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JULY 2, 2020.

MHSA THREE-YEAR PLAN.

PUBLIC COMMENT METING.

(CONT'D FROM JUNE 25, 2020)

LOCATION: ZOOM

10:00 A.M.

>> HELLO, EVERYONE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: I'M BRITTNEY WEISSMAN. CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION. WELCOME BACK FOR ROUND TWO. I'M REALLY GLAD TO HOST YOU HERE TODAY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE MHSA THREE-YEAR PLAN AND FOR THE COMMISSION VOTE. I REALLY CAN'T SAY HOW MUCH I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION AGAIN TODAY. I APOLOGIZE FOR THE GLITCHES THAT HELD US BACK FROM COMPLETING OUR BUSINESS LAST WEEK.

TODAY, WE WILL HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU'LL BE ABLE TO CUE UP WITH AN AT&T OPERATOR THAT HAS FULL INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO PROCEED. WE WILL BE PROVIDING THAT CALL AND NUMBER ON THE SPLASH SCREEN SO THAT IF YOU'RE VIEWING, YOU CAN SEE IT

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THANK YOU MUCH TO THE PUBLIC], TO THE SALT CO-CHAIRS AND MEMBERS, THE USCCs, CO-CHAIRS AND MEMBERS, TO THE COMMISSION AND THE DMH STAFF WHO MADE LAST TIME POSSIBLE, AND TODAY .

A SUCCESS. THAT INCLUDES THE MHSA CONTENT EXPERTS UNDER GREG POLK, AND IT TEAM, UNDER MARY AVALOS AND PINKIE, JOHN FLYNN AND THE STAFF AT THE COMMISSION. THANK YOU FOR THE TIME FOR US TO DO IT RIGHT FOR YOU, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. AND I HOPE YOU LEANED INTO ANY SELF-CARE ACTIVITY THAT YOU NEEDED TO, AFTER LAST WEEK'S CALL BECAUSE I SURE DID.

TODAY WE'RE GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT MHSA THREE-YEAR PLAN, AS YOU KNOW, PLANS CAN CHANGE, AS WE HAVE JUST WITNESSED WITH COVID IMPACTING OUR ENTIRE LIVES AND SO THE 3-YEAR PLAN IS OUR BEST THINKING FROM THE DEPARTMENT TODAY AND IF NECESSARY, THE DEPARTMENT WILL ADJUST, ADAPT THROUGH A PUBLIC POSTING PROCESS, 30 DAYS AND COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC INVOLVED. I WANT TO TURN IT OVER. I'VE INVITED DR. JOHN SHERIN TO MAKE ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND THANKS AND WE'LL MOVE INTO PUBLIC COMMENT. AND THE CALL-IN NUMBER IS ALREADY FOR TO YOU JOIN. DR. SHERIN. WELCOME.

>> DR. SHERIN: THANKS VERY MUCH, BRITTNEY. FIRST, I REALLY WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO COMPLETE THE PUBLIC COMMENT AND THE VOTE LAST WEEK. YOU KNOW, CERTAINLY NOT OUR INTENT AND I'M GLAD WE WERE KIND OF ABLE TO PULL THINGS TOGETHER QUICKLY, WHILE IT'S HOT ON EVERYBODY'S MIND TO ENGAGE. I ALSO WILL JUST SAY, BECAUSE I'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF INPUT SINCE THAT, SINCE THE HEARING AND THE MAJORITY OF IT WAS EXTREMELY POSITIVE. POSITIVE IN THE SENSE THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS PUSHING OUT MORE RESOURCE TO ENGAGE A MORE BROAD AUDIENCE, BUT I'VE ALSO GOTTEN SOME NEGATIVE FEEDBACK AND I GUESS THAT'S NOT SURPRISING, BUT IT REALLY DOES, I MEAN, IT KIND OF HURTS TO HEAR THAT OH, YOU KNOW, DR. SHERIN, YOU'RE NOT TRYING TO ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY OR WE HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE. THIS IS A BIG EFFORT. THIS

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IS A TOP PRIORITY IN THE DEPARTMENT. WE'RE PUTTING A LOT MORE EFFORT, A LOT MORE STAFF, A LOT MORE RESOURCE INTO THE ENGAGEMENT PROCESS BECAUSE WHEN I GOT

HERE, I THOUGHT IT WAS HIGHLY LIMITED. SO I JUST ASK YOU TO BEAR WITH US, BE PARTNERS WITH US, HELP US ENGINEER THE DEPARTMENT. OUR GOAL IS TO DO IT WITH YOU. I LOOK FORWARD TO BEING IN TOUCH WITH YOU IN AN ONGOING WAY ABOUT THIS PLAN, ABOUT THE UPDATES AND CLEARLY, BECAUSE OF THE FISCAL CHALLENGES, AS WELL AS THE DYNAMICS IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT ARE, YOU KNOW, PIVOTING AND MOVING SO QUICKLY, WE HAVE TO STAY IN TOUCH AND MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE GETTING RESOURCES OUT IN A WAY THAT SUITS THE COMMUNITY. I ASK YOU TO STAY SAFE ON THIS JULY FOURTH WEEKEND. IT'S VERY CONCERNING TO SEE THE SPIKES AND LOOK OUT FOR YOURSELVES AND LOOK OUT FOR EVERYBODY AROUND YOU. THIS IS A REAL OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO COOPERATE AS A COLLECTIVE. I WANT TO THANK THE PUBLIC MOSTLY. I WANT TO THANK ALSO OURSELVES, OUR USCCs, THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION. I WANT TO THANK SO MANY DMH STAFF, ESPECIALLY THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION STAFF, THE MHSA SME'S, GREG POLK AND HIS TEAM FOR ONGOING SUPPORT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO IMPROVE OUR ENGAGEMENT PROCESS. I'D LIKE TO THINK WE'RE LEADING A NEW REALM AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO STOP. THANK YOU, BRITTNEY AND THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME AND FOR ALLOWING ME A COUPLE MINUTES TO GREET EVERYBODY. HAVE A GREAT PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. SAY IT LIKE IT IS. TELL US HOW YOU FEEL AND VOTE, YOU KNOW, WITH YOUR CONSCIENCE TO THE COMMISSIONERS. THANK YOU.

>> JOHN FLYNN: SORRY, BRITTNEY. YOU ARE MUTED.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. DR. SHERIN. I APPRECIATE THE ADVICE AND THE COMMISSION HAS ALSO RECEIVED LOTS OF INPUT, BOTH BY PERSONAL E-MAIL TO COMMISSIONERS, ALSO THROUGH THE COMMISSIONER E-MAIL ADDRESS WHICH WE MORE

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HIGHLY SUGGEST AND IT ALSO SPEAKS THE NEED TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATIONS IN PUBLIC STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT. THE COMMISSION IS FULLY BEHIND ALL OF THOSE COMMITMENTS AND IDEAS AND LOOKS

FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE SALTS, THE UCCs, THE DEPARTMENT AND THE BROADER PUBLIC TO BUILD A MOVEMENT AROUND IMPROVING MENTAL HEALTH LANDSCAPE IN L.A. COUNTY. I WANT TO CALL ROLL NOW WITH CANETANA AND I WILL HAVE ONE ANNOUNCEMENT AND THEN WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT. CANETANA IF YOU CAN CALL ROLL, PLEASE.

>> COMMISSIONER PADILLA FRAUSTO: PRESENT.

>> COMMISSIONER FRIEDMAN: HERE.

>> COMMISSIONER OROZCO: HERE.

>> COMMISSIONER TURNER: I'M HERE.

>> COMMISSIONER STEVENS: PRESENT.

>> COMMISSIONER COOPER LEDESMA: PRESENT.

>> COMMISSIONER DALGLEISH: (ABSENT).

>> COMMISSIONER OGAWA: PRESENT.

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: PRESENT.

>> COMMISSIONER MOLINA: PRESENT.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: PRESENT.

>> COMMISSIONER COOPERBERG: OVER HERE.

>> ALL RIGHT. YOU HAVE A QUORUM.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU MUCH AND THANK YOU, COMMISSIONERS FOR OPENING UP YOUR SCHEDULE SO QUICKLY FOR ANOTHER MEETS. I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW,

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COMMISSIONER AND IT IS PUBLIC THAT, WE HAVE RECEIVED TWO RESIGNATIONS FROM AMONG OUR FELLOW COMMISSIONERS. UNFORTUNATELY,

KITA CURRY IS STEPPING DOWN FROM THE COMMISSION AND ALSO MERILLA SCOTT IS STEPPING DOWN FROM THE COMMISSION. KITA HAS ALREADY STEPPED DOWN, AND I CAN SEND YOU HER GOOD-BYE LETTER AND THANK YOU LETTER AND MERILLA IS ON THE END OF THE MONTH, BUT CAN'T PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING TODAY, SO WE HAVE MORE TIME TO CHECK IN WITH HER. BUT I WANTED TO START OFF BY SAYING THANK YOU TO THEM FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP OVER THE MANY YEARS THEY HAVE SERVED IN LEADERSHIP POSITIONS ON THE COMMISSION. SO THANK YOU.

NOW, WE MOVE RIGHT INTO PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE RECEIVED THE MAJORITY OF THE TIME HERE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. I'LL READ FROM THE SCREEN. WE HAVE ALREADY PEOPLE IN THE CUE AND WE WILL GIVE EACH CALLER ONE MINUTE FOR EACH PUBLIC COMMENT. TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY CALL FOR THE ENGLISH LINE:

844-291-6356.

ACCESS CODE IS 800 119.

ALSO FOR THE SPANISH LINE, IT'S A DIFFERENT NUMBER:

888-204-5987.

THE ID FOR THE CONCH CODE IS 9639884 #.

IT'S ALSO UP ON THE SCREEN. WE WILL GO TO THE AT&T MODERATOR. I BELIEVE YOUR NAME IS WILLIAM. THANK YOU MUCH FOR YOUR HELP TODAY. WE'LL TAKE THE FIRST CALLER, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: LADIES AND GENTLEMAN IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A COMMENT, PLEASE PRESS "1-0" ON YOUR TELEPHONE KEY PAD. YOU MAY WITHDRAW YOUR

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COMMENT ANYTIME BY REPEATING THE "1-0" COMMAND. IF YOU'RE USING A SPEAKERPHONE, PLEASE PICK UP THE HANDSET BEFORE YOU PRESS THE NUMBERS. ONCE AGAIN, YOU MAY PRESS 1-0 AT THIS TIME. OUR FIRST COMMENT WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF ALICE TAYLOR. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> ALICE TAYLOR: YES, I WANT TO THANK THE COMMISSION FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AGAIN. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT AND I WANT TO THANK THE DIRECTOR FOR HIS ISSUE ABOUT OUTREACHING TO THE COMMUNITY BUT I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO REALLY LOOK AT PROVIDING THE USCCs WITH RESOURCES THAT WILL HELP THEM TO REACH OUT MORE EFFECTIVELY IN COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT. WE SUBMITTED LAST YEAR, IT'S A PHOTO THAT WAS PUT TOGETHER BY THE BLACK AND AFRICAN HERITAGE USCC THAT FOR SOME REASON, NEVER WENT ANYWHERE AND NEVER GOT ANY EMPHASIS FOR OUR STRATEGY, OUR APPROACH, HOW WE WANTED TO DO IT WITHIN THE AFRICAN AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. I THINK WE HAVE TO TRY ALL KINDS OF APPROACHES TO BE EFFECTIVE, IN ORDER TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN. WE WANT TO REINSTATE OUR CAPACITY BUILDING.

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> WE SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL ISSUE TO THE COMMISSION AND IT WAS WRITTEN UP BY BY --

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: I APOLOGIZE FOR INTERRUPTING YOU, BUT WE DO HAVE QUITE A FEW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WANT TO SPEAK AND I'D LIKE TO BE FAIR AND PROVIDE EVERYONE EQUAL TIME. SO MODERATOR M WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> MODERATOR: MARIKO KHAN.

>> HI, MY NAME IS MARIKO KHAN AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PACTS AND I WANT TO SAY THAT I'M VERY CONCERN ABOUT HOW WE ARE ADDRESSING DISPARITY AND IN THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT THREE-YEAR

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PLAN, THERE ARE THREE AREAS THAT WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT. THE CHANGE OF CRRR OF THE CSS PLAN TO OUTPATIENT CARE. THE PEI COS BECOMING MORE EFFECTIVE AS AN OUTREACH PROGRAM AND ALSO THE PATHWAY TO DISPARITY BY INCREASING FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE CARE. I HAVE SENT THE COMMISSION A MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON THOSE THREE COMMENTS AND I REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT THREE-YEAR PLAN BEING IMPLEMENTED, REGARDING SOME MODIFICATIONS OF THE DISPARITY TOWARDS A.P.I. THANK YOU

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, MARIKO. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: BIANCA GALLEGOS, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> BIANCA GALLEGOS: HI. GOOD MORNING, I'M THE LATINO USCC CO-CHAIR. RIGHT NOW, AS THE MHSA THREE-YEAR PLAN STANDS, IT'S NOT ADAPTED TO COVID TIMES, AND SO I'M REALLY CONCERNED THAT ORGANIZATIONS APPLYING FOR FUNDS ARE NOT GOING TO BE HELD RESPONSIBLE TO THE CURRENT TIMES THAT WE ARE LIVING IN. ALSO, THE DOCUMENT IS NOT TRANSLATED IN SPANISH AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, WE NEED MORE OUTREACH TO THE MENTAL HEALTH CONSUMERS BECAUSE THEIR VOICE NEEDS TO BE REFLECTED ON THE DOCUMENT. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU MUCH, BIANCA. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: AKITA FIELDS. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> GOOD MORNING, COMMISSION. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. NIKIA FIELDS. I AM THE CO-CHAIR OF THE BLACK AND AFRICAN USCC COMMITTEE. WE SUBMITTED A REPORT ON OUR STANCE OF WHAT WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP WITH FOR THE BLACK COMMUNITY, AS LEADERS AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS. WE HAVE TO BE INNOVATIVE AND PROACTIVE IN THE WAY WE TREAT OUR COMMUNITY AND WE HAVE TO CREATE A PLAN FOR HOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOVER AFTER THE COVID-19 AND THE PANDEMIC, AND THE 8

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CIVIL UNREST THAT IS STRIFE WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. I HOPE WE CAN BE COLLABORATORS AND WE INVITE YOU AS ALWAYS, TO HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT HOW THAT CAN HAPPEN. I SECOND WHAT ROMALIS SAID, ABOUT POSSIBLY REINSTATING AND ISSUING PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT FOR THE USCCs SO THAT WE, AS A COMMUNITY AND TEAM, COULD MOVE FORWARD AND WORK ON SOME OF THE DISPARATES AND INEQUITIES THAT ARE BEATING US UP, ESPECIALLY THE BLACK AND BROWN COMMUNITIES? >> JOHN FLYNN: TIME.

>> THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I LOOK FORWARD WORKING WITH YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, NIKIA, AND THANK YOU, ROMALIS FOR YOUR WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT. WE DID ALL RECEIVE. MODERATOR, NEXT COMMENT.

>> MODERATOR: CARMEN PEREZ. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> CARMEN PEREZ: HI, THIS IS CARMEN PEREZ, I'M THE SALT CO-CHAIR AND I'VE ALREADY WRITTEN A PUBLIC COMMENT TO EVERYONE. SO I'M JUST GOING TO SUMMARIZE SOME OF THE THINGS I HOPE WE CONTINUE TO IMPROVE AND I'M GLAD TO SEE AN E-MAIL THAT SOME OF THE ISSUES I'VE ADDRESSED OF COURSE ALREADY COMING TO FRUITION. OVERALL, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE OF A STAKEHOLDER INPUT ON THE MHSA THREE-YEAR PLAN. I FELT LIKE IT WAS A RUSHED DOCUMENT AND I REALLY WOULD HOPE IN THE FUTURE OR COMING UP SOONER, THAT WE REALLY PROVIDE THE COMMUNITY, MORE OF AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE PART IN THIS PROCESS, SO THANK YOU FOR THIS.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, CARMEN, HEAR YOU LOUD AND CLEAR. THAT WILL BE PART OF OUR DISCUSSION LATER. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER. >> PATRICIA RUSSELL, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> PATRICIA RUSSELL: HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME? HELLO?

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YES. GO AHEAD.



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>> THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OKAYED A STUDY FOR LPS CONSERVATORSHIP OUTPATIENT AND I CAN RECOMMEND, AND I KNOW DR. AMANDA RUIZ RECOMMENDED THAT IT ALSO INCLUDE PEOPLE THAT ARE AT RISK FOR HOMELESSNESS BECAUSE EVEN IF SOMEONE HAS A HOME, THAT DOESN'T MEAN THEY ARE NOT GRAVELY DISABLED IN THEIR OWN HOME. I KNOW THAT CAN HAPPEN. AND I KNOW THAT FROM MY OWN PERSONAL EXPERIENCES. ALSO THE LAW, WELFARE AND INSTITUTE CODE 50008.2 IS NOT BEING FOLLOWED IN ANY OF THE EMERGENCY THAN ROOM THAT IS EVALUATING PEOPLE. THEY WERE NOT CONSULTING FAMILY, WHEN FAMILY IS ASKED TO BE ABLE TO GIVE INPUT. I THINK THIS IS A HUGE PROBLEM. PEOPLE CAN BE DYING. BECAUSE OF THIS MY SON ALMOST DID. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU MUCH, PATRICIA. GOOD TO HEAR YOUR VOICE. AND FOR THE AUDIENCE, SO YOU KNOW, YOU DO NOT JUST HAVE ONLY THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONERS LISTENING TO ALL OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE INVITED THE SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT, THE FULL REPORT. SO YOU HAVE GREG POLK AND HIS FULL SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT TEAM LISTENING IN AS WELL AND MAKING NOTES AS THEY CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION. MODERATOR, THE NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: RICK PULIDO. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> RICK PULIDO: YES, BUENOS DIAS, GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS. ESPECIALLY A WARM WELCOME TO ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS OUT THERE. RICK PULIDO, SALT CO-CHAIR FOR 7. I APPRECIATE WHAT DR. SHERIN WAS SAYING EARLIER. WE HAVE TO OPEN UP THOSE DOORS AND OPEN UP, YOU KNOW, ROLL OUT THE NEW COVID-19 PANDEMIC PROGRAMMING THAT WE WANT TO IMPLEMENT HERE. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT, THAT THE CSS, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND SUPPORT INNOVATES THE NEW COVID MEASURES THAT WE WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU WITH SALT. I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME RIGHT NOW BUT OUR MAIN CONCERN IS WE THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN, FOR

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IMPROVING THE MENTAL HEALTH DELIVERY SERVICES FOR THE UNDERSERVED, THAT WAS PASSED, WE NEED TO IMPLEMENT THAT NOW BECAUSE ALL LIVES MATTER AND WE BELIEVE THE GRASS-ROOTS EFFORTS ARE THE KEY FOR SUCCESS FOR MHSA, WE ARE THE VOICE AND WE WILL GET IT DONE WITH THE LEADERSHIP AND WITH ALL THE WORK THE COMMISSIONERS ARE DOING. YOU ARE THE EYES AND WE ARE THE EARS --

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, RICK. I APOLOGIZE FOR CUTTING YOU OFF. THANK YOU MUCH FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. WE DO HEAR YOU. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: MONISHA PARKER, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HI, MY NAME IS MONISHA PARKER. I WANT TO SAY, THANK YOU, YOU KNOW, FOR THE COMMISSIONERS, YOU KNOW, THIS IS LIKE, MY FIRST TIME SPEAKING OVER MONTHS I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW, THAT THIS HAS BEEN A MAJOR PART OF MY LIFE, WHATEVER, AND ANOTHER THING IS I WISH THE PROBLEM WITH MENTAL ILLNESS, YOU KNOW, AT LEAST CALL US ONCE AND AROUND, CHECK ON US, SEE HOW WE'RE DOING WITH THIS COVID-19 THAT MY ANXIETY INCREASED OR WHATEVER. SO YOU KNOW, AND ANOTHER THING WITH THE MEDICATION SUPPORT SERVICES IS I FEEL LIKE IN THEIR BUDGET, I FEEL LIKE IT SHOULD BE DECREASED. I MADE PUBLIC COMMENT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OR THE BUDGET --

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, MONISHA. GLAD TO HEAR YOUR VOICE, SPEAKING WITH US AGAIN.

>> MODERATOR: HAROLD MITCHELL, PLEASE GO AHEAD. 1

>> YES. MY NAME IS HAROLD MITCHELL FROM COMMUNITY ACTION LEAGUE. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I'M CALLING FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH CONCERNS ABOUT -- YOU GUYS ARE WORKING WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT'S ON THE GROUND, ESPECIALLY FOR THE

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AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY THAT'S NOT BEING TOUCHED. WE HAVE THE HIGHEST STATS OF EVERYTHING, CHILD ABUSE, FAMILIES IN DCFS AND THE COURT HOUSES AND THINGS LIKE THAT AND NOT WORKING WITH THESE GRASS-ROOTS ORGANIZATIONS AND GIVING THE MONEY TO THE INORGANIC ORGANIZATIONS LIKE CHILDREN'S BUREAU AND PARTNERS FOR HEALTH, WHO ARE NOT GETTING THE SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITY IS DOING A LARGE INJUSTICE TO THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. ESPECIALLY HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHERE WE'RE NUMBER ONE AT EVERYTHING WITH THE BAD HEALTH AND EVERYTHING. I HAVE HUGE CONCERNS ABOUT THE PARTNERSHIP HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH SO I'M HOPING THAT YOU GUYS WILL CONTINUE TO BUILD A PARTNERSHIP AND MAKE SURE THAT --

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: I APOLOGIZE FOR CUTTING YOU OFF. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR REPRESENT BEING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. WE DO HEAR AND YOU THAT IS IN OUR MINDS. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: PETE THOMPSON PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> PETE THOMPSON: YES. MY NAME IS PETE THOMPSON. I GO TO THERAPY AT THE VICTORY WELLNESS CENTER IN VAN NUYS. I KIND OF WISH THERE WOULD BE IN THE THERAPY, CONTENT. I WISH THERE WOULD BE MORE EMPHASIS ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND CHILDHOOD SEX ABUSE. THERE'S -- I READ A WROTE A BOOK BY FREUD, -- HE HAD A PHRASE OF PROTECTIVE SHIELD AGAINST STIMULI. I FEEL MAYBE THE THERAPY SHOULD INCLUDE MORE OF A FAITH-BASED VIEWPOINT, NOT SUPPORTING THE TRADITIONAL VIEWPOINT ON

MARRIAGE, BUT ON FAITH-BASED, AS FAR AS TRIGGERS FROM CHILDHOOD SEX ABUSE AND --

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, PETE, VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR SHARING THAT. MODERATOR NEXT CALLER PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: TIMOTHY (INDISCERNIBLE), PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> YES. GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU. I AM VERY PLEASED CONTINUING THE VIRTUAL MEETINGS ARE VERY IMPORTANT AND JUST KEEP ON DOING IT AND I HOPE WE WILL CONTINUE. THANK YOU MUCH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: WOW, GENEVIEVE, THANK YOU MUCH FOR THE COMPLIMENT. WE APPRECIATE YOUR PARTICIPATION TODAY. MODERATOR, NEXT COMMENT.

>> MODERATOR: OSBY SANGSTER, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> OSBY SANGSTER: GOOD DAY. MY NAME IS OSBY SANGSTER, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE BLACK LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLIENT COALITION. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS MOMENT TO REITERATE BLACK ADVOCACY EFFORTS, URGING INCLUSION FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FUNDING, SUPPORT AND HOW IMPORTANT THE COUNTYWIDE CLIENT ACTIVITY FUND IS. HOPE FOR A TOMORROW, FOR BETTER DAYS AHEAD. TODAY'S DECISION MAKING YOU'VE BEEN PROVIDED PREVIOUS ACTIONABLE INFORMATION, REGARDING THE CLIENT COUNTYWIDE ACTIVITY FUND. WE ASK THAT L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONERS WROTE YOUR CONSCIOUS. SOCIETAL DEVELOPMENT, IN THESE DAYS, THE ROAD AHEAD REQUIRES A RAPID RISING OF BUILDING INNOVATION, MODULAR ACCELERATED BUILDING FOR POST-PANDEMIC CONSTRUCTION HOUSING ERA. HOUSING FOR THE HOMELESS, HOUSING UNITS FOR UNSHELTERED, ELIMINATION OF CONGREGATE LIVING QUARTERS IN THE DENSE POPULATION STREET LIVING. QUADRUPLED --

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OSBY, THANK YOU MUCH, WE DID RECEIVE YOUR WRITTEN AND VERBAL COMMENT HERE. WE DEFINITELY HAVE THAT IN. THANK YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT CALLER PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: AMPARO, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HI, I SENT VARIOUS WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS BUT BASICALLY, I'M REQUESTING A MORATORIUM ON THE VOTE TODAY. MY COLLEAGUE AND I HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THE COMMUNITY PLANNING PROCESS. THERE WAS LACK OF CLARITY AND ACCESS. A.D.A. REQUESTS FOR PLAIN LANGUAGE WAS VIOLATED. IT HAS NEVER BEEN AVAILABLE IN PLAIN LANGUAGE. 271 PAGES ARE NOT READABLE TO THE AVERAGE HEALTH CONSUMER AND WE WOULD REQUEST A CLT COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP TEAM TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE AMENDMENTS TO THIS PLAN, WHICH WAS NOT FOLLOWED. THE COMMUNITY PLANNING PROCESS WAS NOT FOLLOWED. I HAVE SENT MULTIPLE E-MAILS TO THE DEPARTMENT, TO THE COMMISSIONERS, TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING THIS MATTER. I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WITH THIS CONCERN. I REPRESENT ACTION CALIFORNIA, WHICH IS A STATE --

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, AMPARO. JUST SO YOU KNOW, WE DID GET THE MULTIPLE E-MAILS. WE HAVE SHARED THEM ALL AROUND. WE HEAR YOU AND WE UNDERSTAND YOUR POINT OF VIEW. YOU ARE NOT ALONE AND YOU ARE IN SUPPORT OR HAVE SUPPORT FOR THAT POINT OF VIEW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MODERATOR. NEXT COMMENT, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: TIFFANY DUVET SMITH PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HI, THIS IS TIFFANY DUBONNE SMITH. I KNOW THAT YOU'RE ON THESE PUBLIC COMMENTS AND IN THE E-MAIL, YOU'RE HEARING FROM USCC REPS,

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YOU'RE HEARING FROM CO-CHAIR CO-CHAIRS OR SALT CO-CHAIRS TO BRING YOU WHO THE STAKEHOLDERS ARE SAYING AND YOU'RE ALSO HEARING FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE CONSUMERS, LIKE MYSELF AND I WILL ASK TO VOTE YOUR CONSCIENCES. THIS IS ABOUT THE JUSTICE INSIDE OF YOU AND THE LOVE INSIDE OF YOU, TO HAVE COMPASSION AND EMPATHY FOR THOSE OF US WHO ARE ON THE PHONE, REALLY ASKING YOU TO VOTE NO BECAUSE THE THREE-YEAR PLAN NEEDS TO BE MASSAGED AND WE DON'T WANT TO BE A CHECK BOX LIKE WE HEARD YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT AND WE'RE GOING TO VOTE YES. I'M ASKING YOU NOT TO DO THAT. I HOPE THE MAJORITY OF YOU DO NOT PASS THE THREE-YEAR PLAN AS IT IS. YOU SHOULD TAKE EVERY CONSIDERATION OF ALL THE COMMENTS ON THIS PHONE AND IN THE E-MAILS YOU'VE BEEN GETTING.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU MUCH, TIFFANY. REALLY GOOD TO HEAR FROM YOU. AND OUR PLAN IS TO TRACK EVERYTHING WE HAVE HEARD FROM INSIDE THE DEPARTMENT, OUTSIDE THE DEPARTMENT AND WRAP IT UP TOGETHER IN OUR CONVERSATION A BIT LATER. MODERATOR, NEXT COMMENT, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: JOANNA LOZANO, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HELLO. THIS IS JOANNA LOZANO. I'M AN EDUCATOR HERE IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND I'M A CONSUMER. I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE'RE ALL IN ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY. MANY TIME WHEN IS WE THINK OF RECOVERY, WE THINK ABOUT SUBSTANCE ABUSE BUT SOMEONE OUT THERE, YOU KNOW, EVEN IN THE COMMISSIONERS AND PEOPLE WHO GET TREATMENT, WE'RE IN A RECOVERY FROM LOSING SOMEONE TO COVID-19, WE'RE IN RECOVERY FROM OUR CONDITION, BUT YOU KNOW, WE'RE ALL IN RECOVERY TOGETHER AND SO I WANT AGAIN, TO REITERATE WHAT MANY HAVE BEEN SAYING, TO LOOK INTO DOING THE RIGHT THING AND DOING THIS TOGETHER AND VOTING NO. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT THIS THREE-YEAR PLAN DOES NOT LOOK INTO THE BENEFITS OF THE PEOPLE WHO IDENTIFY AS. LGBTQIA2S OR THE TAY YOUTH. AND WE

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NEED MORE PEOPLE WHO IDENTIFY TO BE INCLUDED IN SECONDARY AND VICARIOUS TRAUMA THROUGH THE LENS OF SERVICE PROVISION VIA TELEHEALTH. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU MUCH, JOHANNA. NEXT PUBLIC CALLER, MODERATOR, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: IF THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, PRESS 1-0 AT THIS TIME. NEXT COMMENT WILL COME FROM ELLIE (INDISCERNIBLE) PLEASE GO AHEAD. THE LINE HAS BEEN OPEN. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

(NO RESPONSE).

