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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
2 ON NOVEMBER 27, 2007 BEGINS ON PAGE 171.]  
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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS NOW IN  
7 SESSION. I ASK THE MEETING TO COME TO ORDER. I'D LIKE TO ASK  
8 EVERYONE TO STAND FOR THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF  
9 ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY MINISTER LITTLE  
10 WILLIE G. OF WILLIE G. MINISTRIES IN WHITTIER AND THE PLEDGE  
11 OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY JERRY SHAPIRO, REPRESENTING THE  
12 JEWISH WAR VETERANS POST NO. 617 OF CULVER CITY. REVEREND  
13

14 **MINISTER WILLIE GARCIA:** SHALL WE PRAY. LET'S BOW OUR HEADS. OH  
15 LORD, HOW MARVELOUS ARE YOUR WORKS, HOW EXCELLENT IS YOUR  
16 NAME. IN THIS CHANGING WORLD, YOU ALONE ARE ETERNAL. AS ONE  
17 SMALL PART OF YOUR CREATION, WE LIFT OUR HEARTS TO YOU TODAY.  
18 FROM OUR CROWDED LIVES WE COME BEFORE YOU, OH GOD, ASKING THAT  
19 YOU RENEW OUR SPIRITS WITH YOUR PRESENCE, GIVE STRENGTH TO OUR  
20 WEAKNESS, LIGHT TO OUR DARKNESS, HOPE TO OUR DESPAIR. WE PRAY  
21 THAT YOU FAVOR THESE SERVANTS OF OUR COMMUNITIES WITH WISDOM,  
22 COMPASSION AND CLARITY OF THOUGHT, AS THEY LABOR THROUGH EVERY  
23 DETAIL THAT BENEFITS AND IMPROVES THE QUALITY OF LIFE. IN THIS  
24 HONOR, AND IN THIS HOUR, MAY OUR EYES BE OPENED AND MAY WE SEE



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1 AFRESH WHAT IT MEANS TO HAVE THE LIVING GOD AND HIS POWER IN  
2 OUR LIVES. AMEN.

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4 **JERRY SHAPIRO:** OKAY, EVERYBODY, PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER  
5 YOUR HEART. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES  
6 OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION  
7 UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.  
8 THANK YOU.

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10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
13 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. PROBABLY SOME OF YOU MAY RECOGNIZE THE  
14 NAME AND SOME OF YOU MAY RECOGNIZE THE INDIVIDUAL, BUT WE ARE  
15 VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE WITH US MINISTER LITTLE WILLIE G. HERE  
16 WITH US TODAY. HE IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL AND  
17 SOULFUL VOICES IN THE MUSIC WORLD TODAY. HE DEDICATED HIS LIFE  
18 AND WAS BORN AGAIN BACK IN 1980. HE'S CURRENTLY CRUSADING AS  
19 AN EVANGELIST IN WORD AND SONG IN VICTORY OUTREACH MINISTRIES.  
20 WILLIE G., AND THIS IS WHERE I SAID SOME OF YOU MAY RECOGNIZE  
21 THE NAME AND CAREER, HE BEGAN HIS CAREER IN THE MID-1960S AS A  
22 LEAD SINGER FOR THE MIDNIGHTERS, THE LEGENDARY R AND B GROUP  
23 FROM EAST LOS ANGELES. BEING A CHARISMATIC FIGURE AND SINGER  
24 ON STAGE, HE'S DRAWN COMPARISONS TO THE STYLES OF JACKIE  
25 WILSON AND FRANK SINATRA AND OBVIOUSLY HIS MUSIC FROM THE





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1 MIDNIGHTERS IS STILL HEAVILY REQUESTED ON THE RADIO TODAY. BUT  
2 SINCE 1984, LITTLE WILLIE G. HAS SERVED AS AN ORDAINED  
3 MINISTER AND FULL TIME EVANGELIST. HE CONTINUES TO TEACH, SING  
4 AND RECORD MUSIC TO KEEP OTHERS FROM BECOMING CASUALTIES OF  
5 WHAT HE CONSIDERS LA VIDA LOCA. A LOCAL LEGEND AND NATIONALLY  
6 RECOGNIZED SPEAKER, WILLIE G REACHES THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE  
7 SEEKING AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE NEGATIVE GANG LIFESTYLE OF THE  
8 STREETS. SO WE'D LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR HEARTFELT THANKS FOR HIM  
9 TAKING THE TIME TO BE WITH US TODAY, AND TO PRESENT HIM WITH A  
10 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION. LITTLE WILLIE G., THANK YOU.

11 [APPLAUSE]

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, DON. IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO  
14 PRESENT THE CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO JERRY SHAPIRO WHO  
15 LED US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING. JERRY IS  
16 REPRESENTING THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS POST NO. 617 IN CULVER  
17 CITY. JERRY'S BEEN A 50-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE THIRD  
18 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. LIVES IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD, ACTUALLY.  
19 AND SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY FROM 1944 TO 1947. SERVED  
20 ON THE U.S.S. KNAPP IN THE PACIFIC THEATER, PARTICIPATED IN  
21 THE BATTLE FOR OKINAWA, RECEIVED THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, THE  
22 AMERICAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL, THE ASIAN PACIFIC CAMPAIGN MEDAL, A  
23 WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL, THE NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE MEDAL.  
24 HE'S A PRODUCTION SUPERVISOR FOR CABELLS SOUP COMPANY. HE'S  
25 MARRIED WITH TWO CHILDREN. AS I SAID, HE LIVED 50 YEARS IN THE



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1 DISTRICT. BEFORE THAT, HE LIVED IN EAST LOS ANGELES WHERE HE  
2 WENT TO MY SISTER'S ALMA MATER, ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL, AND  
3 ATTENDED LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE. JERRY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
4 FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING AND  
5 FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE COUNTRY. [APPLAUSE] JERRY'S WIFE  
6 EVELYN I THINK IS SITTING IN THE FRONT ROW. WHERE ARE YOU,  
7 EVELYN? THERE YOU ARE, TAKING PICTURES. HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE  
8 I MENTIONED THAT HE GOT THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, TOO. I THINK I  
9 MENTIONED THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE AGENDA AT THIS TIME.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
12 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 2, SET MATTERS. ON  
13 ITEM S-1, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
14 BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 29TH, 2008, AND THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST  
15 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'LL HOLD IT FOR THE PUBLIC COMMENT,  
18 BUT IT WILL BE OUR INTENT TO CONTINUE IT TO THE JANUARY 29TH  
19 MEETING.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY  
22 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ON ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 4-D WE WILL HOLD  
23 THESE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING.

24

25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 15,  
3 ON ITEM NO. 8, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS  
4 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO DECEMBER 11TH, 2007, AND THERE  
5 ARE ALSO A NUMBER OF REQUESTS FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
6 TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE OUR INTENT TO  
9 CONTINUE IT. IS THERE ANYBODY WHO STILL WANTS TO BE-- WILL  
10 WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS? OR-- BECAUSE IT WILL COME UP LATE IN  
11 THE MEETING. THERE ARE ITEMS THAT WILL COME UP BEFORE THAT  
12 THAT ARE GOING TO BE LENGTHY. SO MY SUGGESTION IS, UNLESS YOU  
13 FEEL IT'S ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO TESTIFY TODAY, YOU COULD  
14 SAVE YOURSELF A BIT OF TIME, COME BACK IN TWO WEEKS. IS THERE  
15 ANYBODY WHO HAD SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE TOBACCO ISSUE WHO  
16 HAS A PROBLEM WITH THAT? IF NOT, THEN WITHOUT OBJECTION THE  
17 ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED-- THERE IS ONE PERSON? WHO IS THE ONE  
18 PERSON. ALL RIGHT. YOU'RE GOING TO BE HERE FOR A FEW HOURS. I  
19 JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT. OKAY. BEFORE WE GET TO YOU. ALL  
20 RIGHT. SO WE'LL HOLD THAT FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS. AND THEN  
21 WE'LL CONTINUE IT LATER.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 14, AS INDICATED ON THE  
24 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THE  
25 HEARING ON VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP CASE NO., 53189 AND





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1 FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT BE CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS  
2 TO DECEMBER 11, 2007.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION THAT WILL BE THE  
5 ORDER.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS WE'LL HOLD FOR PUBLIC  
8 HEARING. ON PAGE 8 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISION ITEMS 16 THROUGH 20. ON ITEM NO. 17 THERE'S A  
10 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON  
11 ITEM 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
12 THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO 19 AND WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE?

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 17.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, SO 19, AND WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE?

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 17 --

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, 16, AND 18, AND 20 ARE THE ONES  
23 THAT ARE BEFORE US. ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS, WITHOUT  
24 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 21 THROUGH 30. ON  
2 ITEM 24, THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE  
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, AND THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER  
4 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WAS 24?

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WE'LL HOLD IT.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 25, THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER  
13 REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 4, 2007.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE  
16 ORDER.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM 28, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS  
19 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 4, 2007.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION THAT WILL BE THE  
22 ORDER.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MOLINA MOVES KNABE SECONDS, WITHOUT  
2 OBJECTION UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 14, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, AND  
5 I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. ITEM 31, THIS  
6 IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE TWO ADMINISTRATION OF THE LOS  
7 ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS OF  
8 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BURKE MOVES. KNABE SECONDS. UNANIMOUS  
11 VOTE.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEM-- I APOLOGIZE. ON ITEM 31  
14 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
15 THIS ITEM. IT'S RELATED TO NO. 19.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL RECONSIDER THAT,  
18 WITHOUT OBJECTION. ALL RIGHT IT'S MOVED AND SECONDED TO  
19 RECONSIDER. WE'LL HOLD IT FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM 32, WE  
22 WILL HOLD THIS FOR A REPORT. ON PAGE 16, NOTICES OF CLOSED  
23 SESSION, ON ITEM CS-2 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE  
24 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED  
25 ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 4, 2007.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I'M SORRY, WHICH ITEM?

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CLOSED SESSION, ITEM CS-2 ON PAGE 16.

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE  
7 CONTINUED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA,  
10 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL  
11 DISTRICT NO. 1.

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** FIRST, I HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION FOR  
14 NEW CONSUL GENERAL. IT'S AN HONOR TO PRESENT TO OUR BOARD THIS  
15 MORNING THE HONORABLE NICOLA FAGANELLO, THE CONSUL GENERAL OF  
16 ITALY IN LOS ANGELES. CONSUL GENERAL FAGANELLO IS ONLY 40  
17 YEARS OLD, BUT HE ALREADY HAS A WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE AND  
18 EXPERIENCE IN THE WORLD OF DIPLOMACY. HE EARNED A DEGREE IN  
19 INTERNATIONAL LAW FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TRENTO, THEN WENT ON  
20 TO FURTHER POSTGRADUATE STUDIES IN DIPLOMACY AND INTERNATIONAL  
21 RELATIONS, BEFORE JOINING THE ITALIAN FOREIGN SERVICE IN 1993.  
22 SINCE THEN, HE HAS SERVED IN THE EMBASSIES IN GREECE AND  
23 INDONESIA. HE HAS ALSO HELD SEVERAL IMPORTANT POSTS IN  
24 MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN ROME. BEFORE HIS APPOINTMENT TO  
25 LOS ANGELES, CONSUL GENERAL FAGANELLO WAS HEAD OF THE LEGAL



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1 AND JUDICIAL OFFICE IN THE MINISTRY. HE IS MARRIED TO  
2 FRANCISCA, AND THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN, FEDERICA AND FILIPO. ON  
3 BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CONSUL GENERAL, AND THE  
4 MORE THAN 10 MILLION PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, I  
5 WANT TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME, ALL OF US DO, TO YOU AND TO  
6 YOUR FAMILY, AS YOU TAKE UP RESIDENCE HERE IN OUR COUNTY. THE  
7 COUNTY ALREADY SHARES A VERY SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ITALY  
8 AS YOU KNOW, AND THE FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENT WE SIGNED WITH THE  
9 PROVINCE OF ROME IN 2006, WHEN THE MAYOR WAS HERE, MAYOR OF  
10 ROME. WE LOOK FORWARD TO STRENGTHENING OUR CULTURAL AND  
11 ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL TIES FOR THE PEOPLE OF PROVINCE OF  
12 ROME AND WITH ALL THE PEOPLE OF ITALY DURING YOUR STAY WITH US  
13 AND WE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE A PRODUCTIVE ONE. WELCOME.

14

15 **NICOLA FAGANELLO:** GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. THANK  
16 YOU MR. CHAIRMAN, DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. THANK  
17 YOU VERY MUCH FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY AND THIS MEETING. IT IS  
18 AN HONOR FOR ME AND A PLEASURE TO BE HERE. AT THE BEGINNING OF  
19 MY NEW POSTING HERE AS CONSUL GENERAL OF ITALY. I'VE BEEN HERE  
20 SINCE JUST A COUPLE OF MONTHS, BUT ALREADY FOUND OUT HOW  
21 STRONG THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ITALY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS  
22 ANGELES ARE, AND ALSO THE BIG CONTRIBUTION OF ITALIANS, THE  
23 HARD-WORKING IMMIGRANT ITALIANS HERE, AND THE IMPORT RELEVANCE  
24 OF ITALIAN CULTURE AND SOCIAL HERITAGE TO HAVE DEVELOPED-- IN  
25 THE HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT AND RICH





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1 REGION. SO I'M HOPEFUL THAT THROUGH THE IMPULSE AND THE  
2 COORDINATION OF THE CONSUL GENERAL OF ITALY, ALL THE DIFFERENT  
3 INSTITUTIONS, ITALIAN INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE PRESENT HERE,  
4 MEANING OUR TRADE, COMMISSION, OUR CULTURAL CENTER, THE  
5 COMMITTEES REPRESENTING ITALIANS AND THE TOURIST BOARD, WILL  
6 HELP IN STRENGTHENING AND PROMOTING THE RELATIONSHIPS,  
7 THROUGH, OF COURSE, YOUR PRECIOUS ASSISTANCE AND HELP, AND  
8 ALSO WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE ACTIVE AND LIVELY ITALIAN  
9 COMMUNITY, ITALIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY HERE, SO THANK YOU AGAIN  
10 FOR RECEIVING ME HERE, AND I'M SURE WE WILL DO A GREAT JOB IN  
11 THE FUTURE TO STRENGTHEN AND PROMOTE THE RELATIONSHIPS OF  
12 ITALY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13 [APPLAUSE]

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MS. MOLINA AND BURKE HAVE NO  
16 PRESENTATIONS. I HAVE SEVERAL. FIRST LET ME INVITE UP THE  
17 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DRAGON BOAT TEAM. THERE THEY ARE,  
18 WEARING THOSE U.S.C. COLORS. [APPLAUSE] ALL RIGHT. WHILE THE  
19 DRAGON BOAT TEAM IS COMING FORWARD, WHY DON'T YOU SURROUND ME  
20 ON BOTH SIDES. I WANT TO CITE A FEW WORDS THAT WERE TAKEN FROM  
21 AN ARTICLE IN THE THE COUNTY DIGEST ISSUED LAST MONTH. IN  
22 MARCH OF 2006, A GROUP OF PUBLIC WORKS SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS  
23 FOUND THEMSELVES SPLASHING EACH OTHER IN A WATER SPORT THAT  
24 WAS INTRODUCED IN CHINA SOME TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO. IT IS A  
25 SPORT OF DRAGON BOAT RACING. CALLING THEMSELVES THE TEAM,



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1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DRAGON BOAT TEAM, LED BY NATHAN  
2 SALAZAR, A VETERAN OF THE SPORT AND AN EMPLOYEE OF PUBLIC  
3 WORKS, TEAM D.P.W. SPLASHED ITS WAY TO SUCCESS WINNING TWO  
4 MEDALS FROM THE CORPORATE DIVISION OF THE 2006 LONG BEACH  
5 INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL AND THE SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL  
6 FESTIVAL RESPECTIVELY. PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION ALSO  
7 PARTICIPATED IN THIS EVENT WINNING A SILVER MEDAL IN THE  
8 V.I.P. DIVISION. OTHER TEAM D.P.W. ACHIEVEMENTS ARE WINNING  
9 THE BEST IN LIGHTS AND SOUNDS AT THE NAPLES HOLIDAY PARADE AS  
10 WELL AS GIVING A WORKSHOP AT THE NINTH ANNUAL COUNTY OF LOS  
11 ANGELES MULTICULTURAL CONFERENCE ON THE TOPIC OF DIVERSITY,  
12 TEAMWORK AND A PADDLE, ALL IN THE SAME BOAT. [LAUGHTER] IN  
13 THIS YEAR'S SEASON, TEAM D.P.W. WOMEN'S TEAM CAME IN FIRST IN  
14 THEIR DIVISION IN TEMPE, ARIZONA IN MARCH. TEAM D.P.W. CAME  
15 HOME WITH THREE GOLDS, ONE SILVER FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA IN MAY,  
16 AND MORE IMPORTANTLY TEAM D.P.W.-C.A.P.E. WON A GOLD AND  
17 BRONZE MEDAL IN THE 2007 LONG BEACH INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT  
18 FESTIVAL. SO THE BOARD WANTS TO HONOR YOU ALL FOR YOUR GREAT  
19 SUCCESS, AND ALSO FOR BEING GREAT EMPLOYEES. I KNOW ALL THOSE  
20 GAMES WERE ON WEEKENDS AND AT NIGHT. [LAUGHTER] AND NO WORK  
21 SUFFERED AS A RESULT OF THAT. BUT SERIOUSLY, THIS IS A GREAT  
22 HONOR FOR THE COUNTY, NOT JUST FOR YOU, BUT YOU REPRESENT THE  
23 COUNTY FAMILY WHEN YOU TRAVEL IN THESE COMPETITIONS. AND THE  
24 BOARD WANTED TO HONOR YOU, THE D.P.W. DRAGON BOAT RACERS, AND  
25 COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR INITIATIVE, YOUR HARD WORK AND YOUR



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1 ACHIEVEMENT. SO GIVE THEM A GREAT HAND. [APPLAUSE] LET ME  
2 INTRODUCE NATHAN SALAZAR WHO IS GOING TO SAY A FEW WORDS ON  
3 BEHALF OF THE TEAMS.

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5 **NATHAN SALAZAR:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR FOR ALLOWING  
6 US TO BE HERE. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK OUR DEPARTMENT,  
7 PUBLIC WORKS, AS WELL AS OUR DIRECTOR, DON WOLFE, FOR  
8 SUPPORTING US AND ALWAYS THERE WHEN WE NEED HELP. ALSO FOR  
9 C.A.P.E. FOR ALWAYS BEING THERE TO SPONSOR US. AND BEST OF ALL  
10 I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF THIS TEAM. WITHOUT THEIR  
11 HELP, WE WOULD NOT BE SUCCESSFUL, AND NO MEDALS WOULD BE  
12 HANGING ON OUR NECKS. AND I KNOW EVERYBODY WANTS TO SPEAK, BUT  
13 LET ME SAY ONE SYLLABLE FOR THE WHOLE TEAM. D.P.W. INHALE.  
14 EXHALE. [VOCALIZING ] THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE OUGHT TO START  
17 OUR BOARD MEETINGS, INHALE AND EXHALE. SHAKE UP THE COUNTY.  
18 ALL RIGHT. LAST PRESENTATION I HAVE IS FOR DR. JONATHAN  
19 FIELDING AND I'D LIKE TO ASK DR. FIELDING TO COME UP AND MARIO  
20 PEREZ, THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE A.I.D.S. PROGRAMS AND  
21 POLICY, ANTHONY BRAZWELL, THE CO-CHAIR OF THE H.I.V.  
22 COMMISSION, AND CARLA BAILEY, WHO'S ALSO THE CO-CHAIR OF THE  
23 H.I.V. COMMISSION. THIS MORNING WE'RE RECOGNIZING DECEMBER  
24 1ST, 2007 AS "WORLD A.I.D.S. DAY." NEARLY 30000 RESIDENTS IN  
25 LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVE DIED FROM A.I.D.S. AND ALMOST 21,600



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1 INDIVIDUALS ARE ESTIMATED TO BE LIVING WITH H.I.V. AS WE SPEAK  
2 IN 2005, PEOPLE OF COLOR ACCOUNTED FOR 75 PERCENT OF ALL  
3 A.I.D.S. CASES DIAGNOSED. THIS YEAR'S "WORLD A.I.D.S. DAY"  
4 THEME IS LEADERSHIP AND THE SLOGAN REMAINS "STOP A.I.D.S.,  
5 KEEP THE PROMISE." THIS IS A CALL, AND THIS PROCLAMATION IS  
6 MEANT TO BE A CALL, TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US, EACH AND  
7 EVERY ONE OF US IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO REMAIN UNITED  
8 IN STOPPING THE SPREAD OF H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. THE BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISORS WANTED TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION AND RESOLVE  
10 THAT DECEMBER 1ST, 2007 BE PROCLAIMED AS "WORLD A.I.D.S. DAY"  
11 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WE ENCOURAGE RENEWED  
12 COMMITMENT TO LEADERSHIP AND ACTION AT ALL LEVELS OF  
13 GOVERNMENT AND IN THE GENERAL POPULATION TO OVERCOME THE  
14 DEVASTATION OF H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. DR. FIELDING, OUR PUBLIC  
15 HEALTH DIRECTOR, WOULD YOU ACCEPT THIS.

