM THOSE REQUIREMENTS IF  
10 THEY CAN MEET CERTAIN BASE THRESHOLDS, WE WOULD BE LOOKING TO  
11 DO THAT AS WELL. THAT'S THE SAME FOR ENVELOPE REQUIREMENTS.  
12 ESTABLISH THE ENVELOPE OF A DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, WHAT YOU PUT  
13 IN IT, WE DON'T CARE, AND THAT WOULD KIND OF SPEED IT THROUGH  
14 AND RELINQUISH SOME OF THOSE BARRIERS TO TITLE 22. ONE OF THE  
15 THINGS THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON HAS BEEN GUARANTEED TIME  
16 LINES ENTITLEMENTS AND PERMITS. WE CURRENTLY DO THAT FOR  
17 CERTAIN TYPES OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, MOSTLY A.D.U.S. BUT  
18 THERE IS NEW STATE LAW THAT WOULD EXPAND THAT TO OTHER TYPES  
19 OF HOUSING, AND I THINK WE COULD GO FURTHER. PROVIDED THEY ARE  
20 IN THE RIGHT ZONE, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TURN THOSE PROJECTS  
21 AROUND MUCH FASTER THAN WE DO NOW. ONCE AN A.D.U. FOR EXAMPLE,  
22 ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT, NOW HAS TO BE APPROVED 60 DAYS THE  
23 MINUTE THAT APPLICATION IS COMPLETED. SO WHEN THEY COME IN TO  
24 PLANNING, 60 DAYS LATER, THEY ARE DONE WITH US, THEN THEY HAVE  
25 TO GO TO PUBLIC WORKS TO GET THEIR BUILDING AND SAFETY





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1 PERMITS, THEIR SEWER CONNECTIONS, THOSE SORTS OF THINGS. THEY  
2 HAVE COMMITTED TO TIME LINES AS WELL FOR REVIEWING THESE  
3 A.D.U. PROJECTS AND GETTING THE PERMITS ISSUED. ONE OF THE  
4 IDEAS THAT DID COME UP SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO INTERIM HOUSING  
5 AND SHELTERS IS TO COME UP WITH A MASTER AGREEMENT LIST FOR  
6 ON-CALL CONTRACTORS AND ON-CALL SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT WE  
7 COULD HAVE THAT BENCH ESTABLISHED. SO WHEN A SHELTER SITE IS  
8 LOCATED, WE JUST CAN PICK FROM THAT LIST THOSE PROVIDERS, AND  
9 WE HAVE A CONTRACTOR ALREADY ON BOARD SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO  
10 START THIS PROCUREMENT PROCESS OVER AND OVER AGAIN EVERY  
11 SINGLE TIME WE DECIDE TO DO A SHELTER OR INTERIM HOUSING  
12 PROJECT. GOING TO THE NEXT SLIDE, WHICH IS THE LEGISLATIVE  
13 ASKS, THERE HAS TO BE AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT ONE SIZE DOES NOT  
14 FIT ALL IN L.A. COUNTY, AND I THINK THAT HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE  
15 IN OUR STATE LEGISLATURE, AND, FRANKLY, THERE ARE TOO MANY  
16 CONFLICTING STATE LAWS. JUST ON ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS  
17 ALONE, THERE WERE FIVE NEW STATE LAWS JUST ON A.D.U.S THAT  
18 TOOK EFFECT JANUARY 1, AND ALL 5 OF THEM CONFLICT WITH EACH  
19 OTHER. SO WHEN YOU HAVE A PLANNING DEPARTMENT TRYING TO  
20 STREAMLINE AND TRYING TO GET THESE THINGS OUT WITHIN 60 DAYS,  
21 YET WE CANNOT FIGURE OUT WHICH LEGISLATION TAKES PRIORITY OVER  
22 THE OTHER LEGISLATIVE BILL, IT IS A PROBLEM FOR US. WE HAVE  
23 SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL RIGHT NOW WHO ARE WORKING THROUGH THESE  
24 ISSUES WITH US, BUT THAT IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE OF THE ASK THAT  
25 WE HAVE OF SACRAMENTO.



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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, AMY.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO I HAVE A QUESTION, GIVEN WHAT IS HAPPENING IN  
5 THE LEGISLATURE RIGHT NOW IN S.B. 50, DO ANY OF THESE CRITERIA  
6 HELP US ACHIEVE?

7

8 **AMY BODEK:** S.B. 50 IS AN EXAMPLE OF ONE SIZE FITS ALL. IT  
9 REALLY WORKS IN CERTAIN AREAS, BUT WOULD NOT WORK IN CERTAIN  
10 OTHER AREAS OF L.A. COUNTY. AND SO THAT HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE  
11 FOR EVERYONE IN THE STATE TO GRAPPLE WITH AS TO HOW TO TAKE  
12 S.B. 50 AND IMPLEMENT IT WITHOUT HAVING UNINTENDED NEGATIVE  
13 CONSEQUENCES FOR THE NEXT 50 YEARS FOR CERTAIN AREAS. S.B. 50  
14 IS GREAT WHEN IT IS IN A MORE URBAN CORE. IT GETS A LITTLE  
15 DICEY IN MY OPINION WHEN WE GET INTO THE SUBURBAN AREAS, BUT  
16 IT CERTAINLY DOES NOT WORK FOR SOME OF OUR RURAL AREAS WITHIN  
17 THE COUNTY.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO YOUR REMEDIES HERE --

20

21 **AMY BODEK:** OUR REMEDIES HERE ARE TO, FRANKLY, WORK WITH THEM  
22 TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THOSE THRESHOLDS NEED TO BE IN ORDER TO  
23 HAVE SOMETHING LIKE S.B. 50 WORK. S.B. 50 HAD SOME FABULOUS  
24 CRITERIA IN IT THAT COULD HAVE BEEN A BOON TO THE COUNTY, BUT  
25 IT COULD HAVE ALSO BEEN DISASTROUS TO CERTAIN OTHER AREAS OF



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1 THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY. SO THAT IS THE ONE SIZE DOES NOT  
2 FIT ALL.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** ON THE A.D.U.S, SINCE WE PASSED OUR INITIATIVE  
7 ABOUT A.D.U.S, HOW MANY A.D.U.S HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY  
8 COMPLETED?

9

10 **AMY BODEK:** SO OUR A.D.U. ORDINANCE IS NULL AND VOID AS OF  
11 JANUARY 1. SO THE A.D.U. ORDINANCE THAT WE BROUGHT TO YOU LAST  
12 YEAR RESULTED IN, I WANT TO SAY, AROUND 600 A.D.U.S. OUR  
13 VOLUME INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** WE HAVE 600 COMPLETED?

16

17 **AMY BODEK:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** ARE THEY ANYWHERE ON THE MAP?

20

21 **AMY BODEK:** THEY ARE NOT. A.D.U.S ARE NOT ON THE MAP. WE CAN  
22 CERTAINLY DO THAT AS WELL. WE DO HAVE THAT INFORMATION, WHERE  
23 THEY WERE ENTITLED AND WHERE THEY WERE PERMITTED AND BY YEAR.  
24 AND SO, WHEN WE FIRST WERE DOING A.D.U.S, WE WERE DOING MAYBE  
25 A HUNDRED OR SO A YEAR, BUT IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, IT



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1 HAS RAMPED UP. WE ACTUALLY HAVE TWO FULL TIME STAFF WHO ONLY  
2 DO A.D.U. APPROVALS. THAT'S ALL THEY DO.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** AND NOW, THAT HAS COME TO A HALT?

5

6 **AMY BODEK:** THAT HAS NOT COME TO A HALT. WE ARE NOW LEARNING  
7 NEW A.D.U. RULES. WE FALL UNDER THE STATE LAW, ALL FIVE OF  
8 THEM, UNTIL WE CAN MODIFY OUR LOCAL ORDINANCE. THERE WERE  
9 CERTAIN THINGS IN OUR LOCAL ORDINANCE THAT WERE INCREDIBLY  
10 IMPORTANT TO THE COUNTY, LIKE NOT ALLOWING THEM IN VERY HIGH  
11 FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES. THE NEW STATE LAW DOES NOT  
12 RECOGNIZE THOSE RESTRICTIONS. WE WANT TO ADD THOSE BACK IN  
13 BECAUSE IT WOULD BE OF A CONCERN TO US TO INCREASE DENSITY IN  
14 CERTAIN AREAS.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** SO WE HAVE TO REWRITE OUR ORDINANCE.

17

18 **AMY BODEK:** WE HAVE TO REWRITE OUR ORDINANCE. WE ACTUALLY HIRED  
19 SPECIAL OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO DO THAT WHO SPECIALIZE IN A.D.U.S,  
20 AND THEY PROVIDED US A FIRST DRAFT OF THE ORDINANCE ALREADY.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** WHEN DO YOU THINK THAT WILL COME TO US?

23

24 **AMY BODEK:** IT DEPENDS ON C.E.Q.A. IF WE DON'T HAVE TO DO --  
25 ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, WE HOPE TO GET IT TO THE PLANNING



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1 COMMISSION IN APRIL AND THEN TO THE BOARD THEREAFTER. SO I  
2 WOULD SAY PROBABLY SUMMER.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** SO ARE THE 600 GRANDFATHERED IN?

5

6 **AMY BODEK:** YES, ABSOLUTELY, THEY ARE ALL GRANDFATHERED IN.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM ON A MAP, TOO, NEXT  
9 TIME.

10

11 **AMY BODEK:** WE CAN ABSOLUTELY GET YOU THOSE NUMBERS.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND THE AREA PLAN IS GOING TO BE A GOOD --  
14 I MEAN BECAUSE THE AREA PLAN HAS S.E.A.S AND ALL, SO THAT IS  
15 WHAT WE ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT AS IT RELATES TO WHEN YOU  
16 TALK ABOUT WHERE LEGISLATION WAS SILENT. IT IS STILL GOING TO  
17 INCORPORATE WHAT WE HAVE DONE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH  
18 S.E.A.S.

19

20 **AMY BODEK:** YES, WHERE THERE ARE S.E.A.S, WE WOULD DISCOURAGE  
21 ADDITIONAL A.D.U.S UNLESS THERE WERE CERTAIN CRITERIA THAT  
22 ALREADY EXISTED.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** IN THOSE AREAS, WE ARE PRETTY STRICT ABOUT  
25 WHAT --



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1

2 **AMY BODEK:** IN THE S.E.A.S IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, A SINGLE  
3 FAMILY HOME IS EXEMPT FROM THE S.E.A. ORDINANCE. AND SO THE  
4 A.D.U. WOULD ALSO BE EXEMPT FROM THE S.E.A. ORDINANCE, WHICH  
5 IS SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS. MY BIG ASK TO YOU IS  
6 EXEMPTION FROM C.E.Q.A. FOR THE HOUSING ELEMENT. THIS WOULD BE  
7 A TREMENDOUS BOON TO EVERYONE WITHIN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.  
8 WE ALL HAVE TO DO OUR HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATES. THERE ARE SIX  
9 COUNTIES IN THE S.C.A.G. REGION THAT ARE SCHEDULED TO DO THEIR  
10 HOUSING ELEMENT NOW. WE HAVE RECEIVED OUR R.E.N.A. NUMBERS  
11 ALREADY. WE WILL HAVE TO RE-ZONE FOR ACCOMMODATING THESE  
12 UNITS.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** IS THIS THE ONE THAT IS GOING THROUGH  
15 S.C.A.G.?

16

17 **AMY BODEK:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** DID YOU HEAR THAT? WE HAVE TO REZONE TO  
20 ACCOMMODATE THE R.E.N.A. THAT THE STATE'S MANDATING DOWN HERE.  
21 AND WE HAVE GOT 7 YEARS?

22

23 **AMY BODEK:** WE HAVE 8 YEARS, BUT THE REZONING HAS TO BE  
24 COMPLETED WITHIN THREE YEARS, AND YOU HAVE TO IDENTIFY ALL OF  
25 YOUR AVAILABLE SITES AND WHAT THE ZONING WOULD BE BY THE TIME



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1 YOU SUBMIT YOUR HOUSING ELEMENT NEXT YEAR. SO YOU BASICALLY  
2 HAVE TO PRE-REZONE, AND, BECAUSE OF THAT, WE WILL HAVE TO DO A  
3 FULL E.I.R.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY.

6

7 **AMY BODEK:** HAPPY TO TALK TO YOU MORE ABOUT THAT ONE.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHY DON'T WE GO AHEAD AND, IF YOU WANT TO  
10 WRAP IT UP --

11

12 **AMY BODEK:** MONEY, ADVOCATE FOR MORE MONEY, AND MY PARTNERS  
13 HERE CAN TALK ABOUT THAT BOTH AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL.  
14 I'M HAPPY TO ADDRESS DISCUSSION ITEMS ON BARRIERS AND WHAT WE  
15 ARE DOING. WE ARE ACTUALLY DOING A LOT. YOU HAVE ACTUALLY  
16 DIRECTED US TO DO A LOT. SO HOPEFULLY YOU WILL SEE THAT COME  
17 TO FRUITION THIS YEAR.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** JERRY RAMIREZ IS GOING TO QUICKLY GO  
22 OVER, IT IS JUST A ONE SLIDE, I THINK LAST TIME THERE WAS A  
23 QUESTION ABOUT THE COST PER INTERIM HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE  
24 HOUSING, SO HE WILL GO QUICKLY THROUGH THE SLIDE.

25



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1 **JERRY RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU, SACHI. AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE ARE  
2 FOUR TYPES OF HOUSING. WE HAVE INTERIM HOUSING, RAPID  
3 REHOUSING, SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, PROJECT-BASED SUPPORTIVE  
4 HOUSING, TENANT-BASED. AND WE JUST WANTED TO GIVE YOU AN  
5 UPDATE ON THE AVERAGE COST FOR OPERATING AND FOR CAPITAL FOR  
6 EACH OF THE HOUSING TYPES. AS YOU CAN SEE FOR INTERIM HOUSING,  
7 THE COST FOR AN INDIVIDUAL IS \$20,000 PER BED PER YEAR, AS  
8 COMPARED TO A FAMILY, WHERE IT IS A LITTLE OVER \$31,000 PER  
9 UNIT, PER YEAR TO HOUSE A FAMILY IN INTERIM SHELTER. FOR  
10 CAPITAL ONE TIME IF IT IS NEEDED TO BUILD THIS INTERIM  
11 SHELTER, THE AVERAGE COST IS ABOUT \$75,000 PER UNIT. SO RAPID  
12 REHOUSING, WHICH IS PERMANENT HOUSING WITH TIME LIMITED RENTAL  
13 SUBSIDIES AND SERVICES, THE OPERATING COST FOR AN INDIVIDUAL  
14 IS ABOUT \$14,500 PER SLOT PER YEAR, AND FOR A FAMILY, IT IS A  
15 LITTLE BIT OVER \$23,000 PER SLOT PER YEAR. THERE'S NO COST FOR  
16 CAPITAL BECAUSE THESE FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS ARE RENTING  
17 UNITS IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR PROJECT-  
18 BASED, AND THIS IS PERMANENT HOUSING IN DEDICATED UNITS, THE  
19 OPERATING COSTS FOR AN INDIVIDUAL IS A LITTLE BIT OVER \$16,000  
20 PER UNIT PER YEAR, AND THE CAPITAL ONE-TIME COST IS CLOSE TO  
21 \$500,000. FOR A FAMILY, OPERATING COST IN PROJECT-BASED  
22 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IS \$25,000 PER UNIT PER YEAR, AND THAT  
23 CAPITAL ONE-TIME COST IS \$564,000 PER UNIT. FOR SUPPORTIVE  
24 HOUSING TENANT-BASED, THIS IS PERMANENT HOUSING IN THE OPEN  
25 MARKET, THE OPERATING COST FOR INDIVIDUALS IS A LITTLE BIT





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1 OVER \$16,000, AND FOR FAMILIES, IT IS A LITTLE BIT OVER  
2 \$25,000. AGAIN, THERE IS NO CAPITAL COST TO THIS, THE  
3 INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ARE LOCATING UNITS IN THE OPEN  
4 MARKET. THAT'S ALL I HAVE FOR THIS SLIDE.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU. AND WE WILL GO TO THE FINAL  
7 SLIDE, WHICH I THINK WAS REQUESTED LAST TIME ABOUT THE FUNDING  
8 SOURCES FOR BOTH INTERIM AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. SO IN TERMS  
9 OF THIS SLIDE, I WANT TO POINT OUT A COUPLE THINGS. NUMBER  
10 ONE, IT IS PRIMARILY '19/'20 FUNDS, AS I GO ALONG IN IT, I  
11 WILL EXPLAIN. THE TOP SECTION, OPERATING SERVICE FUNDING FOR  
12 FISCAL YEAR '19, THIS IS THE MONEY THAT IS ALLOCATED FOR THE  
13 SERVICES. IT IS NOT CAPITAL COSTS. SO, AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE  
14 IS MONEY COMING IN FROM HEALTH SERVICES, L.A.H.S.A. THAT  
15 SUPPORTS IT, MEASURE H. MONEY, MENTAL HEALTH MONEY, PUBLIC  
16 HEALTH MONEY. AND THEN I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT FROM THE  
17 STATE, WE ALSO GET H.A.P. MONEY, WHICH IS ONE-TIME IN NATURE  
18 BUT CAN GO TOWARD SERVICES. AND SO, FOR THIS -- FOR THIS  
19 PERIOD, IT WOULD BE -- AND WE ARE GOING TO USE THIS MONEY FOR  
20 A THREE-YEAR PERIOD, IT IS ACTUALLY \$65 MILLION. BUT FOR EASE  
21 OF THIS SCREEN, IT IS \$60.6 MILLION THAT IS GOING INTO INTERIM  
22 AND PERMANENT HOUSING. THE OTHER FUNDS ARE GOING INTO OTHER  
23 FUNDS, THE DELTA OF THAT WOULD GO INTO EMPLOYMENT. IN THE NEXT  
24 SECTION IS THE ONGOING CAPITAL FUNDS. AND THE NEXT SECTION IS  
25 REALLY ABOUT THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND, AND THIS IS