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT COMMENT FROM STEPHANIE MULLEN. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> I'M STEPHANIE MULLEN -- UNITED (INDISCERNIBLE) PROVIDING INNOVATIVE SERVICES TO ADDRESS MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS -- WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE SUCH AS SEXUAL ASSAULT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILDHOOD TRAUMA IN SERVICE THREE, SERVING CONSTITUENTS IN SUPERVISOR KUEL'S AND (INDISCERNIBLE) DISTRICT.

I THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION AND FOR SCHEDULING THIS CALL. AND WE WANT TO THANK DR. SHERIN FOR HIS EFFORTS AND HIGHLIGHT DARLESH HORN, WORKING TO EXPAND PARTNERSHIPS WITH BETWEEN DPH AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. WE ARE YET TO BE PARTNERED WITH DMH BECAUSE THE RFPs HAVE NOT BEEN WRITTEN IN A WAY THAT WELCOMES US. BUT WE WILL FIND A WAY BECAUSE INTERPERSONAL -- SORRY -- INTERVENING, COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES AT THE TIME OF DISCLOSURE HAS A POTENTIAL TO MITIGATE LONG-TERM NEGATIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL OUTCOMES, SUCH AS THE USE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE, HOMELESSNESS, AND INCARCERATION AND OUR MULTI- DISCIPLINARY MODEL IS A PRIME EXAMPLE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE, HUMAN

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NEED-BASED THAT PRIVILEGES THE NEED OF THE PERSON OVER THE NEEDS OF THE PERSON OVER THE SYSTEM. AND WE HOPE TO PARTNER SOON. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, STEPHANIE. THAT IS A GREAT JOB ON FAST-TALKING TESTIMONY. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: ARIA BROWN. GO AHEAD.

>> HI, I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE GENERAL COMMUNITY HERE IN THE NEIGHBORS IN VENICE, ESPECIALLY AS IT RELATES TO THE HOMELESS OUTREACH AND MOBILE ENGAGEMENT PART OF THE PLAN. I HAVE THREE THINGS TO COVER, AND THEY ALL RELATE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SPENDING MONEY, AND THIS IS THE SPECIFIC PART OF THE PLAN. ONE IS THAT WE NEED TO INCORPORATE MECHANISM ON MEASURING OF THE OUTCOME OF THE MONEY THAT'S BEING SPENT. THE SECOND IS, WE SHOULD SET MILESTONES FOR THE PARTNER PROGRAM THAT RECEIVE MONEY FROM THE COUNTY AND THIRD IS THAT WE SHOULD HAVE SPECIFIC LIMITATION ON THE MONEY BEING SPENT ON ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, RELATIVE TO THE MONEY THAT'S BEING SPENT ON THE ACTUAL MENTALLY -- MENTAL HEALTH PATIENTS THAT NEED THAT MONEY. I THINK THE COMMUNITY HAS TRUSTED YOU WITH THEIR TAX MONEY SO CREATING AN EFFECTIVE PLAN WITH MILESTONE AND MEASURING MECHANISMS AND KEEPING THE PARTNER PROGRAMS ACCOUNTABLE IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF THE THREE-YEAR PLAN.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: EXCELLENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT PUBLIC COMMENT AND MODERATOR, I WONDER, CAN I HAVE A REPORT ON CALLERS ARE STILL IN CUE?

>> MODERATOR: AT THIS TIME, THERE ARE THREE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: SO WE ENCOURAGE ALL THE REST OF YOU WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT TO GET IN LINE IN THE CUE AND YOU CAN DO THAT BY DIALING IN ON THE ENGLISH OR SPANISH LINES POSTED IN THE SPLASH SCREEN HERE. MODERATOR, I'LL TAKE THE NEXT CALLER, PLEASE.



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>> MODERATOR: ARIA MEYERS, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YES, HI. MY NAME IS ARIA MEYERS, I'M THE PROGRAM MANAGER AT PACIFIC ASIAN COUNSELING SERVICES. PRIMARILY WORKING WITH CAMBODIAN POPULATION IN LONG BEACH AND L.A. COUNTY. ONE OF MY CONCERNS WITH THE CONSUMERS THAT WE PROVIDE IS THE RECENT CHANGE OF THE RRR TO OUTPATIENT CARE SERVICES AND WHETHER THAT WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE CULTURALLY HEALING PRACTICES THAT WE HAVE SEEN TO BE VERY TRANSFORMATIVE IN OUR CLIENT'S HEALING PROCESS. SO WE ARE DEFINITELY ADVOCATING FOR A CONTINUANCE OF THOSE SERVICES WHICH HAS REALLY INCREASES ACCESS TO CARE AND REDUCED STIGMA TO THE ASIAN POPULATION. ADDITIONALLY, I DID SEND A MORE DETAILED COMMENTS FOR TRANSLATED MATERIALS AND SPECIFIC LANGUAGES THAT WILL ALSO SUPPORT FAMILY MEMBERS. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE DO HAVE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT IN WRITING. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ALEX RIVERO, OUR SPANISH TRANSLATOR. COULD YOU PLEASE ASK IF THERE ARE ANY SPANISH-SPEAKING CALLERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT AND LET US KNOW. AND AT&T OPERATOR, LET'S GO TO THE NEXT COMMENT, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR:

>> ANDREA MCPHERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> YES, THIS IS ANDREA MCPHERSON AND I AM A CHAIR FOR REGION 6 OF SOUTH L.A. FOR A HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATION AND I WANTED TO SPEAK ON THE BLACK LIVES MATTER ISSUE THAT WE'RE HAVING RIGHT NOW. JUST DUE TO THE FACT THAT THERE'S SO MUCH COGNITIVE DISSONANCE IN THE DECISION MAKERS AND HOW YOU CAN BASICALLY READ A BOOK FROM COVER TO COVER, BUT UNLESS YOU DRIVE BEHIND THE WHEEL, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO DRIVE. SO

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THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ACTUALLY GOING THROUGH THE RACIAL INJUSTICE AND I DIFFERENT THINGS LIKE THAT, THE STAKEHOLDERS, THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK UP WITH SOME SORT OF TASKFORCE. A TASKFORCE OF PEOPLE WHO PRIMARILY ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND THEY RECEIVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PREJUDICE ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS AND IT AFFECTS THEM IN A WAY TO WHERE, YOU KNOW, THE SOCIAL DETERMINANCE OF HEALTH ARE JUGGLED IN THEIR LIVES AND THEIR FAMILIES ' LIVES AS WELL.

AND SO WE NEED TO KNOW THE EFFECTS, AND WE NEED TO KNOW SOLUTIONS FROM THE ACTUAL PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING THROUGH THAT SO -- WE NEED GOOD IDEAS ON HOW TO BUILD A TASKFORCE. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR COMMENT, ANDREA A AND I APPRECIATE YOU REPRESENTING SOUTH L.A. AND THE NEEDS THERE. MODERATOR, MAY WE TAKE THE NEXT PUBLIC CALLER, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: NANCY RUBIO, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> YES. HI. HOW ARE YOU, GOOD MORNING TO ALL. I STRUGGLE WITH DEPRESSION AND POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS. I'M "SCHIZO EFFECTIVE." I'M PRETTY ACTIVE IN THE IN THE COMMUNITY. MY CONCERN IS EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS WITH MENTAL HEALTH, WE NEED MORE TREATMENT. I AM A SURVIVOR OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND MENTAL HEALTH DOES MATTER. YOU KNOW, WE'RE VERY IMPORTANT AND EVERY LIFE MATTERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, I'M VERY THANKFUL THAT I'M HERE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, NANCY, WE APPRECIATE YOUR PARTICIPATION TODAY. MODERATOR, ARE THERE OTHER CALLERS, IF SO PLEASE TAKE THE NEXT ONE.

>> MODERATOR: AS A REMINDER, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, PLEASE PRESS 1-0 AT THIS TIME. NEXT COMMENT IS FROM RICK PULIDO. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OH. EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY -- MR. MODERATOR, WILLIAM, I APOLOGIZE, BUT WE WILL ONLY BE TAKING ONE COMMENT PER CALLER OR PER PERSON. SO RICK, I KNOW WE HEARD YOU ALREADY, AND I'M WE CAN'T TAKE ANOTHER.

>> I JUST HAD ONE MORE --

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YOU'RE WELCOME TO SEND AN E-MAIL TO THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION E-MAIL ADDRESS. I'M SORRY WE CAN'T TAKE YOU.

>> THIS IS (INDISCERNIBLE). WE HAVE ONE COMMENT IN SPANISH AND I BELIEVE WE HAVE ONE FOLLOWING THAT WHATEVER YOU'RE READY.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SOUNDED LIKE LUCY. MODERATOR, ARE THERE OTHER CALLERS WHO HAVE NOT YET COME ONLINE FROM THE ENGLISH LINE?

>> MODERATOR: UP NEXT IS BARBARA WILSON.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU.

>> OH. IT'S MY TURN? CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YES, GO AHEAD, BARBARA. WE'LL START YOUR TIME.

>> OH. OKAY. THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AND THANK YOU FOR THIS VENUE. I COULDN'T GET ON, ON THE COMPUTER SO I'M CALLING IN. I JUST WANTED TO COMMENT AGAIN ABOUT BOARDING CARE HOME THAT IS MIGHT BE OFF TOPIC TODAY BUT MY CONCERN IS WE ARE LOSING LICENSED BOARDING CARE BEDS, EVEN AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE SEEING AN INCREASE IN PEOPLE THAT NEED MORE THAN JUST A BED, THEY NEED CARE AND SUPERVISION, HELP WITH THEIR MEDICATIONS AND STUFF. SO THAT'S WHY WE'RE LOSING APPROXIMATELY A HUNDRED BEDS BY APPROXIMATELY AUGUST 1 SO I JUST WANT TO CALL THAT TO THE ATTENTION AGAIN. I KNOW I SOUND LIKE A BROKEN

RECORD, BUT I'M REALLY VERY CONCERNED AND I WANT THE FULL COMMISSION TO BE AWARE THAT WE ARE LOSING BEDS, EVEN AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU MUCH.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, BARBARA AND IT'S AN IMPORTANT RECORD TO REPEAT. THANK YOU. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: JENNIFER SMITH, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS JENNIFER SMITH. I'M CALLING FROM THE (INDISCERNIBLE) CENTER, LOCATED IN GARDENA, CALIFORNIA. WE ADDRESS TRAUMA FROM A CULTURAL PERSPECTIVE AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH YOUTH IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TO EDUCATE THEM ON MENTAL ILLNESS STIGMAS, RELATED TO AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITIES. MY CONCERN IS FINDING PROGRAMMING AS WELL AS FUNDING FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE NOT ONLY RECEIVING THE EDUCATION THAT THEY NEED, BUT THEY ARE ALSO EDUCATING THEIR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. WE ARE LIVING IN PERILOUS TIMES WHERE WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WAYS TO BE INCLUSIVE, AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT NOT ONLY BLACK LIVES MATTER, BUT ALL LIVES MATTER. SO MAKING SURE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE ABLE TO SEE THAT CHANGES ARE HAPPENING AND THAT WE HAVE THE FUNDING TO SUPPORT THOSE IDEAS. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. AND MODERATOR, I HAVE A MESSAGE IN -- SO I'D LIKE YOU TO REPEAT THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOW TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT AND GET IN THE CUE. I HAVE A CONCERN FROM SOMEONE WHO SAID THE MODERATOR DIDN'T TELL THEM TO PUSH 10 OR 1-0 AND THAT I DIDN'T TELL PEOPLE HOW TO GET PEOPLE IN THE CUE JUST NOW. SO PLEASE, WOULD YOU RECITE THE INSTRUCTIONS SO THAT PEOPLE HAVE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY.

>> MODERATOR: IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE PRESS "1-0" AT THIS TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: AND I WILL SAY, TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU SHOULD BE CALLING OUR LINE FOR ENGLISH SPEAKING COMMENTS.  
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FOR SPANISH SPEAKING CALLERS, THE NUMBER IS 888-204-5987.

THE CONFERENCE ID THERE IS.

9639884#.

