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**ODOR NUISANCE AT SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL**

The Sunshine Canyon Landfill is located near the communities of Sylmar and Granada Hills and has been operating for more than a decade under land use permits granted by the County and the City of Los Angeles. In 2009, the landfill operator requested and was permitted to increase the amount of trash it receives each day. Unfortunately, at around the same time the landfill began to experience a growing odor problem impacting the surrounding communities.

Since November 2008 the landfill has generated over 9,300 odor complaints from nearby residents and a local elementary school and received over 180 Notices of Violation from the South Coast Air Quality Management District for emitting noxious odors so as to cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to a considerable number of people. In response, the District and other regulatory agencies have imposed additional requirements on the landfill operator in an effort to control and reduce odors from the landfill. However, the community continues to be subjected to landfill odors to this day.

The landfill operator has had more than ample opportunity to correct the odor problem. Therefore, it is important for the County to do everything within its power to alleviate the odor nuisance impacting the community.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Direct the Interim Director of Public Health to investigate actions the Department can take to address the ongoing odor nuisance problems impacting the communities surrounding the Sunshine Canyon Landfill, including, but not limited to, the issuance of a Notice of Violation
2. Direct the Department of Regional Planning, in consultation with County Counsel and the Department of Public Works, to review the Conditional Use Permit for the landfill and identify any and all Conditions of Approval and enforcement tools to eliminate landfill odors migrating beyond the property boundary and impacting the surrounding communities.
3. Direct the Departments of Public Health and Regional Planning to report back to the Board in two weeks with findings and recommendations.

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