16

17 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU KNOW, THIS  
18 MONTH, IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THERE WILL BE 150 PEOPLE WHO ARE  
19 NEWLY DIAGNOSED WITH H.I.V., AND ABOUT HALF OF THOSE WILL HAVE  
20 GOTTEN THE DISEASE FROM SOMEBODY WHO DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THAT  
21 THEY WERE POSITIVE FOR H.I.V., AND THEREFORE PROBABLY WAS MUCH  
22 LESS CONCERNED ABOUT WHETHER TO HAVE SAFE SEX OR WHETHER TO  
23 PROTECT THE PEOPLE THAT THEY HAVE SEX WITH. SO WE ARE STILL  
24 ABOUT A QUARTER OF THOSE WITH H.I.V. WHO DON'T KNOW IT. AND WE  
25 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE GETTING TESTED AND WE ALSO



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1 HAVE TO REMOVE SOME OF THE BARRIERS, WHICH ARE SHAME, WHICH IS  
2 IGNORANCE, WHICH IS RACISM, WHICH IS HOMOPHOBIA, AND I HOPE  
3 THAT EVERYONE WILL RECOMMIT THEMSELVES TO STOPPING THIS  
4 TERRIBLE EPIDEMIC. WE HAVE NOT YET STARTED TO TURN IT AROUND.  
5 WE HAVE THE SAME NUMBER OF PEOPLE ROUGHLY BEING DIAGNOSED WITH  
6 H.I.V. AS WE HAD TWO YEARS AGO, THREE YEARS AGO, FOUR YEARS  
7 AGO. WHAT'S DIFFERENT IS WE HAVE MORE PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY  
8 LIVING WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. THAN EVER BEFORE. SO LET'S  
9 MAKE SURE THAT COMPLACENCY IS NOT THE-- IS NOT WHAT GUIDES US.  
10 WHAT GUIDES US IS ACTIVISM AND COMMITMENT TO MAKE A  
11 DIFFERENCE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **ANTHONY BRAZWELL:** ON BEHALF OF THE H.I.V. COMMISSION I WANT TO  
14 THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING THIS DAY AND FOR THEIR  
15 LEADERSHIP. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE GREATEST COUNTY ON  
16 EARTH, WE ALL KNOW THAT. BUT FOR SOMEONE LIVING WITH H.I.V.  
17 AND A.I.D.S. AS WE REPRESENT, IT IS ALSO THE GREATEST COUNTY  
18 ON EARTH TO LIVE, BECAUSE THE RESPONSE FROM THESE SUPERVISORS  
19 AND YOUR OUTSTANDING HEALTH DEPUTIES HAS GIVEN US AN  
20 UNPRECEDENTED RESPONSE TO H.I.V. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. THANK  
21 YOU ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION, OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CRAIG  
22 VINCENT JONES, TO DR. SCHUNHOFF, DR. FIELDING, AND TO MARIO  
23 PEREZ FROM O.A.P.P. THANK YOU FOR ALL THE HARD WORK, AND ON  
24 WORLD A.I.D.S. DAY, I THINK WE SHOULD ALL JUST PAUSE ONE





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1 MOMENT TO REDEDICATE OURSELVES TO THIS FIGHT. THANKS.

2 [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO  
7 CALL UP THE FOLLOWING NURSES. CHRIS LASSEN. ARIES LIMBAGA.  
8 MARILYN PIRES AND UNABLE TO JOIN US TODAY, ONE OF THE HONOREES  
9 IS LYNN WETHERWAS, WHO IS OUT SICK. TODAY I'M VERY PLEASED TO  
10 BE HONORING THESE FOUR NURSES FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING WORK AT  
11 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER. THEY WERE  
12 THEY WERE RECENTLY RECOGNIZED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF  
13 REHABILITATION NURSES BY NURSE WEEK FOR THEIR EXCELLENCE.  
14 THESE ARE NATIONAL AWARDS. SO THE INDIVIDUALS HERE TODAY  
15 REPRESENT THE VERY BEST AND ONCE AGAIN THEY'RE FROM RANCHO.  
16 HAD TO THROW THAT IN TOO, RIGHT. THE WAY I FOUND OUT ABOUT  
17 THIS OUR C.E.O., BILL FUJIOKA, WAS DOWN AT THIS AWARD  
18 PRESENTATION BECAUSE I BELIEVE A RELATIVE WAS BEING HONORED.  
19 THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN, THE FIRST RANCHO WINNER WENT UP, AND  
20 THEN THE SECOND RANCHO WINNER. AND SO HE STARTED BLACKBERRYING  
21 ME AT ABOUT 10:00 AT NIGHT. THAT'S HOW WE FOUND OUT ABOUT IT.  
22 SO WE'RE VERY, VERY HONORED. THE FIRST AWARD IS CHRIS LASSEN,  
23 WHO IS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF NURSING EDUCATION AT RANCHO. SHE  
24 HAS DEVOTED MORE THAN 40 YEARS OF SERVICE TO NURSING AND MORE  
25 THAN 15 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE SPECIALTY OF REHABILITATION



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1 NURSING. SHE IS THE WINNER OF NURSE WEEK'S CALIFORNIA 2007  
2 NURSING EXCELLENCE AWARD IN TEACHING. [APPLAUSE] NEXT IS-- OUR  
3 NEXT AWARD WINNER IS MR. ARIES LIMBAGA. ARIES IS A VITAL PART  
4 OF RANCHO'S EXECUTIVE TEAM. HE HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO PROVIDING  
5 LEADERSHIP TO THE ORGANIZATION AND FOSTERING MENTORSHIP IN HIS  
6 ROLE AS DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AT  
7 RANCHO. AT ALL LEVELS AND THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, ARIES HAS  
8 BEEN ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY INTEGRATE AND UTILIZE THE KNOWLEDGE  
9 AND EXPERIENCE THAT HE'S GAINED TO BRING ABOUT NEW POSITIVE  
10 CHANGE AND STRENGTHEN THE ROLE OF ACUTE REHABILITATION IN THE  
11 CONTINUUM OF CARE. HE IS THIS YEAR'S WINNER OF THE NURSE  
12 EXECUTIVE AWARD PRESENTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF REHABILITATION  
13 NURSES. [APPLAUSE] OUR NEXT AWARDEE IS A GOOD FRIEND, MARILYN  
14 PIRES. MARILYN IS NO STRANGER TO AWARDS. SHE OBVIOUSLY IS AN  
15 OUTSTANDING NURSE, AN OUTSTANDING ROLE MODEL AND A VERY STRONG  
16 ADVOCATE FOR NURSES AND PATIENTS AT RANCHO. SHE ALSO WON OUR  
17 2007 AMISTAD AWARD GIVEN BY THE RANCHO FOUNDATION. SO WE'RE  
18 VERY PLEASED TO AGAIN RECOGNIZE HER FOR HER EXCELLENCE IN  
19 NURSING. SHE WON THE ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE AWARD PRESENTED  
20 BY THE ASSOCIATION OF REHABILITATION NURSES. ONCE AGAIN,  
21 MARILYN, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE] AS I MENTIONED LYNN IS  
22 ABSENT. SHE'S OUT ILL, BUT SHE WON THE NURSE MANAGER AWARD  
23 PRESENTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF REHABILITATION NURSES. I MIGHT  
24 ADD, AS I SAID, THESE ARE NATIONAL AWARDS AND THERE WERE EIGHT  
25 OF THEM PRESENTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF REHABILITATION NURSES.



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1 RANCHO WON THREE OF THOSE, AND THEN ONE TOP AWARD IN NURSE  
2 WEEK. SO WE'VE GOT A GREAT TEAM OUT AT RANCHO. GREAT  
3 RECOGNITION FOR NOT ONLY THE FACILITY, BUT THESE FOLKS  
4 INDIVIDUALLY, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, IT'S BECAUSE OF THEIR  
5 GREAT FEEL FOR PATIENT CARE. SO LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF  
6 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **JORGE JORASCO:** NURSES ARE THE HEART AND SOUL OF A HOSPITAL.  
9 AND IT'S WITH GREAT PRIDE THAT WE HONOR SOME OF THE BEST  
10 NURSES IN THE COUNTRY THAT WORK AT RANCHO. THEY NOT ONLY  
11 DELIVER THEIR COMPASSION AND CARE ON A DAILY BASIS, BUT THEY  
12 ALSO INFLUENCE THE PROFESSION OF NURSING THROUGHOUT THE  
13 COUNTRY. AND WE'RE VERY PROUD AT RANCHO TO HAVE THIS HONOR.  
14 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF YOU. I  
17 FORGOT TO MENTION THAT LAST SPEAKER WAS JORGE JORASCO, OUR  
18 ACTING C.E.O. OUT THERE AT RANCHO. SO A GREAT TEAM OUT THERE.  
19 CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN. MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT'S IT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A SAD STORY. THIS IS SCHATZI FROM THE  
22 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, BUT HER PARENTS, HER HUMAN PARENTS LOST  
23 THEIR HOME, AND THEY HAVE TO GET RID OF THE DOG WHO'S ONLY 12  
24 WEEKS OLD. IT'S A FULL BRED LABRADOR RETRIEVER. NOW THIS IS A  
25 VERY SPECIAL DOG, BECAUSE BOTH PARENTS ARE A.K.C. DOGS THE



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1 FAMILY HAD TO SURRENDER, BECAUSE THEY LOST THEIR HOME IN THE  
2 FIRE. IT'S A FULL BRED DOG, FULL BREED. SO LITTLE SCHATZI WAS  
3 DISPLACED FROM THE FIRE, BUT WE'RE VERY THANKFUL FOR OUR GREAT  
4 ANIMAL CONTROL AND OUR COUNTY FIRE AND OUR SHERIFF'S  
5 DEPARTMENT, AND PUBLIC WORKS, WHO ARE INVOLVED IN HELPING US  
6 SAVE PROPERTY AND LIFE. BUT ALSO WE HAVE A LITTLE DOG WHO IS  
7 LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER, YOU  
8 CAN CALL AREA CODE 562-728-4644, OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE.  
9 THIS IS A LITTLE LOVING DOG, AND ALL HER-- COMES FROM A  
10 CHAMPION LINE LABRADORS. OKAY.

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES THE  
13 PRESENTATIONS. AND WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS GO TO ITEM 15, IF WE  
14 CAN, AND THEN WE'LL WORK OUR WAY BACK, BECAUSE THIS IS A  
15 SECOND HEARING ON THIS ITEM AND HOPEFULLY IT WILL NOT TAKE TOO  
16 LONG BUT WE NEED TO FINISH THIS OFF. SO SWEAR EVERYONE IN.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 4-D AND ITEMS 1  
19 THROUGH 15, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD,  
20 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE  
21 TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY  
22 AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE  
23 TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU, YOU MAY BE SEATED.

24



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DO WE HAVE A PRESENTATION FROM THE  
2 STAFF?

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 15, CAN I JUST READ IT IN FOR THE  
5 RECORD? I'LL READ THE TITLE IN. IT'S THE DE NOVO HEARING ON  
6 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NO. 98-062 A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL  
7 IMPACT REPORT LOCATED NORTHEASTERLY OF PALO COMADO CANYON ROAD  
8 AND EAST OF CHESEBORO ROAD, AGOURA HILLS, MALIBU ZONE DISTRICT  
9 APPLIED FOR BY ABRAHAM JOSHUA HESCHEL DAY SCHOOL WEST.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I NOTICE WE DO NOT HAVE-- WE HAVE THE  
12 PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE IN OPPOSITION, BUT NOT THOSE WHO ARE HERE  
13 IN FAVOR. IS THERE ANYBODY HERE IN FAVOR? YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED  
14 UP. ALL RIGHT, WE WILL FIND OUT THEN WHERE THEY ARE. COULD YOU  
15 CHECK THAT OUT. I WAS CONCERNED YOU WEREN'T HERE. OR HADN'T  
16 SIGNED UP. SO CAN WE GET THE STAFF REPORT AT THIS TIME.  
17 PLANNING STAFF. AND PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD.

18

19 **MARK CHILD:** GOOD MORNING. I'M MARK CHILD FROM THE DEPARTMENT  
20 OF REGIONAL PLANNING, ZONING PERMITS 1 SECTION. PROJECT NO.  
21 96-062 IS THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST TO DEVELOP A  
22 PRIVATE RELIGIOUS ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL OF  
23 APPROXIMATELY 750 STUDENTS. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED  
24 NORTHEASTERLY OF PALO COMADO CANYON ROAD AND EAST OF CHESEBORO  
25 ROAD ADJACENT TO THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS IN THE





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1 UNINCORPORATED AREA. THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HELD  
2 FIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS STARTING IN MARCH OF 2003, THIS FIRST OF  
3 WHICH WAS HELD NEAR THE SUBJECT PROPERTY AT THE LAS VIRGINES  
4 MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT BUILDING IN CALABASAS. ON JUNE 28,  
5 2006, THE PROJECT WAS APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
6 COMMISSION WITH EXTENSIVE CONDITIONS. THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
7 CONSIDERED THE TRAFFIC AND ACCESS SITUATION, AND IMPOSED A  
8 CONDITION THAT IF ANY OTHER TRAFFIC MITIGATION MEASURE WAS  
9 USED OTHER THAN THE ROUNDABOUT, A NEW PUBLIC HEARING WOULD BE  
10 REQUIRED. THE APPLICANT APPEALED THAT CONDITION OF APPROVAL,  
11 REQUESTING THAT A NEW PUBLIC HEARING NOT BE REQUIRED IF OTHER  
12 TRAFFIC MITIGATION OPTIONS WERE NEEDED. APPEALS WERE ALSO  
13 RECEIVED FROM THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS AND THE OLD AGOURA  
14 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. ON JANUARY 23RD, 2007 THE BOARD HELD  
15 A DE NOVO PUBLIC HEARING AND, THROUGH A MOTION, DIRECTED A  
16 LIST OF ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED. THE APPLICANT HAS SUFFICIENTLY  
17 PROVIDED RESPONSES TO THE ITEMS THAT THE BOARD MOTION OF  
18 JANUARY 23RDRD. DURING THE TIME SINCE THE LAST HEARING, AN  
19 INTERIM PLAN HAS BEEN DEVELOPED THAT EXPLORES THE OPTION OF  
20 THE SCHOOL BE LIMITING TO 390 STUDENTS AND REQUIRE THAT AN  
21 INTENSIVE CARPOOLING AND Busing PROGRAM BE IMPLEMENTED. THE  
22 EFFECTS OF THIS PROPOSAL HAVE BEEN ANALYZED WITH A SUPPLEMENT  
23 TO THE E.I.R. THE SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION HAS BEEN CIRCULATED  
24 IN ACCORDANCE WITH C.E.Q.A. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE  
25 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ARE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY



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1 QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE RELATED TO THE TRAFFIC MITIGATION  
2 QUESTIONS. THIS CONCLUDES THE STAFF'S PRESENTATION.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE DO HAVE THE CARDS FOR  
5 THOSE IN OPPOSITION AND THOSE IN FAVOR. AND WE ALSO HAVE THE  
6 MAYOR OF AGOURA HILLS. SO I WILL, OUT OF DEFERENCE TO HIM,  
7 DAN, WOULD YOU WANT TO SPEAK FIRST? ALL RIGHT. THEN COME ON  
8 DOWN. MAYOR, WELCOME.

9

10 **DAN KUPERBERG:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISORS.  
11 I AM DAN KUPERBURG, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS. FROM  
12 THE OUTSET THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS HAS MAINTAINED STRONG  
13 OPINIONS ABOUT THE EFFECTS THAT THIS PROJECT WILL HAVE ON OUR  
14 CITY REGARDING TRAFFIC, CIRCULATION, LANDSCAPING, GRADING  
15 AESTHETICS, NEIGHBORHOOD CAPABILITY AND, SO IMPORTANTLY,  
16 PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY ACCESS. THE CITY'S POSITION ON  
17 THESE ISSUES HAVE BEEN WELL DOCUMENTED AND BEEN CLEARLY  
18 COMMUNICATED THROUGH VARIOUS MEANS INCLUDING MY TESTIMONY  
19 BEFORE YOU LAST JANUARY. OUR VIEWS HAVE BEEN CONSISTENT AND  
20 COMMUNICATED BOTH PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY. AS YOU WELL KNOW,  
21 DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE SCHOOL'S PROJECT IS SITUATED  
22 ENTIRELY WITHIN THE COUNTY PROPERTY, ALL THE TRAFFIC IMPACTS  
23 FALL WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF AGOURA HILLS. THE SCHOOL WANTS  
24 TO COME IN AND BE SUCCESSFUL. BUT THE SCHOOL SHOULD AND MUST  
25 FULLY MITIGATE THE TRAFFIC IMPACTS RESULTING IN THEIR



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1 APPROVAL. NO ONE WANTED THE INTERIM TRAFFIC SOLUTION OF GOING  
2 AROUND AND THROUGH OLD AGOURA. WE'VE BEEN OPPOSED TO THAT VERY  
3 VOCALLY AND FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. I'M HAPPY FROM OUR RECENT  
4 CONVERSATIONS THAT THAT OPTION APPEARS TO NO LONGER BE ON THE  
5 TABLE. THE TRAFFIC MITIGATION SHOULD INCLUDE COMPENSATION FOR  
6 THE CHESEBORO BRIDGE, THE CITY'S T.I.F., THE SIGNAL AND/OR  
7 ROUNDABOUT, THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF SPECIFIC TRAFFIC  
8 IMPROVEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF SO MANY DISCUSSIONS  
9 BETWEEN THE CITY AND YOUR OFFICE, SUPERVISOR  
10 YAROSLAVSKY.HAVING PROVIDED YOU WITH OUR VIEWS, NUMBERS,  
11 CONCERNS AND THE STATISTICAL SUPPORT FOR OUR POSITION, WE'RE  
12 CONFIDENT YOU WILL NOT UNFAIRLY BURDEN THE 23,000 RESIDENTS OF  
13 AGOURA HILLS WITH THE FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY FROM THE EFFECTS  
14 OF A PRIVATE PROJECT OF THIS MAGNITUDE. IS THERE ANYTHING MORE  
15 IMPORTANT THAN PUBLIC SAFETY? ESPECIALLY CONSIDERING THAT WE  
16 JUST SURVIVED ANOTHER FIRE ONLY THREE DAYS AGO JUST MINUTES  
17 FROM THE SUBJECT SITE. EMERGENCY PUBLIC ACCESS AND EVACUATION  
18 ROUTES CANNOT BE EMPHASIZED ENOUGH. THIS ISN'T NEW. WE HAVE  
19 BROUGHT THIS ISSUE UP AT ALMOST EVERY OPPORTUNITY. IT HAS BEEN  
20 VERY DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND AND EVEN HARDER TO EXPLAIN TO OUR  
21 PEOPLE WHY THERE'S STILL NO EVACUATION PLAN IN PLACE, THAT THE  
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS YET TO SEE A PLAN, YET ALONE APPROVE  
23 A PLAN, THAT NEITHER THE CITY NOR RESIDENTS HAVE HAD AN  
24 OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON A PLAN THAT DOESN'T YET EXIST. WE  
25 RESPECTFULLY INSIST THAT AN EVACUATION PLAN BE CREATED. THAT



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1 THE PLAN DEALS WITH THE SAFE EVACUATION NOT JUST OF THE SCHOOL  
2 BUT ALSO OF THE 480 HOMES OF OLD AGOURA; THAT THE PLAN DEAL  
3 WITH THE APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF SHERIFF PERSONNEL TO PROVIDE  
4 SAFE ACCESS AND EVACUATION OF EVERYONE; THAT THIS BE A  
5 CONDITION OF APPROVAL AND THAT THE SCHOOL NOT BE ALLOWED THE  
6 OPEN WITHOUT THIS APPROVAL AND THAT THIS APPROVAL RUN WITH THE  
7 LAND TO ENSURE SAFETY FOR ALL TIME. IN THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS  
8 OR REALLY THE LAST COUPLE OF HOURS, WORKING CLOSELY WITH YOUR  
9 STAFF, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WE HAVE BEEN MOVING FORWARD AND  
10 I'M RELIEVED TO KNOW THAT MOST, IF NOT ALL OF THESE ISSUES,  
11 HAVE BEEN OR ARE BEING RESOLVED. WE APPRECIATE THE HARD WORK  
12 DONE BY YOUR STAFF IN TRYING TO BRING THE VARIOUS PARTIES  
13 TOGETHER. WE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY YOUR  
14 DIRECT INVOLVEMENT IN AN EFFORT TO RECONCILE THE DIFFERENCES.  
15 WHILE THERE'S STILL WORK TO BE DONE, I BELIEVE THAT THERE HAS  
16 BEEN GREAT PROGRESS MADE, ESPECIALLY, AS I SAID, WITHIN THE  
17 LAST COUPLE OF HOURS. AND I THANK YOU FOR CONTINUING TO WORK  
18 WITH US AND HEAR OUR VIEWS. AS WE HAVE FROM DAY ONE, THE CITY  
19 WILL CONTINUE TO SIT DOWN WITH YOU AND YOUR STAFF TO TIGHTEN  
20 THESE CONDITIONS, MAKE SURE THAT THE INTENT OF THE PARTIES IS  
21 CLEAR IN ALL THE DOCUMENTS, AND SPECIFICALLY THAT IN THE FINAL  
22 DOCUMENTS, THE MOTION AND THE CONDITIONS, THAT THE CITY'S  
23 VIEWS ARE PROPERLY REPRESENTED AND ENFORCEABLE. THANK YOU.  
24



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, DAN. AND LET ME THANK YOU AND  
2 COUNCILMAN KOHLER AND YOUR CITY MANAGER, GREG RAMIREZ,  
3 ESPECIALLY GREG, WHO HAS A KEEN UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO TRY TO  
4 GET TO YES. AND WE'LL SEE HOW IT ALL WORKS OUT. BUT I THINK AS  
5 FAR AS THE AGOURA HILLS PIECE IS CONCERNED, I APPRECIATE THAT  
6 WE WERE ABLE TO COME TO CLOSURE ON THE ISSUES OF TRAFFIC  
7 MITIGATION. AT LEAST IT APPEARS WE HAVE. AND I THINK WE HAVE.  
8 AND IT WOULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUE  
9 AND YOUR CITY MANAGER. SO THANK YOU.

10

11 **DAN KUPERBERG:** WE DIDN'T GET A LOT OF SLEEP LAST NIGHT. BUT  
12 THANK YOU.

