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			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
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24.		**Favor**	James G Hanink	Simple enough!

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24.		**Other**	Julia S Novis	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a $6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. $3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. $3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and $218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? $4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and $1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration. In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates $200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need $900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.
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Human rights for human beings

Friends:

Los Angeles County supports human rights. Preborn human babies are human beings. Women deserve better than abortion. Let's find ways to support crisis pregnancy centers. Love them both!

Sincerely,

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