THANK YOU, AND MODERATOR WILL TAKE THE NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: NEXT COMMENT IS FROM MARK MCCART. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> THIS MARK CARMIS -- YEAH. THERE WAS A TRAINING THAT WAS DONE ON DOORS TO WELL-BEING CALLED CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY APPROPRIATE SERVICES AND THEY DID IT ABOUT A MONTH AND A HALF AGO AND IT'S POSTED ON THEIR WEBSITE, SO SOMEBODY MIGHT WANT TO, SOMEONE MIGHT WANT TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT ALSO, I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF OTHER THINGS (INDISCERNIBLE) DID A WORKSHOP YESTERDAY ON DOORS TO WELL-BEING, DEALING WITH EMPLOYMENT AND PEOPLE BEING EMPLOYED AND IT HAD TO DO WITH A SELF-DIRECTED LIFE PLAN --

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENT AND FOR PARTICIPATING TODAY AND ALWAYS. MODERATOR, JUST SO YOU KNOW, WE ARE LOOKING FOR A PUBLIC CALLER NAMED WENDY KHABILL. SHE IS TRYING TO GET ON. I HOPE SHE IS IN CUE., I GUESS WE SHALL SEE. MODERATOR, ARE THERE OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE ENGLISH LINE. IF SO, PLEASE PASS THE NEXT ONE.

>> MODERATOR: COREY NAKASHIMA PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> I'M A STAKEHOLDER FROM TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA AND I WANT TO THANK DMH FOR SETTING UP THIS MEETING IT'S A DEFINITE STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK TO VOTE NO ON THE THREE-YEAR PLAN BECAUSE IT DOES NOT REFLECT THE NEEDS OF THE API COMMUNITY AT LARGE. I, BEING A MEMBER OF THE API COMMUNITY, WE NEED MORE HELP, ESPECIALLY DURING THE CURRENT AFFAIRS SO AGAIN, IMPLORE YOU, PLEASE VOTE NO. THANK YOU.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, COREY FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: M.C. HARRIS. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HELLO, EVERYBODY. THIS IS M. C.

MAN, THIS IS TOO MUCH INFORMATION BUT I JUST WANTED TO KNOW LIKE, ABOUT, I WANTED TO KNOW MANY THINGS ABOUT CREATING A PROMOTIONAL TEAM BECAUSE FOR US THAT HAVE BEEN HERE FOR A WHILE IF WE HAD A TEAM, A STRIKE FORCE TEAM FOR OUTREACH FOR HOMELESSNESS, OUTREACH FOR UNREST, OUTREACH ON RECOVERY AND WELLNESS AND CO-OCCURRING DISORDER ISSUE. SO YOU KNOW, THIS WILL TAKE DOWN A WHOLE A LOT OF THE SERVICES THAT'S NOT BEING MET BY THOSE THAT WANT TO WORK WITH WELLNESS AND GO ON TO FURTHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT. AND THAT'S IT.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, M.C. APPRECIATE IT.

MODERATOR. NEXT CALLER.

(OVERLAPPING SPEAKERS).

>> I HAVE MORE PEOPLE FOR SPANISH, I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU, LUCY. WE WILL GET TO THEM, MAYBE AFTER THIS CALLER AND WE'LL REVERT BACK TO ENGLISH AFTER TAKING THE SPANISH CALLERS.

>> MODERATOR: YOLANDA BECERRA JONES, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, GOOD MORNING, I JUST HAD A QUICK QUESTION, GIVEN THAT, YOU KNOW, THESE ARE DIFFICULT TIMES AND ONE OF THE ISSUES WITH THE SITUATION THAT WE ALL FIND OURSELVES IN WITH THE VIRUS IS HOW ARE WE GOING TO ADJUST OUR CUSTOMER SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY? A LOT OF ISSUES ARE COMING UP ARE RELATED TO COMMUNICATION AND SINCE THIS PLAN WAS DEVELOPED BEFORE THE VIRUS, HOW CAN WE STRENGTHEN THAT AND MAYBE DO SOME RETRAINING ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO MAKE

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THOSE ADJUSTMENTS AND ALSO HOW, IF THERE ARE SUGGESTIONS MADE THIS MORNING ON THE CALLS, HOW ARE THEY REFLECTED IN THE PLAN? IS THERE A TIMELINE? CAN THE PLAN BE AMENDED? THAT'S MY QUESTION. THANK YOU, BRITTNEY.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, YOLANDA. I'D SAY QUICKLY THAT ALL OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT THE ARE PART OF THE PERMANENT RECORD ASSOCIATED WITH THIS MEETING AND THAT THE GOAL OF THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION IS TO TAKE UP A DISCUSSION AFTER THIS PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, WRAP UP ALL THE COMMENTS IN SOME THEMES AND THEN REPRESENT THOSE THEMES AS COMMENTS, CONCERNS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE COMMISSION, ALONG WITH OUR, YOU KNOW, DECISION ON THE PLAN TO SEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

MODERATOR, LET'S GO TO LUCY ON THE SPANISH-SPEAKING LINE FOR COMMENTS, PLEASE.

[SPEAKING SPANISH]

>> MY NAME IS MARIA ESCOBAR AND I'M A MOTHER HERE IN MY COMMUNITY. I SEE A GREAT NEED FOR THE LATINO POPULATION FOR EDUCATION REGARDING COMMENT. THERE ARE VERY MANY OF US WHO DO NOT HAVE THOSE RESOURCES IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE DO HAVE THE RESOURCES BUT PEOPLE DO NOT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM SO PRECISELY BECAUSE OF THE LANGUAGE BARRIER AND THE PEOPLE ARE LIVING THEIR PROBLEMS AT HOME. THEY ARE STAYING AT HOME WITH THEIR ISSUES: IN VERY SMALL SPACES AND SOMETIMES WITH A GREAT DEAL OF LACK OF COMMUNICATION. MY COMMUNITY IS 70% LATINO, LOW INCOME. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW WE ARE GOING TO REACH THESE PEOPLE AND OF COURSE YOU CAN COUNT WITH ALL THE COMMUNITY LEADERS. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. AND FOR OUR TIMER, I JUST WANT TO LET YOU KNOW, WE CAN USE A TWO-MINUTE TIMER TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR TRANSLATION PURPOSES. PLEASE GO AHEAD. FORGIVE ME.

>> LUCY: OKAY. I'M SORRY. YOU SAID TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR HER?

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>> MODERATOR: NO. THAT'S FOR ME.

>> LUCY: OH. I APOLOGIZE. OKAY.

[SPEAKING SPANISH]

NO. THE OTHER PERSON DROPPED OFF. ALEX IS ASKING IF WE CAN CONTINUE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: LUCY, WE CAN JUST COME BACK TO THE SPANISH LINE IF YOU WANT TO JUST INTERJECT AT SOME POINT.

>> LUCY: THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: MODERATOR, WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT ENGLISH-SPEAKING COMMENT AND I ALSO WONDER IF YOU COULD ALSO REPORT THE REMAINING COMMENTS.

>> MODERATOR: AT THIS TIME, THERE ARE THREE COMMENTS IN CUE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> TRANSLATOR: [SPEAKING SPANISH]

>> JOHN FLYNN: I THINK THOSE WERE INSTRUCTIONS TO OUR SPANISH LINE. WE HAVE NOT HEARD THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMMENT THAT THE COMMISSIONER JUST CALLED FOR.

>> THIS (INDISCERNIBLE).

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: ELLIOT, GO AHEAD.

>> I'M SORRY. IS THIS NELLY (INDISCERNIBLE) THANK YOU, COMMISSIONERS

>> LUCY: (SPEAKING SPANISH) (OVERLAPPING SPEAKERS)

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: I THINK, SOMEHOW, LUCY, WE'RE HEARING YOU ON THE FULL LINE. I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S SOMETHING --

>> LUCY: OKAY.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: AND ELLIOT, I APOLOGIZE, WE WILL GO BACK TO YOU AND ELLIE, STAY BACK. GO AHEAD.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU, BRITTNEY. I WANT TO THANK DR. SHERIN AND EVERYONE INVOLVED AND THIS VERY EXPENSIVE PROGRAM PLAN. TWO COMMENTS THAT I



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HAVE, AS A FAMILY MEMBER, EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT CONTRACTED CLINICS, DIRECTLY OPERATED CLINICS, PROGRAMS NEED OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY TO ENSURE THE QUALITY AND THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EVIDENCE-BASED PERSONALIZED SERVICES AND PROGRAMS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS. SINCE FAMILIES ARE DIRECT EYES ON THESE SERVICES, EXPERIENCING THEIR EFFECTIVENESS OR LACK OF ON A DAILY BASIS, IT STANDS TO REASON THAT THE DEVELOPING A WEBSITE PORTAL WHERE FAMILIES CAN PROVIDE INPUT TO DEFINED CRITERIA WOULD BE A VERY USEFUL AND ACCURATE WAY OF IMPLEMENTING QUALITY AND EFFECTIVENESS ASSURANCE, IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING A PATH TOWARDS IMPROVEMENT. MY SECOND COMMENT IS ABOUT THE FACT THAT SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS REQUIRES SEAMLESS LONG-TERM CARE TO ALLOW FOR UNINTERRUPTED TIME TO --

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. ELLIE. I APOLOGIZE FOR TRIMMING YOUR REMARKS. WE DO HAVE THEM IN WRITING IN FULL. THANK YOU FOR SUBMITTING THOSE. MODERATOR. NEXT CALLER FOR ENGLISH SPEAKING LINE.

>> MODERATOR: GABRIELA GONZALEZ. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HI, GOOD MORNING, THIS IS GABRIELA GONZALEZ WITH CASA DE LA FAMILIA. BUENOS DIAS. WE JUST WANTED TO SAY, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR GIVING US THIS OPPORTUNITY. WE HOPE WE HAVE A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME TO REVIEW THE PLAN AND TO COMMENT. JUST WANTED TO MENTION, WE HEAR THE CALLERS, THE CONSUMER THAT MENTIONED WE NEED MORE EMPHASIS ON PTSD AND CHILD SEX ABUSE SUPPORT PROGRAMS. WE HEAR YOU GUYS IN ANTELOPE VALLEY. WE WERE COMING TO ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH THE STIGMA REDUCTION PROJECT. WE'RE MEMBERS OF LATINO USCC AND OUR GREATEST CONCERNS RIGHT NOW ARE FOR VICTIMS LIVING WITH THE PERPETRATORS BECAUSE OF STAY-AT-HOME ORDERS. WE SEE AN INCREASE IN D.V. CASES, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES AND SEXUAL ASSAULT SEXUAL ABUSE,

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ESPECIALLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN. WE HAVE SERVICES, WE NEED SUPPORT TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES AND THAT'S ONE OF OUR GREATEST CONCERNS THAT THE PLAN INCORPORATE COVID-19 TRAUMA BECAUSE THE TRAUMA AND THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OR THE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES THAT ARE GOING TO BE BECAUSE OF COVID-19 ARE GOING TO EXTEND.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. YES. THANK YOU, WE'LL DEFINITELY HEAR THAT ON THE COVID ADJUSTMENTS. MODERATOR, ARE THEIR ADDITIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMMENTS?

>> MODERATOR: YES. AS A REMINDER, PLEASE PRESS 1-0 IF YOU WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT. ANDREW YING, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> MY NAME IS ANDY YING. I'M A MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER WITH ASIAN PACIFIC FAMILY CENTER AT SALT 3. AND THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK HERE AND THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT GREAT WORK AND EFFORT FOR WORKING OUT THE THREE-YEAR PLAN. I REALIZE THAT THE DESIGN FOR FUNDING AND RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE AND SUPPORT, HOW DOES IT IMPACT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR APIC POPULATION. AS A SERVICE PROVIDER, THERE IS A GAP BETWEEN THE NEEDS FOR API CONSUMERS AND THE ACTUAL RESOURCES FLOATING OUT THERE, DUE TO THE PROBLEMS AND DIFFICULTIES ACCESSING BECAUSE OF THEIR STATUS, NOT BEING VOCAL AND ALSO FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS, SUCH AS LANGUAGES. I BELIEVE THAT WOULD BE A HUGE HELP IF THERE COULD BE AN EXPANSION FOR PEER PARTNER SUPPORT. I KNOW THERE ARE (INDISCERNIBLE) OUT THERE, BUT THERE'S A HUGE NEED FOR PEOPLE WITH (INDISCERNIBLE) LANGUAGE NEEDS AND THEY NEED A LOT OF HELP WITH LIKE, ACTUAL ADVOCACY. TO HAVE FACILITIES --

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, ANDY, APPRECIATE YOUR PARTICIPATION TODAY. MODERATOR, MAY I ASK HOW MANY CALLERS LEFT IN THE ENGLISH CUE?

>> MODERATOR: TWO. ONE MAY BE A REPEAT.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. WE'LL JUST GO WITH THE ONE THAT IS NEW, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: WENDY KABIL. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: GREAT. GO AHEAD.

>> GREAT, FINALLY, GREETINGS TO YOU ALL. MISSING YOU ALL. YOU GUYS ARE MY DMH FAMILY. AND I'M THANKFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY THAT WE CAN CONNECT, IF NOT, VERBALLY. I'D LIKE TO SAY, I'M NOT IN FAVOR OF PASSING THE PROPOSED BUDGET AT THIS TIME. PRIMARILY BECAUSE IT IS NOT REFLECTIVE OF ALL THE VOICES THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED, PARTICULARLY, OUR PEERS AND ALL DIFFERENT FACETS OF DMH, THE PEER RESOURCE CENTER SHOULD BE HIGHLIGHTED FOR ALL THE PEERS IN EACH SERVICE AREA. I'VE ALREADY SUBMITTED AN E-MAIL WITH DETAILS THAT I'M ACTUALLY ASKING TO ALSO BE SUBMITTED ON FILE AND PARTICULARLY, AN AV. I'M VERY DISTRAUGHT THAT THE VOICES OF MY PEERS ARE NOT BEING HEARD AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE GETTING OUR VOICES HEARD. I AM THE ONLY ONE THAT KNOW OF SO FAR, WHO WAS VERY ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN MAKING SURE OUR VOICES ARE HEARD.