13

14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. NEITHER DID I. BUT FOR DIFFERENT  
15 REASONS. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. LET'S HEAR FROM THE PROPONENTS  
16 FIRST, AND THEN WE'LL HEAR FROM THE OPPONENTS. AND EACH-- WE  
17 HAVE ABOUT FIVE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE HEARD IN OPPOSITION AND  
18 A LITTLE MORE THAN THAT IN SUPPORT. BUT I SUSPECT SOME OF THEM  
19 ARE PART OF THE TEAM AND THEY CAN JUGGLE IT AROUND. SO WHAT I  
20 WOULD SUGGEST IS THAT WE ALLOW FOR-- IS THERE ANY OBJECTION IF  
21 WE ALLOW 10 MINUTES ON EACH SIDE? ALL RIGHT. LET'S START. I'LL  
22 BE FLEXIBLE WITH THE OTHERS, BECAUSE THE OTHERS AREN'T AS  
23 HOMOGENOUS AS THE SCHOOL. SO LET ME ASK THE SCHOOL  
24 REPRESENTATIVES TO COME FORWARD AND YOU'LL HAVE 10 MINUTES.  
25 AND THE NAMES I HAVE ARE RON HIRSCH, STEVE ROSS, STEVEN GELLER



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1 JULIE SIMON, RICHARD WENTZ, ROGER VAN WERT, BEN REZNIK, AND  
2 KIM CAVALLO. I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU AS TO HOW YOU WANT TO JUGGLE  
3 YOUR PEOPLE FOR 10 MINUTES.

4

5 **BEN REZNIK:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY, MEMBERS OF THE  
6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BEN REZNICK, WITH JEFFREY,  
7 MANGELS, BUTLER AND MARMARO [PH?] HERE REPRESENTING HESCHEL  
8 WEST. GOOD MORNING TO YOU ALL. LET ME FIRST REMIND THE BOARD,  
9 YOU'VE HAD THE BACK UP, BUT THIS IS A PROJECT THAT'S BEEN  
10 EXTENSIVELY STUDIED: MULTIPLE PLANNING COMMISSION HEARINGS,  
11 SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES TO ANALYZE THE BOARD'S  
12 MOTION FROM LAST JANUARY. I WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT THIS IS A  
13 LOCAL SERVING SCHOOL. NINETY PERCENT OF THE STUDENTS LIVE  
14 WITHIN 10 MILES. AND IT'S BEEN OPERATING FOR MANY YEARS JUST  
15 ONE MILE DOWN THE ROAD.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN WE HAVE QUIET. IF YOU HAVE A  
18 CONVERSATION TAKE IT OUTSIDE THE ROOM. THANK YOU.

19

20 **BEN REZNIK:** WE HAVE A SENSITIVE DEVELOPMENT. WE HAVE 73 ACRES  
21 OF LAND. WE'RE ONLY USING 20 ACRES. 29 ACRES ARE BEING  
22 DEDICATED AS PERMANENT OPEN SPACE TO THE M.R.C.A. WE ARE  
23 SURROUNDED BY RIDGELINES, THE SCHOOL IS WELL HIDDEN, WELL  
24 PROTECTED. THE SCHOOL IS A PERMITTED USE IN THE A-15 ZONE  
25 WHICH WE ARE. IT'S ALSO A PERMITTED USE VIA CONDITIONAL USE





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1 PERMIT IN THE NORTH AREA PLAN. THE TRAFFIC MITIGATION IS  
2 EXTENSIVE. I SUSPECT YOU'LL HEAR MUCH MORE ABOUT IT LATER. I  
3 JUST WANT TO POINT OUT TO WHAT EXTENT CERTAINLY THE SCHOOL HAS  
4 BEEN FORTHCOMING. THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS HAS A T.I.F.  
5 ORDINANCE THAT EXEMPTS SCHOOLS FROM PAYING FEES YET HESCHEL  
6 WEST IS CONTRIBUTING SUBSTANTIALLY TO THEIR T.I.F. PROGRAM. IN  
7 FACT, GENERALLY ACROSS THE STATE SCHOOLS RARELY EVER GET  
8 TAPPED FOR PAYING TRAFFIC FEES. THIS IS DIFFERENT FROM DOING  
9 IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE NEEDED IN ORDER TO MITIGATE YOUR OWN  
10 IMPACTS. THAT'S DIFFERENT. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TRAFFIC FEES  
11 BEYOND THAT. THE FINAL E.I.R.-- WELL, LET ME SAY THAT WE'VE  
12 HEARD SOME THREATS BY OPPONENTS THAT THEY BELIEVE THAT THE  
13 E.I.R. MAY BE INADEQUATE. THEY'RE GOING TO CHALLENGE IT IN  
14 COURT. THEY'LL FILE LAWSUITS. WE DON'T THINK ANY OF THAT  
15 SHOULD SLOW THIS PROCESS DOWN. WE ARE VERY, VERY COMFORTABLE  
16 THAT THIS IS A LEGALLY ADEQUATE E.I.R. IT HAS BEEN  
17 SUBSTANTIALLY WORKED ON. AND I WILL REMIND THE BOARD JUST  
18 SINCE I'M A LAWYER, IT WOULD BE UNCANNY FOR ME NOT TO CITE AT  
19 LEAST ONE SECTION, AND THAT'S THE C.E.Q.A. GUIDELINE SECTION  
20 1515-1, WHICH IS THE STANDARDS FOR ADEQUACY OF AN E.I.R. IT  
21 BASICALLY SAYS AN E.I.R. SHOULD BE PREPARED WITH A SUFFICIENT  
22 DEGREE OF ANALYSIS TO PROVIDE DECISION MAKERS WITH INFORMATION  
23 WHICH ENABLES THEM TO MAKE A DECISION WHICH INTELLIGENTLY  
24 TAKES ACCOUNT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES, AND AN EVALUATION  
25 OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS OF A PROPOSED PROJECT NEED NOT BE



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1 EXHAUSTIVE. THE SECTION ENDS WITH THE FOLLOWING: QUOTE, "THE  
2 COURTS HAVE LOOKED NOT FOR PERFECTION BUT FOR ADEQUACY.  
3 COMPLETENESS AND A GOOD-FAITH EFFORT AT FULL DISCLOSURE." I  
4 WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR WORKING VERY  
5 HARD AND DOGGEDLY TO TRY TO BRING ALL THE SIDES TOGETHER.  
6 WHILE NOT ALL SIDES MAY BE TOGETHER, CERTAINLY THE CITY OF  
7 AGOURA HILLS AND HESCHEL HAVE COME TO TERMS ON TRAFFIC AND FOR  
8 THAT WE HAVE THE SUPERVISOR TO THANK FOR. ROGER?

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10 **ROGER VAN WERT:** CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
11 JUST VERY QUICKLY, THE BOARD INSTRUCTED AT ITS JANUARY HEARING  
12 THAT HESCHEL CONDUCT ADDITIONAL ANALYSES AND PROJECT  
13 REFINEMENTS COVERING SUBJECTS OF LANDSCAPING GRADING NOISE,  
14 SPECIAL EVENTS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE. THOSE ITEMS HAVE BEEN  
15 ADDRESSED. AND THIS IS A DOCUMENT CONTAINING THOSE RESPONSES.  
16 AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO BRING TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION THE  
17 FIRE EMERGENCY PLANNING CHECKLIST, WHICH HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY  
18 THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DISCUSSED AT AN INTERAGENCY  
19 MEETING WITH THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS. AND A CONDITION OF  
20 APPROVAL REQUIRES THAT THE EMERGENCY-- THAT A COMPREHENSIVE  
21 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO THE OCCUPANCY OF  
22 THE SCHOOL. SO WITH THAT I'LL CONCLUDE MY REMARKS. THANK YOU.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO IS GOING TO SPEAK NEXT?

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1 **RICHARD WENTZ:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
2 MY NAME IS RICK WENTZ. I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF  
3 THE SCHOOL. I ALSO EXTEND MY THANKS TO THE SUPERVISOR, HIS  
4 STAFF, THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, AND EVERYBODY WHO HAS WORKED  
5 FOR SO MANY YEARS, ASSESSING AND HELPING US MAKE THIS A VERY  
6 GOOD STRONG PROJECT. I JUST VERY BRIEFLY WANT TO POINT OUT  
7 THAT OUR PROJECT HAS WIDESPREAD, LOCAL, AND REGIONAL SUPPORT.  
8 WE'RE SUPPORTED BY OAKS CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL, LORENA HIGH  
9 SCHOOL, BOTH IN THE CANEJO VALLEY, THE WESTLAKE AGOURA CHAMBER  
10 OF COMMERCE, THE CITIES OF HIDDEN HILLS, THE CITY OF  
11 CALABASAS. ALL HAVE GONE ON RECORD SUPPORTING OUR PROJECT. IN  
12 A BROADER SENSE THE BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION, THE JEWISH  
13 FEDERATION, AND MANY, MANY MORE. WE'VE ALSO BEEN ENDORSED BY  
14 OUR LOCAL NEWSPAPER, THE ACORN. THIS SITE IS A-- SITE UNIQUELY  
15 SUITED FOR A SCHOOL. IT'S RIGHT OFF THE FREEWAY. THAT'S ONE OF  
16 THE REASONS WE PICKED IT IN THE FIRST PLACE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO  
17 DRIVE THROUGH RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS TO GET TO THE SCHOOL  
18 WHICH YOU USUALLY HAVE TO DO. WE'VE SPENT 10 YEARS NOW GOING  
19 THROUGH AND LISTENING TO OUR NEIGHBORS AND LISTENING TO INPUT  
20 FROM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, CITIES. AND WE'VE MADE SO MANY  
21 CONCESSIONS. THIS PROJECT BEFORE YOU IS A RESULT OF A  
22 COMPROMISE. MANY, MANY COMPROMISES. THE SIZE OF THE SCHOOL HAS  
23 BEEN REDUCED. THE SIZE OF THE FOOTPRINT HAS BEEN REDUCED. THE  
24 NUMBER OF STUDENTS REDUCED. THE ACCESS THAT WE'RE TAKING, THE  
25 PRIMARY ACCESS, IS THE ACCESS REQUESTED BY THE OLD AGOURA



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1 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. WE'VE ADOPTED LANDSCAPING REQUESTED BY  
2 THE CONSERVANCY. WE'VE INCREASED SETBACKS. WE'VE REDESIGNED  
3 THE SCHOOL TO ACCOMMODATE FOR A FIRE STAGING AREA AS REQUESTED  
4 BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE ARE, HAVE BEEN, AND WILL REMAIN,  
5 GOOD NEIGHBORS. WE WANT TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT FOR  
6 THE WHOLE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. WHO IS NEXT, GO AHEAD.

9

10 **STEPHEN ROSS:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY  
11 NAME IS STEVE ROSS. I'M A HESCHEL WEST BOARD MEMBER IN CHARGE  
12 OF FACILITIES AS WELL AS THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCHOOL. TEN  
13 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN CONSTRUCTION, LAND DEVELOPMENT AND  
14 TITLING OF LAND, BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL. I HAVE  
15 EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE WITH WORKING WITH HOMEOWNERS GROUPS,  
16 ASSOCIATIONS AS WELL AS LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS. MY ROLE  
17 WILL BE COMMITTEE CHAIR FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION  
18 OF THE SCHOOL. AS CHAIR I WOULD LEAD THE COMMITTEE, WHICH WILL  
19 BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SELECTION OF THE PROJECT CONSULTANTS,  
20 AS WELL AS THE RESPONSIBLE GENERAL CONTRACTOR, THAT WILL ABIDE  
21 BY THE C.U.P. WE'VE HAD A SUCCESSFUL WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH  
22 THE COUNTY BUILDING AND SAFETY AS WELL AS PUBLIC WORKS AND THE  
23 SAFETY DEPARTMENTS AT OUR CURRENT CAMPUS. I LOOK FORWARD TO  
24 WORKING WITH THE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS AS WELL  
25 AS OLD AGOURA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ON THE SUCCESSFUL



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1 DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCHOOL. WE'LL LOOK BACK AT THIS DAY AND OUR  
2 LEGACY WILL BE THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS AND FUTURE LEADERS.  
3 THANK YOU, AND LASTLY I WILL ENSURE THAT WE ABIDE BY THE  
4 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

7

8 **JULIE SIMON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JULIE SIMON. I'VE BEEN A  
9 RESIDENT OF AGOURA HILLS FOR OVER 13 YEARS. I HAVE THREE  
10 CHILDREN. THIS IS OUR 10TH YEAR ATTENDING HESCHEL WEST. AND  
11 IT'S A WONDERFUL COMMUNITY-BASED SCHOOL AND SADLY TWO OF MY  
12 CHILDREN HAVE NOW BEEN RELOCATED TO WEST HILLS, BECAUSE IT'S  
13 SUCH A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL, WE'RE BUSTING AT THE SEAMS. AND IT'S  
14 IN THE CANELA VALLEY, ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING JEWISH  
15 COMMUNITIES IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY. AS SUCH WE NEED A SCHOOL TO  
16 SUPPORT THAT. AND WE NEED IT RIGHT HERE IN OUR BACKYARD, NOT  
17 COMMUTING BACK TO THE VALLEY. THANK YOU.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GOOD MORNING.

20

21 **STEVEN GELLER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEMBERS OF  
22 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M STEVEN GELLER. I'M A RESIDENT OF  
23 AGOURA HILLS-- OF OAK PARK, EXCUSE ME, SINCE 1998. MY BUSINESS  
24 IS LOCATED ABOUT HALF A MILE FROM THE SITE ON ROADSIDE DRIVE  
25 IN AGOURA HILLS AND HAS BEEN FOR ALMOST SIX YEARS. MY WIFE IS



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1 A TEACHER OF SPECIAL EDUCATION, OF EARLY ELEMENTARY AT  
2 WOODLAND HILLS SERANIUS [PH?] ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. I HAVE TWO  
3 CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN PRODUCTS OF HESCHEL WEST. MY DAUGHTER,  
4 SEVEN YEARS OLD IN THE FIRST GRADE, AND MY SON, CURRENTLY AN  
5 EIGHTH GRADER AT KADEMA HESCHEL WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL. EVERY DAY  
6 I SEE AS CORE VALUES IN THE CHILDREN OF HESCHEL WEST'S BASIC  
7 VALUES: COMMUNITY, CHARACTER, CRITICAL THINKING CURRICULUM,  
8 CREATIVITY AND CONTINUITY. I SEE IT IN MY CHILDREN IN HOW THEY  
9 ACT WITH OTHERS, HOW THEY CARE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, HOW THEY  
10 CARE FOR THE WORLD. THEY DON'T CARE IF SOMEONE IS JEWISH OR  
11 NOT, THEY CARE ABOUT EQUALITY AND JUSTICE. OUR SCHOOL IS  
12 COMMITTED TO NOT JUST EDUCATING BUT DEVELOPING OUR CHILDREN  
13 INTO KIND, RESPONSIBLE, THINKING AND COMPASSIONATE PEOPLE.  
14 PEOPLE THAT CARE ABOUT THE WORLD AROUND THEM. HESCHEL WEST IS  
15 NOT JUST A SCHOOLHOUSE, A COLLECTION OF TEXTBOOKS. IT IS A  
16 CRITICAL PART OF OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY. OUR FACILITIES JUST  
17 DON'T WORK. OUR CHILDREN, ALL OF OUR CHILDREN, DESERVE BETTER.  
18 THIS IS THE RIGHT PROJECT. THIS IS THE RIGHT TIME. THANK YOU  
19 VERY

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **KIM CAVALLO:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN. MY NAME IS KIM CAVALLO, AND  
24 I'M THE ACTING PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF HESCHEL  
25 WEST. HESCHEL WEST IS CONSISTENTLY MAKING A POSITIVE





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1 CONTRIBUTION TO THE BROADER COMMUNITY, BOTH LOCALLY AND  
2 ABROAD. JUST LAST WEEK, OUR FAMILIES GOT TOGETHER AND PUT  
3 THANKSGIVING BASKETS FOR LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED WHO WOULD  
4 OTHERWISE NOT HAVE A HOLIDAY MEAL. IN ADDITION, OUR PARENT  
5 VOLUNTEERS HAVE IMPLEMENTED A FULL RECYCLING PROGRAM ON  
6 CAMPUS, AND WORKING WITH THE ADMINISTRATION AND BUILDING THAT  
7 PROGRAM VERY SUCCESSFULLY. ALSO, THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR  
8 OUR STUDENTS AND OUR FAMILIES CONDUCT A VARIETY OF DRIVES TO  
9 COLLECT ITEMS FOR THE NEEDY IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY. WE'VE DONE  
10 SUCH COLLECTIONS, IN THE LAST YEAR ALONE, OF BLUE JEANS FOR  
11 NEEDY FAMILIES IN THE VENTURA COUNTY AREA, STUFFED ANIMALS FOR  
12 VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AT THE SIMI VALLEY BATTERED  
13 WOMEN'S SHELTER, BLANKETS FOR ORPHANS AT VISTA DEL MAR. ONCE A  
14 MONTH OUR FAMILIES GO AND BRING FOOD TO A LOCAL HOMELESS  
15 SHELTER IN THOUSAND OAKS, AND ALSO SPEND TIME WITH PEOPLE  
16 THERE WHO ARE IN NEED. ALSO OUR CHILDREN, AS PART OF THE  
17 CURRICULUM, VISIT THE ELDERLY AND SENIOR CENTERS IN OUR LOCAL  
18 COMMUNITIES. IN ADDITION TO ALL THE WORK THAT WE CONTINUE TO  
19 DO LOCALLY, ABROAD WE HAVE PROGRAMS WHERE WE WRITE LETTERS TO  
20 SOLDIERS IN IRAQ, THANKING THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE, IN ADDITION  
21 TO, ANOTHER PROGRAM WE DID THIS YEAR WAS PERSONAL I.D. TAGS  
22 FOR CHILDREN MAKING THEIR WAY THROUGH DARFUR. SO I THINK OUR  
23 COMMUNITY IS LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUING THESE, THE POSITIVE  
24 EFFECT IT HAS ON OUR BROADER COMMUNITY AND BECOMING EVEN MORE  
25 POWERFUL WITH THE NUMBERS AT THE SCHOOL.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THANK YOU, MISS CAVALLO. THAT  
3 CONCLUDES THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE TESTIFIED IN SUPPORT AND NOW  
4 THOSE IN OPPOSITION, I THINK WE'LL DO TWO MINUTES AT A TIME  
5 BECAUSE NOT ALL OF THEM ARE COORDINATED WITH ONE ANOTHER,  
6 NECESSARILY. SO, JIM AIDUKAS AND MARY WIESBROCK. GEORGE COLMAN  
7 AND JESS THOMAS, AND LAST SPEAKER WILL BE JIM WRIGLEY. WE ONLY  
8 HAVE FOUR SEATS UP HERE. SO YOU SHOULD WAIT UNTIL SOMEBODY  
9 FINISHES.

10

11 **JIM AIDUKAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JIM  
12 AIDUKAS, CITY OF THOUSAND OAKS. I'LL KEEP MY COMMENTS BRIEF SO  
13 THAT MY TIME CAN GO TO SOMEONE ELSE. TWO MAJOR QUESTIONS. ONE  
14 IS, AT THE LAST HEARING, A GEOLOGIST BROUGHT UP THE POINT THAT  
15 THE SITE IS LADEN WITH LIQUEFACTION MATERIAL. THE SCHOOL IS  
16 PROPOSING TO TOP-LOAD THIS MATERIAL. IT'S A DISASTER REALLY  
17 WAITING TO HAPPEN. IT REALLY NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED BY STAFF.  
18 BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE CALABASAS LANDFILL, WHICH WAS A  
19 CLASS 1 SITE WHEN IT FIRST OPENED, HAZARDOUS WASTE MATERIAL  
20 WAS DISPOSED OF WITHIN 3,000 FEET OF THE PROPOSED SITE. THE  
21 REAL QUESTION IS: IS IT REALLY SAFE TO BUILD ANYTHING THERE? A  
22 THOROUGH ANALYSIS NEEDS TO BE DONE, ON-SITE DRILLING AND SOILS  
23 ANALYSIS. THE LEACH AT CALABASAS LANDFILL HAS ELEVATED  
24 RADIOACTIVITY. I THINK FOR THE SAFETY OF ANYONE THAT'S GOING



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1 TO BUILD ON THIS SITE, FURTHER INVESTIGATION NEEDS TO BE DONE.

2 THANK YOU.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING I'LL HAVE THE

5 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES ON THE RECORD.

6 THANK YOU. NEXT IS MARY WIESBROCK OR HOWEVER YOU WANT TO DO

7 IT.

8

9 **JIM WRIGLEY:** I'M JIM WRIGLEY AND I'M CEDING MY TIME TO MARY.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MARY, DO YOU WANT TO GO NEXT OR--?

12

13 **MARY WIESBROCK:** I'LL GO NEXT.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY WE'LL GIVE HER FOUR MINUTES.