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1 THE MONEY WE ARE TRYING TO GET UP TO \$100 MILLION ONGOING  
2 FUNDS EVERY YEAR. FOR FISCAL '19/'20, IT WAS ACTUALLY \$80  
3 MILLION THAT WE HAD APPROPRIATED. HOWEVER, THE DOLLAR AMOUNT,  
4 \$63 MILLION, ACTUALLY REPRESENTS THE BOARD'S POLICY OF 75  
5 PERCENT OF THAT \$80 MILLION GOING INTO THE TRUST FUND, AND  
6 THEN THE REMAINING \$17 MILLION IS RELATED TO OTHER THINGS,  
7 LIKE, FOR L.A.C.D.A. HOUSING PRESERVATION, \$6 MILLION FOR AN  
8 AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACQUISITION FUND, AND FOR SOME VERY MINIMAL  
9 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. SO THAT IS THE SECTION, THE MIDDLE  
10 SECTION. AND THEN THE LAST SECTION IS THE CAPITAL FUNDING  
11 SECTION, AND WE WANTED TO ADD IN BOTH '18/'19, AND '19/'20  
12 BECAUSE PRIMARILY WHERE YOU SEE THE NO PLACE LIKE HOME, THE  
13 SECOND BULLET, WHICH IS \$700 MILLION THAT WAS ALLOCATED FROM  
14 THE STATE, THAT IS THE MENTAL HEALTH MONEY FOR HOUSING, AND  
15 OUT OF THAT MONEY, WE HAVE ONLY RECEIVED FROM THE STATE SO FAR  
16 \$194 MILLION TO DATE. SO IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE  
17 STATE WILL BEGIN ACTUALLY PROVIDING US, THE COUNTIES, WITH THE  
18 ADDITIONAL FUNDS ON A QUARTERLY BASIS AS WE GO INTO THE OUT  
19 YEARS, BUT THAT AMOUNT WAS DESIGNATED. THE LAST THING THAT WE  
20 DID NOT PUT ON THE SLIDE, AGAIN, I WAS JUST TRYING TO SHOW THE  
21 '19/'20 BUDGET, BUT, AS YOU KNOW, THE GOVERNOR THIS YEAR  
22 ALLOCATED \$750 MILLION OF ONE-TIME FUNDS. AND WE ARE CURRENTLY  
23 WORKING WITH BOTH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AS WELL AS THE  
24 LEGISLATURE TO TRY AND GET THIS MONEY TO COME DIRECTLY TO THE  
25 COUNTIES OR A COMBINATION OF THE COUNTY AND THE C.O.C.S AND



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1 RIGHT NOW, THE WAY IT IS DESIGNATED, IT WOULD GO TOWARD AN  
2 OUTSIDE PROVIDER LIKE OUR BRILLIANT CORNER'S PROVIDER, VERSUS  
3 THE COUNTY AND/OR THE C.O.C. SO JUST BE AWARE, WE ARE WORKING  
4 WITH THE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE RIGHT NOW AS  
5 THE STATE'S BUDGET PROCESS GOES THROUGH, BUT THIS IS JUST A  
6 SUMMARY OF, AGAIN, THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. AND, MADAM CHAIR, AND  
7 THEN IF THERE'S NOTHING ELSE WITH RESPECT TO THE BUDGET, THE  
8 LAST PIECE OF IT WAS JUST THE UPDATE ON THE PRIVATE SECTOR  
9 HOUSING EXPERT AND ALSO THE COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH  
10 COMPANY. AND SO I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE HAD  
11 POSTED THE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ON JANUARY 9TH, AND WE  
12 CLOSED THAT ON JANUARY 31ST. WE HAVE RECEIVED 5 QUALIFICATION  
13 PACKAGES, AND WE WILL GO THROUGH PUTTING TOGETHER A SELECTION  
14 PANEL, AND BY THE NEXT UPDATE, FOR YOUR BOARD, WE'RE HOPEFUL  
15 THAT SOMEBODY WILL BE SELECTED. AND WE COULD ANNOUNCE THAT AT  
16 YOUR NEXT MEETING. AND THAT CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION, MADAM  
17 CHAIR.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'M GOING READ IN A MOTION ON  
20 BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND IT IS COAUTHORED WITH  
21 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IT IS GOING TO BE INCLUDED, AND THEN  
22 WE WILL CALL PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. MOTELS HAVE BECOME  
23 A CRITICAL REAL ESTATE COMPONENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S  
24 EFFORTS TO TRANSITION INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WHO ARE  
25 CURRENTLY LIVING ON THE STREETS, IN CARS, AND RECREATIONAL



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1 VEHICLES INTO SAFE INTERIM HOUSING. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT  
2 THE COUNTY IS STRATEGICALLY UTILIZING THE AVAILABLE MOTEL  
3 STOCK, MASTER LEASING IS ENVISIONED TO BE AN EFFICIENT,  
4 DEPENDABLE, AND COST EFFICIENT WAY OF FACILITATING ACCESS TO  
5 THIS POTENTIAL SOURCE OF INTERIM HOUSING. HOWEVER TO DATE, FEW  
6 MOTELS HAVE BEEN MASTER LEASED NONPROFIT SERVICE PROVIDERS  
7 PUTTING HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE CONTRACTED WITH  
8 THE COUNTY OR LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICE AUTHORITY FOR  
9 INTERIM AND CRISIS HOUSING IN THE POSITION OF HAVING TO RENT  
10 HOTELS AT A HIGHER NIGHTLY RATE. AN OPPORTUNITY TO INCENTIVIZE  
11 MOTEL OWNERS TO MASTER LEASE TO SERVICE PROVIDERS ALL OR A  
12 PORTION OF THEIR UNITS MAY BE TO PROVIDE GRANT FUNDING TO  
13 COMPLETE NECESSARY -- YEAH. HABITABILITY AND DEFERRED  
14 MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS THAT WILL MAKE THE PROPERTY SUITABLE  
15 FOR INTERIM HOUSING. THIS COULD INCLUDE PAINTING, PEST AND  
16 MOLD REMOVAL, UPDATING THE HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING  
17 SYSTEMS, THE INSTALLATION OF NEW FLOORING, SECURITY FENCING,  
18 AND OTHER RELATED IMPROVEMENTS THAT THE OWNER WOULD BE  
19 INCLINED OR ABLE TO FINANCE INDEPENDENTLY. \$3 MILLION OF  
20 MEASURE H FUNDS WERE ALLOCATED IN FISCAL 2019/2020 TO SUPPORT  
21 THE MASTER LEASE OF HOTELS FOR INTERIM HOUSING AND A PORTION  
22 COULD BE ALLOCATED TO OPERATIONALIZE A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
23 PROGRAM FOR INTERIM HOUSING AT MOTELS TO FACILITATE THIS  
24 OBJECTIVE. WE, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
25 DIRECT THE C.E.O.'S HOMELESS INITIATIVE IN COORDINATION WITH



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1 THE LOS ANGELES HOMELESS AUTHORITY AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT  
2 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO CREATE A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR  
3 INTERIM HOUSING AT MOTELS TO FUND HABITABILITY AND DEFERRED  
4 MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS CONTINGENT UPON THE MOTEL OWNER'S  
5 COMMITMENT TO MASTER LEASE UNITS FOR THE PROVISION OF INTERIM  
6 HOUSING AND DEVELOP GUIDELINES AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR  
7 THE PROGRAM TO BE SUBMITTED AS A MEMO TO THE BOARD OF  
8 SUPERVISORS BY MARCH 31, 2020, FOR POTENTIAL ADOPTION  
9 THEREAFTER WHICH WOULD INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, A  
10 MAXIMUM PER UNIT INVESTMENT, SCOPE OF ALLOWABLE IMPROVEMENTS,  
11 LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR ENSURING THAT RECEIPT OF GRANT FUNDING IS  
12 CONTINGENT UPON MASTER LEASING THE UNITS FOR INTERIM HOUSING  
13 FOR A MINIMUM TERM THROUGH A SERVICE PROVIDER THAT IS  
14 CONTRACTED THROUGH L.A.H.S.A. OR THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE SUCH  
15 SERVICES AND THE PROPOSED PORTION OF AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR THE  
16 PROGRAM AS WELL AS THE PROPOSED PORTION OF FUNDS RECOMMENDED  
17 TO BE SET ASIDE TO MASTER LEASE THE UNITS. THIS IS ON THE  
18 TABLE AND CAN BE VOTED ON TODAY. IT IS A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR  
19 HAHN AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. OH, YOU WANT IT FOR NEXT  
20 WEEK?

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** NEXT WEEK.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOU WANT IT FOR NEXT WEEK? OKAY. ALL  
25 RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?



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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I NOTICED THAT IN THE  
3 DIRECTIVES, IT INDICATED THAT WE WOULD WORK TO CREATE A  
4 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT OR PROGRAM FOR INTERIM AND SUPPORTIVE  
5 HOUSING, WHICH I BELIEVE IS THE INTENT. AND I WONDER IF YOU  
6 MIGHT, IF THE AUTHORS MIGHT BE WILLING TO CHANGE THE TITLE SO  
7 THAT PEOPLE -- OKAY, SORRY, YOU ARE WAY AHEAD OF ME, THANKS.  
8 SO INTERIM AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NOTED, AND IT WILL BE CORRECTED ON THE  
11 AGENDA.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU BECAUSE SOMETIMES, PEOPLE JUST LOOK AT  
14 SOMETHING, AND THEY THINK THAT IS IT.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, FIRST OF ALL, I REALLY DO APPRECIATE  
17 YOU ALL BEING HERE. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
18 SIGNED UP ON THIS ITEM COME FORWARD.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, WOULD DR. GENEVIEVE  
21 CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN, HERMAN HERMAN, GLORIA MITCHELL, JOHNNY  
22 SIGHT, PATRICIA MCALLISTER, AND WAYNE SPINDLER PLEASE COME  
23 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, FIRST SPEAKER? HI, GO AHEAD.  
2 YOU'RE ON.

3

4 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCALLISTER HERE. I JUST CANNOT  
5 BELIEVE, AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, YOU ARE STILL TALKING ABOUT  
6 THE HOMELESS, AND YOU HAVEN'T DONE A DOG GONE THING. THESE  
7 MEETINGS, YOU MEET ONCE A WEEK. AND YOU COME IN WITH THIS PONY  
8 DOG SHOW. I DON'T KNOW WHERE ALL THE MONEY IS GOING THAT YOU  
9 HAVE GOTTEN, IF WE HAD 30,000 WHITE FOLKS, OR HISPANICS,  
10 LATINOS, ASIANS, OR FILIPINOS ON THE STREET, THIS WOULD BE AN  
11 EMERGENCY. BUT YOU HAVE GOT MY PEOPLE ON THE STREET, AFRICAN-  
12 AMERICANS. WE BUILT THIS COTTON PICKING NATION, AND YOU'VE GOT  
13 THEM ON THE STREET SUFFERING. AND YOU ARE JUST TAKING YOUR  
14 TIME, COMING IN HERE EVERY WEEK. OH, LET'S TALK ABOUT THIS.  
15 THIS IS AN EMERGENCY. MY PEOPLE ARE ON THE STREET, AND THEY  
16 ARE DYING. ONE DIED RIGHT ON THE STEPS OF CITY HALL RIGHT  
17 BEFORE NEW YEAR'S. A THOUSAND ARE DYING A YEAR ON THE STREET.  
18 AND YOU KNOW IT IS COLD OUT THERE NOW, AND YOU KNOW THEY ARE  
19 FREEZING. THEY ARE HUNGRY. AND YOU ARE SITTING UP HERE AND  
20 MEETING ONCE A WEEK, AND I'VE SEEN MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IN THE  
21 MOVIE THEATER DURING THE WEEKDAY DURING THE AFTERNOON. SO  
22 YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO YOUR JOB. WE NEED AN INDEPENDENT  
23 AUDIT OF THIS MONEY, WHERE ALL OF THIS MONEY IS GOING. I SAW A  
24 DISPLAY HERE, YOU WANT MORE MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.  
25 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULDN'T GIVE YOU ONE DIME. MY



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1 QUESTION IS, AND I KNOW THE ANSWER, HOW DID WE GET SO MANY  
2 AFRICAN-AMERICANS ON THE STREET? WE GOT THEM ON THE STREET  
3 BECAUSE THE SERVICE AGENCIES, P.A.T.H. AND THE REST OF THEM,  
4 THEY SENT AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO SKID ROW. THEY SENT EVERYBODY  
5 ELSE TO THE COMMUNITIES. THAT'S HOW WE GOT SO MANY ON THE  
6 STREET, AND IT IS STILL GOING ON. YOU HAVEN'T DONE A DARN  
7 THING ABOUT IT. PLUS, YOU CAN GO TO P.A.T.H. OR AGENCIES AND  
8 FIND BEDS. THEY HOLD BEDS. I'VE GOT PROOF OF THIS. THEY HOLD  
9 IT. THAT'S WHY THEY'RE NOT GOING TO -- SHE WAS ASKING WHY  
10 DON'T YOU PUT IT ON THE WEB WHAT IS AVAILABLE. THEY ARE  
11 HOLDING IT. THIS IS A SICK SYSTEM YOU ARE RUNNING HERE, AND  
12 YOU GUYS NEED TO MEET AT LEAST TWICE A WEEK. YOU CANNOT SOLVE  
13 THIS MEETING ONCE A WEEK, 7 OR 8 HOURS.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

16

17 **GLORIA MITCHELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M DR. GLORIA SHELL MITCHELL  
18 FROM JOY YOUTH SERVICES, A NONPROFIT THAT A LITTLE YEAR AGO,  
19 OPENED MINISHELL, WHICH IS A TRANSITIONAL HOUSE FOR HOMELESS  
20 WOMEN. WELL, WHAT I DID WAS IT TOOK ME SIX MONTHS TO FIND A  
21 PLACE. AND, IN FINDING THAT PLACE, I FOUND OUT THERE WERE LOT  
22 OF PLACES AVAILABLE, AND I OPENED THE HOUSE, AND I HAVE BEDS  
23 AVAILABLE. PEOPLE COME AND THEY LOOK. I GOT NO REFERRALS. I  
24 HAVE GOT EMPTY BEDS. AND MANY TIMES I GET THE PEOPLE THAT I  
25 REALLY HOUSE RIGHT NOW ARE THOSE FROM RE-ENTRY AND SUBSTANCE





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1 ABUSE AND CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS, BUT I ALSO HAVE SOME OTHERS  
2 THAT I HAVE INVITED TO COME IN. THEY'VE COME IN OFF THE BUS  
3 STOP AND OTHER PLACES, AND THEY SAY THAT THEY GO OUT LOOKING  
4 FOR FUNDING BECAUSE THEY CAN'T AFFORD THE RENT. G.R. WILL NOT  
5 ALLOW THEM TO BE ABLE TO PAY THE RENT, AND YET THEY'RE TOLD  
6 THERE ARE NO FUNDS AVAILABLE. THAT'S YOUNG PEOPLE, YOUNG WOMEN  
7 WHO ARE IN THEIR 20S. THEY ARE CONSIDERED -- THEY'RE CALLED  
8 T.A.Y. SO I UNDERSTOOD THAT THAT WAS A PRIORITY. I WENT OUT TO  
9 HELP THEM, AND I NEED SOME HELP BECAUSE I HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANY  
10 FUNDING, SO I'M ASKING YOU TO MAKE THIS SYSTEM, WE AS  
11 PROVIDERS, CAN -- [ MULTIPLE PEOPLE TALKING ].

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** WHERE IS YOUR DISTRICT?

14

15 **GLORIA MITCHELL:** I'M IN DISTRICT TWO. I'VE CONTACTED KAREN  
16 BASS AND OTHERS, OTHER SUPERVISORS, NOT JUST MY OWN. I'M  
17 SAYING WE NEED SOME HELP, AND IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE  
18 GET IT. I HAVE 20 BEDS IN THIS FACILITY, A BRAND-NEW HOUSE,  
19 AND WE REALLY WANT TO BE ABLE TO KEEP IT OPEN. AND MY  
20 RETIREMENT FUNDS WON'T CONTINUE --

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. CAN YOU CALL SOME  
23 MORE NAMES, PLEASE.

24



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OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD ARNOLD SACHS, MARY JACOBS, AND DR.  
2 MELLO DESIRE PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER

5

6 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SEE THE WHOLE PICTURE? THE WHOLE PICTURE IS IN  
7 WORDS. TWO HOURS OF A PRESENTATION DOESN'T TELL NOTHING,  
8 NOTHING MORE BUT A SORRY BUNCH OF HOPELESS INDIVIDUALS. AND  
9 YOU WANT ME TO STAND HERE AND BE POLITE AND SENSITIVE. WELL,  
10 WHAT ABOUT MY RETRIBUTION TO THIS WORLD? WHAT HAVE YOU DONE  
11 FOR ME, MS. HAHN? WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO FOR ME? I'M NOT THE  
12 ONE HERE WHO IS SICK. IT IS JEFF PROCTER WHO IS SICK, TALKING  
13 ABOUT 59,000 PEOPLE WHO LIVE ON OUR STREETS DAILY, AND THAT  
14 DOES NOT INCLUDE THE ONES THAT SLEEP IN THE VEHICLES, OR SLEEP  
15 IN MY HOUSE, OR SLEEP IN THE PARK. BUT SHAME ON ME, HUH. THAT  
16 REASON BEN CARSON IS HERE IS BECAUSE I SENT HIM THOSE LETTERS  
17 TWO YEARS AGO REGARDING THE ISSUE ON HOMELESS CRISIS. THE  
18 WHOLE PICTURE, THE LEGEND, THAT YOU PUT UP ON THIS BOARD,  
19 NOTHING BUT LIES. AND WHO IS SUFFERING? HUMANITY, MANKIND. AND  
20 I HAVE TO WITNESS IT DURING MY TIME IN THIS [EXPLETIVE] WORLD.  
21 (OFF-MIC COMMENTS).