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: WENDY, FORGIVE ME, THANK YOU MUCH FOR CALLING IN AND ACTUALLY, YOU WERE ABLE TO CALL IN AS TESTIMONY TO THE FACT THAT THE NUMBER WE HAVE POSTED IS BEING TESTED AND WORKS. SO IF YOU'RE LOOKING TO CALL IN, THE NUMBER WOULD BE FOR ENGLISH, 844-291-6356 WITH AN ACCESS CODE OF:

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I DO KNOW THAT THERE'S MAYBE A LITTLE BACKGROUND NOISE, MAYBE A GLITCH WITH THE CALL-IN BUT AS FAR AS WE CAN TELL, WE'RE TESTING, WE'RE

TROUBLESHOOTING AND IT IS ALL GOOD TO GO AND I'M GLAD WENDY GOT ON USING THAT NUMBER. MODERATOR. ARE THERE OTHER ENGLISH COMMENTS? .

>> MODERATOR: JOY FUNG, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU.

>> THIS IS JOY FONG. I'M THE ACCESS CARE COORDINATOR FOR THE SAN GABRIEL AREA PACIFIC CLINIC AND I ALSO WORK THE CLIENT, THEY HAVE (INDISCERNIBLE) NOW IS ISOLATED AND THEY CANNOT SEE THE PEOPLE. I CAN GET THEM THE HELP LINE NUMBER FROM THE DMH BUT THERE IS NO API LANGUAGE. (INDISCERNIBLE). LIKE CANTONESE, MANDARIN, VIETNAMESE. I HAVE MY PEOPLE TO HELP THEM TO TALK AND TO ENGAGE AND CONNECT WITH THEM. COULD YOU HELP ON THAT SORT OF HELP LINE WITH THE API LANGUAGES. THAT'S ALL. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK FOR MY CLIENTS. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, MODERATOR, OTHER CALLERS.

>> MODERATOR: MARIA HERNANDEZ. GO AHEAD.

>> HOLA. MI NOMBRE IS MARIA HERNANDEZ.

MY DAUGHTER IS SUFFERING LIKE I AM.

(OVERLAPPING SPEAKERS) (SPANISH AND ENGLISH SPEAKING AT THE SAME TIME.)

MANY OF MY FAMILY NUMBERS, AND MANY OF HER FRIENDS HAVE DIED BECAUSE OF SUICIDE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YES. WE CAN HEAR YOU, LUCY.

>> YES.

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(SPANISH SPEAKER AND INTERPRETER ARE SPEAKING AT THE SAME TIME.)

>> INTERPRETER: THE CHILDREN ARE STRUGGLING WITH SUICIDE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: AND LUCY, WE HAD TROUBLE UNDERSTANDING BECAUSE THERE WAS INTERFERENCE. I WONDER IF YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO TYPE IN THE COMMENT OR SEND AN E-MAIL IN WITH THE COMMENT FOR OUR MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONERS.

>> SHE CALLED THE WRONG LINE.

>> LUCY: SHE CALLED THE WRONG LINE. SO I HAD TO DO EVERYTHING ON ONE LINE. OKAY. WE'LL KEEP PUSHING THE SPANISH LINE. BUT FOR SOME REASON, SHE CALLED THE WRONG ONE, BUT I'M GLAD SHE GOT THROUGH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: GOOD. ARE WE AT THE END OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT ARE THERE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS?

>> MODERATOR: RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE ONE ADDITIONAL COMMENT THAT'S NEW.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. LET'S HAVE THAT.

>> MODERATOR: CLEO RAY, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HELLO, THIS IS CLEO RAY. I'D LIKE FOR THE PLAN THAT DURING THIS TIME DURING PROTEST ABOUT THE MURDER OF A BLACK MAN, THAT ANY ORGANIZATION IN SERVICE AREA 5 OR THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY IS RACIAL. I DON'T WANT TO BE CALLED A " N \*\*\*\*R BITCH." THERE SHOULD BE NO ORGANIZATION THAT SHOULD GET FUNDING, NOT A DOLLAR, NOT A DIME, UNLESS YOU ARE HATE-SPEECH FREE AND THAT'S WHAT NEEDS TO BE IN PLACE. WE ARE DYING ON THE STREETS AND IT NEEDS TO BE IN THE PLAN THAT YOU CANNOT GET FUNDING IF YOU'RE NOT CAPABLE OF BEING NEUTRAL. I TOTALLY OBJECT TO THAT. I AM OFFENDED, I AM TRAUMATIZED AND EVERY DAY, I WALK OUT OF MY HOUSE, BECAUSE I'M BLACK. SOMETHING HAPPENS TO ME. SO THAT LANGUAGE SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED IN ANY ORGANIZATION THAT GETS FUNDING, RECOGNITION, FROM THE

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DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL ILLNESS. BECAUSE I CAN BE OUT THERE SOMEBODY'S NEO (INDISCERNIBLE) AND CALLING FOR MY MAMMA.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, CLEO. WE HEAR YOU AND IF YOU HAVE SPECIFICS YOU WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT. I SUGGEST YOU TOUCH BASE EITHER WITH ME DIRECTLY OR THE STAFF IF THERE'S AN INCIDENT HAVE YOU IN MIND. MODERATOR, HOW MANY MORE CALLERS.

>> MODERATOR: AT LEAST TWO NEW ONES. SAM, GO AHEAD.

>> I'M CALLING FROM ASIAN COUNSELING SERVICES. I'M HERE WITH MY CONSUMER AND WE HAVE SOMETHING WE WANT TO SHARE. YEAH. SHE'S HEAR WITH ME. SHE WANT TO SHARE HER SERVICES ABOUT THE SERVICES FOR HER ALSO. MY NAME IS (INDISCERNIBLE) AND I WANT TO SHARE WHAT I CAN BENEFIT FRO THE SERVICES. THE SERVICE IS VERY GOOD FOR MY LIFE. THIS SERIVCE CAN HELP MY LIFE ALONG AND PUT IN A GROUP BETTER THAN BEFORE. ALSO IMPROVE MY MENTAL HEALTH TO BE MORE BALANCED AND RELIEF FROM THE SUFFER THAT I HAD A LONG, LONG TIME AGO. AND ALSO, I'D LIKE SOME MORE ACTIVITY IN THE SERVICES. COOKING CLASS AND (INDISCERNIBLE) RELIGION AND BUDDHISM AND I CAN IMPROVE MY BALANCE IN MY HOME

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOU COMING ONLINE AND ALSO DOING THE TRANSLATION FOR US, INTERPRETATION. IF THERE'S MORE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY, YOU'RE WELCOME TO SUBMIT IT BY E-MAIL TO OUR COMMISSION E-MAIL ADDRESS. MODERATOR, NEXT COMMENT, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: (INDISCERNIBLE), PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HI, THIS IS ZEE DANKWORTH WITH NAMI. NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS. MORE THAN A YEAR AGO, JANUARY 2019, THE COMMISSION CAME TO SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND WE IDENTIFIED MANY OF THE GAPS AND SERVICES HERE IN SANTA CLARITA. SO FAR, NONE OF THOSE THINGS HAVE AND WE TRIED TO NARROW THEM DOWN. NOTHING HAS REALLY HAPPENED. WE HAVE SOME VACANT BUILDINGS OUT HERE THAT COULD BE USED FOR DAY

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TREATMENT OR HOUSING OR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. I'M HAPPY TO SUPPLY THOSE. I'VE TRIED TO DO THAT IN THE PAST, AND IT SEEMS TO NOT GET ANY ACTION GOING. ALSO, SOME OF THE PLACES HAVE THE FACILITIES, THEY HAVE NO COMPUTER ACCESS OR CABLE TV ACCESS AND SO CLIENTS THAT ARE LIVING FACILITIE MANY TIMES ARE JUST IN THE DARK AND NOT GETTING SERVICES BECAUSE OF THE COVID AND PANDEMIC PRESENTLY.

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, Z, FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: AND A REMINDER, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CALL, PRESS "1-0" AT THIS TIME AND NEXT COMMENT IS FROM RICHARD VALDIVAR. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> YES, THANK YOU MUCH, CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION. RICHARD ZALDIBAR AND I'M HERE JUST TO SPEAK ON A FEW ISSUES. ONE IS WE'RE LOOKING AT PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION, I THINK THERE'S A GREAT NEED TO CONTINUE THE WORK THAT THE CURRENT MENTAL DEPARTMENT IS DOING IN THE AREA OF PREVENTION AMONG LGBTQ TAY POPULATION. I ALSO WANT TO SPEAK TO THE FACT, SOME CALLERS MENTIONED, YOU KNOW, WE'RE JUST GETTING OVER AND WE'RE STILL ADDRESSING BLACK LIVES MATTER BUT THERE ARE OTHER LIVES ALSO THAT ARE UNDER SERVED IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE WERE TALKING ABOUT LATINO POPULATION AND WE WERE TALKING ABOUT API AND OTHER RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES WHO STRUGGLE ON A CONSTANT BASIS TO, EVEN SIMPLY TALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH. SO PREVENTION WORK AND OUTLYING AND IDENTIFYING THOSE SUBCOMMUNITIES ARE REALLY IMPORTANT IF WE'RE GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN TREATING ALL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO I WOULD LIKE ALL OF YOU TO TAKE THAT INTO CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU MUCH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, RICHARD, WELL-DONE ON THE ONE-MINUTE MARK. MODERATOR. NEXT CALLER.

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>> MY NAME IS ROMBI. I'M WORKING AT ASIAN COUNSELING SERVICES, SERVING IN THE INTEGRATED NETWORK FOR CAMBODIAN. OUR PEOPLE HAVE GONE THROUGH THE KILLING FIELD, AS YOU KNOW (INDISCERNIBLE) OVER 2 MILLION PEOPLE DIED AND MANY OTHER ETHNICS AS WELL. SO THEY FEEL FLASH BACK, NIGHTMARE AND ALSO FEELING LIKE SCARED OF PEOPLE AND NOT SHARIN THEI (INDISCERNIBLE) WHAT IS THE MENTAL HEALTH NOW. NOW THEY START TO OPEN HOPE AND TRUST TO GET THIS SERVICE. BECAUSE OF THAT, AND OUR AGENCY AT ASIAN COUNSELING SERVICES, PROVIDE GREAT, TREMENDOUS SERVICE AND SUPPORT FROM THE DMH SO I REALLY ENCOURAGING TO CONTINUE TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE PEOPLE HOPE AND I QUOTE, MOST OF MY CLIENTS SAID, "I FEEL LIKE I WANT TO DIE. I SCARED." YOU KNOW, BECAUSE OF THE WAR, AND NOW, I HAVE HOPE. SO PLEASE, GIVE ME HOPE FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY.

>> THANK YOU MUCH, ROMBI. WE ALSO GOT YOUR WRITTEN COMMENT. SO THANK YOU. MODERATOR. NEXT CALLER.

>> MODERATOR: FRAN SESSRA, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS FRAN SERASERA. I'M A COMMISSIONER HERE IN LANCASTER FOR THE HOMELESS AND WAS APPOINTED L.A. COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOR OLDER ADULTS. I ALSO WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO YOU ALL BECAUSE WE HAVE THE MENTAL HEALTH CENTER HERE IN LANCASTER THAT'S BEING ERECTED FOR CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS SO YOU ARE DOING VERY GOOD WORK. I BELONG TO SALTS HERE IN LANCASTER, BUT I AM ALSO HERE ON THIS PROGRAM SO THAT CAN I HEAR THE PROBLEMS THAT PEOPLE ARE HAVING, AND HOPEFULLY, WITH MY COMMISSION THAT I'M IN, I'LL BE ABLE TO ALSO GIVE YOU A HELPING HAND. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS. GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU, FAN, REALLY GRADE GREAT TO HAVE YOU. MODERATOR. NEXT CALLER.



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>> MODERATOR: IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, PLEASE PRESS 1-0 AT THIS TIME. AT THIS TIME, THERE ARE NO NEW COMMENTS IN CUE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: MY I ASK LUCY AND ALEX IF THERE ARE NEW SPANISH COMMENTS??

>> OKAY. WE'RE ASKING THE PEOPLE IF THERE ARE ANYMORE COMMENTS IN SPANISH. GIVE ME ONE SECOND.

>> SO FAR, THERE ARE NONE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU MUCH, LUCY AND ALEX FOR HELPING ON THE SPANISH SPEAKING LINE AS USUAL: MODERATOR, JUST DOUBLE CHECKING THAT THERE ARE NO FURTHER CALLERS IN THE CUE.

>> MODERATOR: WE DO HAVE TWO NEW ONES AT THIS TIME.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY.LET'S GO TO THOSE QUICKLY. THANK YOU. >>

MODERATOR: PAMELA EMABU, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> I'M HERE, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

(OVERLAPPING SPEAKERS) (ENGLISH AND SPANISH LINES ARE SPEAKING AT THE SAME TIME.)

>> MODERATOR: HANG ON. ALEX, YOU ARE UNMUTED, YOU MIGHT WANT TO MUTE THE TRANSLATION LINE. PAM NAVA, WE CAN HEAR YOU.

>> OKAY. THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS, MY NAME IS PAMELA ENABA, CHAIR FOR L.A. COUNTY CLIENT COALITION AND L.A. COUNTY ACCESS, AMBASSADOR FOR THE STATE CAL VOICES ORGANIZATION. I'VE BEEN A MENTAL HEALTH CLIENT CONSUMER FOR 33 YEARS. I LIVE IN SALT 5. I HAVE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES. I'M ALSO ON THE USCC ACCESS FOR ALL COMMITTEE. I'M CALLING FOR REQUESTING A MORATORIUM AND AN EXTENSION ON THE MHSA THREE-YEAR PLAN. THIS IS NOT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES COMPLIANT -- I'M SORRY, ADA -- COMPLIANT FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. PARTIAL PAGES

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ARE DIFFICULT TO READ BECAUSE OF TYPOS ARE BADLY SPELLED. TERMS ARE HARD TO UNDERSTAND, BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT WRITTEN IN LANGUAGE, EASY ENOUGH FOR LAY PEOPLE, FOR CONSUMERS WHO HAVE LITTLE KNOWLEDGE IN PROGRAM AND POLICIES THIS DOCUMENT IS 271 PAGES --

>> PLEASE. WE DESPERATELY NEED TO FEEL INCLUDED

>> MODERATOR: TIME.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> MODERATOR: SORRY, BRITTNEY. YOU ARE MUTED AT THE MOMENT .