16

17 **MARY WIESBROCK:** THIS IS FOR THE SUPERVISORS. MARY WIESBROCK,

18 SAVE OPEN SPACE. I'D LIKE TO CORRECT THE STAFF REPORT. WE DID

19 APPEAL THIS ALSO. SAVE OPEN SPACE SUBMITTING INTO THIS RECODS

20 C.D.S OF THE TONS OF TOXIC WASTE PUT INTO THE UNCONTAINED

21 CALABASAS LANDFILL. THESE WASTES INCLUDE ROCADYNE WASTE IN

22 THIS UNLINED PART OF THE CALABASAS LANDFILL. WASTES WERE IN

23 BARRELS WHICH RUST THROUGH WITH TIME AND DIRT WELLS.

24 RADIOACTIVITY TESTING DIDN'T BEGIN THIS 1983. THESE WASTES

25 WERE PUT INTO THE LANDFILL IN THE 1970S. UNFORTUNATELY, L.A.



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1 COUNTY SANITATION HAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. WE BELIEVE THAT  
2 THERE'S A VESTED INTEREST IN THEIR POSITION, SINCE IF TESTING  
3 IS DONE ON THIS SCHOOL PROPERTY AND SIMILAR TOXICS ARE FOUND,  
4 AS WAS FOUND IN THE 1990 CLEMENT REPORT, COUNTY SANITATION  
5 WILL HAVE TO PAY TO CLEAN IT UP. ALSO RECORDS BETWEEN L.A.  
6 COUNTY STAFF AND L.A. COUNTY REGIONAL SANITATION ARE WRONGLY  
7 BEING KEPT FROM THE PUBLIC. I'M ENCLOSING THAT LETTER. THEY  
8 NEED TO BE PUT AVAILABLE IN THIS RECORD. ROBERT ASKIANS [PH?]  
9 OF REGIONAL SAN TESTIMONY SHOULD BE DISCOUNTED FOR THIS REASON  
10 OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST. UNFORTUNATELY, HESCHEL BOUGHT THIS  
11 PROPERTY WITHOUT DISCLOSURE OF THESE TOXICS, WHICH WERE  
12 REVEALED IN THE 1990 CLEMENT REPORT BY THE PROPERTY'S OWNER.  
13 ANOTHER CONCERN IS THAT IMPACT SCIENTISTS, HESCHEL'S  
14 CONSULTANT, HIRED L.A. COUNTY HEAD OVER THIS PROJECT. THIS IS  
15 ALSO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. I WOULD LIKE TO REBUT THE  
16 FINDINGS. WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT SURFACE WATER CONTAMINATION,  
17 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SOIL, GAS AND SOIL CONTAMINATION. THE  
18 NUCLEAR WASTES WERE NOT CHECKED FOR UNTIL 1983. CALABASAS  
19 LANDFILL RECEIVED WASTE SINCE THE MID-1960S. RECORDS SHOW THAT  
20 THESE 1970S WASTES ARE-- ONE SOURCE IS ROCADYNE. AIR QUALITY  
21 IS BEING IMPACTED BY THE LANDFILL PER 1990 CLEMENT REPORT DONE  
22 ON THE SAME PROPERTY, WHICH THE HESCHEL PROJECT IS A PART OF.  
23 AND THEN LASTLY, YES, IF I WERE A MOTHER TOO, I'D KEEP MY  
24 CHILDREN IN THE WEST HILLS SCHOOLS OR OAK PARK SCHOOLS, AND  
25 NOT, HESCHEL, NEXT TO THIS LANDFILL. LIQUID WASTE, THERE'S



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1 260,000 TONS, INCLUDE OIL, CYANIDE, SOLVENTS, ACID, ALKALINE  
2 PESTICIDES AND RADIOACTIVITY, LEACHATE. THE CLEMENT REPORT  
3 SHOWED AN INCREASE IN BENZINE, WHICH IS A CARCINOGEN. IT  
4 CAUSES LEUKEMIA. AND THERE ARE THALATES THERE. AND THOSE CAUSE  
5 SUSCEPTIBILITY OF CHILDREN. THE IMPACT THE MALE REPRODUCTIVE  
6 PARTS. OIL WAS FOUND THERE. HOW IN THE WORLD CAN ANY MOTHER  
7 WANT THEIR CHILD TO GO TO SCHOOL HERE? WE WILL GIVE YOU A  
8 DISC. WE ARE CHARGING \$25 SO YOU CAN SEE WHAT THE WASTES ARE  
9 THAT ARE IN THIS LANDFILL AND IT WILL HELP PAY THE COSTS OF  
10 THE VOLUNTEERS THAT PUT TOGETHER THESE WASTE RECORDS. THANK  
11 YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MARY. GEORGE COLMAN.

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15 **GEORGE COLMAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MR. CHAIRMAN. A LOT  
16 HAS GONE ON IN THE 11TH HOUR. AND I THINK I'M GOING TO BE  
17 DOING A LITTLE AD-LIBBING AND EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING BASED  
18 UPON THE NOTES I'VE HEARD TODAY. BUT THIS MIGHT BE A RIGHT  
19 PROJECT AND A RIGHT TIME BUT IT'S A SCHOOL IN THE WRONG PLACE.  
20 NOBODY'S GOING TO QUESTION THE VALUE OF THE SCHOOL, WHAT IT  
21 HAS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. THIS  
22 IS NOT A SCHOOL ISSUE. THIS IS A LAND USE ISSUE. AND WHERE THE  
23 SCHOOL SHOULD BE. ONE OF MY CONCERNS IS THAT WE HAD A MOTION  
24 HERE JANUARY 23RD. ELEVEN MONTHS LATER WE'RE GETTING RESPONSES  
25 THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO THE LOCAL HOMEOWNERS, AND



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1 CERTAINLY THE CITY, AND WE'RE SCURRYING AROUND AT 11:59 P.M.  
2 TO PUT TOGETHER THE PROPER PERSPECTIVE ON WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO  
3 BUILD. NO OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AT ALL. AS A MATTER OF FACT,  
4 ON-- IT WAS ON OCTOBER 12TH, WHICH IS ALMOST EXACTLY 45 DAYS  
5 TO THE DAY OF TODAY THAT WE RECEIVED THE SUPPLEMENTAL E.I.R.  
6 ON NOVEMBER 16TH, WE WERE DELIVERED A REPORT ON NOISE  
7 REDUCTION AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN AND TRAFFIC MITIGATION. WE  
8 FIRST MET WITH HESCHEL FOLK AT MY HOME ON 11-20 AND WE HAD 11  
9 MONTHS TO DO THAT. WE'RE NOT SO SURE THAT THE CITY OF HESCHEL--  
10 - THAT HESCHEL MET WITH THE CITY TIMELY EITHER, AND AS OF  
11 YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AT 3:30 P.M., WE'RE GETTING PROPOSAL ON  
12 FAIR SHARE. TO ME, FINALIZING ANYTHING TODAY IS A MISTAKE,  
13 PUTTING PEOPLE AT RISK, PUTTING THE HOMEOWNERS AT RISK,  
14 WITHOUT A FIRE PLAN, WITHOUT AN EVACUATION PLAN, WITHOUT A  
15 FAIR SHARE PLAN AS PART OF THE C.U.P. PROCESS, THIS PROJECT  
16 HAS TO FAIL. THERE'S AN ATTITUDE HERE THAT'S CAVALIER. I WANT  
17 TO SUGGEST THAT IT MAY EVEN BE THE EQUIVALENT OF A STAR  
18 CHAMBER PROCEEDING WHICH WAS ABOLISHED IN 1641 IN ENGLAND, AND  
19 WE ARE PUTTING CHILDREN AT RISK AND THE COMMUNITY AT RISK. AND  
20 I DO NOT THINK IT WAS EXPLORED ENOUGH. I'LL DEFER TO JESS TO  
21 PUT IN SOME OF THE ELEMENTS OF WHERE WE FEEL THE MOTION OF THE  
22 BOARD THAT WAS PASSED ON JANUARY 23RD, 2007 WAS NOT FOLLOWED.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** JESS THOMAS.

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1 **JESS THOMAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M JESS THOMAS,  
2 REPRESENTING THE OLD AGOURA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AS  
3 PRESIDENT THIS MORNING. AT THE JANUARY HEARING THIS YEAR,  
4 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY MADE A MOTION WHICH INCLUDED NINE  
5 PROVISIONS FOR THE APPLICANT TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE, PRIOR TO  
6 A SUBSEQUENT TO A SUBSEQUENT HEARING, WHICH IS TODAY. OF THE  
7 NINE, THE FOLLOWING WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHED OR ADHERED TO, TO  
8 OUR KNOWLEDGE. THE FIRST, AND I QUOTE, PREPARE AND RECOMMEND  
9 TO THIS BOARD A MODIFIED GRADINGCONCEPT THAT MORE FULLY  
10 PRESERVES THE NATURAL TOPOGRAPHY OF THE RIDGELINE, UNQUOTE.  
11 NONE HAS BEEN SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION TO OUR ORGANIZATION.  
12 TWO, QUOTE, CREATE A PRELIMINARY EMERGENCY RESPONSE CHECKLIST  
13 FOR INCLUSION IN THE CONDITIONS FOR THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
14 THAT ENSURES THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND REGULAR UPDATING OF A  
15 COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND EVACUATION PLAN THAT WILL  
16 ESTABLISH CLEAR LINES OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PARENTS, SCHOOL  
17 OFFICIALS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND EMERGENCY RESPONDERS, AND  
18 ENSURE THAT THE SCHOOL OPERATIONS DO NOT INTERFERE WITH AN  
19 ORDERLY EVACUATION OF THEIR SURROUNDING COMMUNITY SHOULD ONE  
20 BECOME NECESSARY, UNQUOTE. THAT'S ALL ONE SENTENCE. WE ARE  
21 EXTREMELY CONCERNED THAT THE OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL WILL  
22 CUMULATIVELY ADD TO THE CHAOS OF EVACUATION TO A DEGREE THAT  
23 WILL ENDANGER THE RESIDENTS OF OLD AGOURA. ITEM THREE, QUOTE,  
24 WORK WITH THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS TO DEVELOP A STANDARD SET  
25 OF MINIMUM CONDITIONS FOR ANY TEMPORARY USE PERMITS APPROVED



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1 FOR THIS SITE, UNQUOTE. WE HAVE SEEN NO ATTEMPT TO ACCOMPLISH  
2 THIS REQUIREMENT. ITEM FOUR, WORK WITH THE APPROPRIATE  
3 CONSERVATION AND PUBLIC PARK AGENCIES TO SECURE FINAL  
4 DOCUMENTATION, VERIFYING THE RESPECTIVE AGENCY'S WILLINGNESS  
5 TO RECEIVE THE DEED RESTRICTED CONSERVATION EASEMENT AND LAND  
6 DEDICATION THAT ARE SHOWN ON THE APPROVED EXHIBIT A, AND  
7 SUBMIT THIS DOCUMENTATION TO THE BOARD PRIOR TO THE MAY 22ND  
8 HEARING, WHICH OBVIOUSLY DIDN'T OCCUR, UNQUOTE. AGAIN, WE SEE  
9 NO EVIDENCE OF THIS HAVING BEEN DONE. I HEAR TESTIMONY THAT IT  
10 HAS BEEN SUBMITTED. BUT WE HAVE NOT BEEN PROVIDED ANY COPY OR  
11 ASSURANCE OF IT. ITEM FIVE, IMMEDIATELY REPAIR AND CONTINUALLY  
12 MAINTAIN ALL EXTERIOR FENCING ON THE PROPERTY SO AS TO PREVENT  
13 TRESPASSING AND PERFORM WORK IN A MANNER THAT PRESERVES THE  
14 EXISTING CHARACTER OF THE OLD AGOURA COMMUNITY, UNQUOTE. THE  
15 CHESEBORO FENCE HAS BEEN KNOCKED DOWN FOR MONTHS NOW AND THERE  
16 IS NO BARRIER TO PREVENT OFF ROAD VEHICLES FROM ENTERING VIA  
17 THE CANWOOD TERMINUS. I HAVE TWO COMMENTS ON THE C.E.Q.A.  
18 ITEMS THAT WE'RE VERY CONCERNED WITH AND A FINAL E.I.R. THE  
19 FIRST, BOTH THE BURDEN OF PROOF AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING  
20 CONSIDERATIONS LACK ANY REASONABLE EFFORT TO JUSTIFY THE  
21 GRANTING OF A C.U.P. AS DEFINED IN C.E.Q.A. ITEM TWO IN THE  
22 NORTH AREA PLAN OF THE SECTION SAYS A LOCAL SERVING SCHOOL  
23 MAY, AND I EMPHASIZE, MAY, BE PERMITTED IN THE N-5 ZONE WITH A  
24 C.U.P., BUT ONLY IF IT COMPLIES WITH THE GOALS AND POLICIES OF  
25 THE PLAN. THIS APPLICATION FAILS TO MEET THOSE GOALS AND



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1 POLICIES IN THE MAJORITY OF INSTANCES. I SUBMIT IT WOULD  
2 REQUIRE A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT TO LEGALLY JUSTIFY THE  
3 GRANTING OF A C.U.P. ON THIS PROJECT, BECAUSE THE APPLICANT  
4 HAS NOT LIVED UP TO THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL ESTABLISHED IN  
5 THE JANUARY 2007 HEARING, AND BECAUSE A FINAL E.I.R. IS FAULTY  
6 DUE TO A LACK OF LEGAL BURDEN OF PROOF AND STATEMENT OF  
7 OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, I RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT THE MOTION  
8 FOR APPROVAL BE RETRACTED. THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERATION.

9

10 **GEORGE COLMAN:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ONE THING JESS LEFT OUT.

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD, SIR.

13

14 **GEORGE COLMAN:** THERE WAS NO PHOTOMETRIC OR SITE LINE ANALYSIS  
15 DONE FROM THE CHESEBORO ROAD SITE WITH RESPECT TO THOSE 11  
16 HOMES THAT ARE SITTING THERE THAT ARE GOING TO FACE THE SITE.  
17 SO THEY HAVE NO IDEA OF WHAT IT'S GOING TO LOOK LIKE TO THEM.  
18 I THINK THAT WAS DISCUSSED BEFORE AND THAT'S STILL AN OPEN  
19 ITEM.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE THE  
22 FOCUSED TESTIMONY ON THIS. LET ME ASK THE COUNTY COUNSEL,  
23 FIRST OF ALL. THE ITEMS WE APPROVED IN JANUARY, ALL THE  
24 REQUESTS THAT WERE MADE OF THE APPLICANT, HAVE THEY BEEN-- IN  
25 TERMS OF SUBMITTALS, HAVE THEY ALL BEEN ACHIEVED?



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2 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
3 YES, IT'S MY INFORMATION THEY'VE ALL BEEN ACHIEVED.  
4 SPECIFICALLY WITH RESPECT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION,  
5 THAT WAS CIRCULATED AND INTERESTED PARTIES WERE GIVEN A FULL  
6 45 DAYS TO COMMENT. COMMENTS WERE RESPONDED TO AND THEN  
7 AGENCIES WERE GIVEN 10 DAYS TO REVIEW THOSE. SO WE BELIEVE ALL  
8 THE MATTERS WERE DONE SUFFICIENTLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH YOUR  
9 BOARD'S MOTION.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY MADE A  
12 FINDING HAVE WE NOT, I DON'T KNOW IF WE MADE THE FINDING BUT  
13 WE HAD TESTIMONY FROM OUR STAFF AS TO THE COMPLIANCE-- THE  
14 CONSISTENCY WITH THE NORTH AREA PLAN.

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16 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. REASONABLE PEOPLE  
17 CAN DISAGREE. THE MILITARY PLAN HAS A NUMBER OF POLICIES.  
18 IMPORTANTLY THE COMMISSION REVIEWED ALL THOSE ARGUMENTS AND  
19 MADE A DETERMINATION THAT IN FACT THIS PROJECT WAS AND COULD  
20 BE FOUND CONSISTENT WITH A NORTH AREA PLAN. THE FINDINGS OF  
21 THE COMMISSION SUPPORT THAT AND THE TESTIMONY, I BELIEVE,  
22 SUPPORTS A CONCLUSION BY YOUR BOARD THAT THIS PROJECT IS FULLY  
23 CONSISTENT WITH THE PLAN.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS PUBLIC WORKS HERE? CAN I ASK THE  
2 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE TO COME FORWARD. HERE  
3 THEY COME. IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD.

4

5 **DENNIS HUNTER:** DENNIS HUNTER FROM PUBLIC WORKS.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WOULD YOU JUST BRIEFLY ADDRESS THE  
8 TWO ISSUES-- AT LEAST TWO ISSUES THAT CAME UP AT THE PUBLIC  
9 TESTIMONY TODAY ON THE LIQUEFACTION ISSUE ON THE PROPERTY, AND  
10 THE TOXIC WASTE, ON THE LEACHING, ALLEGEDLY LEACHING FROM THE  
11 LANDFILL SITE.

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13 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, SUPERVISOR. WITH REGARDS TO THE  
14 LIQUEFACTION, OUR GEOLOGY AND SOILS ENGINEERS HAVE REVIEWED  
15 THE PRELIMINARY SOILS AND GEOLOGY REPORTS, HAVE NO CONCERNS  
16 THAT THE SITE GRADING WHEN IT'S, DONE WILL BE ABLE TO BE IN  
17 FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE BUILDING CODE WITH REGARDS TO SAFETY  
18 OF THE GRADED SITE.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WILL BE ABLE TO?

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22 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW ABOUT ON THE ISSUE OF TOXIC WASTES?

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1 **DENNIS HUNTER:** THE LANDFILL IS OPERATED BY THE COUNTY  
2 SANITATION DISTRICT. IT HAS A MONITORING SYSTEM IN PLACE. AND  
3 OUR RECORDS INDICATE THAT THE LANDFILL IS IN FULL COMPLIANCE  
4 WITH THE WATER BOARD. AS YOU MAY RECALL, IN THE LAST YEAR  
5 VESTING TENTATIVE TRACK MAP 53100 ALSO CAME BEFORE YOUR BOARD  
6 FOR APPROVAL. AND THERE WERE ALSO COMMUNITY CONCERNS RELATED  
7 TO THE IMPACT OF THE LANDFILL ON THAT DEVELOPMENT. A MEMBER--  
8 A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE SANITATION DISTRICT WAS HERE AND  
9 TESTIFIED BEFORE YOUR BOARD THAT THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANY  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS RELATED TO THE LOCATION OF THE LANDFILL  
11 WITH RESPECT TO THAT PROJECT. WITHIN THE LAST SIX MONTHS,  
12 DURING GRADING OF TRACK 53100 THEY ENCOUNTERED GROUNDWATER AND  
13 PUBLIC WORKS ASKED FOR WATER QUALITY TESTS OF THAT  
14 GROUNDWATER. AND THE RESULTS CAME BACK NOT INDICATING THAT  
15 THERE WERE ANY CONSTITUENTS OF CONCERN IN THE GROUNDWATER.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. LET ME ASK ONE OTHER  
18 QUESTION. IS THIS PROJECT LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE  
19 LOST HILLS ROAD, LOS VIRGINES ROAD BRIDGE AND MAJOR  
20 THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICT?

21

22 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, IT IS, SUPERVISOR.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IS THE PROJECT CONDITIONED TO PAY  
25 THE DISTRICT FEE?





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2 **DENNIS HUNTER:** NO, IT'S NOT.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND GIVEN ALL THE OTHER FEES THAT ARE  
5 GOING TO BE PAI-- WELL, LET ME PUT IT THIS WAY, IS THERE A  
6 NEXUS BETWEEN THIS PROJECT AND THE IMPACTS THAT WOULD BE  
7 ADDRESSED BY THE FEE IN THE LOST HILLS ROAD, LOS VIRGINES FEE  
8 DISTRICT.

9

10 **DENNIS HUNTER:** WE DON'T BELIEVE THERE'S A NEXUS. WHEN THE  
11 DISTRICT WAS ORIGINALLY FORMED, THERE WAS A PREVIOUS LAND USE  
12 ENTITLEMENT FILED ON THE PROPERTY WHICH PROVIDED ACCESS WOULD  
13 GO TOWARDS THE EAST. SINCE THAT TIME, THE STATE HAS ACQUIRED  
14 THE ADJACENT PROPERTY TO THE EAST SO ACCESS COULD NEVER GO  
15 THAT WAY. THE HESCHEL PROJECT, ALL THE ACCESS GOES TO THE WEST  
16 INTO THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, THEREBY THERE WON'T BE ANY  
17 IMPACTS ON THE PROJECTS WITHIN THE LOST HILLS DISTRICT.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I KNOW THAT THE FIRE CHIEF, DEPUTY  
20 FIRE CHIEF WHO'S IN CHARGE OF THIS AREA IS OTHERWISE OCCUPIED  
21 IN THE MALIBU AREA. OH, THERE IS SOMEBODY HERE FROM THE FIRE  
22 DEPARTMENT. COULD I ASK THEM TO COME FORWARD, THEN?

23

24 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M SORRY, I JUST WANTED  
25 TO POINT OUT ONE OTHER THING. IN LIGHT OF THE BOARD'S MOTION



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1 FROM JANUARY, ASKING A STUDY CONDUCTING AN INTERIM CARPOOL  
2 BUSING PLAN. STAFF HAS PREPARED A MINOR AMENDMENT TO THE  
3 MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM THAT WOULD PROVIDE FOR THE  
4 INTEGRATION OF THE PERMANENT MITIGATION SOLUTIONS WITH THE  
5 INTERIM PLAN AND THAT IS GOING TO BE BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY. I  
6 JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WAS AVAILABLE.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. THE WAY WE PROPOSE TO  
9 CONDITION THIS, BOTH LAST TIME AND THIS TIME WOULD BE ON FIRE  
10 DEPARTMENT SIGN-OFF FOR ADEQUATE FIRE SAFETY PLAN AND ADEQUATE  
11 EVACUATION PLAN, NOT ONLY FOR THE SCHOOL, BUT ITS IMPLICATIONS  
12 FOR EVERYBODY ELSE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. HAVE YOU REVIEWED THIS  
13 SITE AND THIS APPLICATION?

14

15 **PHIL COCKER:** YES. PHIL COCKER FROM THE BATTALION CHIEF WITH  
16 THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE'VE REVIEWED THE CHECKLIST AND PROVIDED  
17 INPUTS INTO THAT CHECKLIST. SO WE HAVE AT THIS POINT.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THE PLAN WOULD BE HERE, THE INTENT  
20 WOULD BE THAT THE PERMITS COULD NOT ISSUE UNTIL THE FIRE  
21 DEPARTMENT SIGNED OFF ON THE CHECKLIST AND FINAL CHECKLIST AND  
22 ON THE FIRE SAFETY PLAN. IS THAT YOUR UNDERSTANDING?