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

24



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1    **JOHNNY SIGHT:** THANK YOU, BOARD, FOR ALLOWING THE COMMUNITY TO  
2    BE ABLE TO COME OUT HERE PUBLICLY. I AM HOPEFUL THAT THAT WILL  
3    HELP TO GET MORE PEOPLE, SUCH AS MYSELF, GRASSROOTS PEOPLE. MY  
4    NAME IS JOHNNY SIGHT. I GREW UP IN THIS COMMUNITY. I HAVE BEEN  
5    HERE FOR 40-PLUS YEARS, DIGGING DEEP. I'M 60 YEARS OLD. SO, OF  
6    COURSE, WHEN I GRADUATED, I WAS HOMELESS FROM DISTRICT NINE  
7    SCHOOL, THOMAS JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL, WHEN I FOLLOWED THE FOOT  
8    STEPS OF RONALD BUNCH, U.C.L.A. AND SO FORTH, BECAME AN  
9    ENGINEER, WORKED IN THE INDUSTRY. AND I'VE BEEN BACK, BACK AND  
10   FORTH MENTORING KIDS. BOTTOM LINE IS THERE WERE PROGRAMS LIKE  
11   C.E.D.A. WHEN I CAME UP. ALL OF THAT STUFF WENT AWAY, NO MORE  
12   SUPPORTING THE YOUTH, ESPECIALLY AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEN. I  
13   CANNOT EVEN FIND PEOPLE TO HIRE AT MY COMPANY TO WORK FOR ME.  
14   I CAME DOWN IN THE (INDISCERNIBLE) FOR EXAMPLE, WE HIRED  
15   SUMMER INTERNSHIPS, AND EVERYTHING WAS FINE, BUT THE MAJORITY  
16   WERE HISPANIC, A LITTLE BIT MORE ENTHUSIASTIC. WE NEED  
17   PROGRAMS THAT HELP OUR BLACK MEN AND BLACK WOMEN. I JUST WANT  
18   TO SAY, I AM OUT OF DISTRICT 9 AND VERY THANKFUL. I LIVE NEAR  
19   SOUTH PARK. VERY THANKFUL, CURREN PRICE, WHAT WE DID, BRAND  
20   NEW PARK. WE NEED TO SAVE MONEY AND RESOURCES ON EDUCATING OUR  
21   KIDS, MAKING THEM EMPLOYABLE, GETTING OUT OF -- HAVE A BRIDGE  
22   FOR INCARCERATION, PREVENT THEM AND HELP THEM GET OUT OF  
23   HOMELESSNESS, STAY OUT OF HOMELESSNESS, GET THE  
24   REHABILITATION, THE TRAINING THEY NEED. WE NEED AN OVERSIGHT  
25   COMMITTEE OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT TO INDEPENDENTLY MAKE SURE



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1 YOU GUYS ARE NOT WASTING MONEY, WASTEFUL SPENDING. YOU HAVE  
2 BEEN TALKING ON THIS STUFF SINCE I HAVE LIVED HERE FOR 60  
3 YEARS, SAME OLD BUSINESS. WE NEED LONG TERM, POSITIVE,  
4 CORRECTIVE ACTION.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. THANK  
7 YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

8

9 **MARY JACOBS:** MY NAME IS MARY JACOBS. I AM THE DEFENDANT IN B.  
10 C. 710605 L.A. COUNTY AND THE PEOPLE OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA V.  
11 MARY JACOBS. I AM A HOMELESS PERSON AS A DIRECT RESULT OF THIS  
12 ACTION AGAINST ME BECAUSE I WAS HELPING HOMELESS PEOPLE. WHEN  
13 INDIVIDUAL PERSONS LIKE ME, OR THE LADY WAS SAYING THAT THERE  
14 IS EMPTY BEDS, TRY TO DO SOMETHING TO HELP THE HOMELESS, NOT  
15 ONLY DO WE GET NO SUPPORT WHATSOEVER DESPITE THE BEGGING AND  
16 PLEADING, DESPITE AND THE COMMON-SENSE PLAN TO JUST LET ME --  
17 GET MY PLUMBING WORKING, GET MY ELECTRICITY WORKING, LET ME  
18 SAVE THE HOUSE, MY ENTIRE HOUSE EXCEPT FOR ONE PART OF IT WAS  
19 DEMOLISHED. SO HERE I AM, FIVE MONTHS HOMELESS, AND I FOUND A  
20 PLACE TO LIVE, AND I CAN'T QUALIFY BECAUSE I'M BEING  
21 CONSIDERED HOMELESS AND OBVIOUSLY A BAD RISK AND OBVIOUSLY,  
22 OOH, SHE IS CARRYING ONE OF THOSE THINGS, THERE ARE PEOPLE  
23 THAT HAVE BEEN HOMELESS FIVE MONTHS, EVEN THOUGH I HAVE A  
24 COLLEGE DEGREE, EVEN THOUGH I HAVE BEEN A HOME OWNER FOR 18  
25 YEARS, AND BEFORE THAT, FOR ALL MY LIFE, I HAVE NEVER NOT



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1 OWNED A HOME, I CANNOT GET AN APARTMENT. ALL I NEED IS  
2 SOMEBODY TO SIGN FOR ME, AND MY CHILDREN WON'T EVEN SIGN FOR  
3 ME BECAUSE OF THE PREJUDICE AGAINST HOMELESSNESS BECAUSE I'M A  
4 LOSER. AND I FOUND OUT OUT OF THE \$3,200 PER MONTH APARTMENT,  
5 IF YOU DIVIDE IT BY SIX PEOPLE, IT IS LESS THAN \$600 PER  
6 PERSON TO LIVE IN A PRIVATE, BEAUTIFUL APARTMENT. AND I WANT  
7 TO DO IT. I CAN DO IT, AND GUESS WHAT? NOBODY WILL GIVE ME A  
8 CHANCE BECAUSE THEY WILL NOT CO-SIGN FOR ME. THAT'S ALL I  
9 NEED. WHY DOESN'T THE COUNTY CO-SIGN FOR ME SO I CAN GET  
10 PRIVATE APARTMENTS. AND OTHER PEOPLE CAN DO IT. SIX PEOPLE,  
11 EACH GET \$550, THEY CAN DO IT.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS.  
16 TERRIFIC DATA, BUT THERE WAS NO DATA ABOUT ANY OF THE FUNDS  
17 THAT MIGHT BE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, WHICH  
18 WAS ENACTED IN 2012, WITH PREMIUM ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR ALL THE  
19 HOMELESS PEOPLE THAT WERE SIGNED UP, THE PREMIUM ASSISTANCE  
20 FUNDS WOULD HELP WITH THEIR SUPPORTIVE CARE, AND YET WE HAVE  
21 NO DATA ON THAT. THAT WAS A QUICK 20 SECONDS. WHY NOT? THAT IS  
22 MONEY THAT IS NOT BEING SPENT. WHY NOT? WHO HAS THAT MONEY?  
23 YOU JUST GAVE AWAY \$500 MILLION FOR A HOSPITAL THAT YOU HAVE  
24 BEEN HOLDING ON TO FOR TWO YEARS, IN CASH NO LESS. THANK  
25 GOODNESS MY BACKPACK WAS STOLEN A COUPLE MONTHS AGO. DO YOU



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1 KNOW THE DATA IN THIS REPORT? I GOT THAT OUT OF A MAGAZINE  
2 THAT WAS IN THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT RIGHT NEXT DOOR. I HELD ON  
3 TO IT FOR -- I THINK I HAD IT IN JUNE. AND THEN MY BACKPACK  
4 GETS STOLEN IN, WHAT, OCTOBER. AND VIOLA. HERE IT IS IN THE  
5 COUNTY BOARD. SO YOU GET THE PLAN OUT OF A BACKPACK OUT OF A  
6 MAGAZINE. MAYBE YOU SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO MAD MAGAZINE. I DON'T  
7 KNOW. ANOTHER TOOL IN THE TOOLBOX. LET'S SEE. WHAT ELSE DO WE  
8 HAVE HERE? INSTEAD OF RAMPING UP NOW, YOU COULD BE UPGRADING  
9 YOUR RAMPS LIKE YOU ARE DOING WITH BRIDGE HOUSING. OH WAIT,  
10 UNDERPASS HOUSING. THAT'S WHAT YOU REALLY NEED TO DO IS UNDER  
11 -- UPGRADE YOUR UNDERPASS HOUSING. SO WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT  
12 FUNDING, YOU HAVE \$500 MILLION IN CASH WHICH IS 1.5 TIMES THE  
13 AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE RAISED IN MEASURE H.  
14 THAT WAS \$350 MILLION DOLLARS ACCORDING TO THE BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS. SO YOU HAVE \$500 MILLION IN CASH. WHAT'S GOING ON  
16 WITH -- WHERE'S THE MONEY? YOU KNOW THAT'S WHAT THEY SAID IN  
17 WATERGATE. FOLLOW THE MONEY. IT IS THE SAME STUFF. FOLLOW THE  
18 MONEY. YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAID, WHAT WAS THAT FAMOUS LINE?  
19 SHOW ME THE MONEY.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. SPINDLER? MR. SPINDLER?  
22 START HIS TIME. OKAY.

23

24 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** VERY GOOD, SO I GUESS I'M THE NEXT ONE. GOOD.  
25 SO LET'S TALK ABOUT MAKING PEOPLE HOMELESS. YOUR COUNTY BOARD



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1 MADE MARY JACOBS AND HER HUSBAND HOMELESS WITH LIEN  
2 PROCEEDINGS. SO ON ONE HAND, YOU TALK ABOUT PROTECTING PEOPLE,  
3 JANICE HAHN, AND ON THE OTHER HAND, YOUR LAWYER MARY WICKHAM  
4 STOLE A HOME FROM A WOMAN FOR ZONING PROBLEMS. THREW THEM IN  
5 THE STREET. HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TAKEN BY A  
6 TRUSTEE FOR FRAUDULENT CHARGES, NOW YOU WANT FEDERAL MONEY?  
7 THAT'S WHY BEN CARSON CAME HERE. BEN CARSON CAME HERE BECAUSE  
8 PEOPLE WERE TALKED TO. THEY SAID, "YOU KNOW JANICE HAHN?" I  
9 SAYS, "I KNOW JANICE HAHN. I GREW UP WITH JANICE HAHN." WHAT  
10 ABOUT SEA BREEZE? AND THEN A CONVERSATION DESCENDED INTO HELL.  
11 YES, SEA BREEZE WAS AFFORDABLE HOUSING. IT WAS DONE WITH 100  
12 STRAW DONORS AND FRAUDULENT CAMPAIGN DONATIONS, BUT IT WOULD  
13 HAVE BEEN BUILT. SO NOW, LET'S TALK ABOUT A LOVELY STORY  
14 KATHRYN LOVES TO COVER UP. REMEMBER WE WERE ON THE SAME SIDE  
15 AND MAYOR, OUR REX PARIS CAME DOWN IN HIS COWBOY SUIT 5 TIMES  
16 TO CITY HALL, AND HE WOUND UP WITH WHAT KATHRYN. TELL THEM.  
17 THEY WOUND UP WITH H.H.H. MONEY COURTESY OF THE CITY TAXPAYERS  
18 TO BENEFIT YOUR DISTRICT IN LANCASTER THROUGH A NONPROFIT.  
19 SEE, THIS IS WHAT WE KNOW. WE DON'T SPEAK ABOUT IT, SHEILA  
20 KUEHL, BUT YOU COME IN THE AUDIENCE AND YOU THREATEN ME. SEE,  
21 I'M YOUR BEST-KEPT LITTLE SECRET. SO REMEMBER, I KNOW --

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. NEXT  
24 SPEAKER.

25



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1 **DR. MELLO DESIRE:** THERE WAS A CAST OF CHARACTERS HERE. YOU  
2 HAVE RAMIREZ AND JEFFREY PROCTER. SO I APPLIED FOR THE NEW  
3 CONTRACT FUNDING FROM L.A.H.S.A. AUGUST 2. DID WE FORGET? ON  
4 FILE SHARE ON L.A.H.S.A.'S WEBSITE ON FILE SHARE, MY ACCOUNT  
5 IS MELLO@ONEPERCENTAGE.ORG. THE PASSWORD IS 12345678. I WANT  
6 YOU TO LOG ON TO IT, AND YOU WILL SEE ALL OF THE PAPERWORK  
7 THAT WAS SUBMITTED FOR NOT ONLY APPLYING FOR HOMELESS FUNDING,  
8 BUT THE FACT THAT PETER LYNN AND HEIDI MARSTEN TOOK ME OUT OF  
9 THE CONTINUUM CARE ELECTIONS. DID YOU GUYS FORGET ABOUT THAT  
10 FOR AFRICAN-AMERICANS? I DIDN'T BECAUSE HAD I BEEN A CONTINUUM  
11 OF CARE ELECTED OFFICIAL, I WOULD HAVE HAD MY SISTER LORETTA  
12 ANDREWS STILL WITH US. YOU GUYS DID NOT FUND ME FOR THE LAST  
13 SIX YEARS BECAUSE I HAVE CASELOADS OF BLACK WOMEN THAT YOU  
14 GUYS HAVE FORGOTTEN ABOUT, INCLUDING ME! AND ON FRIDAY, I  
15 REFERRED HER TO H.O.P.I.C.S. FOR THE LAST TIME BECAUSE EVERY  
16 PROGRAM DID NOT TAKE HER. SHE WAS TOO STRONG OF A VOICE,  
17 SOUNDS FAMILIAR, KICKED HER OUT BECAUSE SHE WASN'T ON METH.  
18 SHE WAS ONLY AN ALCOHOLIC TRYING TO GET HOUSING FOR HER KIDS  
19 BACK, AND ON FRIDAY SHE WENT TO H.O.P.I.C.S. AND JESSICA BROWN  
20 MASON AND VERONICA LEWIS TOLD HER NO, AND SHE GOT HIT BY A CAR  
21 THAT NIGHT. SHE IS DEAD. A BLACK WOMAN WHO WAS LOOKING FOR  
22 HOUSING IS DEAD. WHO IS GOING TO REMEMBER HER? I'M GOING TO  
23 TELL YOU WHO, THE COUNTY, BECAUSE SHE IS BORN AND RAISED HERE,  
24 AND NOW HER 5 KIDS DON'T HAVE A MOTHER. THANK YOU D.C.F.S..  
25 THANK YOU HOUSING, THANK YOU L.A.H.S.A. YOU KEEP GIVING THE





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1 SAME CLOWNS JURISDICTION OVER HOMELESS MONEY, AND THEY KEEP  
2 FAILING, AND YET SHEILA KUEHL WILL GIVE PETER LYNN A  
3 [EXPLETIVE] CERTIFICATE EVEN THOUGH HE HAS DONE NOTHING.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THAT IS YOUR FIRST  
6 WARNING. YOU ARE DISRUPTING THE BOARD MEETING. (OFF-MIC  
7 COMMENTS) .

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT IS YOUR SECOND WARNING.  
10 THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL?

11

12 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF  
13 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW I AM CONCERNED.  
14 I APPRECIATE THE REPORT, BUT I THINK WE NEED TO PUT A LOT OF  
15 EMPHASIS IN REMOVING SOME OF THE RESTRICTIONS WHO ARE SO  
16 STRONG IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT YOU  
17 USE. YOU NEED TO USE YOUR ENERGY TO SEND (INDISCERNIBLE) THE  
18 LAWS BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO STAY IN THAT PROBLEM FOR A LONG  
19 TIME. PERSONALLY, I HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN HOMELESS THE LAST  
20 YEAR. AND IT IS MAYBE BECAUSE I RIDE THE TRAIN, AND THE LAST  
21 FEW MONTHS IS MORE PEOPLE ASLEEP IN THE TRAIN THAN PEOPLE  
22 USING THE TRAIN FOR TRANSPORT. SO I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO  
23 WORK VERY STRONGLY. I KNOW YOU HAVE TRIED VERY HARD, BUT I  
24 THINK WE NEED TO PUT (INDISCERNIBLE) THANK YOU.

25



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OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. IS THAT ALL THE SPEAKERS? OKAY. I'M  
2 SORRY? (OFF-MIC COMMENTS).

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YES, YOU HAVE --

5

6 **SPEAKER:** I SAY THIS ALL THE TIME. YOU CAN READ A BOOK FROM  
7 COVER TO COVER, BUT YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO DRIVE UNTIL YOU GET  
8 ACTUALLY BEHIND THE WHEEL. OKAY? HOW CAN YOU ASSIST THE  
9 HOMELESS AND THE DISABLED AND THE PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES  
10 UNLESS YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THEIR POINT OF VIEW AND THEIR  
11 ABILITIES TO LIVE COHERENTLY? POLITICIANS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND  
12 THOSE WHO INTERACT WITH THEM ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS NEED TO  
13 HUMBLE THEMSELVES AND GET EMPATHY TRAINING AND LINGUISTIC  
14 TRAININGS ON HOW TO SPEAK TO CERTAIN PEOPLE, LIKE ME. I HAVE  
15 BEEN HOMELESS, BUT, FIRST, BECAUSE I FELL DOWN 21 CONCRETE  
16 STAIRS, CRACKED MY ANKLE IN HALF, AND HAD TO MOVE TO LOW  
17 INCOME HOUSING, I LOST BOTH MY JOBS, BY THE WAY, I WAS EXPOSED  
18 TO MOLD THEN DIAGNOSED WITH EPILEPSY ALL WITHIN THE SAME FEW  
19 YEARS, RIGHT. I MADE A VALID COMPLAINT ABOUT THE MOLD. I WAS  
20 KICKED OUT ON THE STREETS BECAUSE I SAID SOMETHING. BUT WHEN I  
21 WENT OUT TO THE STREETS AND I WENT TO A SHELTER, I WAS TREATED  
22 LIKE AN OUTSIDER. AND ME, BEING THE PERSON THAT I AM, I HAVE  
23 BEEN THROUGH A WHOLE LOT. AND I'M GOING TO BE HONEST WITH YOU  
24 GUYS. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM, CHILD RAPE VICTIM, I HAVE BEEN  
25 THROUGH A WHOLE LOT. IT IS HARD FOR ME TO DISCUSS THINGS, BUT



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1 JUST IMAGINE HOW PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES AND THE  
2 INABILITY TO THINK COGNITIVELY, IMAGINE HOW THEY FEEL. SO WE  
3 NEED A ONE-STOP SHOP FOR THE PEOPLE IN THE SHELTERS. THEY NEED  
4 INITIAL EVALUATION. THEY NEED TO KNOW THAT, THE PEOPLE THAT  
5 FACILITATE THEM NEED TO KNOW THEIR OWN CAPABILITIES, THOSE  
6 PEOPLE THAT THEY INTERVIEW, THEIR CAPABILITIES. SO THEY NEED A  
7 PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION TO ASSESS THESE PEOPLE. THEY NEED A  
8 ONE-STOP SHOP WHICH IS INSIDE THE SHELTER OR BUILDING, HAVE A  
9 D.P.S.S. OFFICER, SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICER --

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. THANK  
12 YOU. OKAY, WITH THAT, WE HAVE GOT ITEM 9 IS BEFORE US. I WILL  
13 MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO RECEIVE AND FILE. IF  
14 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE  
15 ORDER. NOW IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR SPECIALS, AND I HAVE A  
16 SPECIAL THAT IS GOING TO BE READ IN FOR NEXT WEEK WITH  
17 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND THE PREAMBLE IS LONG, SO I'M GOING TO  
18 TRY TO READ JUST THE DIRECTIVES. THE GOVERNANCE OF HOMELESS  
19 DELIVERY SYSTEM MERITS REVIEW AT THIS CRITICAL JUNCTION  
20 REGARDING L.A.H.S.A. JANUARY 14TH AT L.A. COUNTY CITY COUNCIL  
21 INTRODUCED TO REVIEW L.A.H.S.A.'S GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE.  
22 ADDITIONALLY, L.A.H.S.A. HAS RECENTLY CREATED AN AD HOC  
23 COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE AS WELL AS A PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE  
24 HOUSING CENTRAL COMMAND TO ADDRESS INTERNAL CHANGES, OR  
25 CHALLENGES, IN SERVICE DELIVERY. IN PARTNERSHIPS WITH THESE



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1 EFFORTS, IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE COUNTY TO ALSO UNDERTAKE AN  
2 ANALYSIS OF CURRENT GOVERNANCE CHALLENGES AT L.A.H.S.A. AND  
3 EXPLORE POSSIBLE ENHANCEMENTS TO ENSURE THAT OUR COLLECTIVE  
4 EFFORTS ARE EFFECTIVE AS POSSIBLE IN URGENTLY MEETING THE  
5 NEEDS OF THOSE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. WE THEREFORE MOVE  
6 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.E.O., AUDITOR  
7 CONTROLLER, AND COUNTY COUNSEL, IN CONSULTATION WITH  
8 L.A.H.S.A. AND OTHER RELEVANT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, TO, ONE,  
9 REPORT BACK IN 14 DAYS WITH LEADERSHIP OF L.A.H.S.A.'S  
10 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING CENTRAL COMMAND, INCLUDING THE  
11 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
12 SERVICES, AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON  
13 NECESSARY CORRECTIVE ACTIONS ADDRESSING HURDLES TO PLACING  
14 INDIVIDUALS IN AVAILABLE UNITS TO ENSURE THAT EVERY UNIT OF  
15 PERMANENT HOUSING IS FILLED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND, TWO,  
16 CONDUCT AN ANALYSIS OF THE CURRENT STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION OF  
17 L.A.H.S.A. IN CONCERT WITH THE EFFORTS UNDERWAY AT THE CITY OF  
18 LOS ANGELES AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN 60 DAYS WITH  
19 FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDING PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS  
20 TO IMPROVE THE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE, PERFORMANCE,  
21 ACCOUNTABILITY, AND TRANSPARENCY OF L.A.H.S.A. WE FURTHER MOVE  
22 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.E.O. IN CONJUNCTION  
23 WITH L.A.H.S.A. TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE BIMONTHLY PUBLIC  
24 REPORTS BEGINNING ON MARCH 17TH, 2020 TO THE BOARD OF  
25 SUPERVISORS ON THE WORK BEING DONE BY L.A.H.S.A., INCLUDING



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OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DATA ON OUTCOMES FROM ITS REHOUSING SERVICES SYSTEM, OUTREACH  
2 PREVENTION EFFORTS, AS WELL AS PROGRESS REPORTS ON  
3 L.A.H.S.A.'S AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE, ITS WORK WITH  
4 INDEPENDENT EXPERTS ON THE BEST PRACTICES AROUND STRUCTURE,  
5 THE VACANCY TO MOVE IN WORK PLAN, INCLUDING PERMANENT  
6 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, CENTRAL COMMAND, AND ITS OVERALL STRATEGIC  
7 PLANNING EFFORTS. THAT WILL BE ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK.  
8 DOES ANYONE ELSE HAVE ANY SPECIALS? ALL RIGHT. AT THIS TIME,  
9 IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO  
10 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS NOT HELD  
11 BY THE SUPERVISORS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE  
12 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THOSE  
13 ITEMS.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE  
16 COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME? LARRY LAVEN REQUESTED TO  
17 ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM 24. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL HAS  
18 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 15, 16, 19, 20, 21,  
19 33, 45. PATRICIA MCALLISTER ON ITEMS 3, 4, 7, 15, 19, 45. ALEX  
20 VILLALOBOS ON ITEMS 28. ERIC PREVEN ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS,  
21 DR. MELLOW DESIRE ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS, WAYNE SPINDLER ON  
22 ALL REMAINING ITEMS, HERMAN HERMAN ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS,  
23 ARNOLD SACHS ON ITEMS 7 AND 42A. DUE TO THE NUMBER OF  
24 SPEAKERS, WE WILL GIVE ONE MINUTE TO EACH OF THE SPEAKERS.

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** FIRST SPEAKER. YOU ARE ON THE CLOCK -- MR.  
2 PREVEN.

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** ONE MINUTE ON ALL ITEMS? OKAY, ZERO IT OUT, AND  
5 I'LL DO THAT, BUT THAT IS NOT REASONABLE BECAUSE THERE IS MORE  
6 THAN ONE ITEM. THAT IS NOT MY TIME, SUPERVISOR. YOU HAVE TO  
7 GIVE ME A FAIR --

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE A FIGHT? RESET THE  
10 CLOCK FOR ONE. MR. PREVEN, IT IS YOUR TURN.

11

12 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT SHOULD BE TWO. AND THE COUNTY  
13 LITIGATION AND COST REPORT THAT SHEILA WORKED DILIGENTLY TO  
14 GET OUT OF PUBLIC VIEW YEARS AGO BY BURYING IT AS A RECEIVE  
15 AND FILE IS EMBARRASSING BEYOND BELIEF. AND TODAY ON YOUTH  
16 COMMISSION DAY, I CAN'T BELIEVE WE ARE FACING -- AND TELL ME  
17 IF THIS IS GOOD OR BAD, A 147 PERCENT INCREASE IN JUDGMENTS  
18 AGAINST THE COUNTY. SO IT JUMPED FROM, LIKE, \$16 MILLION TO  
19 \$31 MILLION OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT, A VERY BIG JUMP. AND THAT  
20 INCLUDES THE HERIBERTO RODRIGUEZ CASE THAT INCLUDED EXTREME  
21 TASERING FACTS, AND ON YOUTH COMMISSION DAY, WE HAVE A  
22 SETTLEMENT HERE THAT WAS A JUDGMENT AGAINST THE COUNTY,  
23 D.C.F.S., FOR \$20 MILLION, BUT THE GOOD WORK OF MR. TOLNAY AND  
24 WICKHAM, WHO IS GONE, THEY NEGOTIATED IT DOWN TO \$10 MILLION,  
25 AND THE SECOND LARGEST JUDGMENT IS ANOTHER D.C.F.S. CASE



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1 CALLED DUVAL FOR ANOTHER \$6 MILLION, WHERE YOU'VE SETTLED SO  
2 THAT THEY WON'T ALLOW ANY OF THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS. YOU ARE  
3 DENYING THAT IT WAS A JUDGMENT.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** GET IT TOGETHER, MAN.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCGALLASTER HERE. I WOULD LIKE  
12 TO THANK YOU FOR CELEBRATING AFRICAN-AMERICAN NEGRO HISTORY  
13 MONTH. BORN IN 1875, DIED IN 1950, DR. CARTER G. WOODSON WAS A  
14 HISTORIAN, SCHOLAR, AND EDUCATOR KNOWN AS THE FATHER OF NEGRO  
15 HISTORY. HE SPENT HIS LIFE ADVOCATING FOR SCHOLARLY RESEARCH,  
16 STUDYING THE PUBLICATION OF WORKS OF THE NEGRO EXPERIENCE. IN  
17 1926, DR. WOODSON CREATED NEGRO HISTORY WEEK TO CELEBRATE THE  
18 BIRTHDAY OF FREDERIC DOUGLASS. TODAY IN THE YEAR 2020, OUR  
19 ANCESTORS ARE TURNING OVER IN THEIR GRAVE. THERE ARE MILLIONS  
20 OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS LIVING ON THE STREET, DYING ON THE  
21 STREET, HAVING THEIR ORGANS TO BE HARVESTED, OR THE NATION OF  
22 HARVESTRY, ISRAEL. THEY ARE DYING OF OVERDOSES. THEY WERE  
23 TRICKED INTO SAYING THEY WERE MENTALLY ILL SO THEY COULD GET  
24 S.S.I. AND NOW, THE MENTALLY ILL DRUGS HAVE DESTROYED THEIR  
25 LIVES. MANY OF THEM ARE LAYING ON THE STREET, MENTALLY ILL. WE



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1 DON'T AND WE SHOULD NOT VOTE FOR ANY AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
2 POLITICIANS BECAUSE THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE ALLOWING THIS TO  
3 HAPPEN.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

6

7 **LARRY LAVEN:** MY NAME IS LARRY LAVEN. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 24,  
8 THE LANDSCAPING CONTRACT. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THIS  
9 EMPLOYER IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER, OR IS THIS GOING TO  
10 BE ANOTHER LIKE I SEE AT THE CONSTRUCTION SITES, THE  
11 LANDSCAPING, THE CAR WASH THAT ONLY HIRES ONE RACE? IF YOU ARE  
12 GOING TO TURN THIS TO AN OUTSIDE CONTRACTOR, I ASK THAT HE BE  
13 AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CONTRACTOR AND PRACTICE EQUAL  
14 OPPORTUNITY. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, MR. HERMAN.

17

18 **HERMAN HERMAN:** CONSENT ITEMS, I SIMPLY GET, FOR ALL ITEMS, 60  
19 SECONDS? I TOLD YOU PEOPLE, WE'RE BEING TARGETED. I'M A TARGET  
20 BECAUSE I'M BEING CENSORED. I'M BEING MONITORED. I'M BEING  
21 CONTROLLED BY A HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT, WHICH IS HERE, THE BOARD  
22 OF SUPERVISORS. AND YOU EXPECT ME TO SPEAK ON EVERY ITEM IN 60  
23 SECONDS? THAT IS JUST CRUEL AND UNUSUAL PUNISHMENT. VIOLATING  
24 MY CIVIL RIGHTS, DEPRIVING ME CONSTITUTIONAL CALIFORNIA  
25 PROTECTION, BUT, INSTEAD I GOTTA STAND HERE AND DEFEND THE





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1 FIRST AMENDMENT, THE FOURTH AMENDMENT, THE SECOND AMENDMENT,  
2 THE FIFTH AMENDMENT, AND EVERY [EXPLETIVE] THING I STAND FOR,  
3 AND THAT'S THE BELIEF OF ADVOCACY, AND INSTEAD I'M TOLD TO SIT  
4 DOWN AND SHUT THE [EXPLETIVE] UP.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. HERMAN. NEXT SPEAKER.

7

8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I TOTALLY OBJECT TO THE PREVIOUS  
9 SPEAKER'S BEHAVIOR. I AM GETTING TIRED THAT EVERY TUESDAY, WE  
10 ARE GOING THROUGH THE SAME CHARADE ALL THE TIME, BUT I'M GOING  
11 TO FOCUS ON ITEM 20 HERE. AND ON THE H.I.V. ISSUE, WE ARE MORE  
12 THAN 30 YEARS WITHIN THE DISEASE, AND WE HAVE 26 GROUPS THAT  
13 ARE USING SOLE VENDOR CONTRACTS. I THINK THAT A LITTLE PUSHING  
14 TOO MUCH. BUT I JUST HOPE THAT IN THE FUTURE, WE HAVE A LITTLE  
15 MORE DECORUM AND APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR IN THIS CHAMBER, THANK  
16 YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL.

19

20 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES, SO I GET DOWN HERE, LOOK AT ALL THOSE  
21 ITEMS UP THERE. WHICH ONE, JANICE, WHICH ONE AM I GOING TO  
22 TALK ON? LET'S SEE HERE. SHOULD I TALK ON NUMBER 1, NO, 3, NO,  
23 4, NO, 5, NO 6, NO, 7, NO, 11, NO, 12, 13, 14, 15, NO, 16, 17,  
24 OH, YOU TOOK THEM OFF THE SCREEN. THAT'S WHAT PUBLIC COMMENT  
25 HAS COME DOWN TO ON MULTIPLE ITEMS. AND I TOOK MY EXTRA TWO



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1 MINUTES AND APPLIED IT TO THIS, AND YOU CUT ME DOWN 50 PERCENT  
2 DOWN TO ONE FRIGGING MINUTE. AND NOW, THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ALL  
3 ABOUT.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHAT ITEM ARE YOU SPEAKING ON?

6

7 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** I'M SPEAKING ON ALL OF THOSE ITEMS UP THERE  
8 TOGETHER, YES, EXCEPT FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, WHICH I WILL  
9 GET TO AND ADDRESS SHEILA KUEHL'S CONCERN ABOUT MY LEGAL  
10 ACUMEN. SO AGAIN, YOU ARE VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT AND --

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. MR.  
13 SACHS?

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, I HELD BLACK HISTORY MONTH  
16 BECAUSE IT MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
17 RESOURCE CENTER. SO I WAS WONDERING THERE'S A FEW THINGS TO  
18 SEE AROUND THE COUNTY. IF YOU GET THIS BOOK, WHICH IS FREE AT  
19 THE COUNTY, YOU CAN GET IT RIGHT HERE IN THE NEXT BUILDING, IT  
20 GIVES YOU SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE HISTORY OF THE COUNTY.  
21 L.A.C.M.A. HAD A BLACK SCULPTURE IN THE GARDEN OF AFRICANS WHO  
22 WERE GIVING THEMSELVES UP PASSIVELY SO THAT THEY COULD BE  
23 TAKEN FOR WHITE. THE A.F.I.B.A. CENTER SHOULD HAVE GOTTEN THAT  
24 SCULPTURE. I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO IT. M.O.C.A. HAD AN  
25 EXHIBITION ON REDLINING AND THE COVENANTS THAT MADE UP THE



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1 COUNTRY. YOU KNOW, AND PART OF THE WRITING THEY WROTE ABOUT  
2 WAS THAT SLAVES ARE CONSIDERED PROPERTY IN THE CONSTITUTION UP  
3 UNTIL THE '40S. AT THE JACKIE ROBINSON MEMORIAL IN PASADENA,  
4 HE WANTED TO START A BANK IN BROOKLYN. WHEN HE CAME TO L.A., I  
5 WONDER WHY HE DIDN'T WANT TO START ONE HERE. GILBERT LINDSAY  
6 WAS ELECTED INTO THE CITY COUNCIL IN 1968

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT  
9 SPEAKER, DR. DESIRE?

10

11 **DR. MELLO DESIRE:** YES, ALL RIGHT, SO LORETTA ANDREWS AS I  
12 MENTIONED BEFORE, ONLY CRIME WAS BEING BORN AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
13 IN L.A. COUNTY. WE'RE NOT GOING TO DRILL THE BLACK STORY. I'M  
14 JUST ASKING YOU FOR FAIR FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR THE KINGDOM  
15 WARRIORS FOUNDATION SO THEY CAN ACTUALLY HELP AFRICAN-  
16 AMERICANS THAT ARE OUT THERE HOMELESS. WE ARE DOING IT. WE ARE  
17 JUST TIRED OF WATCHING THE SAME OLD, SAME OLD REPEAT OFFENDERS  
18 NOT KNOWING WHAT TO DO, AND YOU GUYS ARE NOT EVEN LOOKING AT  
19 ME. YOU KNOW, [EXPLETIVE] YOU, BARGER. [EXPLETIVE] YOU.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT'S YOUR THIRD WARNING. I'M ASKING YOU  
22 TO LEAVE. YOU ARE EXCUSED. THANK YOU. YOU ARE BEING  
23 DISRUPTIVE. YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE. (OFF-MIC COMMENTS).

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. NEXT SPEAKER.  
2 (OFF-MIC COMMENTS). I'M SORRY FOR HER RUDE BEHAVIOR. NEXT  
3 SPEAKER. GO AHEAD. SERGEANT AT ARMS, WILL YOU PLEASE ESCORT  
4 HER OUT, AND THEN YOU CAN TAKE HER BELONGINGS TO HER WHEN SHE  
5 IS OUT. I WANT HER OUT, AND THEN -- YOU CAN TAKE HER  
6 BELONGINGS TO HER. I DON'T WANT HER COLLECTING THEM. YOU CAN  
7 TAKE THEM TO HER. PLEASE ESCORT HER OUT. ALL RIGHT. THAT IS  
8 YOUR FIRST WARNING. OKAY, I WANT HER OUT. OKAY. I WANT YOU  
9 OUT. THEY WILL BRING YOU YOUR BELONGINGS. WHO IS THE NEXT  
10 SPEAKER? THE NEXT SPEAKER, OBVIOUSLY, SERGEANT AT ARMS, I WANT  
11 HER OUT.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** IN ALL RESPECT TO THE BOARD, I'D LIKE TO HAVE MY 60  
14 FULL MINUTES.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** HOLD ON, WE ARE GOING TO START YOUR ONE  
17 MINUTE, OUT OF RESPECT TO YOU. WE WILL --

18

19 **SPEAKER:** ALSO, I'M DISABLED. I CANNOT STAND TOO LONG. I AM  
20 GOING TO SIT DOWN UNTIL YOU ARE READY.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, CONTINUE TO TAKE HER BELONGINGS  
23 OUTSIDE. COUNTY COUNSEL, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO REPORT BACK ON  
24 WHAT PARAMETERS WE HAVE REGARDING PEOPLE WHO CONTINUE TO BE  
25 DISRUPTIVE IN THIS BOARD MEETING WEEK AFTER WEEK AFTER WEEK,



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1 AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT LEGAL ANALYSIS WE HAVE TO ASK THEM  
2 TO EITHER -- IN THE PAST, I THOUGHT WE COULD ASK THEM TO NO  
3 LONGER BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK FOR A PERIOD OF TIME. SO OBVIOUSLY  
4 -- (OFF-MIC COMMENTS) --

5

6 **ATTORNEY:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL REPORT  
7 BACK TO YOU --

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SO WILL YOU PLEASE -- (OFF-MIC COMMENTS).  
10 ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR ESCORTING HER OUT. NOW IT IS YOUR  
11 TURN. ONE MINUTE.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, I ALWAYS LIKE TO APOLOGIZE FOR HER  
14 BECAUSE, JUST TO GIVE YOU HISTORY FOR THOSE THAT DON'T KNOW,  
15 THE RODNEY KING RIOT AND THE BEATINGS, HOW DID THAT KICK OFF?  
16 THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DO NOT TAKE CARE OF BUSINESS,  
17 YOU DROP THE BALL, YOU TALK DOWN TO PEOPLE, FRUSTRATION KICKS  
18 IN. SO GIVEN THIS IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH, AT A MINIMUM, YOU  
19 GUYS COULD FAKE IT AT LEAST FOR ONE MONTH. FAKE IT, AT LEAST,  
20 C'MON! WAKE UP! I'M NOT GOING TO BE HERE CURSING AND BEING  
21 DEROGATORY SO YOU COULD SAY OH, THAT PERSON IS STUPID AND  
22 IGNORANT. I'M VERY INTELLIGENT. I KNOW HOW TO HANDLE BUSINESS  
23 AND KNOW HOW TO TAKE CARE OF BUSINESS DEALING WITH YOU FOLKS.  
24 SO WATCH OUT. HERE I COME. THIS IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH. I'M  
25 NOT DOING IT JUST FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH. THIS IS ONGOING.



