



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held February 10, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Antonovich:

“On November 12, 2003, this Board requested the District Attorney to work with the Sheriff, County Counsel, and the Departments of Health Services and Public Works to investigate the feasibility and legal ramifications of adopting an ordinance which authorizes forfeiture of vehicles when used in illegal dumping activities. The District Attorney’s report to the Board is due on February 12, 2004.

“The City of Los Angeles has such a law which allows forfeiture of vehicles when used for solicitation and prostitution. In addition to prostitution, a new law in the City of Lancaster allows forfeiture of vehicles when used in the commission of crimes involving drugs and illegal weapons.

“Additionally, there are individuals stealing public water from fire hydrants, including hydrants owned and maintained by County Waterworks Districts. The theft of public water means that rate-payers are compelled to pay higher rates for their water.

“While the County is considering an ordinance relative to the forfeiture of vehicles, it would be logical to consider including the theft of public water as grounds for the seizure of vehicles.”

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Merritt Holloway addressed the Board.

After discussion, at the suggestion of Supervisor Antonovich and on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried, the District Attorney was requested to include in their report to the Board on the feasibility and legal ramifications of adopting an ordinance which authorizes forfeiture of vehicles when used in illegal dumping activities, the forfeiture of vehicles when used in the commission of crimes involving solicitation, prostitution, drugs, illegal weapons and stealing public water which due date has been extended to March 12, 2004.

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