23

24 **PHIL COCKER:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S KIND OF THE STANDARD OPERATING  
2 PROCEDURE. BUT YOU'VE MET IN SOME DETAIL WITH THE SCHOOL AND  
3 WITH THE CITY, I UNDERSTAND, ON ISSUES OF FIRE SAFETY AND  
4 EVACUATION AND PROVIDED YOUR INPUT ON THOSE ISSUES.

5

6 **PHIL COCKER:** WE'VE ESTABLISHED LOCAL GUIDELINES FOR THE  
7 PLANNER AND WE HAVE INTERACTED WITH THEM AS FAR AS THAT  
8 PROCESS IS CONCERNED.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IN TERMS OF THE MATERIAL TO BE USED  
11 ON THE BUILDINGS OF THE SCHOOL AND THE SAFE HOUSE, OR WHATEVER  
12 THE TECHNICAL TERM IS FOR IT, ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS, ALL THOSE  
13 THINGS HAVE BEEN EVALUATED?

14

15 **PHIL COCKER:** THEY HAVEN'T SUBMITTED BUILDING PLANS, BUT THEY  
16 WOULD COME UNDER THE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE REQUIREMENTS,  
17 WHICH IS REGULATED BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU WOULD HAVE TO SIGN OFF ON THAT,  
20 WOULD YOU NOT, AT THE TIME?

21

22 **PHIL COCKER:** WE'D BE A PART OF THE PROCESS.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** PART OF THE BUILDING PERMIT.

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1 **PHIL COCKER:** IT'D BE UP TO PUBLIC WORKS TO APPROVE THE ACTUAL  
2 MATERIALS.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. I'M NOT GOING TO  
5 PROLONG THIS AT THIS STAGE. I HAVE A-- DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF  
6 THE MOTION? I HAVE A LONG MOTION TO READ AND I APOLOGIZE. I  
7 GOTTA DO IT BECAUSE THERE ARE A LOT OF CONDITIONS. FIRST OF  
8 ALL, BEFORE I READ IT ALL, LET ME JUST THANK ALL THE PARTIES  
9 INVOLVED. THIS IS NOT OVER TODAY. THE PERMIT, WHATEVER ACTION  
10 WE TAKE, MAY REACH A CONCLUSION TODAY BUT THE ONGOING PROCESS  
11 IS GOING TO BE A DYNAMIC ONE AND I HOPE THAT EVERYONE, ALL THE  
12 PARTIES, THE OLD AGOURA NEIGHBORHOOD, THE CITY AND SCHOOL AND  
13 MY OFFICE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER. WE'VE GOT 29  
14 CONDITIONS IN THIS PERMIT THAT I'M PROPOSING WE ADOPT TODAY.  
15 BUT REALLY THE PRINCIPAL CONDITION IS THAT PEOPLE OPERATE IN  
16 GOOD FAITH AND TALK THROUGH PROBLEMS WITH ONE ANOTHER BEFORE  
17 THEY BECOME INSURMOUNTABLE. AND I THINK THERE'S-- AT LEAST  
18 FROM MY POINT OF VIEW, THERE'S SOME EVIDENCE THAT THAT CAN  
19 TAKE PLACE HERE. THE FOCUS OF THE ATTENTION WITH THE CITY AND  
20 THE SCHOOL AND MYSELF AND MY OFFICE OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS AND  
21 OVERNIGHT HAS BEEN TO TRY TO ADDRESS THE TRAFFIC MITIGATION  
22 ISSUES. AND I THINK THAT HAS BEEN RESOLVED FAIRLY AND  
23 EQUITABLY, AND IT WILL BE ONE OF THE CONDITIONS THAT WE  
24 INCLUDE IN HERE BUT IT'S STILL LEFT TO BE APPROVED BY THE CITY  
25 OF AGOURA HILLS. THEY HAVE NOT YET APPROVED IT. THEIR COUNCIL



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1 HAS NOT MET, AND I GUESS THE BOARD OF THE SCHOOL HAS TO  
2 APPROVE IT TOO. BUT THE CONDITION WILL MEMORIALIZE THAT. ON  
3 JUNE 28TH, 2006 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVED THE  
4 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE ABRAHAM JOSHUA HESCHEL DAY  
5 SCHOOL WEST. AFTER DETERMINING THE SCHOOL WOULD CONFORM TO THE  
6 NORTH AREA PLAN, WOULD COMPLY WITH ALL THE COUNTY ZONING  
7 REGULATIONS, AND WOULD NOT HARM THE HEALTH, PEACE COMFORT AND  
8 WELFARE OF THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. IN RESPONSE TO APPEALS  
9 OF THAT DECISION, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS SINCE DIRECTED  
10 THE SCHOOL TO REDESIGN THE CANWOOD STREET ENTRANCE TO BETTER  
11 PROTECT THE NATURAL TOPOGRAPHY OF THE SITE, PREPARE REVISED  
12 DESIGN GUIDELINES, TO PROTECT THE RURAL AESTHETIC OF OLD  
13 AGOURA, REDUCE THE NOISE IMPACTS ON THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY,  
14 AND ENSURE THAT THE SCHOOL SPECIAL EVENTS WILL BE MANAGED SO  
15 AS TO RESPECT ITS NEIGHBORS. FURTHER, THE SCHOOL IS DESIGNED  
16 SO THAT OVER 70 PERCENT OF THE PROPERTY WILL BE PRESERVED AS  
17 OPEN SPACE, INCLUDING THE DEDICATION OF A 29-ACRE CONSERVATION  
18 EASEMENT THAT WILL PERMANENTLY PROTECT THE LIBERTY CANYON  
19 WILDLIFE CORRIDOR. A CONSERVATION EASEMENT HAS BEEN PROVIDED,  
20 INCIDENTALY. IN ADDITION TO THESE CHANGES THE BOARD DIRECTED  
21 THE APPLICANT TO PREPARE AN EMERGENCY PLAN CHECKLIST THAT WILL  
22 HELP FORM THE BASIS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY PLAN. WHILE  
23 EVERY SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY NEEDS TO FILE AN EMERGENCY PLAN  
24 WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE CHECKLIST CREATES AN  
25 ADDITIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY MANDATE, WITHIN THE CONDITIONAL USE



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1 PERMIT, TO ENSURE THAT THE SCHOOL WILL TAKE EVERY FEASIBLE  
2 STEP TO CREATE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ITS STUDENTS AND  
3 FACULTY, AS WELL AS COOPERATE WITH THE COMMUNITY THE CITY OF  
4 AGOURA HILLS AND THE FIRE AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE  
5 AN ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO ANY EMERGENCY. FINALLY  
6 AS IT RELATES TO TRAFFIC IMPACTS, THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT  
7 REPORT IDENTIFIED TWO FEASIBLE OPTIONS: A ROUNDABOUT AND A  
8 THREE PHASE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE SCHOOL'S PRIMARY CANWOOD  
9 STREET ENTRANCE THAT WOULD SAFELY MITIGATE THE FULL SIZED  
10 SCHOOL'S PROJECT SPECIFIC TRAFFIC IMPACTS. THE FINAL DECISION  
11 AS TO WHICH OF THESE OPTIONS TO CHOOSE RESTS WITH CALTRANS.  
12 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD NOT ARBITRARILY PICK ONE  
13 TRAFFIC SOLUTION OVER THE OTHER. THE SCHOOL SHOULD THEREFORE  
14 BE ALLOWED TO OPEN IF IT IMPLEMENTS EITHER THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL  
15 OR THE ROUNDABOUT. IN ADDITION, THE SCHOOL MUST PAY ITS FAIR  
16 SHARE OF THE COSTS AND CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE CITY OF  
17 AGOURA HILLS, THE COUNTY AND CALTRANS TO DESIGN AND BUILD  
18 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS THAT ADDRESS THE AREA'S CUMULATIVE  
19 TRAFFIC PROBLEMS AND THAT WILL ULTIMATELY IMPROVE THE  
20 OPERATION OF THE LOCAL INTERSECTIONS. SUPPLEMENTAL  
21 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS IDENTIFIED AN ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC  
22 MITIGATION SCENARIO WHERE THE SCHOOL COULD STILL OPEN ITS  
23 DOORS WITHOUT CREATING ANY SIGNIFICANT TRAFFIC IMPACTS, SOLELY  
24 BY REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE SCHOOL TO NO MORE THAN 390  
25 STUDENTS USING AN INTENSIVE CARPOOLING AND BUSSING PROGRAM AND





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1 CREATING AN ACCESS LOOP WHERE THE CARS ENTER THE SCHOOL AT  
2 CANWOOD STREET AND EXIT AT CHESEBORO ROAD. IN THE EVENT THAT  
3 NEITHER THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL NOR THE ROUNDABOUT ARE INSTALLED  
4 WITHIN FOUR YEARS, THE SCHOOL SHOULD BE ABLE TO USE THE  
5 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN IDENTIFIED BY THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
6 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS ON AN INTERIM BASIS TO OPERATE A SCHOOL  
7 WITH A STUDENT POPULATION NOT TO EXCEED 390 STUDENTS WHILE  
8 EITHER THE ROUNDABOUT OR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT CANWOOD AND PALO  
9 COMADO IS BUILT. I WANT TO JUST ADD PARENTHETICALLY, IT IS OUR  
10 EXPECTATION, I CAN ATTEST THAT IT'S EVERYBODY'S EXPECTATION,  
11 THE SCHOOL, THE CITY, MY OFFICE, AND THE COMMUNITY, THAT THAT  
12 CIRCUMSTANCE NEVER ARISE. WE WANT EITHER THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL,  
13 THE ROUNDABOUT. TRAFFIC SIGNAL WILL BE THE FIRST-- IN ALL  
14 LIKELIHOOD THE FIRST IMPROVEMENT MADE, LONG BEFORE THIS FOUR-  
15 YEAR PERIOD IS UP SO THAT WE NEVER HAVE TO ADDRESS THE  
16 CHESEBORO ACCESS POINT AND THAT WOULD ONLY BE AN EMERGENCY  
17 ACCESS POINT FOR THE SCHOOL. I JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR.  
18 I'VE TALKED TO EVERYBODY ABOUT THIS A THOUSAND TIMES. AND WE  
19 ALL AGREE ON THAT. WE DON'T WANT TO USE THE CHESEBORO. BUT  
20 IT'S A SAFETY VALVE IN CASE NOTHING ELSE WORKS, BUT IT APPEARS  
21 THINGS WILL COME TOGETHER. ONCE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES ARE  
22 APPROVED THE CHANGES THAT I'M ABOUT TO PROPOSE, THE  
23 CONDITIONS, THE HESCHEL WEST SCHOOL WILL HAVE MET ITS LEGAL  
24 OBLIGATION TO COMPLY WITH THE NORTH AREA PLAN, ALL COUNTY  
25 ZONING REGULATIONS AND PROTECT THE SURROUND COMMUNITY, AND THE



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1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD APPROVE ITS CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
2 ACCORDINGLY. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC  
3 HEARING, FIND THAT THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
4 INCLUDING THE FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS HAS  
5 BEEN COMPLETED IN COMPLIANCE WITH CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL  
6 QUALITY ACT, HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD AND  
7 REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT OF THE BOARD, CERTIFY THE  
8 FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, INCLUDING THE FINAL  
9 SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS, APPROVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL  
10 FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS,  
11 APPROVE THE MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM, INCLUDING THE  
12 MODIFICATION REFERENCED BY STAFF AND FIND THAT IT IS  
13 ADEQUATELY DESIGNED TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE  
14 ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION MEASURES AND INDICATE OUR INTENT TO  
15 APPROVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 98-062 AND INSTRUCT COUNTY  
16 COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS, WHICH INCLUDE  
17 THE CONDITIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION, WITH  
18 THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS AND MODIFICATIONS. ONE,  
19 ADOPT THE REVISED GRADING CONCEPT FOR FOR THE PRIMARY CANWOOD  
20 STREET DRIVEWAY, PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE THE BOARD'S JANUARY  
21 MOTION, IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE THE DRIVEWAY'S IMPACT TO THE  
22 SOUTHERN RIDGELINE OF THE PROPERTY. TWO, AUTHORIZE THE  
23 SCHOOL'S USE OF EITHER THE ROUNDABOUT OR THE THREE PHASE  
24 TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF CANWOOD STREET, PALO  
25 COMADO CANYON ROAD, AND THE WESTBOUND 101 FREEWAY OFF-RAMP.



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1 THREE, AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL'S USE OF THE PROPOSED INTERIM  
2 SCHOOL STUDENT CARPOOL BUSING PROGRAM, DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO  
3 THE JANUARY'S MOTION AND STUDIED IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
4 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS, ONLY IF NEITHER THE ROUNDABOUT OR THE  
5 TRAFFIC SIGNAL IS IN PLACE PRIOR TO THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR.  
6 FOUR, REQUIRE THE SCHOOL'S EMERGENCY PLAN TO, AT MINIMUM,  
7 FULFILL THE REQUIREMENT OF THE EMERGENCY CHECKLIST ORDERED BY  
8 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND REQUIRE THE EMERGENCY PLAN TO BE  
9 APPROVED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT-- BY THE FIRE AND SHERIFF'S  
10 DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO THE SCHOOL'S OPENING EACH SCHOOL YEAR.  
11 FIVE, REQUIRE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS AS A CONDITION OF BOTH  
12 ENROLLING AND CONTINUING TO ENROLL THEIR CHILDREN IN THE  
13 HESCHEL SCHOOL, TO COMPLY WITH ALL EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND  
14 ORDERS ISSUED BY THE FIRE AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SIX,  
15 INCLUDE PLANS IN THE EMERGENCY PLANNING CHECKLIST FOR HOW THE  
16 SCHOOL WILL RESPOND TO A HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT ON THE  
17 101 FREEWAY. SEVEN, MANDATE THE EMERGENCY PLAN TO INCLUDE A  
18 CONTRACT OR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH BUS AGENCIES  
19 SUFFICIENT TO HELP EVACUATE STUDENTS AND FACULTY DURING A  
20 DISASTER AS MAY BE ORDERED BY THE FIRE OR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
21 AND ENSURE THAT THERE'S SUFFICIENT REDUNDANCY IN THAT CONTRACT  
22 OR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PLAN FOR  
23 BUSES ACTUALLY ARRIVE DURING AN EMERGENCY. EIGHT, ADOPT BOTH A  
24 DESIGN AND LANDSCAPE STANDARDS DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO THE  
25 BOARD'S JANUARY MOTION AS A MANDATORY CONDITIONS OF THE



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1    CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, AND REQUIRE THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING  
2    OR HIS DESIGNEE AND COUNTY BIOLOGIST TO ATTEND THE COMMUNITY  
3    OPEN HOUSE ON THE LANDSCAPE PLANS. NINE, EXPLICITLY MANDATE  
4    THAT BOTH THE MODULAR AND PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDINGS SHALL  
5    COMPLY WITH THE DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTIONS FOUND IN  
6    THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, AND THE RESPONSE IS DEVELOPED  
7    PURSUANT TO THE BOARD'S JANUARY MOTION. TEN, IN ORDER TO  
8    ENHANCE THE SOUND AND VISUAL BARRIER BETWEEN THE OLD AGOURA  
9    COMMUNITY AND THE SCHOOL'S CAMPUS, REQUIRE THE 100-FOOT BUFFER  
10   ALONG THE SCHOOL'S WESTERN PROPERTY LINE TO BE AUGMENTED WITH  
11   AN OPEN SPACE DESIGNATION ON THE APPROVED SITE PLAN THAT  
12   EXTENDS TO THE WESTERN EDGE OF THE SCHOOL'S PERMITTED  
13   DEVELOPMENT, RUNNING CONTINUOUSLY FROM THE CANWOOD STREET  
14   ENTRANCE TO THE SECONDARY ACCESS AT CHESEBORO ROAD. THIS  
15   EXTENDED OPEN SPACE ZONE SHALL NOT BE USED FOR ANY ACTIVE  
16   RECREATION OR OTHER SCHOOL FUNCTIONS EXCEPT FOR NECESSARY  
17   MAINTENANCE SHOULD BE LANDSCAPED AS TO APPEAR AS A NATIVE  
18   GRASSLAND OR SAVANNAH, WITH SCATTERED TREES APPROPRIATE TO THE  
19   SITE'S TOPOGRAPHY, ORIENTATION AND FIELD MODIFICATION  
20   REQUIREMENTS. ITS EASTERN BOUNDARY SHOULD BE MARKED BY SPLIT  
21   RAIL FENCE THAT IS APPROPRIATE TO THE EQUESTRIAN AESTHETIC OF  
22   THE COMMUNITY, ALONG WITH LANDSCAPED SLOPE, AND/OR A SOLID  
23   WALL FACE, WITH LOCALLY OCCURRING NATURAL MATERIALS. ELEVEN,  
24   REQUIRE TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THAT ALL  
25   LANDSCAPING ON UNDISTURBED PORTIONS OF THE EXTENDED OPEN SPACE



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1 BUFFER BE PLANTED PRIOR TO START OF GRADING. TWELVE, REQUIRE  
2 THE SCHOOL TO PREPARE PHOTOMETRIC RENDERINGS AND SITE LINE  
3 ANALYSIS, INCLUDING AN OUTDOOR LIGHTING PLAN, PRIOR TO THE  
4 COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE ON THE LANDSCAPE PLANS, THAT ILLUSTRATE  
5 THE VIEWS OF THE SCHOOL SITE FROM THE REAR PROPERTY LINES OF  
6 THE HOMES ALONG CHESEBORO ROAD. THIRTEEN, REQUIRE ALL  
7 MANUFACTURED SLOPES ON THE PROPERTY TO USE LAND FORM GRADING  
8 TECHNIQUES SO AS TO CREATE SLOPES THAT ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE  
9 NATURAL TOPOGRAPHY, WHEREIN THE TOP AND TOE SLOPES ARE ROUNDED  
10 AND BLEND NATURALLY WITH THE EXISTING LAND FORMS. FOURTEEN,  
11 ALLOW THE CANWOOD ACCESS DRIVEWAY TO UTILIZE RETAINING WALLS  
12 OF UP TO 10 FEET HIGH. THOSE RETAINING WALLS SHOULD UTILIZE  
13 TECHNIQUES SUCH AS SOIL NAIL WALLS TO MINIMIZE THE VISIBILITY  
14 OF THE WALL. IN ORDER TO MITIGATE OFFSITE VIEWS OF THE ACCESS  
15 ROAD, REQUIRE THE SCHOOL TO PLANT LOCALLY NATIVE TREES AND  
16 SHRUBS IN A NATURALISTIC PATTERN ALONG BOTH SIDES OF THE ROAD,  
17 AND USE SMALL MANUFACTURED SLOPES OR BERMS ALONG THE EDGE OF  
18 THE ROAD, AS APPROPRIATE, TO FURTHER SCREEN UNINTERRUPTED  
19 VIEWS OF THE ROADWAY. FIFTEEN, REQUIRE ALL MANUFACTURED OR CUT  
20 SLOPES TO BE RESEEDED AND REPLANTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER  
21 COMPLETION OF GRADING WITH PLANT SPECIES NATIVE TO THE SANTA  
22 MONICA MOUNTAINS, THAT ARE APPROPRIATE FOR THE ORIENTATION OF  
23 THE SLOPE. CLARIFY THAT ONLY THE GRADING NECESSARY TO COMPLETE  
24 PHASE ONE SHALL BE CONDUCTED DURING THAT PHASE OF THE  
25 DEVELOPMENT. SIXTEEN, ADOPT THE NOISE ATTENUATION PLAN



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1 DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO THE BOARD'S JANUARY MOTION AS MANDATORY  
2 CONDITIONS OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. SEVENTEEN, AS  
3 FEASIBLE, PROHIBIT THE OUTDOOR USE OF CHIMES AND BUZZERS AND  
4 ENSURE THEY DO NOT EXCEED 55 D.B.S AS MEASURED FROM THE  
5 SCHOOL'S PROPERTY LINE. EIGHTEEN, ADOPT THE TEMPORARY USE  
6 PERMIT CONDITIONS DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO THE BOARD'S JANUARY  
7 MOTION AS MANDATORY CONDITIONS OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT,  
8 AND ADD THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AS AN AGENCY THAT MUST BE  
9 NOTIFIED PRIOR TO EACH OF THE SCHOOL'S FOUR MAJOR EVENTS PER  
10 YEAR. NINETEEN , REQUIRE THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING TO MAKE THE  
11 GRADING AND LANDSCAPE PLANS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR A  
12 PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN 30 DAYS, PRIOR TO THE COUNTY'S  
13 APPROVAL OF THE GRADING AND LANDSCAPE PLANS. NOTICE OF  
14 AVAILABILITY OF THESE PLANS SHALL BE POSTED AT PUBLIC  
15 LOCATIONS AND SHALL ADDITIONALLY BE PROVIDED DIRECTLY TO THE  
16 CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, THE OLD AGOURA HILLS HOMEOWNERS  
17 ASSOCIATION AND ANY OTHER PARTIES THAT SPECIFICALLY REQUEST  
18 THIS NOTICE. THE PLANS WILL BE REVIEWED WITH RESPECT TO  
19 CONSISTENCY WITH THE CERTIFIED FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT  
20 REPORT AND APPROVED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CONDITIONS, AND  
21 APPROVAL WILL BE BASED ON THE DIRECTOR'S CONSISTENCY  
22 DETERMINATION. TWENTY, PROHIBIT THE USE OF ANTICOAGULENT  
23 RODENTICIDES ANYWHERE ON THE SCHOOL SITE. TWENTY-ONE, REQUIRE  
24 THE SCHOOL TO ADOPT MEASURES TO MITIGATE LIGHT POLLUTION  
25 STEMMING FROM INDOOR LIGHTS LEFT ON AT NIGHT, THROUGH THE USE