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1 THANK YOU. WE NEED LONG TERM POSITIVE CORRECTIVE ACTION. THANK  
2 YOU.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS?

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, WHERE IS SUPERVISOR  
9 SOLIS? I THINK YOU ALREADY SPOKE, NO? OKAY, I APOLOGIZE. WOULD  
10 YOU PLEASE COME UP? WHAT ITEM ARE YOU SPEAKING ON? WHAT ITEM  
11 ARE YOU SPEAKING ON?

12

13 **MARY JACOBS:** ON ITEM 12. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, CHILDREN  
14 AND FAMILY SERVICES, PROBATION LEASE AGREEMENTS. I DID THE  
15 MATH. IT LOOK LIKE YOU ARE GOING TO SPEND ABOUT \$56 MILLION  
16 FOR WHATEVER TIME IT IS WHEN I PERSONALLY THINK IT WOULD BE  
17 BETTER TO JUST BANKRUPT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
18 SERVICES AND GIVE THEM TENTS TO DO THEIR WORK IN. IF THE  
19 PEOPLE CAN LIVE IN TENTS, THEY CAN DO THEIR WORK IN TENTS,  
20 TOO. AND I REALLY THINK YOU SHOULD EXPERIENCE HOMELESSNESS AND  
21 LIVE IN TENTS BECAUSE YOUR CHILDREN THAT YOU PUT IN THESE  
22 HOMES, SO-CALLED FOSTER HOMES THAT OFTEN ARE ABUSIVE, END UP  
23 IN TENTS. SO IF YOU REALLY WANT TO BECOME TRULY UNDERSTANDING  
24 OF THE CHILDREN THAT YOU ARE STEALING FROM THE WOMEN THAT LOVE  
25 THEM AND THE MEN THAT HAPPEN TO HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF ALCOHOL



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1 PROBLEM, YOU, YOURSELVES, SHOULD LIVE IN TENTS AND SEE WHAT  
2 YOU ARE GOING TO PREPARE THEM FOR, A LIFE OF MISERY AND  
3 NOTHING BUT FAILURE. THAT'S WHAT I THINK.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IS THAT ALL THE SPEAKERS? OKAY,  
6 CAN YOU PLEASE READ OFF THE ITEMS THAT WE ARE VOTING ON.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE ITEMS 1, ITEMS 3-  
9 8, 11, 12, 14-16, 19-37, 39-41, 42A, 42B, 42C, AND 45 ARE  
10 BEFORE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY  
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND COUNTY  
14 COUNSEL, I WAS REMINDED THAT ACTUALLY WE'VE ASKED FOR THIS  
15 BEFORE, SO THERE SHOULD BE SOMETHING IN WRITING BEING PREPARED  
16 AS WE SPEAK BECAUSE I DID ASK FOR THAT LAST TIME, I THINK, THE  
17 SAME INDIVIDUAL DISRUPTED THE BOARD MEETING. I ASKED THE SAME  
18 QUESTION ABOUT WHAT PARAMETERS DO WE HAVE AS IT RELATES TO  
19 PEOPLE THAT CONTINUALLY DISRUPT THE BOARD MEETING. AND I KNOW,  
20 I'M POSITIVE, IN YEARS PAST, WE'VE HAD THE ABILITY TO TAKE  
21 ACTION AS IT RELATES TO SPEAKING BEFORE THE BOARD FOR A PERIOD  
22 OF TIME. SO IF YOU CAN LOOK INTO WHERE THAT REPORT IS. OUR  
23 EXECUTIVE OFFICER JUST REMINDED ME.

24

25 **ATTORNEY:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE SHALL.



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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE  
3 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE  
4 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS NOT HELD  
5 BY THE SUPERVISORS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE  
6 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK -- NO, THAT  
7 WE ALREADY DID THAT. THIS IS JUST PUBLIC COMMENT. AND PUBLIC  
8 COMMENT, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE  
9 NAMES OF THE PEOPLE THAT WANT TO SPEAK ON PUBLIC COMMENT.

10

11 **MS. LINGAT:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING  
12 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU?  
13 ARIEL BUSTAMENTE, WARD CARPENTER, CHRIS CLARKIN, PAUL CHAVEZ,  
14 ROBERT GAMBOA, JOHNNY SIGHT, MARIA MELO, ANTONIO FRISY, NICOLO  
15 PIZZATI, M. OLLIS, SARAH DURHAM, DR. ROBERT BOLAN, AMANDA  
16 MOORE, DERALD HUNTER, DANIELLA MAZUKA, ANDREA MCPHERSON.  
17 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO BE CALLING MORE NAMES. WE  
20 JUST CALLED THE FIRST GROUP. FIRST SPEAKER, EXCUSE ME, MR.  
21 PREVEN, YOU DO NOT RUN THE BOARD MEETING, PLEASE SIT DOWN.  
22 THANK YOU. FROM YOU, THAT'S A COMPLIMENT. NEXT SPEAKER.

23

24 **ARIEL BUSTAMENE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ARIEL  
25 BUSTAMENTE. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE FIRST AND EMPLOYED IN THE





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1 THIRD. MY PRONOUNS ARE SHE, HER, HERS, AND AYA. AND I MANAGE  
2 EXTERNAL TRAINING AND COACHING ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES  
3 L.G.B.T. CENTER'S CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY SERVICES. I'M  
4 HERE TODAY TO SPEAK UP FOR THE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN  
5 THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY AT RISK OF GOING UNTESTED, UNDIAGNOSED,  
6 AND AND UNTREATED FOR LIFE THREATENING SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED  
7 INFECTIONS. WE NEED D.P.H. TO DEVELOP A LONG TERM STRATEGY  
8 THAT FUNDS AND ADDRESSES THE H.I.V. AND S.T.D. EPIDEMICS  
9 ACROSS THE COUNTY. THIS CRISIS IS IMPORTANT TO ME BECAUSE, OUT  
10 OF THE OVER 42,000 CLIENTS WE SEE MONTHLY AT THE CENTER,  
11 THOUSANDS ARE YOUTH 24 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER WHO ARE AT THE  
12 HIGHEST RISK OF EXPERIENCING S.T.I.S AND NEED TREATMENT. WITH  
13 A LACK OF COMPREHENSIVE, DEDICATED, AFFIRMING SERVICES,  
14 PROGRAMS, OR FUNDING PROVIDED BY ANY OF THE COUNTY'S YOUTH  
15 SERVING DEPARTMENTS, IT IS CRITICAL THAT SAFE, WELCOMING  
16 TESTING AND TREATMENT SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, WELCOME.

19

20 **DR. ROBERT BOLAN:** HI, MY NAME IS DR. ROBERT BOLAN. I'M THE  
21 CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER FOR THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER. AND  
22 I HAVE BEEN WORKING IN THE S.T.D. AND H.I.V. EPIDEMICS FOR THE  
23 LAST 40 YEARS AND HAVE PUBLISHED NATIONALLY AND  
24 INTERNATIONALLY ON THIS. THE L.A. L.G.B.T. CENTER CLINICS  
25 DIAGNOSE AND TREAT AROUND 15 PERCENT OF THE GONORRHEA AND 21



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1 PERCENT OF THE SYPHILIS CASES IN LOS ANGELES. AND THE NUMBER  
2 OF CASES HAS DOUBLED SINCE 2012. WE ARE THREATENED WITH AN  
3 OVER \$1.2 MILLION SHORT FALL IN THE 2020 FUNDING FROM THE  
4 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO CONTINUE THE IMPORTANT PUBLIC  
5 HEALTH WORK WE DO ON ITS BEHALF. MOST S.T.D.S CAUSE NO  
6 SYMPTOMS, ESPECIALLY DURING THE EARLY STAGES WHEN THEY HAVE  
7 THE GREATEST CHANCE OF BEING TRANSMITTED TO OTHERS. UNTREATED  
8 S.T.D.S, HOWEVER, CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES, INCLUDING  
9 INCREASED RISK FOR H.I.V. INFECTION, NEUROLOGICAL DAMAGE, AND  
10 CONGENITAL SYPHILIS. ANY BARRIERS TO S.T.D. TESTING WILL  
11 INCREASE S.T.D.S COMMUNITY WIDE. APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THOSE  
12 WHO ATTEND OUR TESTING CLINICS EITHER HAVE NO HEALTH  
13 INSURANCE, DO NOT QUALIFY FOR, OR CANNOT AFFORD INSURANCE  
14 COVERAGE, OR WILL NOT USE THEIR INSURANCE S.T.D. COVERAGE.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** IF YOU WANT TO SUBMIT THE REST OF YOUR  
17 COMMENTS IN WRITING, WE WILL SUBMIT THAT INTO THE RECORD.

18

19 **DR. ROBERT BOLAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

22

23 **PAUL CHAVEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS PAUL  
24 CHAVEZ. I WORK AS THE MANAGER FOR OUTREACH AT THE LOS ANGELES  
25 L.G.B.T. CENTER, AND I'M ALSO HERE TO ADVOCATE FOR MY



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1 COMMUNITY, FOR THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY, WHO MAY GO UNTREATED  
2 FOR LIFE THREATENING SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES. I WOULD  
3 LOVE TO URGE THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO DEVELOP  
4 A LONG TERM STRATEGY THAT FUNDS AND ADDRESSES THE H.I.V. AND  
5 S.T.D. EPIDEMIC ACROSS THE COUNTY. THIS CRISIS IS VERY  
6 PERSONAL AND IMPORTANT TO ME. I LOST MY BEST FRIEND TO H.I.V.  
7 GROWING UP, AND IF HE HAD A SAFE SPACE LIKE THE CLINIC AT THE  
8 CENTER TO ACCESS MEDICATIONS LIKE PR.E.P., WHICH PREVENTS  
9 H.I.V., HE MIGHT STILL BE WITH ME HERE TODAY. SO THANK YOU  
10 VERY MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

13

14 **CHRIS CLARK:** GOOD MORNING, COMISS-- OR SORRY, SUPERVISORS AND  
15 MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. MY NAME IS CHRIS CLARK, AND I'M A  
16 LONG TIME L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE WHO HAS WORKED WITH MANY  
17 OF YOU AND MANY OF YOUR OFFICES THROUGHOUT THE YEARS,  
18 INCLUDING SUPERVISOR HAHN'S OFFICE ON THE L.A. FOUND PROJECT.  
19 I TOO AM HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE CURRENT S.T.I. AND  
20 H.I.V. EPIDEMICS AND IN SUPPORT OF FUNDING FOR INCREASED  
21 SUPPORTIVE FUNDING FOR, SORRY, THESE PAST FEW SPEAKERS REALLY  
22 GOT ME A LITTLE WORKED UP THERE A MINUTE THERE, AND I REALLY  
23 DO FEEL FOR THEM. WE DO NEED THE COUNTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO  
24 DEVELOP A LONG TERM STRATEGY FOR FUNDS THAT ADDRESSES THE  
25 H.I.V. AND S.T.I. EPIDEMICS ACROSS THE COUNTY. THE L.G.B.T.



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1 COMMUNITY IS ALREADY DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTED, AS MANY OF  
2 YOU KNOW, BY THINGS LIKE H.I.V. AND S.T.I.S. PLEASE ENSURE THE  
3 COUNTY'S PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT DEVELOPS A CULTURALLY  
4 COMPETENT LONG TERM PLAN TO ADDRESS THE S.T.I. AND H.I.V.  
5 EPIDEMICS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, ESPECIALLY AS THEY AFFECT THE  
6 L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME THIS MORNING.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

9

10 **DARRYL HUNTER:** THANK YOU, GUYS. MY NAME IS DARRYL HUNTER. I'M  
11 A HEALTH EDUCATION SPECIALIST AT THE L.A. L.G.B.T. CENTER. AND  
12 I'M JUST HERE TO PROPOSE FOR WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE MOMENT.  
13 I'M GOING TO JUST SPEAK FOR THE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE  
14 WHO ARE GOING TO BE AFFECTED FOR UNDIAGNOSED, UNTREATED, AND  
15 S.T.I.S OR WHATNOT. I JUST WANT TO BRING TO ATTENTION HOW  
16 IMPORTANT THIS IS. GIVE ME ONE SECOND. SO WHAT I WANT TO SAY  
17 IS HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US TO KEEP THESE SERVICES BECAUSE  
18 I'M AFRICAN-AMERICAN, AND I'M ALSO GAY, AND I GO TO THE CENTER  
19 BEFORE I STARTED WORKING THERE AS AN EMPLOYEE TO RECEIVE MY  
20 SERVICES, AND I HAVE LOTS OF FRIENDS WHO GO THERE TO RECEIVE  
21 SERVICES AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US TO GET TESTED AND KNOW  
22 OUR STATUS. ALSO THE L.G.B.T. CENTER IS A SAFE HAVEN FOR MOST  
23 OF US TO GO THERE TO RECEIVE SERVICES. A LOT OF US DON'T FEEL  
24 COMFORTABLE WITH GOING TO OTHER MEDICAL FACILITIES TO RECEIVE



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1 THESE TYPE OF SERVICES SUCH AS H.I.V. SO I'M HERE TO PROPOSE  
2 FOR THAT, AND THANK YOU FOR THE TIME.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, AND I'M SORRY,  
5 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, READ MORE NAMES.

6

7 **MS. LINGAT:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME  
8 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. JOSE MARTINEZ, JOSIAH  
9 EDWARDS, RONALDO VILLEDA, ERIC PREVEN, EZEKIEL NISHIYAMA,  
10 RICARD CORTEZ, JOSE CANIZAL, KENNETH CHANCEY, ANTHONY HAYES,  
11 JR., ARNOLD SACHS, LARRY LAVEN, MUNTU MUNTU, PATRICIA  
12 MCALLISTER, WAYNE, HERMAN, MARY JACOBS, ETHAN SENSER, JOANNE  
13 NJAU, JOHN KERIN, JAMES MORGAN, RICCI SERGIENKO, SARAH  
14 GOLDZWEIG, ADAM HERSKO-RONATAS, TERRA RUSSELL SLAVIN, AND  
15 JOHNNY CROSS, NICOLE CUNNINGHAM. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF  
16 WILL ASSIST YOU. THAT'S ALL NAMES HAVE BEEN CALLED. PLEASE  
17 COME FORWARD.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** YES, THANK YOU BOARD AGAIN. YES, I'M A LONG TERM  
22 MEMBER, STILL A CURRENT MEMBER IN DISTRICT 9 OF LOS ANGELES.  
23 AND LIKE I SAID, A GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A. I ALSO REPRESENT THE  
24 DISABLED BECAUSE I AM DISABLED, AND I ALSO REPRESENT THE  
25 AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND MEXICAN/HISPANIC COMMUNITY



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1 BECAUSE MY MOTHER IS MEXICAN. SO I HAVE A LOT OF HISTORY WITH  
2 EVERYTHING THAT WAS GOING ON. THEY GOT RID OF AFFIRMATIVE  
3 ACTION. THE BOTTOM LINE IS I COULD HAVE BEEN HOMELESS MYSELF,  
4 AND THAT IS WHAT IS HAPPENING. I HAD PROGRAMS THAT HELPED ME.  
5 I WENT TO SEE -- I HAD WORK STUDY STUFF. I INTERFACED WITH  
6 INDUSTRY, AND NOW I'M DOING THAT WITH MY OWN COMPANY, BUT I  
7 CANNOT FIND PEOPLE QUALIFIED TO DO THE WORK. I'M A COMPUTER  
8 PROGRAMMER, SOFTWARE DEVELOPER, WORKING TOP SECRET STUFF. I  
9 HAVE TALKED TO ARMY, AIR FORCE, NAVY. I HAVE GOT TO STAND IN  
10 FRONT OF YOU FOLKS AND TELL THEM HOW MY COMPANY IS SPENDING  
11 MONEY PROPERLY AND I MAKE IT ACCOUNTABLE. SO YOU GUYS GOT TO  
12 HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY TOO.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

15

16 **DR. WARD CARPENTER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
17 DR. WARD CARPENTER. I AM SPEAKING WITH YOU TODAY AS THE CO-  
18 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T.  
19 CENTER AND ALSO FOR MYSELF AS A CERTIFIED H.I.V. PROVIDER AND  
20 A LONG TERM L.G.B.T. PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER. I KNOW S.T.D.S  
21 DEEPLY. I'VE BEEN TREATING THEM FOR DECADES. AND I AM HERE TO  
22 TALK ABOUT THE RAGING EPIDEMICS THAT OUR COUNTY IS FACING.  
23 MOSTLY, I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT MY 23-YEAR-OLD PATIENT WHO  
24 IS JUST LEARNING HOW TO BE A HEALTHY ADULT. WE HAVE AN  
25 OPPORTUNITY WITH HIM. THROUGH NONJUDGMENTAL, LOW BARRIER CARE,



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1 WE CAN ENCOURAGE HIM AND OTHERS LIKE HIM TO TAKE CHARGE OF  
2 THEIR SEXUAL HEALTH, TO SET POSITIVE LIFELONG BEHAVIORS THAT  
3 WILL FINALLY BRING THESE EPIDEMICS IN CONTROL, OR WE CAN  
4 CREATE BARRIERS, HIGH COST, HIGH BUREAUCRACY, JUDGMENTAL CARE.  
5 AND IF WE DO SO, HE WILL NEVER TEST AGAIN. AND OUR S.T.D.  
6 EPIDEMICS WILL BECOME WORSE. YOUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS ARE HERE.  
7 WE'RE WITH YOU. WE ARE READY TO FIGHT. AND WE ARE FIRED UP.  
8 PLEASE LET US.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER. WELCOME.