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANKS. SORRY ABOUT THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH PAM, I APOLOGIZE FOR TRIMMING YOUR COMMENTS SHORT. I DO THINK WE UNDERSTAND THE THRUST OF YOUR COMMENTS. YOU'RE WELCOMED TO WRITE MORE TO THE E-MAIL. MODERATOR, NEXT CALLER, PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: SONNY \*\*\*, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

>> HELLO. HI. MY NAME IS SOPHIA. I'M WITH PACIFIC ASIAN COUNSELING SERVICES. I'M A FAMILY ADVOCATE, AND I HAVE A CONSUMER, HER NAME IS (INDISCERNIBLE). (SPEAKING FOREIGN LANGUAGE)

>> I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE (INDISCERNIBLE) PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM IS AN INTEGRATE INTEGRATIVE (INDISCERNIBLE). IT HELP ME WITH MY TREATMENT. I'M GETTING BETTER. THE PROGRAM (INDISCERNIBLE) MAKE TIME, EMOTIONALLY, GETTING BETTER, NOT THINKING A LOT.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. I'M SORRY TO INTERRUPT BOTH OF YOU. I WONDER IF THE INTERPRETER WOULDN'T MIND SENDING IN THE COMMENTS IN WRITING PERHAPS TO THE COMMISSION E-MAIL ADDRESS. MODERATOR. NEXT CALLER PLEASE.

>> MODERATOR: PLEASE PRESS 1-0 AT THIS TIME IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT. AT THIS TIME, THERE ARE NO NEW COMMENTS IN CUE.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: AND I'LL JUST ASK LUCY AND ALEX IF THERE ARE ANY SPANISH SPEAKING COMMENTS.

>> ALEX: ONE SECOND, PLEASE. WE'RE GOING TO ASK IF THERE'S ANYBODY ELSE THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT IN SPANISH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU.

>> LUCY: SO FAR, THERE ARE NO CALLERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WILL FORMALLY CONCLUDE THE PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION OF OUR AGENDA FOR TODAY IT'S 11:11 SO WE HAD A FULL HOUR-PLUS OF PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M REALLY PROUD WE WERE ABLE TO KEEP IT TOTHER IN TERMS OF THE TECH, TO HOST YOU ALL FOR THE PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU AGAIN. FOR EVERYBODY WHO WAITED, YOU KNOW, VIRTUALLY BY PHONE HERE AND ALSO BY E-MAIL. YOU'RE TOTALLY WELCOME TO CONTINUE TO SEND E-MAILS ON A ROLLING BASIS, REALLY, TO THE COMMISSION E-MAIL ADDRESS. WE ALL GET THEM ALL THE TIME. SO FEEL FREE TO KEEP IN TOUCH THAT WAY. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL TURN IT OVER TO THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONERS FOR A CONVERSATION AROUND ACCEPTING THE PLAN AND CONVERSATION. SO IF I CAN CALL THE COMMISSIONERS TO SHARE YOUR SCREENS AGAIN, SO THAT WE CAN SEE EACH OTHER, AS WE DISCUSSED, THAT WOULD BE GREAT. SO I'M ASKING THE COMMISSIONERS TO COME BACK ONLINE AND TURN ON THEIR CAMERAS, SO THAT WE MIGHT SEE EACH OTHER A BIT BETTER. AS WE DISCUSS THIS. COMMISSIONER PADILLA FRAUSTO. THANK YOU. GOOD TO SEE YOU. OTHER COMMISSIONES, PLEASE TRY TO GET TO YOUR CAMERAS AND TURN THEM ON AS WELL SO WE'LL START THE CONVERSATION AROUND THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT COMMISSION PERSPECTIVE, REVIEW, VOTE, THING LIKE THIS. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE HAD QUITE A BIT OF CONVERSATION OVER THE MONTHS THAT WE HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT'S THREE-YEAR PLAN FOR MHSA. WE'VE BEEN PRIVY TO DRAFTS OF IT

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AND ITERATIONS OF IT OVER THE MONTHS. FIRST THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND THEN A MORE, FULL POWERPOINT WALK-THROUGH. THEY TOOK SOME OF OUR COMMENTS AND INCLUDED THEM IN THEIR FEEDBACK AND REPORT BACK. WE HAVE NOW HEARD FULL PUBLIC COMMENT. THE PLAN WAS ALSO POSTED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. SO COMMENTS THAT CAME IN EVEN BEFORE LAST WEEK'S MEETING WERE INCORPORATED INTO THE FEEDBACK AND PRESENTATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO US ALL LAST WEEK.

I HAVE A RECOMMENDATION. I THINK THAT HAVING TALKED WITH A LOT COMMISSIONERS, I UNDERSTAND THERE ARE A LOT OF CONCERNS, RESERVATIONS, HESITATIONS, RELUCTANCE, CAVEATS TO OUR CONSIDERING THE PLAN TODAY, AND I HAVE TAKEN THE LIBERTY AND WE CAN DISCUSS THIS, ABOUT KIND OF GROUPING THOSE VARIED CONCERNS INTO CERTAIN CATEGORIES. MY SUGGESTION IS LET ME RECITE OR REVIEW THE TYPES OF CATEGORIES THAT I THINK ARE THE BIG CONCERNS THAT HAVE SUB-CONCERS UNDER THEM AND MAYBE AS A GROUP WEEK CAN ACCEPT MAYBE THE REPORT, ALONG WITH THE CONCERNS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS AND MAYBE SUBMIT OUR FINAL OUTCOME VOTE ON THIS, INCLUDING ALL OF OUR FEEDBACK. SO FOR ME, AND I'M SORRY, I STILL DON'T SEE THE COMMISSIONERS UP. BUT MAYBE THAT'S JUST ME PLAYING ON MY PHONE -- I MEAN, ON MY DESKTOP.

>> JOHN FLYNN: THEIR VIDEOS ARE LIVE. AS THEY SPEAK, I WILL PUT THEM INTO LIVE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU. SO I HAVE DOWN A FEW THINGS. THESE ARE BROAD TOPICS. MEANT TO COMFORT BROAD SWATH OF CONCERN UNDERNEATH THEM. AND WE CAN GET TO THE DETAILS IN A LETTER THAT I SUGGEST WE DRAFT. ONE IS WE HEAR YOU PUBLIC, WE HEAR YOU COMMISSIONERS. EVEN THE DEPARTMENT ABOUT THE IMPERFECT STAKEHOLDER PROCESS. SO THERE'S LACK OF TRANSLATION. WE HEARD THAT A LOT. LACK OF IN-PERSON MEETING OPPORTUNITIES, THE TECHNICAL GLITCHES, ADAPTATIONS TO THE PLANNING AND REVIEW PROCESS, SIMPLY DUE TO COVID AND SAFER AT HOME ORDERS AND

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THE LESS-THAN-IDEAL NOTICES FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS. I THINK THAT, AS A GROUP, IS ONE ITEM. THE NEXT IS DISPARITIES ACROSS RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUPS, INCLUDING FOR BLACK COMMUNITIES AND API COMMUNITIES. VERY LOUD AND CLEAR TODAY, AND ALSO THE NEED FOR POPULATION-LEVEL DATA LIKE THAT PRESENTED BY PADILLA -- COMMISSIONER PADILLA-FRAUSTO'S REPORT, TO HELP US BETTER UNDERSTAND THE UNMET NEED, AND POTENTIAL DAMAGE TO CLIENTS NOT BEING SERVED. AND ALLOCATING RESOURCES. THE NEXT IS AROUND HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING. AS A COMMISSION, WE HELD A RETREAT A WHILE BACK, WHERE WE DECLARED THAT HOMELESSNESS, AT-RISK OF HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING ISSUES WERE A KEY PRIORITY OF OURS. THE LAST TWO THAT I HAVE DOWN HERE ARE DECRIMINALIZING MENTAL ILLNESS SO BROADLY REFERENCING THE WORK OF THE ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION WORK GROUP AND ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAMS AND FINALLY, SOMETHING WE'VE BEEN ASKING FOR INFORMATION ON IS THE BUDGET EXPENSE REVENUE PORTIONS OR QUESTIONS THAT ARE OUTSTANDING THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS WORKING ON TO PROVIDE US FEEDBACK. I'D SAY THAT I WOULD ADD A LITTLE DEPTH TO THESE, BASED ON THE COMMENTS THAT I HEARD TODAY, WHICH INCLUDE SPECIFIC DISPARITIES AROUND API COMMUNITIES, SPANISH SPEAKING COMMUNITIES, LGBTQIA COMMUNITIES AND THE OTHER THING IS ADAPTATION FOR COVID TIMES SO COVID HAS IMPLICATIONS FOR ALL OF OUR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LIVES AND ARE PROFOUND IN ORDINARY WAYS AND HOW DOES THIS PLAN IN OUR PROCESS CHANGE BECAUSE OF THAT. I ALSO HEARD ABOUT A FAMILY MEMBER, PORTAL OR AT LEAST ATTENTION TO THE FAMILY MEMBER ISSUES, RELATED TO THIS. AND MORE SPECIFICALLY, THERE WERE CONCERNS ABOUT THE CHANGE OF THE RRR PROGRAM TO OUTPATIENT CARE. SO THAT BROADLY KIND OF REPRESENTS MY TAKEAWAYS FROM OUR INTERNAL CONVERSATIONS AND THE PUBLIC COMMENTS AND I WONDER IF WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO EITHER ACCEPT THOSE AS THE WRIT LARGE COMMENTS AND APPLY THEM TO OUR APPROVAL

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LETTER OR IF WE CAN SIMPLY MOVE FOR FURTHER CONVERSATION TO ADD TO THAT LIST NOW. I'LL LEAVE THAT QUESTION BEFORE YOU. AND I CANNOT SEE YOU. SO PLEASE, SPEAK UP IF YOU'RE INTERESTED.

>> JUDY: OKAY. THIS IS JUDY. CAN WE ADD IN TERMS OF DISPARITIES AND INEQUITIES, GEOGRAPHIC ISSUES, AS FAR AS ALLOCATION OF FUNDING IN THE GEOGRAPHIC AREAS?

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: DEFINITELY. I HEARD THAT WELL TODAY. SARA DID A GREAT JOB REPRESENTING AND SO DID SOME OTHERS. YES, ABSOLUTELY.

>> JUDY: THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: AND AGAIN, I CANNOT SEE YOU. I'M SORRY. SO YOU LET ME KNOW IF -- BY YOUR VOICE, LET ME KNOW IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN CHIMING IN.

>> COMMISSIONER OROZCO: THIS IS COMMISSIONER OROZCO.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: HI THERE, GO AHEAD.

>> COMMISSIONER OROZCO: FOR ME, IT WAS VERY LOUD AND CLEAR, AND I THINK THIS IS PART OF WHAT YOU MENTIONED, COMMISSIONER BRITTNEY, THAT THERE'S A LINGUISTIC BARRIER.THERE ARE OVER 3 MILLION PEOPLE WHO ARE SPANISH-SPEAKING AND THAT'S NOT INCLUDING OTHER LANGUAGES THAT ALSO CREATE A BARRIER IN TERMS OF UNDERSTANDING THIS REPORT AND I WOULD SAY HIGHLIGHTING THAT PART FOR SURE. AND ALSO THE FACT OF THE LANGUAGE THAT IS USED, THAT IT'S NOT EASILY UNDERSTANDABLE FOR PEOPLE SO MOVING FORWARD AND MAKING IT MORE READER-FRIENDLY.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: EXCELLENT ADDITIONS. OTHERS.

>> COMMISSIONER FRAUSTO PADILLA: HI, THIS IS EMELDA. SO AS I'M LISTENING TO BOTH SIDES, YOU KNOW I UNDERSTAND DMH'S, DR. SHERIN'S COMMENTS ABOUT FEELING FRUSTRATED AND DISAPPOINTED ABOUT THE NEGATIVE COMMENTS AND I UNDERSTAND, YOU