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1 OF MOTION SENSORS OR OTHER TECHNIQUES SUSCEPTIBLE TO THE  
2 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING. TWENTY-TWO, REQUIRE THE SCHOOL  
3 TO USE VARIETY OF TURF THAT REQUIRE THE SMALLEST FEASIBLE  
4 AMOUNT OF WATER. TWENTY-THREE REQUIRE THAT DURING PROJECT  
5 CONSTRUCTION, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE CONSULTED TO  
6 DETERMINE WHAT, IF ANY, WORK MAY OCCUR ON ANY DAY THAT'S  
7 DESIGNATED A RED FLAG WARNING BY THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT.  
8 TWENTY-FOUR, AS FEASIBLE, REQUIRE THAT ALL PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS  
9 AND PARKING LOTS BE CONSTRUCTED WITH PERMEABLE OR  
10 SEMIPERMEABLE SERVICES TO THE SATISFACTION OF DIRECTOR OF  
11 PUBLIC WORKS AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. TWENTY-FIVE, REQUIRE THE  
12 SCHOOL TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN ONE LIGHT EQUIPPED WITH AN  
13 APPROPRIATE GLARE SHIELD AT THE SCHOOL DRIVEWAY ON CANWOOD  
14 STREET TO ENSURE ADEQUATE ROADWAY ILLUMINATION AS DETERMINED  
15 BY THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR TRAFFIC AT THIS LOCATION.  
16 TWENTY-SIX, REQUIRE THE SCHOOL TO HOLD A MINIMUM OF TWO  
17 MEETINGS PER YEAR WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE OLD AGOURA  
18 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, LOCAL  
19 TRUSTEE AGENCIES AND COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF IN ORDER  
20 TO HELP RESOLVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT THE SCHOOL'S OPERATION OR  
21 COMPLIANCE WITH ITS PERMIT CONDITIONS, AS WELL AS PROVIDE  
22 UPDATES ON UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS. TWENTY-SEVEN, IN LIGHT OF  
23 THE TESTIMONY RECEIVED TODAY, PREPARE APPROPRIATE FINDINGS  
24 RELATED TO THE LACK OF A NEXUS UNDER THE MITIGATION FEE ACT TO  
25 SUPPORT THE PAYMENT OF FEES TO THE LOST HILLS ROAD, LAS



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1 VIRGINES ROAD BRIDGE, AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE  
2 DISTRICT AND INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO TAKE THE  
3 NECESSARY STEPS TO AMEND THE DISTRICT BOUNDARY, TO REMOVE THE  
4 HESCHEL AND ADJACENT STATE PARK PROPERTIES FROM THAT LIST.  
5 TWENTY-EIGHT, REQUIRE THE SCHOOL'S PERMANENT CARPOOLING PLAN  
6 TO INCLUDE THE MANDATORY INSPECTIONS, PENALTIES AND POTENTIAL  
7 ENROLLMENT CUTS THAT WERE ESTABLISHED IN THE FINAL  
8 SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS. AND TWENTY-NINE, THE LAST  
9 CONDITION, IN ORDER TO FULFILL THE SCHOOL'S RESPONSIBILITY TO  
10 PAY FOR ITS FAIR SHARE OF THE COST OF MITIGATING CUMULATIVE  
11 TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS AND PROVIDE ENHANCED CERTAINTY FOR WHEN  
12 OFFSITE TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS WILL OCCUR, REQUIRE THE SCHOOL TO  
13 FUND AND/OR CONSTRUCT OFFSITE MITIGATION MEASURES, USING A  
14 PAYMENT AND AN IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION PLAN THAT INCLUDES THE  
15 FOLLOWING PROVISIONS: A) IF THE SCHOOL HAS MITIGATED ITS  
16 PROJECT SPECIFIC IMPACTS THROUGH CONSTRUCTION OF A THREE PHASE  
17 SIGNAL, PRIOR TO THE SCHOOL'S OPENING, THE SCHOOL SHALL PAY AN  
18 ADDITIONAL 10.6% FAIR SHARE PAYMENT OF THE TOTAL COST OF  
19 CONSTRUCTING ANY BRIDGE AND ROUNDABOUT IMPROVEMENTS AT THE  
20 INTERSECTION OF PALO COMADO CANYON ROAD AND THE 101 FREEWAY.  
21 THAT TOTAL AMOUNT SHALL NOT EXCEED \$2.5 MILLION AND SHALL BE  
22 PAID DIRECTLY TO THE CITY AGOURA HILLS OVER A PERIOD OF 25  
23 YEARS, OR OTHER PERIOD DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
24 WORKS IN COOPERATION WITH THE SCHOOL AND CITY OF AGOURA HILLS.  
25 RECEIPT OF SUCH PAYMENT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE DIRECTOR OF



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1 PUBLIC WORKS. IF ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE BRIDGE DOES NOT  
2 COMMENCE WITHIN 20 YEARS OF THE DATE OF THIS C.U.P.-- THAT  
3 THIS C.U.P. IS APPROVED, THIS PERCENTAGE OF PAYMENT SHALL NO  
4 LONGER BE BINDING ON THE SCHOOL, BUT THE SCHOOL SHALL BE  
5 SUBJECT TO ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE MECHANISM FOR COLLECTING FAIR  
6 SHARE PAYMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS. B)  
7 OVER A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS THE SCHOOL SHALL PAY A TRAFFIC  
8 IMPACT FEE, OR A T.I.F., TO THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS IN THE  
9 AMOUNT OF \$1.24 MILLION AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 PUBLIC WORKS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS AND  
11 THE SCHOOL PRIOR TO FINAL APPROVAL OF THE C.U.P. APPROPRIATE  
12 CREDITS SHALL BE GIVEN FOR SPECIFIED OFFSITE TRAFFIC  
13 IMPROVEMENTS BUILT BY THE SCHOOL. C) USING AN APPROPRIATE  
14 PAYMENT SCHEDULE, THE SCHOOL SHALL PAY DIRECTLY TO THE CITY OF  
15 AGOURA HILLS A 10.6 PERCENT FAIR SHARE PAYMENT OF THE TOTAL  
16 COSTS OF CONDUCTING ALL CALTRANS REQUIRED DESIGN ENGINEERING  
17 AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES NECESSARY TO CONSTRUCTING A  
18 ROUNDABOUT AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INTERSECTION OF PALO  
19 COMADO CANYON ROAD, THE 101 FREEWAY, AND CANWOOD STREET, WITH  
20 THESE PAYMENTS NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000. RECEIPT OF SUCH PAYMENT  
21 SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. THAT'S THE  
22 MOTION. CAN I SECOND ON THAT? MR. KNABE.  
23  
24 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND IT. ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT TO ADD  
25 SOMETHING?



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I'M SORRY. THIS SETS A RECORD. I  
3 WANT TO AGAIN THANK THE FOLKS WHO ARE HERE. I WANT TO THANK MY  
4 STAFF, BEN SALZMAN, WHO HAS JUST DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN  
5 TRYING TO RECONCILE DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW, NOT ALL OF WHICH  
6 HAVE BEEN RECONCILED BUT HE STILL DID A HELL OF A JOB. AND I  
7 KNOW EVERYBODY IN THE COMMUNITY APPRECIATES HIS VERY SKILLED  
8 WORK IN THAT REGARD. SO WITH THAT, IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE WE  
9 NEED TO DO BEFORE WE VOTE ON THE MOTION? OKAY. SO IT'S A  
10 MOTION AND A SECOND. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? WITHOUT  
11 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. FOUR VOTES HERE. MS. MOLINA IS OUT  
12 OF THE ROOM. SO IT'S 4-0. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. NEXT ITEM.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO BACK TO THE COMMUNITY  
15 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION?

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'LL START WITH ITEM 1-D THIS IS A HEARING  
20 TO CONSIDER THE REDEVELOPMENT AND FIVE-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION  
21 PLAN FOR THE MARAVILLA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA.  
22 THAT WAS ITEM 1-D. I DON'T BELIEVE THERE'S A STAFF  
23 PRESENTATION.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE THAT  
2 WANTS TO BE HEARD ON 1-D. SEEING NONE, BURKE MOVES ANTONOVICH  
3 SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 11 HAS ONE  
4 PERSON WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON IT.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE  
7 RECORD. THIS IS THE HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE  
8 TITLE 22, PLANNING AND ZONING TO MODIFY CERTAIN COMMERCIAL  
9 ZONES TO ALLOW VERTICAL MIXED USE DEVELOPMENTS AND JOINT LIVE  
10 AND WORK UNITS THAT ADHERE TO SPECIFIED USE EXCEPTIONS,  
11 DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS THROUGH  
12 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE, AND TO RESTRUCTURE VARIOUS SECTIONS  
13 FOR CONSISTENCY AND EASE OF USE.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. ARNOLD SACHS AND SINETTA  
16 FARLEY. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE HEARD.

17

18 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THERE'S A BRIEF STAFF  
19 PRESENTATION ON THIS ITEM.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SORRY, GO AHEAD. STAFFER.

22

23 **CONNIE CHUNG:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CONNIE CHUNG. I'M WITH  
24 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING IN THE HOUSING SECTION.  
25 THE DRAFT ORDINANCE THAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU TODAY PROPOSES TO



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1 AMEND TITLE 22, THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, TO ALLOW  
2 VERTICAL MIXED USE DEVELOPMENTS AND JOINT AND LIVE WORK UNITS  
3 IN CERTAIN COMMERCIAL ZONES THROUGH A MORE STREAMLINED  
4 PERMITTING PROCEDURE. CURRENTLY ALL RESIDENTIAL USES AND MIXED  
5 USE DEVELOPMENTS ARE PERMITTED IN COMMERCIAL ZONES FOR THE  
6 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. THE DRAFT ORDINANCE SPECIFIES THAT IN  
7 ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR THE STREAMLINED PROCEDURE, PROPOSED MIXED  
8 USE PROJECTS MUST MEET CERTAIN USE EXCEPTIONS, DEVELOPMENT  
9 STANDARDS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS. THOSE PROJECTS THAT DO  
10 NOT MEET THE USE EXCEPTIONS DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND  
11 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS WILL CONTINUE TO REQUIRE A CONDITIONAL  
12 USE PERMIT. THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE DO NOT SUPERSEDE  
13 EXSISTING COMMUNITY LEVEL PROVISIONS IN TITLE 22, INCLUDING  
14 THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICTS AND THE TRANSIT ORIENTED  
15 DISTRICTS. IN ADDITION, THE PROVISIONS OF THE DRAFT ORDINANCE  
16 DO NOT APPLY TO SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS, ENVIRONMENTALLY  
17 SENSITIVE HABITAT AREAS, VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES,  
18 HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND AREAS NOT SERVED BY PUBLIC WATER  
19 AND SEWER SYSTEMS. THE DRAFT ORDINANCE IS COMPATIBLE WITH AND  
20 SUPPORTIVE OF THE POLICIES OF THE L.A. COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND  
21 HOUSING ELEMENT IN THAT IT ENCOURAGES MIXED USE PROJECTS IN  
22 COMMERCIAL AREAS, PROMOTES THE EFFICIENT USE OF LAND, PROVIDES  
23 FLEXIBILITY IN LAND USE, AND STREAMLINES THE HOUSING  
24 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS. AS WE CURRENTLY ARE PREPARING THE HOUSING  
25 ELEMENT UPDATE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IN THE COMING MONTHS,





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1 THE DRAFT ORDINANCE WILL ALSO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR  
2 THE COUNTY TO DEMONSTRATE HOW IT IS MEETING ITS FAIR SHARE OF  
3 THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEED. THE DRAFT ORDINANCE IS A FOLLOW-UP  
4 TO A REPORT TO THE BOARD FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL  
5 PLANNING BACK IN 2005 TO CONSIDER STRATEGIES FOR ALLOWING  
6 RESIDENTIAL AND MIXED USES IN COMMERCIAL ZONES THROUGH AN  
7 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE. ON APRIL 25TH OF 2007, THE REGIONAL  
8 PLANNING COMMISSION HELD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE  
9 DRAFT ORDINANCE, AND ON MAY 30TH, THE COMMISSION VOTED  
10 UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND THE DRAFT ORDINANCE IN SUPPORTING  
11 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION. THE  
12 PUBLIC HEARING WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO BE HELD BEFORE THE  
13 BOARD ON AUGUST 28TH. HOWEVER, THE MATTER WAS FIRST CONTINUED  
14 TO SEPTEMBER 25TH AND AGAIN TO NOVEMBER 27TH. FOLLOWING THE  
15 SEPTEMBER 25TH CONTINUATION, THE STAFF REVISED AND  
16 RECIRCULATED THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION FOR PUBLIC  
17 REVIEW AND ALSO CONDUCTED FOCUSED COMMUNITY OUTREACH EFFORTS  
18 FOR THE DRAFT ORDINANCE. THE GOAL OF THE DRAFT ORDINANCE IS TO  
19 ADDRESS THE COUNTY'S HOUSING NEEDS WHILE KEEPING UNSUSTAINABLE  
20 GROWTH PATTERNS IN CHECK BY FOCUSING HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES IN  
21 AREAS APPROPRIATE FOR INFILL DEVELOPMENT. THE STAFF HAS THE  
22 FOLLOWING REVISIONS TO THE DRAFT ORDINANCE FOR THE BOARD TO  
23 CONSIDER TODAY: EXEMPT COMMERCIAL ZONED AREAS THAT FALL  
24 WITHIN AIRPORT LAND USE INFLUENCE AREAS AS REGULATED BY THE  
25 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION. REMOVE THE



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1 USES LISTED IN SECTION 22521930 THAT ARE ALREADY SUBJECT TO  
2 PERMIT AND THEREFORE REDUNDANT TO LIST AS USE EXCEPTIONS.  
3 SUBJECT QUALIFIED MIXED USE DEVELOPMENTS AND JOINT LIVE AND  
4 WORK UNITS IN C.M. ZONES FROM A DIRECTOR'S REVIEW AS CURRENTLY  
5 PROPOSED TO A MINOR C.U.P. ADD THE INDUSTRIAL USES LISTED IN  
6 PART B OF SECTION 228230 OF THE C.M. ZONE TO SECTION 22521930  
7 USE EXCEPTIONS IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCE. REMOVE METAL PLATING  
8 FROM THE LIST OF PERMITTED USES FOR JOINT LIVE AND WORK UNITS  
9 IN PART B OF SECTION 22522010 USE EXCEPTIONS. AND FINALLY ADD  
10 LANGUAGE TO THE DRAFT ORDINANCE TO INDICATE THAT ALL  
11 APPLICABLE PROJECTS WILL BE FLAGGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
12 PUBLIC WORKS AND REFERRED OVER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL  
13 PLANNING FOR REVIEW TO ENSURE THAT THE USE EXCEPTIONS  
14 SPECIFIED IN THE ORDINANCE ARE PROPERLY REGULATED. THAT  
15 CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARNOLD SACHS.  
20 I DID ORIGINALLY HAVE QUESTIONS BUT I BELIEVE THE REPORT  
21 ANSWERED MOST OF MY QUESTIONS. BASICALLY, BASED ON THE AGENDA  
22 ITEM STATING THAT YOU ARE MODIFYING CERTAIN COMMERCIAL ZONES  
23 AND NOT REALLY LISTING THEM, AND THEN GOING ON TO SAY THAT  
24 THEY WOULD NOT HAVE-- THEY WOULD HAVE AN INSIGNIFICANT EFFECT--  
25 - INSIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. BUT I BELIEVE,



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1 BASED ON THE REPORT, THERE ARE CERTAIN CHECKS AND BALANCES  
2 INVOLVED. SO I BELIEVE THEY ANSWERED MY QUESTIONS. THANK YOU,  
3 SIR.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND SINETTA FARLEY.

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7 **SINETTA FARLEY:** YES. GOOD MORNING. TO THE CHAIRPERSON AND  
8 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS SINETTA FARLEY. I'M A 35-YEAR  
9 RESIDENT OF EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. AND I'M ALSO PRESIDENT OF  
10 EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ COMMUNITY BLOCK WATCH IN THE LAST 15  
11 YEARS, OUR COMMUNITY HAS GROWN. THE POPULATION HAS INCREASED.  
12 BUT WE HAVE SOME VERY MAJOR PROBLEMS. THE REASON THAT WE'RE  
13 OPPOSED TO THIS PARTICULAR ORDINANCE CHANGE, AT THE PRESENT  
14 TIME WE ARE CONSTANTLY CONTACTING REGIONAL PLANNING FOR  
15 ILLEGAL BUILDINGS THAT ARE ON OUR MAJOR STREETS, SUCH AS  
16 ATLANTIC, ROSECRANS, COMPTON BOULEVARD. BECAUSE IT DOES  
17 INCREASE TRAFFIC, AND IT CAUSES OVERCROWDEDNESS. AND SO WHAT  
18 WE ARE ASKING IS THAT YOU NOT DO A COUNTY-WIDE-- WELL, I CAN'T  
19 SAY COUNTY WIDE. WE'RE ASKING THAT EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ DOES  
20 NOT BE INCLUDED IN THIS, BECAUSE WE ARE RIGHT AT THIS PRESENT  
21 TIME WORKING TO IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITY AND TO REDUCE SOME OF  
22 THE PROBLEMS THAT WE ALREADY HAVE. WE HAVE A PROJECT THAT  
23 PROBABLY STARTED THREE YEARS AGO, WHICH IS MIXED USE. THAT  
24 PROJECT HAS NOT BEEN DEVELOPED. IT'S UNDER C.D.C. AND IT HAS  
25 NOT BEEN DEVELOPED FOR WHATEVER THE REASONS ARE. BUT WE HAVE A



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1 LOT OF TRAFFIC. OUR TRAFFIC HAS INCREASED PROBABLY OVER 50  
2 PERCENT. SO WE'RE ASKING YOU NOT INCLUDE EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ  
3 IN THIS COUNTY-WIDE ORDINANCE CHANGE AND THAT YOU ALLOW US TO  
4 CONTINUE TO WORK ON OUR PROJECTS. NOW, I KNOW THAT MAY BE  
5 IMPOSSIBLE. BUT WE ARE JUST ASKING BECAUSE WE ARE ALREADY ARE  
6 EXPERIENCING ILLEGAL BUILDINGS BEING USED FOR HOUSING AND SO  
7 WE ARE JUST ASKING THAT YOU RECONSIDER US.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU MISS FARLEY.  
10 ANYBODY ELSE WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS FROM THE PUBLIC? IF NOT  
11 THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE THE MOTION HAVE WE PASSED IT OUT? IT'S IN  
14 THE PROCESS OF BEING PASSED OUT. BASICALLY, WE ARE SUPPORTIVE  
15 OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE DEPARTMENT  
16 AND THEIR VARIOUS PRELIMINARY PREFERENCE. BUT LET ME-- WE  
17 COLLECTIVELY ARE MOVING THAT WE CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING THAT  
18 WE CONSIDER THE DECLARATION TOGETHER WITH ANY COMMENTS  
19 RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS, FIND ON THE BASIS  
20 OF THE WHOLE RECORD BEFORE THE BOARD THAT THERE IS NO  
21 SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE SIGNIFICANT  
22 EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, FIND THAT THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
23 REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT, ANALYSIS OF THE BOARD AND  
24 ADOPT THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION. THIRD OF ALL, THAT WE APPROVE  
25 THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AS



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1 REFLECTED IN THE ATTACHED PROPOSED ORDINANCE ALONG WITH THE  
2 ADDITIONAL CHANGES SUGGESTED BY THE PLANNING STAFF TODAY AND  
3 DETERMINE THAT IT IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE SUPPORTIVE GOALS AND  
4 POLICIES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND THE COUNTY  
5 STRATEGIC PLAN. AND FOUR, TO INSTRUCT THE COUNTY COUNSEL  
6 PREPARE THE ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 22 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE  
7 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AS DISCUSSED IN TODAY'S HEARING.  
8 AND FINALLY THAT WE INSTRUCT REGIONAL PLANNING TO REPORT BACK  
9 TO THE BOARD WITHIN A YEAR ON ADOPTION ON THE PROGRESS OF THE  
10 ORDINANCE.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'LL SECOND IT.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. MISS BURKE.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WOULD LIKE TO RESPOND TO THE ISSUES THAT HAVE  
17 BEEN RAISED. WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE NEW HOUSING, AND NEW  
18 COMMERCIAL, RATHER THAN WHAT CERTAINLY HAS BEEN EMPHASIZED, IS  
19 THAT THERE'S SO MUCH OF REBUILDING OF OLD INFILL THAT OFTEN IS  
20 ILLEGAL. SO REALIZING THAT IT'S NECESSARY FOR PEOPLE TO HAVE  
21 JOBS CLOSE TO WHERE THEY LIVE, WE DO WANT TO ENCOURAGE,  
22 PARTICULARLY IN THE RANCHO DOMINGUEZ AREA, GOOD COMMERCIAL  
23 JOBS AS WELL AS TOP-NOTCH NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL BE  
24 NOT JUST ILLEGAL DEVELOPMENT, BUT THE KIND THAT WILL PROVIDE  
25 GOOD UPSTANDING HOUSING FOR MIDDLE AND LOW INCOME PEOPLE AND



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1 ALSO WILL BE CLOSE TO COMMERCIAL AND ALSO JOBS THAT ARE  
2 AVAILABLE. SO THAT'S THE REASON THAT I'M SUPPORTING THIS.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? I  
5 JUST WANT TO ADD MY SUPPORT FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THIS WAS  
6 DONE. THIS IS AN INTELLIGENT WAY TO GO ABOUT A MIXED USE  
7 ORDINANCE. IT IS A MODERATE APPROACH. IT ACCOMPLISHES WHAT  
8 IT'S DESIGNED TO ACCOMPLISH WITHOUT BUSTING EVERY COMMUNITY  
9 STANDARD AND EVERY ZONING LIMITATION THAT HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY  
10 NEGOTIATED WITH THE COMMUNITY. AND IT'S A DISTINCT DIFFERENCE  
11 FROM SOME OF WHAT WE'RE SEEING AND THE CITY IN WHICH I LIVE,  
12 WHERE THERE'S A REAL RUSH TO DO IT ANOTHER WAY. SO I WANT TO  
13 COMMEND THE BOARD MEMBERS FOR SHEPHERDING THIS AND THE STAFF  
14 FOR DOING THIS I THINK THE RIGHT WAY. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION?  
15 MOLINA MOVES, BURKE SECONDS WITHOUT OBJECTION UNANIMOUS VOTE.  
16 2-D.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 2-D. THIS IS THE HEARING TO CONSIDER  
19 THE REDEVELOPMENT AND FIVE-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR THE  
20 EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA.  
21 THERE'S NO STAFF PRESENTATION AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
22 RECEIVED.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO  
25 WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM 2-D AS IN DAVID. SEEING NONE, THE





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1 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. MS. BURKE MOVES. MOLINA SECONDS  
2 WITHOUT OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS VOTE ITEM 2-D. 3-D.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 3-D THIS IS THE HEARING TO CONSIDER  
5 THE REDEVELOPMENT AND FIVE-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR THE  
6 WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA. I DON'T  
7 BELIEVE THERE'S A STAFF PRESENTATION ON THIS. AND NO  
8 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE ONE CARD, ONE REQUEST TO BE HEARD  
11 FROM DR. SUSAN KELLY.