11

12 **ROBERT GAMBOA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ROBERT  
13 GAMBOA, AND I'M A SENIOR POLICY ADVOCATE FOR THE LOS ANGELES  
14 L.G.B.T. CENTER. I ALSO ATTEND THE COUNTY'S H.I.V. COMMISSION  
15 AND THE PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE. YESTERDAY AT THE PUBLIC  
16 POLICY COMMITTEE, WE WERE TALKING ABOUT HOW THERE WAS \$30  
17 MILLION THAT WAS ORIGINALLY APPROPRIATED OR ASKED FOR TO  
18 RESPOND TO THE S.T.D. EPIDEMICS HERE L.A. COUNTY, AND ONLY \$5  
19 MILLION WAS APPROPRIATED IN THIS LAST ROUND OF CONTRACTS. AND  
20 AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE AT DANGEROUS LEVELS WITH THIS S.T.D.  
21 EPIDEMIC. WE HERE AT THE CENTER HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD WITH  
22 THE COMMISSION AND THE COUNTY TRYING TO FIND SOME SOLUTIONS.  
23 WE ALSO HELP LEAD A \$17 MILLION EFFORT FROM THE STATE BECAUSE  
24 WE KNOW THAT FUNDING HAS TO COME ELSEWHERE AS WELL. AND WE ARE  
25 ALSO WORKING ON A \$40 MILLION FUNDING ASK FROM THE STATE TO



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1 HELP RESPOND TO THIS TOO. WE HAVE BEEN A COMMUNITY PARTNER FOR  
2 DECADES, AND WE ASK TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE COUNTY AND  
3 D.P.H. TO FIND LONG TERM SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS FOR THIS  
4 PROBLEM. THANKS.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

7

8 **MARLON ROSASEN:** HONORARY BOARD MEMBERS, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY  
9 NAME IS MARLON ROSASEN. I'M HER TO ASK THE BOARD TO  
10 INVESTIGATE THIS CHILD ABDUCTION UNIT AT THE DISTRICT  
11 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. THEY ARE NOT PROPERLY INVESTIGATING  
12 NATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION CASES, AND THEY ARE ALLOWING CHILDREN  
13 TO BE KIDNAPED FROM CALIFORNIA TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES BASED ON  
14 FALSE ALLEGATIONS AND COMPLETELY DENYING PARENTS LIKE MYSELF  
15 DUE PROCESS. RIGHT NOW, MY FOUR AND A HALF YEAR OLD TWINS,  
16 U.S. CITIZENS, ARE IN DANGER OF BEING KIDNAPPED BASED ON  
17 FABRICATED ALLOCATIONS CREATED BY THEIR MOTHER UNDER PRESSURE  
18 FROM A FOREIGN STATE. AND THE D.A. HAS ALLOWED THIS TO HAPPEN.  
19 THEY CEARLY DID NOT DO ANY DUE DILIGENCE WHATSOEVER. MONDAY,  
20 FEBRUARY 10TH, PRESIDING JUDGE LAWRENCE RIFF IS GOING TO  
21 FORCIBLY REMOVE MY CHILDREN TO NORWAY, A COUNTRY I CANNOT LIVE  
22 OR WORK IN, RESULTING IN TERMINATION OF MY PARENTAL RIGHTS AS  
23 PROTECTED BY THE U.S. CONSTITUTION. PLEASE ASK THE PUBLIC  
24 INTEGRITY UNIT TO INVESTIGATE, AND DON'T LET THEM TAKE MY  
25 CHILDREN BASED ON HEARSAY AND FALSE STATEMENTS IN A COURT





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1 PROCEEDING. I WILL FOLLOW UP WITH THE EMAILED DOCUMENTATION  
2 AND BE BACK NEXT WEEK FOR A FOLLOW UP.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHERE DO YOU RESIDE?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** PLEASE HELP SAVE MY CHILDREN.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHERE DO YOU RESIDE?

9

10 **MARLON ROSASEN:** VENICE, CALIFORNIA.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VENICE? IF YOU GO BACK TO THE CONSTITUENT  
13 ASSISTANTS, WE WILL GET YOUR NAME, AND WE'LL REFER IT OVER TO  
14 THE D.A.

15

16 **MARLON ROSASEN:** THANK YOU, I SENT A COPY TO MY THIRD DISTRICT  
17 MEMBER FOR (INDISCERNIBLE). THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

20

21 **TERRA RUSSELL SLAVIN:** HELLO. MY NAME IS TERRA RUSSELL SLAVIN.  
22 I'M DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND COMMUNITY BUILDING AT THE LOS  
23 ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER. TODAY, YOU ARE HEARING FROM OUR STAFF  
24 AND IMPACTED CLIENTS ABOUT OUR DEEP CONCERNS AROUND THE S.T.D.  
25 CONTRACTS PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY. I WANT TO START BY ALSO



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1 EXPRESSING OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR ALL OF THE HEALTH  
2 DEPUTIES WHO HAVE BEEN INCREDIBLY RESPONSIVE TO OUR REQUESTS  
3 FOR ASSISTANCE. TO FRAME THIS ISSUE, FROM 2019 TO 2020, THE  
4 COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH CUT OUR CORE 1 CATEGORY  
5 SERVICES BY \$1 MILLION. FURTHER, ON JANUARY 16TH, WE WERE  
6 INFORMED WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH LAB COSTS.  
7 THAT'S AN ESTIMATED \$1.5 MILLION. THIS COMBINED ALMOST  
8 DECIMATES THE ENTIRE CONTRACT AWARD. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT WE  
9 CAN FIND A SOLUTION TO THIS IMMEDIATE CRISIS AND ALSO TO WORK  
10 LONG-TERM WITH THE COUNTY AND THE LEADERSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT  
11 OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO DEVELOP A STRATEGY THAT NOT ONLY ADDRESSES  
12 THE CONCERNS AT THE CENTER BUT FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY WITH THIS  
13 S.T.D. CRISIS. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO CITY, AND I WANT TO  
18 TALK ABOUT PROP 68, WHICH IS A STATE PARKS AND REC GRANT FOR  
19 WATER BOND STUFF. AND THEY ARE USING IT AS A WEAPON AGAINST  
20 THE RESIDENTS OF STUDIO CITY. PAUL CORCORIAN AND EVIDENTLY  
21 SHEILA KUEHL, WHO FOR WEEKS HAS IGNORED MY REQUEST TO NOT  
22 PERMIT THAT KIND OF EXPANSION OF -- WHAT IS IT? A REC CENTER  
23 PROP K PROJECT FOR \$3 MILLION TO UPGRADE IT TURN INTO A LARGE  
24 OVER SIZED BASKETBALL COURT ON GREEN SPACE IN STUDIO CITY. I  
25 KNOW THAT SOUNDS TRIFLE, BUT IT IS A \$16 PLUS MILLION BUDGET



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1 THAT THE MAYOR AND CORCORIAN ARE GOING TO CUT A RIBBON ON IF  
2 THEY CAN GET THIS APPROVED. AND NOBODY KNOWS ABOUT IT. NOBODY  
3 WANTS IT, AND IT IS COMPLETELY UNTHINKABLE. IT'S UNTHINKABLE  
4 THAT THEY CAN GET AWAY WITH IT AROUND THE CORNER FROM WHERE  
5 HARVARD WESTLAKE, YOU ALL KNOW WHO THAT SCHOOL IS, WHERE  
6 GARCETTI WAS AN ALUMNI, ARE GOING TO BE PUTTING ADDITIONAL  
7 PLASTIC FIELDS ON OUR WONDERFUL PUBLIC AMENITY, WHICH IS A  
8 GOLF AND TENNIS. I MEAN THIS IS WHAT STUDIO CITY IS ABOUT. SO  
9 I ASK YOU TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT AND ENFORCE YOUR RULES.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

12

13 **JOHNNY CROSS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOHNNY CROSS. I'M  
14 HERE TO ADVOCATE FOR FUNDING FOR THE L.A. L.G.B.T. CENTER. I  
15 WAS IN THE AIR FORCE, AND, AT THE TIME, I WAS NOT ABLE TO BE  
16 HONEST WITH MY PROVIDERS AND MY DOCTORS ABOUT MY SEXUAL  
17 HEALTH. SO I WOULD GO TO THE CENTER. AND I WAS ABLE TO  
18 ACTUALLY BE IN A NONJUDGMENTAL ATMOSPHERE THERE AND ASK THE  
19 QUESTIONS THAT I NEEDED AND GET THE HEALTHCARE THAT I NEED.  
20 SINCE I HAVE BEEN OUT OF THE MILITARY, I HAVE BEEN WORKING  
21 THERE AS A DISEASE INTERVENTION SPECIALIST. AND THIS IS A JOB  
22 THAT IS DONE IN EVERY COUNTY, BUT THE COUNTY FUNDS THE CENTER  
23 TO HAVE OUR OWN D.I.S., DISEASE INTERVENTION SPECIALIST,  
24 BECAUSE THE CLIENTS ARE MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE TALKING TO OUR  
25 STAFF. AND BY DOING THAT, WE ARE ABLE TO FIND THEIR SEXUAL



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1 PARTNERS AND GET THEM IN FOR TREATMENT. AND BY DOING THAT, WE  
2 ARE ABLE TO STOP THE S.T.D. EPIDEMIC RIGHT IN ITS TRACKS, AND  
3 IT WORKS A LOT BETTER THAN THE TRADITIONAL COUNTY APPROACH. SO  
4 I REALLY WANT TO MAKE SURE THIS FUNDING CONTINUES SO WE CAN  
5 KEEP MAKING A DENT IN THE S.T.D. EPIDEMIC. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

8

9 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCALLISTER, AN ADVOCATE. I WANT  
10 TO APPLAUD THE YOUNG LADY WHO YOU PUT OUT, LORETTA ANDREWS,  
11 FOR CONFRONTING YOU. SHE'S BRAVE. AND SHE WAS TELLING THE  
12 TRUTH. I SAY TO AFRICAN-AMERICANS, "HOLD ON TO YOUR WEAPONS."  
13 THIS IS WAR. I HAVE BEEN STUDYING THIS FOR SOME YEARS NOW, AND  
14 I DO RESEARCH. I AM A TEACHER, ALL OF THAT, COMPUTER  
15 SCIENTIST, DEGREE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE. I'VE DONE EVERYTHING.  
16 WE ARE AT WAR. THEY ARE TRYING TO EXTERMINATE US, BUT GOD  
17 WON'T LET YOU. WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE. BUT I'M TELLING THE  
18 AFRICAN-AMERICANS, "HOLD ON TO YOUR WEAPONS. GET AS MANY AS  
19 YOU CAN GET," BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GOING DOWN LIKE THAT. WE'RE  
20 GOING DOWN FIGHTING. YOU ARE DYING OUT ANYWAY. THE WHITE RACE  
21 IS DYING OUT ANYWAY. YOU DON'T EVEN BELONG ON THIS PLANET.  
22 YOU'RE NEANDERTHALS. YOU ARE NOT EVEN HUMAN. YOU COME OUT OF  
23 THE CAVES OF EUROPE, AND WHEN YOU LOOK ON THE DICTIONARY UNDER  
24 EVIL, YOU SEE YOUR FACES. AND I'M LETTING YOU KNOW YOU ARE NOT  
25 TAKING DOWN MY PEOPLE. MY PEOPLE ARE UNDERGROUND, MY



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1 ANCESTORS, GREAT GREAT GRANDMOTHER BORN IN SLAVERY. AND YOU  
2 THINK YOU ARE GOING TO TAKE US OUT LIKE THAT. THE DEVIL IS A  
3 LIAR.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

6

7 **NICOLE CUNNINGHAM:** MY NAME IS NICOLE CUNNINGHAM, AND I'M THE  
8 CHIEF EPIDEMIOLOGIST FOR THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER.  
9 H.I.V. AND S.T.D.S ARE NOT LIKE INFLUENZA. AND THEY ARE NOT  
10 LIKE CORONA VIRUS. THEY ARE HEAVILY CONCENTRATED IN DENSE  
11 NODES OF UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS, SPECIFICALLY THOSE WHO ARE  
12 YOUNG, PEOPLE OF COLOR, HOMELESS, AND L.G.B.T.Q. THESE GROUPS  
13 ARE LESS LIKELY TO HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE AND ACCESS TO  
14 PREVENTIVE HEALTHCARE. THESE POPULATIONS ARE BEST REACHED BY  
15 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS LIKE THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER  
16 WHO LAST YEAR PROVIDED 300,000 H.I.V. AND S.T.D. TESTS, HALF  
17 OF WHICH WERE FUNDED BY L.A. COUNTY. THESE FREE AND LOW COST  
18 SERVICES ARE NOW IN JEOPARDY. I URGE THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
19 PUBLIC HEALTH TO DEVELOP A LONG TERM STRATEGY THAT FUNDS AND  
20 ADDRESSES THE H.I.V. AND S.T.D. EPIDEMICS WE ARE CURRENTLY  
21 FACING IN THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY AND ACROSS THE ENTIRE COUNTY.  
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

25



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OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **ANDREA MCPHERSON:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ANDREA MCPHERSON. I'M A  
2 CHAIR WITH THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITH L.A. CARE. WITH THAT, I  
3 WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW I WAS DISCRIMINATED AGAINST, AND I  
4 SPOKE ABOUT THAT HERE AT THIS MEETING BEFORE, JUST TO LET YOU  
5 GUYS KNOW THAT I NEED ASSISTANCE BECAUSE I AM BEING  
6 DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ON A REGULAR BASIS. EVERY TIME I SIT  
7 DOWN AT THE CHAIR LIKE THE ONES YOU'RE SITTING IN, I GET SHUT  
8 DOWN, ROLLED UP, AND EVERYTHING ELSE. SO IN ORDER FOR US, IN  
9 ORDER FOR US TO WORK TOGETHER, THE PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS,  
10 WHATEVER THE CASE MAY BE, WE ALL NEED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE  
11 ACCESS. WE ALL NEED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE A VOICE. BUT YET, FOR  
12 SOME STRANGE REASON, I'M NOT GETTING SUPPORT FROM SHEILA  
13 KUEHL. BUT, WITH THAT BEING SAID, HOPEFULLY BY TODAY, SHE  
14 WOULD GIVE ME ACCESS TO HER OFFICE AND ANYTHING ELSE I CAN DO  
15 IN ORDER TO GET IN CONTACT WITH HER.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

18

19 **MARY JACOBS:** MARY JACOBS, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK PATRICIA  
20 MCCALLISTER FOR HER STRENGTH. I JUST WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT  
21 I'M WHITE. GEORGE BUZZETTI IS WHITE, AND WE ARE BOTH CIVIL  
22 RIGHTS ACTIVISTS IN OUR WAY, AND YOU CAN GET HELP FROM PEOPLE  
23 OF DIFFERENT RACES THAT AGREE WITH YOU. THE L.A. COUNTY BEGAN  
24 THE WAR WITH ME AND MY HOUSE DIRECTLY AFTER MY BLACK LADY  
25 FRIEND, CLAIRE FAVIYAN, MOVED IN WITH HER BLACK CHILDREN AND



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1 HER BLACK GRANDCHILDREN. WE HAD SIX BLACK PEOPLE PEOPLE LIVING  
2 IN EAST L.A. OH MY GOD, THE NEXT THING YOU KNOW, WE GOT  
3 ATTACKED. THEN I MOVED TO PANORAMA CITY. THEY HAD MEXICAN  
4 PEOPLE. THEY HAD ALL KINDS OF GYPSIES, YOU NAME IT. THEY GET A  
5 GROUP OF BLACK PEOPLE, 18 OF THEM, AND IMMEDIATELY THE CITY  
6 WENT ON THEIR ATTACK. YES, THE BLACK PEOPLE ARE BEING  
7 EXTERMINATED. YES, THEY ARE BEING POINTED AT. THEY ARE GETTING  
8 MORE HOMELESS AND HOMELESS. YOU GO DOWN TO SKID ROW, EVERYBODY  
9 IS BLACK OR DISABLED. THIS IS A TRAVESTY, AND IT IS RACISM  
10 BEYOND BELIEF.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

13

14 **JOSIAH EDWARDS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, ALL. MY NAME IS JOSIAH  
15 EDWARDS. I'M A MEMBER OF SUNRISE LOS ANGELES. THERE ARE MORE  
16 MEMBERS OF OUR YOUTH-LED ORGANIZATION WHO ORIGINALLY CAME TO  
17 ADDRESS OUR CONCERNS DURING THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.  
18 UNFORTUNATELY BECAUSE THE BOARD WENT INTO CLOSED SESSION SO  
19 EARLY, MOST OF OUR MEMBERS HAD TO LEAVE. WHEN THE BOARD GOES  
20 INTO CLOSED SESSION SO EARLY AND BEFORE GENERAL PUBLIC  
21 COMMENT, YOU ARE NOT ENCOURAGING THE VOICES OF YOUR  
22 CONSTITUENTS TO BE HEARD DURING SUPERVISORIAL MEETINGS. YOU  
23 ARE DISCOURAGING, DEMEANING, AND, FRANKLY, INSULTING THEM. WE  
24 WANTED TO ADDRESS OUR CONCERNS ON FOSSIL FUEL MONEY TOWARD  
25 PRIMARILY TWO SUPERVISORS UP FOR REELECTION, SUPERVISOR BARGER