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KNOW, THE SORT OF FRUSTRATION AROUND CREATING THIS HUGE DOCUMENT AND THE WORK THAT GOES INTO IT AND ALL THE WORK THAT EVERYBODY'S BEEN DOING AND I DON'T WANT TO DISCOUNT THAT. I WANT TO VALIDATE, YOU KNOW, THAT ASPECT AND THERE ARE FRUSTRATIONS, DR. SHERIN A FRUSTRATIONS. AT THE SAME TIME, I ALSO WANT TO VALIDATE THE COMMUNITY'S RESPONSE TO IT AND THEIR CONCERNS AND THEIR REQUESTS FOR YOU KNOW, POSTPONING THE VOTE AND I'M JUST WONDERING, WHAT IS THE PROCESS HERE? I'M NOT CLEAR MYSELF AS TO WHY THIS NEEDS TO BE APPROVED THIS MONTH. AND WHY WE CAN'T MAYBE, YOU KNOW, POSTPONE THE APPROVAL FOR ANOTHER MONTH. SO IF I COULD HEAR FROM SOMEBODY ABOUT, YOU KNOW, THIS PROCESS AND WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO VOTE ON IT THIS MONTH. I THINK THAT MIGHT HELP WITH CLARIFYING WHAT THIS PROCESS IS ABOUT. THE IMPORTANCE ON VOTING ON IT THIS MONTH. ARE THERE, YOU KNOW, CERTAIN THINGS THAT ARE THAT ARE RELYING ON US TO VOTE ON IT THIS MONTH, IF SO, WHAT ARE THOSE? I WANT TO BE ABLE TO MEET THE MOST NEEDS OF EVERYONE AND THAT'S ALL STAKEHOLDERS. DMH, THEIR PROCESS IN PUTTING THIS HUGE DOCUMENT TOGETHER. ALSO, YOU KNOW, WITHIN THE CONTEXT, ALSO, OF WE WERE IN THE MIDST OF DEALING WITH A PANDEMIC WHEN THIS WAS PUT OUT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. I DON'T THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE HAD THAT ON THEIR TOP PRIORITY, AS WE WERE ALL DEALING WITH OUR OWN INDIVIDUAL, YOU KNOW, CIRCUMSTANCES AND, YOU KNOW, PERSONALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY, I DON'T THINK THIS WAS, YOU KNOW HIGH PRIORITY FOR FOLKS DURING THIS PANDEMIC TIME AND SO I JUST WANT TO TAKE -- I WANT US TO TAKE A BEAT AND TAKE A STEP BACK AND SAY, WHAT ARE THE PROS AND CONS OF US VOTING ON IT THIS MONTH, VERSUS NEXT MONTH AND YOU KNOW, HOW CAN WE WORK MORE COLLABORATIVELY SO THAT, YOU KNOW, THE COMMUNITY'S VOICES ARE VALIDATED AND HEARD AND DMH'S, YOU KNOW, VOICES AND EFFORTS ARE ALSO RECOGNIZED AND HEARD. WHAT CAN WE DO MOVING FORWARD FROM HERE. WHAT ARE THE NEXT BEST STEPS.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: TIME. I THINK I CLEARLY UNDERSTAND YOUR QUESTION AND AS WE SPEAK, THE DEPARTMENT STAFF IS GETTING US INFORMATION ON THE TIMELINE OF THINGS BUT I WOULD SAY THAT WE WERE FORTUNATE TO START THIS MHSA PROCESS VERY EARLY. MUCH EARLIER THIS YEAR THAN ANY PRIOR YEAR I'VE BEEN PARTICIPATING IN SO IN FEBRUARY, WE HAD ALREADY HAD SEVERAL MEETINGS. SEVERAL PUBLIC MEETINGS AS A COMMISSION TO REVIEW DRAFT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND POWERPOINTS AND WE PROVIDED FEEDBACK WHICH THEY THEN INCORPORATED INTO THE NEXT ITERATIONS. SO THIS HAS BEEN AT PUBLIC PLAY FOR MONTHS, WELL BEFORE COVID. THANKFULLY, WE GOT SOMETHING IN BEFORE COVID BECAUSE IF WE DIDN'T, WE WOULD REALLY BE BEHIND THE 8-BALL. THERE WAS ALSO, I WILL REFERENCE A LARGE 4-HOUR STAKEHOLDER MEETING IN FEBRUARY ON MHSA, FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THAT WAS QUITE ROBUST FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND. WE HAD MEANT TO HAVE OUR PUBLIC HEARING IN APRIL SO WE'RE NOW APRIL, MAY, JUNE. WE'RE, YOU KNOW, A GOOD QUARTER, A GOOD WAY INTO A QUARTER LATE ON OUR VOTE SO THAT'S ANOTHER ELEMENT IN CONVERSATION. EACH TOWN HALL THAT WE HAVE HAD AS A GROUP, YOU KNOW, PUBLICLY, HAS ALWAYS INCORPORATED A BUDGET ELEMENT. SO THERE'S ALWAYS BEEN A BUDGET CONVERSATION, INCLUDING MHSA, AT ALL THE TOWN HALLS ACROSS THE YEAR, ESPECIALLY IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER. IN JANUARY, WE HAD ONE IN SANTA MONICA. SO I'LL SAY THAT. THAT'S NOT PERFECT. COVID HAS MADE A LOT THINGS IMPERFECT AND THE COMMISSIONS HAD TO JUGGLE A NEW WAY OF ACCEPTING, REVIEWING AND VETTING THE PLAN AND THE PUBLIC HAS TO INCLUDE IN THE SALTS AND THE USCCs. SO I THINK OUR BEST KIND OF NEGOTIATED ALTERNATIVE TO THE PERFECT WORLD IS ACCEPTING THE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT HAS COME IN TO DATE AND INCLUDING IT ALL AND REPRESENTING ALL OF IT AS OUR OWN CONCERNS WHEN WE SEND OUR VOTE FORWARD. SO THIS MEANS THAT ALL THE CONCERNS THAT HAD BEEN REPRESENTED ARE PART OF THE FINAL FORMAL PRODUCT ABOUT OUR PLAN AND HOW



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WE FEEL ABOUT IT. TO TRULY HONOR EVERYTHING THAT'S BUBBLE UP SO FAR. THOSE ARE MY THOUGHTS AND IF I GET MORE FROM THE DMH STAFF AND IN THE INTERIM, I'LL LET YOU KNOW. ARE THERE PEOPLE WHO FEEL THAT'S SUFFICIENT OR WILL THERE BE MORE CONVERSATION?

>> COMMISSIONER OROZCO: I DO HAVE A FOLLOW-UP TO THAT IF I MAY. THIS IS COMMISSIONER OROZCO. I WASN'T INVOLVED IN THAT PROCESS, OBVIOUSLY, BECAUSE I JUST STARTED AS A COMMISSIONER. SO I'M WONDERING, WAS ANY OF THESE TOWN HALLS OR INITIAL CONVERSATIONS DONE IN OTHER LANGUAGES OR WAS IT JUST IN ENGLISH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THE TOWN HALLS ARE CONDUCTED IN ENGLISH, BUT A LOT OF MATERIAL -- BUT NOT ALL -- WAS TRANSLATED INTO SPANISH. SO THAT IS A CONCERN. THE OTHER CONCERN IS THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S NOT PERFECT TODAY. BUYING US AN ADDITIONAL MONTH WILL CONTINUE TO NOT BE PERFECT IN THAT NEXT MONTH. THE THING ABOUT A PLAN, IT'S LIKE A BUDGET. THIS IS HOW I SEE IT. NO MATTER WHAT, IF DMH WOULD LIKE TO ALTER, IMPROVE, REFINE ANY OF THE ELEMENTS IN THIS PLAN AND PROJECTS, TELL NEED TO GO THROUGH A PUBLIC VETTING PROCESS, INCLUDING THROUGH THE COMMISSION AND THROUGH, YOU KNOW, THE PUBLIC 30-DAY NOTICE ON THE DMH WEBSITE. SO I DO NOT EXPECT -- NO THREE-YEAR PLAN HAS EVER GONE FOR THE THREE YEARS WITHOUT, YOU KNOW, CHANGEUPS SO I EXPECT THE SAME WILL BE TRUE HERE BECAUSE WE HEARD ON THE CALL TODAY, A LOT OF CONCERN ABOUT HOW DOES THIS ADAPT AND CONSIDER COVID IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS AND IT DOESN'T PERFECTLY DO THAT. SO I KNOW THAT WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.

>> COMMISSINER MOLINA: THIS IS MIKE MOLINA. . I HAVE THE SAME KINDS OF CONCERNS THAT THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE ALREADY ARTICULATED. I'M JUST NOT -- I DON'T KNOW WHAT ANOTHER MONTH, EVEN IF WE DO DECIDE TO POSTPONE THIS VOTE, I DON'T KNOW WHAT ANOTHER MONTH IS GOING TO PROVIDE US. I DON'T KNOW WHAT WE'RE GOING

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TO ACHIEVE BY POSTPONING THE VOTE. IT FEELS LIKE THE REPORT IS WHAT IT IS. LAST WEEK WHEN WE GOT THE BRIEFING FROM DEPARTMENT STAFF, IT WAS PRETTY CLEAR THAT THE REPORT IS THE REPORT AND THERE IS A RELUCTANCE OR EVEN AN UNWELLNESS TO GO BACK AND REEDIT AND REWRITE IT. SO MADAM CHAIR, I THINK YOUR IDEA IS A REALLY GOOD IDEA THAT THIS REPORT, ALTHOUGH A LOT OF US WE RECOGNIZE AS BEING FLAWED BUT IT NEEDS TO GO FORWARD, RIGHT? I'M COMPELLED RIGHT NOW TO VOTE NO BECAUSE I JUST DON'T THINK THIS REPORT HAS THE BUY-IN FROM THE COMMUNITY. I REJECT THE IDEA THAT WE DID SOME PUBLIC HEARING IN FEBRUARY AND THAT KIND OF SATISFIES IT, THAT WE KIND OF CHECK THE BOX. YEAH, THE APRIL MEETING HAD TO BE POSTPONED BECAUSE OF COVID, BUT A LOT OF US ARE ON A LOT OTHER BOARDS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT FOUND WAYS TO CREATIVELY DO PUBLIC PROCESSES, DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE WERE ON STAY WITH US AT HOME ORDERS BUT THIS ONE DIDN'T. EVEN WHEN THE DRAFT CAME OUT. WE CAN TALK ALL WE WANT ABOUT FEBRUARY. BUT WHEN THE DRAFT REPORT CAME OUT, WHAT DID WE DO TO GET THE DRAFT REPORT OUT TO PEOPLE, OUT TO THE SALT, OUT TO LEADERSHIP, FOR ANY KIND OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY BUY-IN. IT DIDN'T HAPPEN. SO IT'S DISAPPOINTING BUT IT IS WHAT IT IS. THE REPORT IS WHAT IT IS, AND ALL OF US NOW HAVE TO VOTE IN THE WAY WE FEEL IS RIGHT. BUT I THINK AT THIS POINT, THIS REPORT HAS GOT TO GO TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS TO TAKE UP THESE ISSUES THAT WERE TALKING ABOUT RIGHT NOW, RIGHT? SO I CERTAINLY SUPPORT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING, MADAM CHAIR, THAT THIS REPORT GOES ON WITH A WELL-WORDED LETTER FROM US, ARTICULATING THESE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP NOT ONLY IN PUBLIC COMMENT BUT IN OUR DISCUSSION. SO I THANK YOU FOR THAT.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: I APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT ON THAT, COMMISSIONER MOLINA. .

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IN FACT, I WONDER IF WE CAN MOVE TO CALL FOR A MOTION ON THIS. INCLUDING ALL OF THE NEW ADDITIONS SLASH AMENDMENTS THAT HAVE COME UP, EVEN ON CALL -- OUR TALK RIGHT NOW, WHICH WERE, YOU KNOW, PLAIN LANGUAGE, LINGUISTIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DISPARITIES AS WELL AND I'M ALSO OPEN TO OPENING -- I'M ALSO OPEN TO WORKING WITH SMALL GROUP ON CRAFTING THE FIRE DETAILS OF OUR LETTER, WHICH WILL BE MORE COMPREHENSIVE THAN JUST THESE BULLET POINTS. SO I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE TAKE UP THE MOTION --

>> COMMISSIONER DALGLEISH: BRITTNEY? COULD YOU HEAR ME? THIS IS STACY DALGLEISH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: GREAT. I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IF YOU WERE ON. GOOD TO HEAR YOU.

>> COMMISSIONER DALGLEISH: ONE THING I WANTED TO MENTION, I'VE SPOKEN WITH MY SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE, AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THIS -- OUR VOTE, OBVIOUSLY THEN TAKES THIS THE NEXT STEP TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND I THINK THAT SITTING DOWN WITH THE OFFICE OF EACH OF OUR SUPERVISORS AND GOING OVER THE BUDGET AND EXPRESSING OUR CONCERNS AND THE COMMISSIONS CONCERNS TO THEM IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS WOULD REALLY MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE FOR OUR FEELING THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO TAKE THE COMMUNITY'S CONCERNS, AS WELL AS OUR OWN, DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD VIA OUR INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTATIVE. SO THAT'S WHAT I PLAN TO DO. THANK YOU.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: I THINK THAT'S A GREAT IDEA. I'D LOVE TO DO THAT, TOO AND MAYBE WE CAN ASK EACH OTHER TO MEET WITH OUR DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR OFFICE AND TALK IN MORE DETAIL. SO I'M GOING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH MAKING A MOTION. IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND. TO ACCEPT THE THREE-YEAR PLAN WITH THE CAVEAT THAT OUR APPROVAL LETTER RAISES AND ADDRESSES SEVERAL CONCERNS AND MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS AND

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SUGGESTIONS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AROUND THE IMPERFECT STAKEHOLDER PROCESS -- THESE ARE SHORTENED -- DISPARITIES, AND HOUSING, DECRIMINALIZING MENTAL ILLNESS, REVENUE EXPENSE BUDGET AND FINER DETAILS AROUND THE DISPARITIES. THAT'S IT.

>> COMMISSIONER COOPERBERG: I THINK THAT WE SHOULD ALSO GIVE A DEADLINE FOR THOSE, THE RESPONSE TO OUR INQUIRY.

>> JOHN FLYNN: THAT WAS COMMISSIONER COOPERBERG.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: TELL ME MORE. RESPONSE TO WHAT INQUIRY?

>> COMMISSIONER COOPERBERG: WELL, WE CAN SAY WE WANT THESE OTHER ITEMS ADDRESSED. WE'LL PROBABLY APPROVE IT WITH THOSE CAVEATS BUT USUALLY WHEN WE COME UP WITH THESE CONCERNS, IT JUST KIND OF GOES INTO THE ATMOSPHERE AND DISAPPEARS. SO IF WE HAVE A DEADLINE OR RESPONSE, THEN THE DEPARTMENT HAS A RESPONSIBILITY TO DO THAT.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. GOT IT. HAPPY TO DO THAT. I'M THINKING 60 OR 90 DAYS BUT I DO RECALL THAT GREG POLK PERSONALLY SUGGESTED KEEPING IN TOUCH AND CONTINUING TO MEET ON THIS SO I THINK HE WOULD BE OPEN TO, OR BY ZOOM, BY VIRTUAL CONNECTION ON THIS.

>> HI, MADAM CHAIR.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: I'M NOT SURE WHO IS SPEAKING. I HEARD KEVIN.

>> MADAM CHAIR.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: I'D LIKE TO MOVE FOR A SUBSTITUTE MOTION. AND THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION IS AS FOLLOWS:

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THAT THE COMMISSION DOES NEED A VOTE "AYE" OR NAY ON THE REPORT, THAT WE MOVE IT DIRECTLY WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ATTACHED WITH MANY CONCERNS THAT ARE VOICED BY THE COMMISSION AND THE PUBLIC IN WRITING. THAT'S MY SUBSTITUTE MOTION

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. WILL YOU PLEASE REPEAT THAT SO I'M CLEAR? I HEARD YOU SAY WE MOVE TO --

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: MY SUBSTITUTE MOTION IS THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION DOES NOT TAKE A POSITION ON THE THREE-YEAR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT AND THAT WE PROVIDE THE BOARD AS THE FINAL ARBITOR OF THE APPROVAL -- THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL -- THAT ALL THE CONCERNS, BOTH FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE COMMISSION, BE FORWARDED TO THEM IN WRITHE. THAT'S MY SUBSTITUTE MOTION.