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** COULD WE INDICATE EXACTLY HOW MUCH TIME DR. KELLY  
14 HAS. I HAVE RECEIVED HER FOUR-PAGE LETTER. PERHAPS SHE MIGHT  
15 WANT TO ADDRESS THE REDEVELOPMENT ISSUES. ORDINARILY IT WOULD  
16 BE THREE MINUTES. AND COULD WE POSSIBLY GIVE HER--

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ORDINARILY IT'S TWO MINUTES, BUT WE'LL  
19 GIVE-- HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU NEED?

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21 **DR. SUSAN KELLY:** FIVE OR SIX WOULD BE GREAT.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW ABOUT FIVE?

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1 **DR. SUSAN KELLY:** FIVE'S GOOD. THANKS. I'M DR. SUSAN KELLY,  
2 PRESIDENT OF CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE  
3 IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE REALLY APPRECIATE BEING ABLE TO  
4 DISCUSS THE FUTURE DIRECTIONS OF CHARLES DREW AS THEY PERTAIN  
5 TO THE PROPERTY ACQUISITION NEEDED FOR CAMPUS EXPANSION. AS  
6 YOU ARE WELL AWARE, THE UNIVERSITY IS LOCATED IN THE LARGEST  
7 URBAN UNDERSERVED AREA IN THE UNITED STATES. SPECIFICALLY,  
8 THERE ARE FEWER THAN 30 PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS IN SOUTH L.A.  
9 PER 100,000 PEOPLE, AND THAT COMPARES TO 126 STATEWIDE. IT  
10 COMPARES ALSO TO 25 PER 100,000 IN BANGLADESH AND 35 PER  
11 100,000 IN SOUTH AFRICA. SO ON A GOOD DAY WE ASPIRE TO BE  
12 SOUTH AFRICA. THERE ARE SIMILARLY DIRE SHORTAGES IN THE NUMBER  
13 OF NURSES, NURSING FACULTY, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND ALLIED  
14 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS SUCH AS MEDICAL RECORDS SPECIALISTS,  
15 SONOGRAPHERS AND RADIOLOGICAL TECHNICIANS. AND WE'VE  
16 PROVIDING, GENERATING, GRADUATING THOSE PROFESSIONALS NOW FOR  
17 SOME 30 OR MORE YEARS. AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, I'LL FOCUS MY  
18 REMARKS IN FOUR AREAS. AND THAT'S THE UNIVERSITY OF-- JUST AN  
19 OVERVIEW OF THE UNIVERSITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OUR CURRENT  
20 INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE EXPANSION AND PARTNERS IN  
21 PROGRESS. AS WE WERE JUST RECENTLY RANKED AS NUMBER ONE IN THE  
22 NATION IN THE GROWTH OF SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS IN A 10-YEAR  
23 PERIOD. WE RANK IN THE TOP7 PERCENT OF NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF  
24 HEALTH- FUNDED INSTITUTIONS AND WE'RE IN THE TOP 50 PRIVATE  
25 U.S. RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS. WE HAVE-- WE'RE THE LEAD PARTNER



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1 IN A NATIONAL NETWORK ON TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH. WE JUST  
2 ESTABLISHED ON OCTOBER 6TH THE MERVYN M. DYMALLY SCHOOL OF  
3 NURSING, THE FIRST NEW NURSING SCHOOL IN CALIFORNIA IN  
4 DECADES, AND THE ONLY ONE SPECIALIZING IN MINORITY HEALTH  
5 ISSUES. WE'RE THE ONLY DULY DESIGNATED HISTORICALLY BLACK  
6 GRADUATE INSTITUTION AND HISPANIC-SERVING HEALTH PROFESSION  
7 SCHOOL IN THE NATION. OUR STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS INDICATE THAT  
8 WE ARE PROBABLY THE MOST DIVERSE MEDICAL INSTITUTION IN THIS  
9 COUNTRY. AND LAST WEEK, WHICH WAS A REAL ACHIEVEMENT FOR US,  
10 WE SECURED \$43 MILLION IN BOND FUNDING FOR THE FIRST MAJOR NEW  
11 INVESTMENT IN SOUTH L.A. FOR 24 YEARS, ASIDE FROM THE NOW  
12 CLOSED TRAUMA CENTER. WE HAVE-- IT'S FOR THE NURSING AND  
13 RESEARCH BUILDING. THIS NEW BUILDING WILL BREAK GROUND IN  
14 ABOUT THREE MONTHS' TIME. IT'S NOW ON TRACK AND ON BUDGET,  
15 WHICH IS VERY ENCOURAGING FOR EVERYBODY IN THE AREA TO SEE  
16 GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. THE ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF NURSING  
17 PROGRAM, WHICH WILL BE RUN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY  
18 OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, AND U.C. IRVINE IN TIME, WILL TAKE  
19 ITS FIRST STUDENTS, IN LEASED SPACE, IN FALL 2008 AND THE  
20 BUILDING WILL OPEN IN FALL 2009, WHERE PLANNING IS WELL  
21 UNDERWAY, AS I TALKED BEFORE ABOUT OUR FOUR-YEAR MEDICAL  
22 SCHOOL AND EXPANDING OUR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM. WE HAVE  
23 A NEW CLINIC, AMBULATORY CARE CLINIC OPENING IN KENNETH HAHN  
24 PLAZA IN JANUARY 2008. THE FIRST CHARLES DREW AMBULATORY  
25 NETWORK CARE CLINIC. THERE'S CONSTRUCTION OF A MEDICAL OFFICE



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1 BUILDING, WHICH SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS BEEN IMMENSELY SUPPORTIVE  
2 OF, AND IN FACT SECURED NEARLY ALL THE FUNDING FOR, OVER THESE  
3 MANY YEARS, ON WILMINGTON, OPPOSITE KENNETH HAHN PLAZA. WE  
4 EXPECT THAT THAT WILL COMMENCE IN A COUPLE OF MONTHS AS WELL,  
5 AND THAT WE WILL BE AN EQUITY PARTNER IN THAT. OUR COMMUNITY  
6 OUTREACH PROGRAMS ARE EXPANDING AS WELL, HEADSTART, ELDER CARE  
7 DRUG FAIRS AND DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT PROGRAMS. OUR ROBUST  
8 UNIVERSITY CAN PROVIDE THE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS NEEDED TO  
9 AMELIORATE AREA HEALTH NEEDS, CREATE MEANINGFUL FAMILY  
10 SUPPORTING JOBS, AND I NOTICE SUPERVISOR BURKE SAID IT'S  
11 IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO HAVE JOBS CLOSE TO WHERE THEY LIVE,  
12 AND THAT'S CERTAINLY OUR LONG-RANGE PLAN. WE ASSIST IN-- WE  
13 CAN ASSIST IN OTHER LOCAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND ADVANCE  
14 COMMUNITY WELLNESS EFFORTS. THESE MISSION-RELATED INITIATIVES  
15 WILL COMPLEMENT COUNTY-APPROVED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREAS AND  
16 MAKE PLANNED RESIDENTIAL HOUSING PROJECTS SUSTAINABLE OVER  
17 TIME. WITH THESE ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTEXT IN MIND, WE SEEK THE  
18 COMMISSION'S SUPPORT IN ASSISTING THE UNIVERSITY TO MAKE THE  
19 ENVIRONMENT OF WILLOWBROOK VIBRANT INVITING TO INVESTORS AND  
20 SUSTAINABLE. WE ASK THAT THE LAND AND PROPERTY BETWEEN 120TH  
21 STREET ON THE SOUTH, 105 EXPRESSWAY ON THE NORTH, WILMINGTON  
22 ON THE EAST, AND COMPTON ON THE WEST, BE DESIGNATED SOLELY FOR  
23 INSTITUTIONAL CAMPUS GROWTH, EXCLUDING KING DREW MAGNET HIGH  
24 SCHOOL AND LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WHICH ARE ALREADY THERE.  
25 WE ASK THAT THE COMMISSION'S CURRENT REDEVELOPMENT PLAN



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1 REFLECT THESE PROPOSALS FOR CAMPUS EXPANSION WHICH WILL  
2 INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF, IN THE NEXT 10 TO 12, MAYBE 15  
3 YEARS, A STUDENT UNION COMPLEX, MEDICAL EDUCATION BUILDING FOR  
4 THE FOUR-YEAR MEDICAL SCHOOL, A COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER WHICH  
5 HAS ALSO GOT-- WHICH WILL BE PARTNERING WITH THE COMMUNITY, AN  
6 ADDITIONAL HEALTH SCIENCES TEACHING BUILDING, A BIOMEDICAL  
7 DIGITAL LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER-- WE HAVE A VERY SMALL  
8 LIBRARY AT THE MOMENT-- FACULTY CLINICAL PRACTICE COMPLEX,  
9 PHARMACY AND DENTAL CLINICAL EDUCATION BUILDINGS. THESE TWO  
10 NEW SCHOOLS WE PLAN TO OPEN IN THE NEXT SEVEN YEARS. A  
11 COMMUNITY CONFERENCE AND WELLNESS CENTER, A BIOMEDICAL  
12 RESEARCH FACILITY. WE'RE GROWING MUCH FASTER THAN OUR RESEARCH  
13 CAPACITY CAN HOUSE. A LARGE FLEXIBLE USE AUDITORIUM, MUCH AS I  
14 SAW AT THE MAHARA UNIVERSITY WHEN I WAS THERE A MONTH OR SO  
15 AGO, WHICH IS 3 BY 250 SEAT LECTURE THEATERS, WHICH CAN  
16 COMBINED IN MANY WAYS AND STUDENTS AND FACULTY HOUSING.  
17 TOGETHER WE CAN ENSURE THAT THE WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY HAS A  
18 FUTURE THAT IS BRIGHT AND PRODUCTIVE, AND THAT IT BECOMES A  
19 SOURCE OF PRIDE FOR RESIDENTS. CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY IS NOW  
20 IN A POSITION TO BECOME A FULL PARTNER FROM A NUMBER OF  
21 PERSPECTIVES: HEALTHCARE, HIGHER EDUCATION, WORKFORCE  
22 DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS. AND  
23 I HOPE THAT MY PRESENTATION IS SEEN AS EVIDENCE OF OUR  
24 COMMITMENT TO OUR LOCAL WORK, TO WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY AND ASK  
25 THAT THE COMMISSION PARTNER AND THE UNIVERSITY-- WITH THE



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1 UNIVERSITY TO MAKE THESE IMPORTANT REDEVELOPMENT PLANS A  
2 REALITY. THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO LISTEN TO ME TODAY.  
3 WE DO HAVE FOLDERS OF STUFF WITH MAPS AND ALL SORTS OF OTHER  
4 CLARIFICATION.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE HAVE THEM.

7

8 **DR. SUSAN KELLY:** IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I'LL BE HAPPY TO  
9 ANSWER THEM.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK  
12 YOU VERY MUCH, DR. KELLY.

13

14 **DR. SUSAN KELLY:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE 3-D.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED. I'LL SECOND. WITHOUT  
21 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 3-D. ITEM 4-D.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 4-D THIS IS THE HEARING TO CONSIDER  
24 THE REDEVELOPMENT AND FIVE-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR THE





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1 WEST ALTADENA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA. THERE IS  
2 NO STAFF PRESENTATION AND NO CORRESPONDENCE.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO  
5 WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM 4-D. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC HEARING IS  
6 CLOSED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES, RIGHT? BURKE SECONDS.  
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. NEXT ITEM, ITEM 1.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS THE HEARING TO PURCHASE  
10 REAL PROPERTY IMPROVED WITH A THREE-STORY BUILDING ALONG THE  
11 SURFACE PARKING LOCATED AT 955 NORTH LAKE AVENUE, PASADENA,  
12 FROM GERSON I. FOX AND DAVID BLUM AND ARTHUR GILBERT IN THE  
13 AMOUNT OF \$2,850,001 PLUS TITLE AND ESCROW FEES IN AN  
14 APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$8,000. THERE IS NO STAFF PRESENTATION  
15 AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO  
18 WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 1? SEEING NONE, PUBLIC HEARING  
19 IS CLOSED.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BEFORE I MOVE THE ITEM, THIS IS A VERY GOOD  
22 ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT  
25 OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS VOTE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 2. THIS IS A HEARING ON ANNEXATION  
3 OF 16 PARCELS-- ITEM 2 THIS IS HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF 16  
4 PARCELS TO THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT WITHIN  
5 UNINCORPORATED TERRITORIES IN THE CITIES OF PALMDALE AND SANTA  
6 CLARITA AND THE LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE  
7 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SEWER FACILITIES. THERE IS A  
8 STAFF PRESENTATION ON THIS.

9

10 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU AND I'M A SENIOR  
11 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M  
12 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION THROUGH THE  
13 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, AND LEVY OF SEWER  
14 SERVICE CHARGES ON 16 PARCELS IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD LETTER,  
15 WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AND CITIES OF  
16 PALMDALE AND SANTA CLARITA. THE INVOLVED CITIES HAVE GRANTED  
17 THEIR CONSENT AND \_\_\_\_\_. IN MY OPINION ALL OF THE 16  
18 PARCELS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION TO THE DISTRICT  
19 AND BY THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED. IN MY OPINION, THE SEWER  
20 SERVICE CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT CONCLUDES THE STAFF REPORT. IS  
23 THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM  
24 NO 2? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE THE



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1 ITEM BEFORE US. MR. ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT  
2 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 3. THIS IS A HEARING ON  
5 ESTABLISHMENT OF DRAINAGE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT AREA NO. 30 AND  
6 ON THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE  
7 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF DRAINAGE SYSTEMS AS A CONDITION  
8 OF APPROVAL FOR PARCEL MAP 26363. THERE IS A STAFF  
9 PRESENTATION ON THIS.

10

11 **JAMES NAMMINGA:** MY NAME IS JAMES NAMMINGA, AND I'M A CIVIL  
12 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH  
13 THE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DRAINAGE BENEFIT  
14 ASSESSMENT AREA NO. 30, AND THE DETERMINATION AND LEVYING OF  
15 ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS ON THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED THEREIN, TO  
16 PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF  
17 RUN-OFF TREATMENT SYSTEMS IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY  
18 TERRITORY OF SANTA CLARITA, OF THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL  
19 DISTRICT. IN MY OPINION THE REAL PROPERTY WILL BE BENEFITED BY  
20 THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE  
21 BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE  
22 ARE NO MAJORITY PROTESTS, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD  
23 ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO ESTABLISH DRAINAGE BENEFIT  
24 ASSESSMENT AREA NO. 30 AND TO DETERMINE AND LEVY AN ANNUAL  
25 ASSESSMENT ON THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED THEREIN.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT CONCLUDES THE STAFF REPORT. IS  
3 THERE ANYBODY-- I'M SORRY.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT  
6 THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF  
7 BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR  
8 TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I'LL SO MOVE. BURKE SECONDS.  
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE'LL TABLE THIS UNTIL LATER IN THE  
12 MEETING.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 4. THIS IS THE HEARING TO UPDATE  
15 THE DEVELOPER FEE PROGRAM, THE DEVELOPER FEE DETAILED FIRE  
16 STATION PLAN, AND THE 2007 DEVELOPER FEE UPDATE CALCULATION  
17 SUMMARY FOR EACH OF THE THREE DEVELOPER FEE AREAS OF BENEFIT  
18 IN THE CITY OF CALABASAS. AREA ONE-- EXCUSE ME, AREA BENEFIT  
19 ONE MALIBU, SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS IN THE CITY OF CALABASAS.  
20 AREA OF BENEFIT TWO, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. ARE OF BENEFIT  
21 THREE, ANTELOPE VALLEY.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE A STAFF REPORT.

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1 **DEBRA AGUIRRE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DEBBIE AGUIRRE AND I  
2 AM THE CHIEF OF THE PLANNING DIVISION FOR THE CONSOLIDATED  
3 FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM FAMILIAR  
4 WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS TO UPDATE THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE  
5 PROTECTION DISTRICT'S DEVELOPER FEE PROGRAM. THE UPDATED  
6 DEVELOPER FEE DETAILED FIRE STATION PLAN, THE DEVELOPER FEE  
7 UPDATED FEE CALCULATION SUMMARY AND THE 2006/7 FISCAL YEAR END  
8 REPORT WERE PREPARED IN MY OFFICE UNDER MY SUPERVISION. WE ARE  
9 RECOMMENDING INCREASES WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED PORTIONS OF  
10 THE THREE DESIGNATED AREAS OF BENEFIT AND WITHIN THE CITY OF  
11 CALABASAS TO ESTABLISH REVISED FEES EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1ST,  
12 2008 AS FOLLOWS: 92.23 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR THE MALIBU,  
13 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS BENEFITAND THE CITY OF CALABASAS; 93.41  
14 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR THE THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA OF  
15 BENEFIT, AND 85.46 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR THE ANTELOPE AREA  
16 OF BENEFIT. THE DIFFERENCE IN FEE AMOUNTS FOR THE AREAS ARE  
17 PRIMARILY DUE TO DIFFERING LAND COSTS. A NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
18 HEARING WAS PUBLISHED IN FOUR NEWSPAPERS THROUGHOUT THE AREAS  
19 OF BENEFIT IN THE CITY OF CALABASAS, AND NO PROTESTS HAVE BEEN  
20 RECEIVED. THE DEVELOPER FEES WILL CONTINUE TO BE USED TO FUND  
21 THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT AND EQUIPPING OF  
22 FIRE STATION FACILITIES IN THE THREE REFERENCED AREAS. THERE  
23 CONTINUES TO BE A REASONABLE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE USE OF  
24 THE DEVELOPER FEE AND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS UPON  
25 WHICH THE FEE IS IMPOSED. THERE IS A REASONABLE RELATIONSHIP



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1 BETWEEN THE NEED FOR THE FACILITIES TO BE FINANCED BY THE  
2 DEVELOPER FEE, AND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS UPON WHICH  
3 THE DEVELOPER FEE IS IMPOSED. THERE IS ALSO A REASONABLE  
4 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE AMOUNT OF THE DEVELOPER FEE AND THE  
5 COST OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING THE NECESSARY  
6 FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES. WE'RE AWARE OF NO PROTESTS TO THE  
7 RECOMMENDED ACTIONS.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO  
10 WISHES TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM NO. 4? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC  
11 HEARING IS CLOSED. I'LL MOVE. ANTONOVICH SECONDS. WITHOUT  
12 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. THANK YOU. ITEM 5.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 5. THIS IS THE HEARING TO GRANT A  
15 NEW 10- YEAR PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO ARCO  
16 MIDCON, TO EXTEND AND REFLECT THE TRANSFER OF FRANCHISE RIGHTS  
17 FROM FOUR CORNERS PIPELINE COMPANY TO ARCO MIDCON, AND AMEND  
18 PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO ARCO TO REFLECT THE  
19 TRANSFER OF FRANCHISE RIGHTS FROM ARCO TO B.P. WEST COAST  
20 PRODUCTS L.L.C. FOR THE COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND  
21 DISTRIBUTION OF PETROLEUM AND OTHER PRODUCTS IN UNINCORPORATED  
22 AREAS OF CASTAIC, VAL VERDE, VIEW PARK WEST ANTELOPE VALLEY,  
23 WEST ATHENS, WEST COMPTON, WESTMONT, WILLOWBROOK AND WINDSOR  
24 HILLS. SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO ON THIS MATTER AND THERE'S





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1 NO STAFF PRESENTATION AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON  
2 THIS MATTER.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO  
5 WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 5? SEEING NONE, PUBLIC HEARING  
6 IS CLOSED. MS. BURKE MOVES. MR. ANTONOVICH SECONDS, WITHOUT  
7 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ONE DISSENTING VOTE, MS. MOLINA IS  
8 RECORDED AS A NO VOTE.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS A HEARING TO GRANT A  
11 NEW 10 YEAR PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO MATRIX  
12 PIPELINE L.P., TO COLLECT, TRANSPORT, AND DISTRIBUTE PETROLEUM  
13 AND OTHER PRODUCTS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF WEST  
14 WHITTIER. SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO ON THIS MATTER. THERE IS  
15 NO STAFF PRESENTATION, AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYBODY WHO WISHES TO BE HEARD  
18 ON ITEM 6? MR. MCFARLAND. HE'S IN FAVOR OF IT. THERE'S NO NEED  
19 FOR YOU TO SPEAK, I DON'T THINK. OKAY, THANK YOU. ANYBODY ELSE  
20 IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 6? SEEING  
21 NONE, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. KNABE MOVES. BURKE  
22 SECONDS. RECORD A 4-1 VOTE. MOLINA VOTING NO.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIR:** ITEM SEVEN.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 7. THIS IS A HEARING TO GRANT A  
2 NEW 15-YEAR COUNTY WIDE PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE  
3 FRANCHISE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO COLLECT TRANSPORT  
4 AND DISTRIBUTE PETROLEUM AND OTHER PRODUCTS. SUPERVISOR MOLINA  
5 VOTES NO ON THIS MATTER. THERE'S NO STAFF PRESENTATION AND NO  
6 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO  
9 WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 7? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC  
10 HEARING IS CLOSED. ANTONOVICH MOVES. KNABE SECONDS. RECORD A  
11 4-1 VOTE WITH MOLINA VOTING NO. NEXT ITEM.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 9--

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** EIGHT ISN'T IT?