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1 AND RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO REPRESENTS MY DISTRICT AND ISN'T EVEN  
2 HERE. WE WANTED GO THROUGH THE NORMAL PROCESS IN ORDER TO  
3 ENSURE THAT OUR VOICE IS PARTICULARLY THE VOICES OF POOR BLACK  
4 AND BROWN CHILDREN THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WERE HEARD, BUT OUR  
5 FUTURES ARE FAR TOO IMPORTANT TO GAMBLE WITH. YOU CAN NOW  
6 EXPECT FAR GREATER ACTION IN THE FORM OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE  
7 FROM SUNRISE LOS ANGELES IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **LARRY LAVEN:** HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS LARRY  
12 LAVEN. I'M FROM ENCINO. OUTDOOR JAILS, RECENTLY I HAVE BEEN  
13 TALKING ABOUT CONCRETE JAILS AND CLAIM THAT QUONSET HUTS OR  
14 DORMS BUILT FOR PRISONERS WHO CAN DO THEIR TIME OUTDOORS MIGHT  
15 PROVIDE BETTER REHABILITATION THAN A CONCRETE CELL. I BELIEVE  
16 THAT PEOPLE ARRESTED FOR MISDEMEANOR ASSAULT AND BATTERY  
17 SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO DO THEIR TIME OUTDOORS AS WELL AS  
18 NONVIOLENT CRIMINALS. AT 18, I WAS PUT IN THE MEN'S CENTRAL  
19 JAIL WHEN BEING PROCESSED INTO THE SYSTEM. I WAS ONLY IN THE  
20 CENTRAL JAIL FOR A FEW DAYS, BUT IT SEEMED LIKE A LOT LONGER,  
21 LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT I DID NOT  
22 EVER WANT TO BE THERE AGAIN. FORTUNATELY FOR ME, I WAS  
23 TRANSFERRED TO PETER PITCH'S HONOR RANCH, WHERE I PLANTED  
24 TREES, SHOVELED COW MANURE, MILKED COWS, AND WORKED IN THE  
25 DINING ROOM. WE MARCHED EVERYWHERE. IF PRISONERS ARE MADE TO





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1 MARCH, THAT WOULD BE ENOUGH TO KEEP THEM BUSY. I WAS THERE FOR  
2 FOUR MONTHS AND REHABILITATED, THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **ANTHONY HAYES, JR.:** YEAH, MY NAME IS ANTHONY HAYES, JR. TUPAC  
7 SHAKUR IS MY COUSIN, AND I STARTED MY OWN GOVERNMENT PROGRAM.  
8 I'M THE C.E.O., THE PRESIDENT, OF THE BUREAU DEPARTMENT OF  
9 REPARATION FOR NATIVE AMERICANS AND BLACK AFRICAN-AMERICANS,  
10 PENAL CODE \$1 TRILLION. MY SON ANTONIO KING HAYES IS A VICTIM  
11 OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING BY YOUR EMPLOYEES. AND I FILED A CLAIM  
12 FOR DAMAGES JANUARY 8TH. I FILED A SMALL CLAIMS AT L.A.  
13 SUPERIOR COURTHOUSE AGAINST THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN L.A.  
14 COUNTY, AND NO ONE APPEARED IN COURT. I FILED A SMALL CLAIMS  
15 AGAINST COUNTY COUNSEL IN THE SMALL CLAIMS DEPARTMENT. NO ONE  
16 APPEARED IN COURT. THIS IS A SERIOUS ISSUE THAT YOUR EMPLOYEES  
17 ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF  
18 AMERICA. THE NEXT THING THAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN, THE MILITARY  
19 IS GOING TO START CORRECTING YOUR MISTAKES BECAUSE ONCE YOU  
20 VIOLATE SOMEONE'S CONSTITUTION RIGHTS, YOU ARE BREAKING THE  
21 LAW. YOU CANNOT ENFORCE THE LAW AND THEN BREAK THE LAW AT THE  
22 SAME TIME. THE LAW THAT YOU'RE BREAKING IS THE CONSTITUTION.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

25



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1 **ANTHONY HAYES, JR.:** THANK YOU? WHAT IS THAT? I SAID MY SON --

2

3 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOU'VE SUBMITTED YOUR CLAIMS FORMS. YOU'VE  
4 SUBMITTED YOUR CLAIMS FORM. IF SOMEONE FROM THE BACK CAN COME  
5 AND TALK TO HIM AND GET THE INFORMATION REGARDING HIS SON, BUT  
6 YOU HAVE GOT THE CLAIMS FORMS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED. SO  
7 WE'LL TAKE IT UNDER ADVISEMENT. SO THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

8

9 **M. OLLIS:** MY NAME IS M. OLLIS. MY PRONOUNS ARE THEY, THEM, AND  
10 THEIRS. I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK UP FOR THE TENS OF THOUSANDS  
11 OF PEOPLE IN THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY AT RISK OF GOING UNTESTED,  
12 UNDIAGNOSED, AND UNTREATED FOR LIFE THREATENING SEXUALLY  
13 TRANSMITTED DISEASES. WE NEED THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF  
14 PUBLIC HEALTH TO DEVELOP A LONG TERM STRATEGY THAT FUNDS AND  
15 ADDRESS THE H.I.V. AND S.T.D. EPIDEMICS ACROSS THE COUNTY.  
16 THIS CRISIS IS IMPORTANT TO ME BECAUSE, AS A YOUNG QUEER  
17 PERSON OF COLOR, I'M AT HIGH RISK OF CONTRACTING H.I.V. AND  
18 THE PLACES IN THIS COUNTY I CAN SAFELY GET COMPREHENSIVE AND  
19 ADEQUATE CARE FOR PREVENTION SERVICES AND TREATMENT ARE  
20 LIMITED, AND MANY PEOPLE ACROSS THE COUNTRY, YOUNG PEOPLE,  
21 YOUNG QUEER PEOPLE OF COLOR, ARE COMING TO LOS ANGELES FOR  
22 HOUSING AND ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR THESE SERVICES THAT THEY  
23 NEED, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.



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1

2 **MARIA MELLO:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MARIA MELLO. MY PRONOUNS ARE  
3 SHE AND HER. I'M HERE TO SPEAK UP FOR THE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE  
4 IN THE IMMIGRANT L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY WHO ARE ALSO AT RISK OF  
5 GOING UNTESTED, UNDIAGNOSED, AND UNTREATED FOR LIFE  
6 THREATENING SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES. AS A LATINO WOMAN,  
7 AND AS AN IMMIGRANT, AS AN L.G.B.T. PERSON, I KNOW WHAT IT IS  
8 LIKE TO EXPERIENCE SHAME AND FEAR OF DISCRIMINATION IN A  
9 HEALTH SETTING. I DO NOT FEEL THAT SHAME OR FEAR AS AN  
10 L.G.B.T. PERSON, NOR AS AN IMMIGRANT, AT THE LOS ANGELES  
11 L.G.B.T. CENTER'S HEALTH SETTINGS. I KNOW THAT I AM FORTUNATE  
12 AND LUCKY BECAUSE I CAN COUNT ON THIS NOW AS WELL AND MY  
13 FRIENDS AND MY IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY FRIENDS IN THE L.G.B.T.  
14 COMMUNITY. I BELIEVE THAT FREE S.T.D. AND H.I.V. TESTING IS  
15 IMPORTANT TO THE L.G.B.T. IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY  
16 BECAUSE IT IS A SAFE PLACE FOR EVERYTHING THEY ARE. THAT IS  
17 WHY TODAY I'M HERE TO ASK YOU PLEASE TO ENSURE THE COUNTY'S  
18 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEVELOPS A LONG TERM STRATEGY TO  
19 ADDRESS H.I.V. AND S.T.D. EPIDEMICS FOR THE L.G.B.T.  
20 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

23

24 **DANI MARZUKA:** HI, MY NAME IS DANI MARZUKA. MY PRONOUNS ARE SHE  
25 AND HER. I'M ALSO HERE TODAY TO SPEAK UP FOR THE TENS OF



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1 THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY AT RISK OF GOING  
2 UNTESTED, UNDIAGNOSED, AND UNTREATED FOR LIFE THREATENING  
3 SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES. THIS CRISIS IS IMPORTANT TO ME  
4 BECAUSE, AS A LESBIAN WOMAN, THE RESEARCH ON S.T.D.  
5 TRANSMISSION FOR L.G.Q. WOMEN IS ALREADY DEEPLY LACKING. I  
6 HAVE EXPERIENCED DISCRIMINATION AND MISDIAGNOSES FROM DOCTORS  
7 WHO WERE NOT CULTURALLY COMPETENT IN LESBIAN SEX, AND I CAN  
8 TRUST THE L.G.B.T. CENTER MEDICAL STAFF TO BE CURRENT ON SAME  
9 SEX MEDICAL RESEARCH AND ON THE S.T.D. RISKS THAT I FACE. THE  
10 FUNDING PULL IS JUST ONE MORE BARRIER TO SEXUAL HEALTH FOR  
11 MYSELF AND MY COMMUNITY, AND I'M ASKING TO ENSURE THAT THE  
12 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEVELOPS A LONG TERM STRATEGY TO  
13 ADDRESS H.I.V. AND S.T.D. EPIDEMICS FOR OUR COMMUNITY. THANK  
14 YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

17

18 **SARAH DURHAM:** I'M SARAH DURHAM, AND I'M HERE WITH THE L.G.B.T.  
19 CENTER TO TALK ABOUT LIFE THREATENING SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED  
20 DISEASES. THIS ISSUE MATTERS TO ME BECAUSE I GREW UP IN A  
21 LITTLE SOUTHEASTERN TOWN OFF THE COAST OF GEORGIA. AND IT WAS,  
22 YOU KNOW, SUPER GAY FRIENDLY AS YOU CAN IMAGINE. AND I WATCHED  
23 FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES ENDURE A LOT OF FEAR AND ISOLATION  
24 BECAUSE THERE WAS NO SYSTEM OR FUNDING IN PLACE FOR THEM TO  
25 GET VITAL S.T.D. TESTING. I WATCHED PEOPLE I LOVE DIE BECAUSE



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1 THEIR GOVERNING BODY DID NOT SUPPORT THEM, AND MAYBE THIS IS  
2 ME BEING IDEALISTIC, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO THINK THE COUNTY OF  
3 THE LOS ANGELES IS A LITTLE BIT MORE ADVANCED THAN A TINY  
4 LITTLE ARCHAIC TOWN OFF THE COAST OF GEORGIA. I DON'T THINK  
5 I'M NAIVE, THOUGH. I KNOW IT IS. SO PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE  
6 COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEVELOPS A LONG TERM  
7 STRATEGY TO ADDRESSE H.I.V. AND S.T.D. EPIDEMICS IN THE  
8 L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

11

12 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO THE UNITED STATES V. BAGDASARIAN 0950520 FOR  
13 THE RECORD, COUNSEL. WHEN OUR LAW PUNISHES WORDS, WE MUST  
14 EXAMINE THE SURROUNDING CIRCUMSTANCE. SO WHY THE HELL WOULD  
15 SHEILA KUEHL AND YOUR COUNSEL APPROACH ME ON ITEM 2 AND  
16 THREATEN ME HERE? WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT? YOU'RE NO BETTER THAN  
17 ME, AND YOU WILL NEVER BE BETTER THAN ME. FOR GOD IS MY  
18 WITNESS, GOD WILL BRING HELLFIRE UPON YOUR INDIVIDUALS AND THE  
19 [EXPLETIVE] -- (OFF-MIC COMMENTS).

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** PLEASE REFRAIN FROM USING THAT LANGUAGE.  
22 PLEASE REFRAIN FROM USING THAT LANGUAGE. PLEASE, HERMAN. OKAY,  
23 THAT IS YOUR THIRD WARNING, SO GOOD NIGHT. THANK YOU. YOUR  
24 TIME IS EXPIRED. AND WE ARE ASKING YOU TO LEAVE THE BOARDROOM.  
25 PEOPLE COMPLAIN ABOUT YOUR LANGUAGE, SO YOU'RE BEING



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1 DISRUPTIVE. WE'RE GOING TO DO THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN WRITING  
2 AND HAND IT TO PEOPLE WHO COME IN LATE BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY HE IS  
3 NOT HERE WHEN WE PLAY IT. NEXT SPEAKER.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** WHAT A HARD ACT TO FOLLOW. I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON  
6 BEHALF OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF L.G.B.T. YOUTH.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU HOLD THE MIC UP, SO WE CAN HEAR?  
9 I'M SORRY.

10

11 **NICO:** MY NAME IS NICO. I'M HERE TO SPEAK UP ON BEHALF OF TENS  
12 OF THOUSANDS OF L.G.B.T. YOUTH IN L.A. COUNTY. I, JUST COMING  
13 FROM A REALLY HOMOPHOBIC HOME, I KNOW A LOT OF OTHER TEENAGERS  
14 UNDERGO SIMILAR HARDSHIPS WITH GETTING ACCESS TO THE CARE THAT  
15 THEY NEED. A LOT OF THEM ARE DISOWNED OR HOMELESS SO THEY  
16 DON'T HAVE INSURANCE, AND THEY ARE NOT ABLE GO TO TRADITIONAL  
17 MEDICAL PROVIDERS, AND THEY ARE ALSO, LIKE, AFRAID OF  
18 JUDGMENT. I HAVE UNDERGONE A LOT OF DISCRIMINATION AT -- (OFF-  
19 MIC COMMENTS).

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** HERMAN. EXCUSE ME. STOP THE CLOCK. I'M  
22 SORRY.

23

24 **NICO:** STUFF LIKE THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** HERMAN. HERMAN.

2

3 **NICO:** STUFF LIKE THAT. SO THE L.G.B.T. CENTER IS JUST A SAFE  
4 SPACE WHERE IT SAVED MY LIFE A COUPLE TIMES, AND I THINK IT IS  
5 REALLY NECESSARY AND IMPORTANT TO HAVE THAT KIND OF FREE  
6 ACCESS. THANK YOU, AND SORRY FOR ALL THAT STUFF.

7

8 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** [RECORDING] [EXPLETIVE], MY MOTHER WAS A JEW -  
9 -. SHEILA KUEHL BEGAN THIS FIRST AMENDMENT BATTLE. NOW, COUNTY  
10 COUNSEL, YOU WILL HAVE TO DECIDE WHAT THE CONTENT OF SPEECH IS  
11 AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU CAN REGULATE CONTENT. SHE IS GOING TO  
12 TRY TO DO WHAT THE CITY COUNCIL DID UNDER RULE 7. I HAVE A 55  
13 PAGE FEDERAL RULING FROM TWO WEEKS AGO. NO, YOU CAN'T DO THAT.  
14 IT IS A PRIOR RESTRAINT. YOU DON'T LISTEN. BUT THE WORST PART  
15 IS SHEILA KUEHL COMING INTO THIS AREA HERE SAYING I DON'T KNOW  
16 WHAT THE [EXPLETIVE] -- (OFF-MIC COMMENTS).

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. YOUR TIME IS  
19 EXPIRED, AND THERE'S A CHILD IN THE ROOM. THANK YOU, MR.  
20 SPINDLER. NEXT SPEAKER.

21

22 **AMANDA MOORE:** HI, MY NAME IS AMANDA MOORE. I'M -- NO, NO,  
23 LOVE. [ LAUGHTER ]. I CAME TO SPEAK ON THE H.I.V. AND S.T.D.  
24 TESTING AND SUCH. OH, I KNOW. I KNOW. AND IT IS IMPORTANT  
25 ENOUGH I BROUGHT MY CHILDREN WITH ME. I HAVE SOME PEOPLE



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1 WATCHING MY OTHER ONE. SHE IS ASLEEP IN THE STROLLER. AND  
2 EVERYONE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET ACCESS TO THIS. I AM -- I KNOW,  
3 I KNOW. I AM WHITE AND IN A WELL-OFF PLACE. I AM MARRIED TO  
4 SOMEBODY WITH GOOD INSURANCE, AND I AM SEEING DAILY HOW NON-  
5 WHITE, NOT PEOPLE IN GOOD SITUATIONS SUCH AS MYSELF, ARE  
6 STRUGGLING AND DYING FROM THIS EPIDEMIC. AND I'M ALSO SEEING  
7 JUST HOW MUCH PEOPLE OF COLOR ARE NOT ACCEPTED IN CERTAIN  
8 AREAS, AND THEY SHOULD BE ACCEPTED EVERYWHERE. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS.  
13 AND IN THIS BOOK THAT'S A GUIDE TO THE COUNTY, IT MENTIONED ON  
14 PAGE 52 THAT YOU HAVE MANAGED HEALTHCARE SUCH AS L.A. CARE AND  
15 HEALTH NET AND ELIGIBILITY FOR MY HEALTH L.A., WHICH A LOW-  
16 COST INSURER. SO THEN THEY CHANGED IT. AND AFTER LAST WEEK'S  
17 CONVERSATION THAT YOU HAD ABOUT THE M.O.U. WITH THE SHERIFF, I  
18 REALLY THOUGHT YOU PLAYED A VERY WELL -- IT WAS A VERY WELL-  
19 PLAYED GAME, SUPERVISOR BARGER, ESPECIALLY WHEN DR. THOMAS  
20 SAID, THE M.O.U. IS IN EFFECT. AND HE GOT THE OPINION FROM THE  
21 COUNTY COUNSEL ABOUT, YES, IT IS IN EFFECT UNTIL YOU VOTE ON  
22 IT. AND ONLY AFTER YOU VOTE ON IT WILL IT CHANGE. ONLY AFTER  
23 YOU VOTE ON SOMETHING CAN IT CHANGE. SO THE RULES THAT TALK  
24 ABOUT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WERE NEVER VOTED ON IT, YET  
25 THEY WERE CHANGED. HOW DOES THAT WORK? HOW DID A CODE OF





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1 CONDUCT THAT WAS NEVER VOTED ON WORK WHEN IT WAS NEVER VOTED  
2 ON, SUPERVISOR BARGER?