>> COMMISSIONER FRAUSTO: MADAM CHAIR, THIS IS COMMISSIONER PADILLA FRAUSTO. I DO AGREE WITH JUDY COOPERBERG WITH SETTING SOME SORT OF DEADLINE IN RESPONSE TO THESE. BECAUSE I DO AGREE THAT YOU KNOW, WE PUT THESE OUT THERE, BUT THEN, YOU KNOW, THEN WHAT? JUST SORT OF HANGS THERE. SO I WOULD LIKE SOME SORT OF RESPONSE FROM DMH ON THESE, ON HOW THEY PLAN TO, YOU KNOW, TO ADDRESS ALL OF THESE ISSUES THAT WE'RE BRINGING FORWARD, IN PARTICULAR WITH MAKING THE THREE-YEAR PLAN ACCESSIBLE TO NOT JUST FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES BUT ALSO IN OTHER LANGUAGES, AND MAKING IT IN PLAIN LANGUAGE SO THAT OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THIS AND I ALSO AGREE WITH COMMISSIONER ACEBO WITH THE ALTERNATIVE MOTION. I PERSONALLY DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE VOTING ON THE APPROVAL OF THIS PLAN, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, GIVEN ALL THE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. COMMISSIONER STEVENS, DID YOU HAVE SOMETHING?

>> COMMISSIONER FRIEDMAN: THIS IS SUSAN.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OH. SUSAN. WELL, HOLD ON. LET ME SEE IF COMMISSIONER STEVENS HAS SOMETHING.

>> COMMISSIONER STEVENS: SHE CAN GO.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. COMMISSIONER FRIEDMAN.

>> COMMISSIONER FRIEDMAN: I JUST WANTED TO UNDERSTAND KEVIN'S MOTION IS IT KEVIN'S MOTION THAT WE DO NOT TAKE A POSITION ON THIS RIGHT NOW, EITHER YAY OR NAY? THAT WE'RE PASSING IT ALONG TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO REVISE IT WITH VARIOUS THINGS THAT WE HAVE MENTIONED? ARE WE THEN GOING TO TAKE A POSITION OR ARE WE GOING TO ADVOCATE?

>> MADAM CHAIR?

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YES, COMMISSIONER ACEBO.

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: CLEARLY, THERE'S NO CONSENSUS WITHIN OUR COMMISSION AND IF WE HAVE A VOTE UP OR DOWN IT'S GOING TO BE A SPLIT VOTE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: WELL, WHY DON'T WE DO THE VOTE ACTUALLY BECAUSE IT DOES SEEM WE NEED TO HARSH IT OUT AND IF WE NEED TO TAKE FURTHER ACTION, WE CAN.

>> KEVIN ACEBO: WELL I HAVE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION ON THE FLOOR AND LOOKING FOR A SECOND.

>> COMMISSIONER AGAWA: I'LL SECOND THAT MOTION, KEVIN.

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: THANKS, PATRICK.

MADAM CHAIR, LET ME JUST TELL YOU THE REASON BEHIND IT. WE'RE NOT UNITED ON THIS AND MY COLLEAGUE, MY FELLOW COMMISSIONER FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, MIKE MOLINA, YOU KNOW, PART OF IT IS, I THINK HE HAS A PRETTY DEEP CONCERN AND THE PUBLIC HAS REALLY VOICED A PRETTY DEEP CONCERN. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS THE ULTIMATE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE -- TO APPROVE AND REVIEW THIS, RIGHT? AND OBVIOUSLY, WE SHOULD GIVE THEM THAT AUTHORITY, THAT'S ALL THIS MOTION DOES, AND THE

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SUBSTITUTE MOTION ONLY ALLOWS US AS A COMMISSION, TO REALLY SPEND SOME TIME IN DETAIL, TO PROVIDE THE CONCERNS BOTH FROM THE PUBLIC AND FROM COMMISSIONERS, IN WRITING, AS WELL AS ALLOW US TO TALK TO BOTH OF OUR RESPECTIVE APPOINTING POWERS REGARDING THOSE CONCERNS, RIGHT? SO THAT'S MY PURPOSE FOR IT. IT'S NOT BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO TAKE A POSITION, BUT I THINK THAT I'D RATHER TAKE A POSITION WITH A UNITED COMMISSION AND WITH A PUBLIC THAT REALLY FEELS THAT THEIR VOICES AND THEIR INPUT IS HEARD SO IT'S HARD TO TAKE A POSITION TO SAY "AYE" WHEN ALL OF THESE THINGS ARE KIND OF ON THE TABLE. SO THAT'S THE PURPOSE OF MY SUBSTITUTE MOTION.

>> COMMISSIONER FRIEDMAN: I UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE OF YOUR MOTION BUT I'M JUST WONDERING IF WE WANT TO SAY, WE CANNOT COME TO A (INDISCERNIBLE) SPECIFIC. EVENTHOUGH THE LAW REQUIRES US TO VOTE ON THIS, WE CANNOT WHOLE-HEARTEDLY PASS THIS ALONG TO YOU WITH OUR APPROVAL BECAUSE OF XYZ OR ABCDE AND WE ARE HANDING IT TO YOU TO REVISE IT OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: GOT IT AND LET ME JUST INTERRUPT BECAUSE I WANT US TO UNDERSTAND THE FULL AUTHORITY WE HAVE, BUT NOT THE INFLATED AUTHORITY WE MIGHT THINK WE HAVE. SO I'M ASKING AND COUNTY COUNCIL IS LETTING ME KNOW THAT THE COMMISSION DOES NOT VOTE TO ADOPT THE PLAN. WE DON'T HAVE THAT POWER. OUR PROCESS IS TO HOST THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS. THEY ARE LOOK FOR MORE PRECISE LANGUAGE FROM ME, BUT ESSENTIALLY, WE ARE NOT THE PEOPLE OR THE GROUP THAT ACCEPTS AND VOTES IN THE PLAN AS SOMETHING ADOPTABLE. OF COURSE, THAT FALLS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I JUST WANT US TO HAVE THAT IN MIND AS WE CONTINUE. AND LET ME ASK IF COMMISSIONER STEVENS HAS ANYTHING.

>> COMMISSIONER STEVENS: NO. NOTE AFTER THAT STATEMENT. NOT NOW THAT YOU PROVIDED THAT INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNSEL. BUT I WILL SAY THAT I APPRECIATE IF WE WERE TO AT LEAST SEE WHERE WE ARE AS A BODY.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. SO SOMEONE LIKE COMMISSIONER ACEBO IS PROBABLY MORE ADEPT IN TERMS OF THE PROCESS ON THIS. LET ME RECITE THOUGH. I'M GETTING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL. THIS IS CODE THAT THE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD SHALL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT THREE-YEAR PLAN AT THE CLOSE OF THE 30- DAY COMMENT PERIOD REQUIRED. EACH ADOPTED PLAN SHALL INCLUDE SUBSTANTIVE, WRITTEN RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REVISIONS. THE ADOPTED 3-YEAR PROGRAM AND EXPENDITURE PLAN OR UPDATE SHALL SUMMARIZE AND ANALYZE THE RECOMMENDED REVISIONS. THE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD SHALL REVIEW THE ADOPTIVE PLAN OR UPDATE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR REVISIONS. SO IT'S VERY ITERATIVE FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE BOARD AND TO THE DEPARTMENT, CLEARLY. SO LET US CALL -- OKAY. I WONDER IF COMMISSIONER ACEBO CAN HELP ON THE PROCESS AROUND HEARING THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION. SHALL WE TAKE A VOTE ON THAT? I DID HEAR A SECOND.

>> I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THE MOTION AGAIN, PLEASE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: OKAY. I UNDERSTAND THE MOTION IS THAT THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION SHALL NOT TAKE A POSITION, EITHER WAY ON THE PLAN TODAY, BUT SHALL SIMPLY PASS IT ALONG TO THE BOARD WITH OUR CONCERNS ATTACHED.

>> THANK YOU.

>> COMMISSINER MOLINA: REAL QUICKLY, IT SEEMS THOUGH, NOW THAT YOU HAVE READ WHAT COUNTY COUNSEL HAS SENT YOU, THE MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER ACEBO IS EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO DO. IF WERE NOT -- IF OUR JOB IS NOT TO QUOTE, APPROVE THIS PLAN BUT RATHER SEND IT ALONG WITH OUR RECOMMENDATIONS, IT APPEARS THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION IS DOING. WE DON'T NEED TO VOTE ON THE PLAN.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: RIGHT.



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>> COMMISSINER MOLINA: WE ARE TO PROVIDE THE APPROPRIATE BODIES, IN THIS CASE, THE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH OUR COMMENTS WITH OUR RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS. SO IT SOUNDS LIKE COMMISSIONER ACEBO'S MOTION IS EXACTLY WHAT WE SHOULD BE DOING.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: GREAT. AND I HAVE CONFIRMATION, I THINK COUNTY COUNSEL SUGGESTS THAT'S RIGHT. WE JUST PASS THIS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH OUR RECOMMENDATION. SO THAT'S WHERE WE ARE. WE ARE ON TRACK TO DO THAT IT SEEMS AND IT SEEMS WE CAN ALL GET BEHIND THAT.

I WONDER IF I CAN CALL FOR A VOTE ON THAT SUBSTITUTE MOTION WHICH IS SIMPLY, NO UP OR DOWN, NO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE, SIMPLY, PASSING THE PLAN WITH OUR CONCERNS, REVISIONS, SUGGESTIONS. IS EVERYONE CLEAR ON THAT?

>> COMMISSIONER PADILLA-FRAUSTO: MADAM CHAIR. THIS IS COMMISSIONER PADILLA FRAUSTO. SO OUR RECOMMENDATIONS, IS THAT GOING TO BE DRAFTED BY YOURSELF OR SOMEBODY AND THEN CIRCULATED TO THE REST OF THE COMMISSIONERS FOR FEEDBACK SO ON, AND SO FORTH.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: IT IS GOING TO BE DRAFTED BY ME. COMMISSIONER ACEBO SUGGESTED HE WOULD BE GLAD TO HELP SO I WILL RUN IT BY HIM. IT IS DUE BEFORE MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK. SO IT'LL HAVE TO BE DONE ON THE WEEKEND AND I CAN CIRCULATE IT AFTER. REALLY, I DON'T PLAN FOR US TO GET INTO THE NITTY-GRITTY OF EVERY ELEMENT. IT'S A CONTINUING CONVERSATION. THIS IS A VERY ITERATIVE PROCESS AND OF COURSE, WE ARE ALWAYS AT OUR -- PRIVILEGED TO HAVE THE EAR OF OUR BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT SO I THINK OUR LETTER WILL SPEAK TO THAT. OKAY. MAY WE CALL FOR THE VOTE.

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: MADAM CHAIR. I WOULD JUST SUGGEST THAT IF COMMISSIONERS REALLY HAVE SOME IN-DEPTH COMMENTS, THAT WE ALLOW THEM TO PROVIDE ATTACHMENTS TO THE LETTER.

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>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: IF THEY ARE IN LINE, IF THEY ARE FURTHER TO THE POINTS OF THE BUCKETS OR THE BULLETS I'VE ALREADY DESCRIBED THEN YES BECAUSE THOSE ARE PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE. THE PUBLIC KNOWS WE ARE CONCERN ABOUT THE THINGS THAT I ELUCIDATED. IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING ELSE OR DIFFERENT, WE MAY NEED TO TALK ABOUT IT OFFLINE AT ANOTHER TIME. BUT IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO FURTHER THE POINTS THAT I DRAFTED, IN TERMS OF THOSE BUCKETS. THAT'S FINE, YES.

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

>> COMMISSIONER PADILLA FRAUSTO: I WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THE LETTER IN THE RECOMMENDATION. SO IF YOU CAN PASS THAT ALONG TO ME OVER THE WEEKEND AS WELL, I'D BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE ANY FEEDBACK AND EDITS.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. ANY OTHER CONVERSATION? OKAY. CAN WE CALL FOR THE VOTE, PLEASE? AND THE VOTE IS ON THE MOTION BEFORE US WHICH IS DO NOT ACCEPT OR APPROVE THE PLAN, BUT PASS IT ALONG TO THE BOARD WITH OUR CONCERNS, REVISIONS, SUGGESTIONS, WITH THE BULLETS BELOW.

>> CALL FOR THE VOTE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: THANK YOU. CAN I HAVE FOLKS -- OR, I'M -- I'M SORRY. ACTUALLY, LET'S HAVE CANETANA DO THIS PART FOR FORMAL PURPOSES.

>> (OVERLAPPING SPEAKERS) A ROLL CALL VOTE. HOW DO YOU WANT TO -- OKAY

>> COMMISSIONER FRAUSTO: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER FRIEDMAN: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER OROZCO: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER TURNER: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER STEVENS: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER LEDESMA: YES.

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>> COMMISSIONER DALGLEISH: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER OGAWA: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER ACEBO: AYE.

>> COMMISSINER MOLINA: AYE.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: YES.

>> COMMISSIONER COOPERBERG: AYE.

>> CANETANA: OKAY. UNANIMOUS YES.

>> CHAIR WEISSMAN: WONDERFUL. SO THAT INCLUDES THE ACTION ITEMS FOR OUR MEETING TODAY. I DON'T THINK WE HAVE ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, BUT PLEASE DO REACH OUT TO MERILLA AND TO KITA TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE ON THE COMMISSION IN THE PAST. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AT OUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING NEXT WEEK AND THEN THE FULL MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING AT THE END OF THE MONTH. AND FOR FURTHER DETAILS, YOU CAN FIND IT ALL ONLINE ON THE COMMISSION TAB ON THE DMH WEBSITE. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PARTICIPATING, THE COMMISSION, THE PUBLIC, DMH STAFF, HAVE A GREAT AFTERNOON AND WE'LL TALK TO YOU SOON. TAKE CARE.

>> THANK YOU

(END OF MEETING 11:44 A.M.)