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IS THAT THE LAST SPEAKER? OKAY,  
5 THAT IS THE LAST SPEAKER UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL NOW DO  
6 ADJOURNMENTS, BEGINNING WITH THE 4TH DISTRICT. AND I'M GOING  
7 TO READ AN ADJOURNMENT IN FOR SUPERVISOR HAHN. SUPERVISOR HAHN  
8 IS REQUESTING THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GENE LENTZNER. HE  
9 WAS BORN IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. AS SOON AS HE WAS ABLE, HE  
10 ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. DURING WORLD WAR II, GENE  
11 SPENT THREE YEARS WITH THE COMBAT ENGINEERS AND CAVALRY  
12 RECONNAISSANCE, INCLUDING THE NORMANDY INVASION. AFTER THE  
13 ARMY, GENE ATTENDED HARVARD UNIVERSITY WHERE HE GRADUATED AT  
14 THE TOP OF HIS CLASS. GENE MARRIED HIS WIFE, ANN, IN 1951, AND  
15 THEY SOON MOVED INTO A HOME ON THE EAST SIDE OF LONG BEACH.  
16 GENE AND HIS BROTHER, GORDON, PURCHASED A WOMAN'S CLOTHING  
17 STORE IN LONG BEACH AND BUILT IT INTO A SUCCESSFUL CHAIN OF 26  
18 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA STORES. AFTER SELLING HIS BUSINESS, HE  
19 BEGAN A SECOND YEAR AS A COMMUNITY LEADER FIGHTING FOR CIVIL  
20 RIGHTS MORE THAN 40 YEARS AGO, WHEN HE JOINED THE NATIONAL  
21 CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS, WHICH EVENTUALLY BECAME THE  
22 CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE FOR EQUALITY AND JUSTICE. GENE NEVER  
23 STOPPED FIGHTING FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL. HE ONCE SAID IT IS  
24 AMAZING THAT WE CAN DO -- IT IS AMAZING WHAT WE CAN DO WHEN WE  
25 WORK TOGETHER. IMPROVING HUMAN RELATIONS BEGINS WITH EACH ONE



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1 OF US. GENE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ANN, OF 68 YEARS,  
2 BROTHER, GORDON, SONS, ALAN AND JAY, GRANDSON, DAVID, AS WELL  
3 AS THE ENTIRE LONG BEACH COMMUNITY. THOSE ARE SUPERVISOR  
4 HAHN'S ADJOURNMENTS. AND MY ADJOURNMENTS, I MOVE THAT WE  
5 ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF TED SHAW, A LONG TIME SOUTH  
6 PASADENA BUSINESS OWNER, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE  
7 OF 75. HE WAS A BUSINESSMAN AND INVESTOR, A COUNCILMAN AND  
8 MAYOR, AND A FUNDRAISER THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE REGION. TED WAS  
9 A GRADUATE OF ST. FRANCIS IN LA CANADA AND PROUD TROJAN FROM  
10 U.S.C. HE WAS COFOUNDER OF SHAW MOSES MENDENHALL AGENCY, A  
11 LARGE REGIONAL INSURANCE BROKERAGE FIRM, AND HELPED ASSEMBLE  
12 PROPERTIES WITH PARTNERS IN SOUTH PASADENA THAT LED TO THE  
13 DEVELOPMENT OF MANY OF THE NEWER COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS ALONG  
14 FAIR OAKS. FOR THE PAST 40 YEARS, HE HELPED KEEP THE FUNDS  
15 FLOWING FOR SOUTH PASADENA'S SELF-BUILT ROSE BOWL PARADE FLOAT  
16 AND MADE THE SOUTH PASADENA RELAY FOR LIFE A HUGE SUCCESS FOR  
17 OVER A DECADE, HELPING TO RAISE SEVERAL HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS  
18 OF DOLLARS FOR THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY. TED IS SURVIVED BY  
19 HIS WIFE, JOAN, AND TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS, JANET BENJAMIN AND  
20 SANDY MORANTI. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES TED  
21 BLANKENSHIP, A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA, WHO PASSED  
22 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87. HE WAS BORN IN WEST VIRGINIA, GRADUATED  
23 HIGH SCHOOL THERE AND EARNED HIS DEGREE IN BUSINESS  
24 ADMINISTRATION AT VIRGINIA TECH. HE MOVED TO GLENDALE AND WAS  
25 HIRED BY DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT AS AN ACCOUNTANT. DOUGLAS SENT HIM



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1 TO EUROPE WHERE HE SPENT TWO YEARS ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT. HE  
2 RETURNED HOME AND ENROLLED IN U.C.L.A. TO EARN A DEGREE IN  
3 EARLY EDUCATION. HE COMPLETED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN 1970 FROM  
4 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY STATE COLLEGE AND WAS HIRED BY THE SAUGUS  
5 UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE MOVED HIS YOUNG FAMILY TO SANTA  
6 CLARITA AND WAS PRINCIPAL TO SEVERAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS. HE  
7 ALSO SUPERVISED AND MENTORED STUDENT TEACHERS FOR 12 YEARS.  
8 TED IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, TWO CHILDREN, AND ONE BROTHER.  
9 AND ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRANK XAVIER MARCIAL, A  
10 RESIDENT OF STEVENSON RANCH. HE BEGAN A CAREER IN FINANCIAL  
11 SERVICES AS A CONSUMER FINANCE MANAGER AND RECEIVED  
12 RECOGNITION AS NOTARY OF THE YEAR FROM THE NATIONAL NOTARY  
13 ASSOCIATION IN 2006. HE PROUDLY SERVED IN THE ARMY NATIONAL  
14 GUARD AS A COMBAT ENGINEER SPECIALIST. HE ALSO SERVED AS A  
15 MAJOR IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE AUXILIARY CIVIL AIR PATROL WHERE  
16 HIS GENERAL AVIATION PILOT LICENSE ALLOWED HIM TO PARTICIPATE  
17 IN SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSIONS FOR DOWNED AIRCRAFT IN SOUTHERN  
18 CALIFORNIA. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, TWO SONS, TWO  
19 DAUGHTERS, AND HIS BROTHER. ALSO CHARLES STURKEY, A LONG TIME  
20 RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA. AT THE AGE OF 17, HE RECEIVED  
21 PARENTAL CONSENT FROM HIS MOTHER TO JOIN THE U.S. NAVY WHERE  
22 HE SERVED FOR 10 YEARS INCLUDING TIME IN PRE-WAR VIETNAM. HE  
23 BECAME A SKILLED ELECTRICIAN, LATER HOLDING POSITIONS AT  
24 I.T.T. AEROSPACE AND LOCKHEED-MARTIN AND AS A FACILITY  
25 ENGINEER FOR ROCKWELL. HE ALSO TAUGHT PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE EARLY



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1 DAYS OF COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS DEVELOPING A NAME FOR HIMSELF  
2 AS AN ACCOMPLISHED PHOTOGRAPHER. AFTER RETIREMENT, HE SPENT 15  
3 YEARS AS DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AT L.A.R.C. RANCH, AN  
4 ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES RESIDENTIAL AND DAY PROGRAMS FOR  
5 DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED ADULTS. HE WAS KNOWN AS AN ARTIST,  
6 WRITER, VETERAN, AND A DEVOTED FAMILY MAN. CHUCK IS SURVIVED  
7 BY KATHY, HIS WIFE OF 40 YEARS, AND THEIR 5 CHILDREN. ALSO  
8 JITSUKO JAYNE TOZAKI, A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA. SHE  
9 WORKED AS A TRANSLATOR AFTER WORLD WAR II FOR THE UNITED  
10 STATES COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS IN NEARBY KURE, JAPAN. IN  
11 1949, SHE RETURNED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND WENT ON TO RAISE  
12 HER FAMILY. IN 1968, SHE BEGAN WORKING FOR THE LOS ANGELES  
13 COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY AS A TYPIST CLERK AND THEN  
14 SUPERVISING CLERK IN THE GLENDALE OFFICE. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE  
15 MEMBER IN THE SUN VALLEY JAPANESE COMMUNITY CENTER, VALLEY  
16 BUDDHIST SUNDAY SCHOOL & WOMEN'S CLUB, RETIRING IN 1993.  
17 JITSUKO IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE SONS, RON, JEFF, AND GARY.  
18 AND LAST, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RALPH GEORGE ZIEGLER, A  
19 LONG TIME RESIDENT OF GLENDALE. RALPH SERVED IN THE AIR FORCE  
20 DURING THE VIETNAM WAR. AFTER HIS SERVICE, RALPH WAS CHIEF  
21 FINANCIAL OFFICER OF TRIAD ARTISTS, INC. AND SUPERVISED  
22 TRIAD'S MERGER WITH THE WILLIAM MORRIS AGENCY. HE THEN BECAME  
23 AN ASSISTANT CONTROLLER AT INTERNATIONAL CREATIVE MANAGEMENT  
24 WHERE HE REMAINED FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS LATER AN ACCOUNTANT  
25 AND OFFICE MANAGER AT TESSLER AND CO. AND FINANCIAL CONTROLLER



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1 AT CONSENSUS, INC. AFTER RETIRING, HIS LOVE OF ANIMALS LED HIM  
2 TO BECOME A TRAINED VOLUNTEER DOCENT AT THE LOS ANGELES ZOO,  
3 WHICH REQUIRED TAKING A DIFFICULT 24-WEEK COURSE AT U.C.L.A..  
4 HE WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN THE GLENDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND  
5 DOCTOR'S HOUSE AT BRAND PARK. HE WAS KNOWN AS AN ARTIST,  
6 WRITER, VETERAN, AND DEVOTED FAMILY MAN. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
7 HUSBAND, ALAN EICHLER, SISTER, FRANCES, AND HIS BROTHER, DANA.  
8 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. NOW WE CAN GO TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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10 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE ONE ADJOURNMENT. I  
11 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR.  
12 WILLIAM GIVENS. MR. WILLIAM GIVENS WAS A LONG TIME OF CITY  
13 SOUTHGATE, WAS BORN ON FEBRUARY 7TH, 1941. HE PASSED AWAY ON  
14 JANUARY 5TH, 2020 AT THE AGE OF 78. MR. GIVENS SERVED IN THE  
15 UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED AFTER 10  
16 YEARS OF SERVICE. AS A SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN THE UNITED AIR  
17 FORCE, HE ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE WHERE HE  
18 SERVED FOR 20 YEARS BEFORE RETIRING AS AN ARMY AND AIR FORCE  
19 VIETNAM VETERAN. AFTER HIS SERVICE, HE ATTENDED CAL STATE  
20 NORTHRIDGE WHERE HE GRADUATED WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN  
21 POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION. MR. GIVENS WENT  
22 ON TO WORK AT L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BUT ALWAYS LONGED  
23 TO WORK DIRECTLY WITH THE VETERAN COMMUNITY. SOON THEREAFTER,  
24 HE RECEIVED AN OFFER TO WORK AT THE LOCAL VETERAN EMPLOYER AS  
25 A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S EMPLOYMENT



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1 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, WORKFORCE SERVICES AND WORKED THERE  
2 FOR 20 YEARS UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT. MR. GIVENS WAS COMMITTED TO  
3 SERVING VETERANS, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF NATIVE AMERICAN DESCENT,  
4 WHICH IS WHY HE WORKED TIRELESSLY TO FUND THE NATIVE AMERICAN  
5 VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION IN 2002. HE WAS AN AMAZING INDIVIDUAL  
6 WHO, NOT ONLY SERVED OUR COUNTRY, BUT LIVED A LIFE SERVING  
7 OTHERS. WILLIAM GIVENS WILL BE MISSED. MAY HE REST IN PEACE.  
8 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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12 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
13 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JEANNE DOBRIN, AFFECTIONATELY  
14 KNOWN AS THE "GRAND DAME OF WEST HOLLYWOOD," HER ADVOCACY  
15 HELPED SHAPE THE CITY AND ITS POLICIES, CONTRIBUTING  
16 SIGNIFICANTLY TO WEST HOLLYWOOD AS IT EXISTS TODAY. A SMALL  
17 BUT A MIGHTY WOMAN WITH A BIG VOICE, SHE WAS A CONSUMMATE  
18 COMMUNITY ADVOCATE WHO OFTEN TOOK YOUNG ACTIVISTS UNDER HER  
19 WING, TEACHING THEM TO DECIPHER CITY ZONING MAPS AND EDUCATING  
20 THEM ON CITYWIDE ISSUES. A PROPONENT OF PROGRESSIVE CAUSES,  
21 SHE WAS COFOUNDER OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD DEMOCRATIC CLUB AND A  
22 TIRELESS ADVOCATE OF POLITICAL ETHICS. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE  
23 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LAWRENCE FIELD, REAL  
24 ESTATE ENTREPRENEUR AND PHILANTHROPIST, WHO DIED ON JANUARY  
25 28TH. HIS FIRM, N.S.B. ASSOCIATES, BECAME ONE OF THE REGION'S



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1 MOST SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPERS AND MANAGERS OF COMMERCIAL AND  
2 INDUSTRIAL REAL ESTATE. HE WAS WIDELY CREDITED WITH PIONEERING  
3 THE CONCEPT OF REPURPOSING INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES INTO CREATIVE  
4 OFFICE SPACE THAT ATTRACTED MANY OF THE AREA'S DIGITAL MEDIA,  
5 TECHNOLOGY, AND ENTERTAINMENT COMPANIES. DEEPLY INVOLVED IN  
6 PHILANTHROPY, LARRY AND HIS WIFE, ERIS, WERE MAJOR SUPPORTERS  
7 AND BOARD MEMBERS OF MANY EDUCATIONAL, ARTS, AND HEALTHCARE  
8 ORGANIZATIONS IN L.A., NEW YORK, AND ISRAEL. THEY FUNDED THE  
9 ERIS M. FIELD CHAIR IN DIABETES RESEARCH AT CEDARS-SINAI  
10 MEDICAL CENTER, THE LAWRENCE N. FIELD WEST GATE OF THE  
11 HOLLYWOOD BOWL, THE ERIS M. FIELD PLAZA AT THE WALT DISNEY  
12 CONCERT HALL, AND THE LAWRENCE N. AND ERIS FIELD BUILDING IN  
13 THE CLIVNER FIELD PLAZA AT BARUCH COLLEGE. THEY WERE ALSO  
14 MAJOR SUPPORTERS OF THE MUSIC CENTER, THE L.A. PHIL, THE  
15 JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER L.A., THE HAMMER MUSEUM, THE  
16 YOUNG MUSICIANS FOUNDATION, BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY OF THE  
17 NEGEV, AND THEIR FAMILY SYNAGOGUE, STEPHEN WISE TEMPLE IN L.A.  
18 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTERS, LISA AND ROBYN, AND HIS  
19 COMPANION RIVKA. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE  
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GREAT AND MEMORABLE WOMAN, LILA  
21 GARRETT. SHE WAS A SCREENWRITER, BUT PROBABLY LATELY KNOWN  
22 MOST AS A RADIO HOST. AND SHE DIED ON FEBRUARY 1ST. SHE WROTE  
23 SITCOMS, WHICH MANY OF US DID NOT KNOW ABOUT IN HER EARLIER  
24 LIFE, LIKE "MY FAVORITE MARTIAN," "ALL IN THE FAMILY," AND  
25 "BEWITCHED," AND SHE ACTUALLY WON TWO EMMYS FOR THE 90-MINUTE



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1 COMEDIES "MOTHER OF THE BRIDE" AND "THE GIRL WHO COULDN'T  
2 LOSE." A DEDICATED ANTI-WAR ACTIVIST, SHE FOUNDED AMERICANS  
3 AGAINST WAR WITH IRAQ. SHE SERVED AS A D.N.C. DELEGATE FOR  
4 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE MICHAEL DUKAKIS, WAS PRESIDENT OF THE  
5 SOUTH CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC  
6 ACTION, AND WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS  
7 OF AMERICA. PROBABLY BEST KNOWN TO FOLKS, SHE HOSTED  
8 K.P.F.K.'S CONNECT THE DOTS ON PACIFICA RADIO AND ASKED  
9 EVERYBODY IN THE UNIVERSE TO BE HER GUESTS, AND WHEN YOU  
10 SHOWED UP, POKED YOU WITH THESE REALLY DIFFICULT QUESTIONS,  
11 WHETHER YOU WERE HER FRIEND OR NOT. SHE WAS ALSO A FREQUENT  
12 CONTRIBUTOR TO THE ONLINE MAGAZINE, L.A. PROGRESSIVE. SHE IS  
13 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS, APRIL AND ELIZA. AND I MOVE THAT  
14 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LOU RAMIREZ,  
15 FORMER ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, WHO DIED ON JANUARY 30TH. HE SERVED  
16 AS LAKE BALBOA BIRMINGHAM CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL'S ATHLETIC  
17 DIRECTOR FROM 1955 TO 1998. HE WAS ALSO A HISTORY TEACHER AND  
18 A LOYAL U.S.C. TROJANS FAN, HAVING GRADUATED FROM U.S.C.,  
19 HELPED DEVELOP BIRMINGHAM'S ATHLETIC FACILITIES, AND WAS A  
20 STRONG SUPPORTER OF COACHES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,  
21 ALICE, HIS SON, DANIEL, SISTER, MARGARET, AND HIS BROTHER,  
22 ROBERT. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
23 MEMORY OF FRED SILVERMAN, T.V. EXECUTIVE, WHO DIED ON JANUARY  
24 30TH. FRED WAS A TOP EXECUTIVE AT C.B.S., AT A.B.C., AND  
25 FINALLY AT N.B.C. AND ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE IN THE





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1 THREE NETWORK ERA, A FORCE BEHIND THE SUCCESS OF BELOVED  
2 SERIES LIKE "ALL IN THE FAMILY," "THE MARY TYLER MOORE SHOW,"  
3 "M.A.S.H.," "LAVERNE & SHIRLEY" AND "HILL STREET BLUES." AFTER  
4 HE LEFT N.B.C. IN '81, HE BECAME A PRODUCER FOR HITS LIKE  
5 "MATLOCK" AND "JAKE AND THE FATMAN." THOUGH MR. SILVERMAN WAS  
6 ASSOCIATED WITH COUNTLESS PRIME-TIME SHOWS, HE ALSO HAD A HAND  
7 IN A NUMBER OF DAYTIME SERIES, MOST NOTABLY, HIS INITIALLY  
8 REJECTED IDEA FOR A SCARY ANIMATED SERIES WITH CHILDREN IN A  
9 HAUNTED HOUSE AND A DOG NAMED SCOOBY-DOO. SO, "SCOOBY-DOO,  
10 WHERE ARE YOU!" PREMIERED IN SEPTEMBER OF 1969 AND BECAME AN  
11 ENDURING FRANCHISE, SO ENDURING THAT A NEW MOVIE OF SCOOBY-DOO  
12 IS COMING OUT THIS YEAR. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CATHY,  
13 HIS DAUGHTER, MELISSA, AND HIS SON, BILLY. THANK YOU, MADAM  
14 CHAIR.

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16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT IS ALL THE ADJOURNMENTS.  
17 DO I HAVE A MOTION? SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
18 KUEHL ON THE ADJOURNMENTS. WITH THAT, UNANIMOUS VOTE, SO  
19 ORDERED, WE ARE NOW ADJOURNED.

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## CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2020

CS-1. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS  
(Government Code Section 54957)

**No reportable action was taken.**

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number  
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do  
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los  
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors February 4, 2020,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
16 14th day of February 2020, for the County records to be used  
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