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. 8, OH, EXCUSE ME. YES. I'LL READ THE  
18 TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD, AND THE C.E.O. HAD REQUESTED THAT  
19 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS. AND THEN THERE'S--

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE INTEND TO CONTINUE IT, BUT THERE ARE  
22 A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE HEARD, AND THEY WANT TO BE  
23 HEARD, SO WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM THEM.

24



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE SHORT TITLE IS THE HEARING ON  
2 AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 8, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND  
3 BUSINESS REGULATIONS, AND TITLE 11, HEALTH AND SAFETY TO SET  
4 FORTH PROVISIONS FOR TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE PROGRAM FOR  
5 TOBACCO RETAILERS, DEFINING TOBACCO RETAILING, AND  
6 ESTABLISHING AN ANNUAL TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSING FEE.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY STAFF REPORT ON  
9 THIS? ANY NEED FOR ONE AT THIS POINT?

10

11 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** THERE'S NO REQUIRED REPORT.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M GOING TO CALL FOUR PEOPLE AT A TIME.  
14 LORI KUNDRAT, WILLIAM MCCARTHY. DORA GIL AND WILMORE STATICE,  
15 OR STATICE WILMORE.

16

17 **LORI KUNDRAT:** MY NAME'S LORI KUNDRAT, AND ON BEHALF OF THE  
18 AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, WE SUPPORT ESTABLISHING A TOBACCO  
19 RETAIL LICENSING FEE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF L.A.  
20 COUNTY. SMOKING IS THE NUMBER ONE CAUSE OF PREVENTABLE CANCER  
21 DEATH, AND IS THE SECOND LEADING CAUSE OF CANCER DEATHS IN  
22 BOTH MEN AND WOMEN. ONE CIGARETTE CONTAINS 4,000 CHEMICALS, 60  
23 OF WHICH ARE KNOWN TO CANCER. THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY  
24 ADVOCATES FOR LAWS SUCH AS STRONG TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSING AS  
25 IT WILL PROTECT YOUTH FROM THE DANGEROUS CONSEQUENCES OF



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1 SMOKING. WE COMMEND ANY EFFORT TO MINIMIZE YOUTH ACCESS TO  
2 TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AS WE KNOW THAT WILL RESULT IN SAVING LIVES.  
3 OUR MISSION IS-- WE'RE DEDICATED TO ELIMINATING CANCER AS A  
4 MAJOR HEALTH PROBLEM BY PREVENTING CANCER, SAVING LIVES FROM  
5 CANCER AND DIMINISHING SUFFERING, THROUGH RESEARCH, ADVOCACY  
6 AND SERVICE. WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONSIDERATION ON THIS  
7 ORDINANCE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. DR. MCCARTHY?

10

11 **DR. WILLIAM MCCARTHY:** MY NAME IS WILLIAM MCCARTHY, AND I'M  
12 ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AT U.C.L.A.. MY RESEARCH  
13 COLLEAGUES AND I RECENTLY PRESENTED FINDINGS IN RELEVANCE TO  
14 THE PRESENT ITEM. WE LOOKED AT DATA FROM THE 2003/2004  
15 CALIFORNIA STUDENT TOBACCO SURVEY, INVOLVING 18,000 STUDENTS  
16 AND 235 SCHOOLS. WE ALSO OBTAINED DATA ON THE TOBACCO  
17 RETAILERS IN CALIFORNIA FROM THE FRANCHISE TAX BOARD. WE  
18 EXAMINED THE NUMBER OF TOBACCO RETAILERS WITHIN A ONE MILE  
19 RADIUS OF EACH SCHOOL IN RELATION TO STUDENTS' SELF REPORTED  
20 TOBACCO USE. WE FOUND THAT URBAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HAVE A  
21 15 PERCENT INCREASED RISK OF EXPERIMENTING WITH CIGARETTE  
22 SMOKING WHEN TOBACCO RETAILERS WERE PRESENT IN LARGE NUMBERS  
23 AROUND THEIR SCHOOLS. WE ALSO OBSERVED THAT 20 PERCENT OF HIGH  
24 SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH ANY EXPERIENCE SMOKING CIGARETTES SAID  
25 THAT THEY OBTAINED THEIR CIGARETTES BY PURCHASING THEM FROM A



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1 TOBACCO RETAILER. THAT'S 20 PERCENT TOO MANY. I AM PERSUADED  
2 THAT THE PROPOSED TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSING PROGRAM WILL HELP  
3 TO REDUCE ACCESS OF MINORS TO CIGARETTES AND THEREBY REDUCE  
4 THE RISK OF EVER STARTING THE CIGARETTE SMOKING HABIT. THANK  
5 YOU.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. DORA GIL?

8

9 **DORA GIL:** I'M DORA GIL, DIRECTOR OF ADVOCACY FOR THE AMERICAN  
10 HEART ASSOCIATION, LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVISION, AND I'LL BE  
11 BRIEF WITH MY COMMENTS, BUT I'M HERE ALONG WITH OTHER  
12 ADVOCATES HERE TO STRESS TO YOU THE FACT THAT SELLING TOBACCO  
13 TO MINORS IS OFFENSIVE AND SHOULD STOP IMMEDIATELY. YOU WILL  
14 HEAR FROM YOUTH BEHIND US THAT ARE STILL BEING SOLD TOBACCO.  
15 THERE ARE ABOUT 20 OFFICES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THE  
16 AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION REPRESENTS, AND WE ARE WORKING  
17 RIGHT NOW WITH 30 DIFFERENT MUNICIPALITIES TO PASS THIS TYPE  
18 OF LAW AND PROGRAM. THE PERMIT PROGRAM WILL SEND TOBACCO  
19 RETAILERS THE STRONG MESSAGE THAT THE COUNTY IS VERY SERIOUS  
20 ABOUT OUR YOUTH, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU,  
21 SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. IS IT STATICE -- IS YOUR  
24 FIRST NAME?

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1     **STATICE WILMORE:** STATICE.

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3     **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** STATICE. OKAY, HANG ON. I'M GOING TO  
4     CALL THREE OTHER PEOPLE UP: JOEL JACINTO, JOSE JIMENEZ, AND  
5     DAISY MARTINEZ. STATICE.

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7     **STATICE WILMORE:** YES, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS STATICE WILMORE,  
8     S-T-A-T-I-C-E. I'M THE CITY OF PASADENA PUBLIC HEALTH  
9     DEPARTMENT'S TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAM COORDINATOR, AND MY  
10    PURPOSE TODAY IS TO SHARE WITH YOU HOW TOBACCO RETAIL  
11    LICENSING HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL AND HAS BEEN WORKING IN THE CITY  
12    OF PASADENA. PASADENA CITY COUNCIL ADOPTED TOBACCO RETAIL  
13    LICENSING IN FEBRUARY OF 2004, AND PRIOR TO THE ORDINANCE, WE  
14    HAD AN AVERAGE ILLEGAL SALES RATE OF 23 PERCENT, AND AFTER THE  
15    ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED, IT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 6 PERCENT, AND  
16    ACTUALLY, IT'S LESS THAN THAT BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN DOING OUR  
17    COMPLIANCE CHECK OPERATIONS WITH THE PASADENA POLICE  
18    DEPARTMENT, AND IT'S ACTUALLY THE LAST SEVEN COMPLIANCE CHECK  
19    OPERATIONS HAVE BEEN ZERO PERCENT ILLEGAL SALES. WE'VE NEVER  
20    HAD THAT SINCE PRIOR TO EVEN DOING ILLEGAL SALES TO MINOR  
21    OPERATIONS, SO WE'RE REALLY, REALLY HAPPY WITH T.R.L. IN  
22    PASADENA. THE REPEATED VIOLATOR SALES HAS GONE TO ZERO AND WE  
23    ARE JUST REALLY, REALLY EXCITED ABOUT IT, AND WE'RE REALLY  
24    EXCITED THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS  
25    LOOKING AT THIS AS A SERIOUS ISSUE BECAUSE ILLEGAL SALES TO





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1 MINORS IS SUPPOSED TO BE ZERO, IT'S NOT EVEN SUPPOSED TO BE 1  
2 PERCENT. SO WE REALLY COMMEND YOU FOR DOING THIS. OUR ILLEGAL  
3 SALES RATE, AS I SAID, IS NOW LESS THAN 6 PERCENT. WE HAVE AN  
4 APPLICATION FEE THAT LICENSE-- THE RETAILERS, THEY HAVE TO  
5 APPLY EVERY YEAR AND IT'S \$218. ORIGINALLY WAS ADOPTED BY  
6 COUNCIL FOR 135 PER YEAR PER RETAILER, BUT AFTER A CITYWIDE  
7 2006 AUDIT OF ALL THE CITY FEES, IT WAS FOUND THAT THERE  
8 ACTUALLY WASN'T ENOUGH TO RECOVER THE COST OF IMPLEMENTATION  
9 AND ENFORCEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE LICENSING PROGRAM.  
10 SO WE'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY, WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH STAFF, WE  
11 CAN SHARE IMPLEMENTATION COSTS OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION  
12 REGARDING THE T.R.L. PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. JOEL JACINTO. OKAY. HE'S NOT  
15 HERE. JOSE.

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17 **JOSE JIMENEZ:** HERE.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. ONE SECOND. I'M GOING TO CALL A  
20 COUPLE OTHER PEOPLE UP. MARIBEL VALENCIA AND CHRISTY ZAMANI.  
21 OKAY, MR. JIMENEZ.

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23 **JOSE JIMENEZ:** GOOD MORNING, . HONORABLE MR. CHAIRMAN AND BOARD  
24 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS JOSE JIMENEZ. I'M 17 YEARS OLD. I'M WITH  
25 THE OFFICE OF SAMOAN AFFAIRS. I'M FROM COMPTON HIGH. EVERY



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1 TIME I HEAR MY FELLOW CLASSMATES AND FRIENDS TALK ABOUT THE  
2 LIQUOR STORES OR THE GAS STATIONS THAT SELL THE HARMFUL  
3 PRODUCTS, THE TOBACCO, IT GETS ME MAD AND ANGRY. I ASK MYSELF,  
4 , WHY ARE THEY SELLING THE TOBACCO TO THE MINORS? EVEN THOUGH  
5 THE STORES KNOW THEY'RE SELLING DAMAGING PRODUCT TO MINORS,  
6 THEY STILL MANAGE TO SELL IT, BECAUSE THEY KNOW NO ONE IS  
7 ENFORCING IT AND THEY'D RATHER MAKE MONEY. BY PASSING TOBACCO  
8 LICENSE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF L.A. COUNTY, IT WOULD  
9 BE A GREAT BENEFIT TO THE YOUTH OF L.A. COUNTY, CITIES AND IT  
10 WILL BLOSSOM THE IDEA OF A TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE THROUGHOUT  
11 THE COUNTY, CITIES, AND THROUGHOUT THE STATE. I WOULD LIKE TO  
12 SEE A REDUCTION OF RETAILERS SELLING TOBACCO TO MINORS. THANK  
13 YOU.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. DAISY MARTINEZ.

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17 **DAISY MARTINEZ:** YES. GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND BOARD  
18 MEMBERS. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT I'M HONORED TO BE  
19 SPEAKING HERE BEFORE YOU. I AM A SENIOR AT COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL  
20 AND I AM AN ADVOCATE AND MEMBER OF THE COMPTON TASK FORCE  
21 COALITION, SPONSORED BY SAMOAN AFFAIRS. THE CITY OF CARSON WAS  
22 THE FIRST CITY THAT THE SAMOAN AFFAIRS WORKED WITH. THEY  
23 DISCOVERED THAT 24.2 PERCENT WAS ILLEGAL SALES RATE, WHICH  
24 DOUBLED THE CALIFORNIA ILLEGAL SALES RATE OF 10.4 PERCENT.  
25 THIS RETAIL LICENSE WAS PASSED ON NOVEMBER 21ST, 2006, WHICH



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1 TOOK INTO EFFECT ON MARCH 1ST, 2007. A PERMIT FEE OF \$500, WAS  
2 ESTABLISHED AND, UNFORTUNATELY, ONE-THIRD OF YOUTH SMOKERS  
3 EVENTUALLY DIE OF SMOKING ILLNESSES. SO WE'RE JUST ASKING FOR  
4 YOU TO HELP US ESTABLISH A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MARIBEL VALENCIA, AND BEFORE  
7 YOU GO, LET ME CALL NICHOLE BERNARD AND ROBERT DELEON.

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9 **MARIBEL VALENCIA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE  
10 BOARD.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON. MAKE SURE THE MICROPHONE IS ON  
13 HERE. SPEAK CLOSER TO THE MIC, IF YOU CAN. ALL RIGHT. TRY IT  
14 NOW.

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16 **MARIBEL VALENCIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIBEL VALENCIA,  
17 I'M A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF COMPTON. I AM A SENIOR AT  
18 COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL AND I ALSO AM THE SECRETARY OF THE TASK  
19 FORCE, TOBACCO ADVOCATES AGAINST SELLING TO KIDS SPONSORED BY  
20 THE OFFICE OF SAMOAN AFFAIRS. OUR GROUP CONDUCTED YOUTH  
21 PURCHASE SERVICES IN COMPTON BACK IN APRIL 2007 AND FOUND 36.3  
22 PERCENT OF RETAILERS WERE WILLING TO SELL TOBACCO TO MINORS.  
23 WHEN WE WENT OUT ON THOSE THINGS, IT WAS QUITE DISTURBING TO  
24 SEE HOW MANY VENDORS WERE ACTUALLY WILLING TO SELL TO US. ON  
25 ONE OCCASION, IT WAS UTTERLY MORTIFYING TO WITNESS ONE OF THE



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1 MEN GAVE OUR YOUNGEST MEMBER ADVICE ON WHERE HE COULD GET THE  
2 CIGARETTES FOR A BETTER PRICE. WITH OUR EFFORTS AND THE  
3 SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY, WE ARE SO HAPPY AND PROUD THAT IN  
4 JUNE 2007, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF COMPTON PASSED 5-0  
5 COMPTON'S TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE WITH A FEE OF \$500. ALSO, I  
6 TOOK PART IN CONDUCTING YOUTH PURCHASE SURVEYS IN L.A. COUNTY  
7 LAST MONTH. IT WAS A REAL DISAPPOINTMENT TO FIND THAT OVER 50  
8 PERCENT OF THE RETAILERS THAT WE SURVEYED WERE WILLING TO SELL  
9 TOBACCO TO ME, AND MORE SAD TO SAY THAT MOST OF THE RETAILERS  
10 WERE FOUND AROUND RESIDENTIAL AREAS. THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR OF  
11 CONDUCTING YOUTH PURCHASE SURVEYS, I WITNESSED THOSE WHO SOLD  
12 TO MINORS WERE SMALL FAMILY OWNERS, WHO DID NOT HAVE OF THE  
13 SMOKING PARAPHERNALIA. YET THE BUSINESSES WHO HAD THE STICKERS  
14 AND ANTI-SMOKING PARAPHERNALIA ACTUALLY ASK FOR I.D. MORE THAN  
15 HALF THE TIME. HOWEVER, WHAT DISILLUSIONED ME IN THE LARGE  
16 BUSINESSES, THEY ALSO HAD THE PARAPHERNALIA, BUT THEY DID NOT  
17 ALWAYS ENFORCE THE RULES. I'M GLAD I WAS ABLE TO SEE JUST HOW  
18 BAD CITIES COULD GET BECAUSE OF A LACK OF ENFORCEMENT AT A  
19 LOCAL AND COUNTY LEVEL IF A TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE IS NOT  
20 ADOPTED. WE, THE YOUTH, BELIEVE THAT PASSING-- THE PASSING OF  
21 A TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE FOR L.A. COUNTY WILL NOT TAKE  
22 RETAILERS OUT OF BUSINESS. WE JUST WANT THE SELLING OF TOBACCO  
23 TO MINORS TO BE STOPPED SO WE CAN HAVE THE CHANCE OF GROWING  
24 UP WITHOUT MANY OF THE HORRIBLE HEALTH ISSUES CAUSED BY  
25 NICOTINE AND CONTAINED CHEMICALS FOR LIGHTING CIGARETTES.



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1 WHILE WE WERE AT A LEARNING STAGE IN ORDER TO REACH OUR GOALS  
2 AND FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD AND FINISH. IT'S OKAY.

5

6 **MARIBEL VALENCIA:** IT'S BAD ENOUGH TO BECOME A YOUNG SMOKER AND  
7 ALSO BE AFFECTED BY SECONDHAND SMOKE BY YOUNG SMOKERS. IF WE  
8 WANT TO SMOKE AFTER WE HAVE LEGALLY BECOME AN ADULT, THAT'S  
9 FINE, BUT FOR NOW, TOBACCO AND KIDS DO NOT MIX. THOUGH TOBACCO  
10 ISN'T THE ONLY DANGER WE THE YOUTH FACE, THIS IS ONE WE CAN  
11 ACTUALLY DO SOMETHING ABOUT. THEREFORE, THANK YOU, OFFICER OF  
12 SAMOAN AFFAIRS, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OF COMPTON, AND  
13 YOU, THE CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS, FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF TOBACCO  
14 LICENSING AT LOCAL AND COUNTY LEVEL.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. CHRISTY ZAMANI.

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18 **CHRISTY ZAMANI:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CHRISTY ZAMANI. I'M THE  
19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR "DAY ONE" IN PASADENA WHERE WE WORK ON  
20 ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND DRUG PREVENTION FOR YOUTH. I'M LUCKY TO  
21 BE HERE WITH A ROOM FULL OF COALITION MEMBERS, COMMUNITY  
22 CHAMPIONS AND LEADERS AS WELL AS YOUTH ADVOCATES THAT REALLY  
23 BELIEVE IN A HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITY TO LIVE IN. I WANT TO  
24 COMMEND ALL OF YOU FOR HEARING THIS ITEM AND HOPEFULLY  
25 SUPPORTING IT TO HELP US CREATE THAT KIND OF COMMUNITY THAT WE



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1 ALL WANT TO LIVE IN. JUST THIS PAST FEW MONTHS ALONE, THE PAST  
2 FOUR MONTHS, I'VE WATCHED OUR YOUTH ADVOCATES GO OUT ON  
3 STINGS, COMING BACK WITH MORE THAN SEVEN STORES IN L.A. COUNTY  
4 THAT SOLD TO THEM KNOWINGLY. THEY GO THROUGH THE WHOLE MIX.  
5 THEY ASK THEM FOR THEIR I.D., THEY LOOK AT IT AND YET THEY  
6 CONTINUE TO GO FORWARD AND DO-- DO THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITY OF  
7 SELLING THEM THE CIGARETTES, AS YOU WILL HEAR FROM OUR YOUTH  
8 ADVOCATES THAT ARE HERE TODAY. WE HATE TO HAVE THEM MISS  
9 SCHOOL, BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT US, AS WELL AS THEIR  
10 PARENTS FELT IS IMPOTANT TO THEIR HEALTH AND THEIR WELL BEING  
11 AND THAT'S WHY AND ON THAT NOTE, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
12 TIME, AND HOPE THAT YOU PASS THIS MEASURE.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MISS ZAMANI. NICHOLE BERNARD.

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16 **NICHOLE BERNARD:** GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE TOBACCO  
17 RETAIL LICENSE ORDINANCE. MY NAME'S NICHOLE BERNARD, I'M 15  
18 YEARS OLD. I LIVE IN ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA. I ATTEND PASADENA  
19 HIGH SCHOOL, AND I'M A "DAY ONE" YOUTH ADVOCATE. THE  
20 EXPERIENCE THAT HAS LED ME HERE TODAY WAS MY TOBACCO STINGS.  
21 AS AN EIGHTH, NINTH AND TENTH GRADER, I PARTICIPATED IN  
22 TOBACCO STINGS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF L.A. COUNTY. EACH YEAR, THE  
23 STORES SELL TO ME. WHEN I APPROACH THE COUNTER, I ASKED ASK  
24 FOR A PACK OF CIGARETTES, THE MAN-- WELL, THE PEOPLE THEN ASK  
25 ME FOR MY I.D. AND AFTER REALIZING THAT I WAS A MINOR, THEY





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1 STILL CONTINUED TO SELL TO ME. THIS YEAR ALONE, FIVE OUT OF  
2 SEVEN STORES SOLD TO ME. I FEEL THIS IS A BIG PROBLEM BECAUSE  
3 A LOT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN PASADENA GO TO ALTADENA TO BUY  
4 CIGARETTES, BECAUSE PASADENA ALREADY HAS THEIR T.R.L.  
5 ORDINANCE. I'M HERE BECAUSE I CARE ABOUT MY HEALTH, AND I'M  
6 HERE TO ASK YOU TO MAKE SAFER, HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES FOR US AS  
7 KIDS TO LIVE IN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND PLEASE PASS THIS  
8 ITEM.

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10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ROBERT. BEFORE YOU START, LET  
11 ME CALL MIKE PEDRO, NORA MANZANILLA, AND ZARA BUKIRIN. ROBERT  
12 DELEON.

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14 **ROBERT DELEON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ROBERT DELEON, I AM 14  
15 AND I LIVE IN WEST WOODBURY ROAD IN ALTADENA. I GO TO AVISON  
16 HIGH SCHOOL AND I MISSED SCHOOL, BECAUSE I FELT IT WAS  
17 IMPORTANT FOR ME TO BE HERE AND SUPPORT THIS ISSUE. THIS IS A  
18 BIG PROBLEM IN ALTADENA. I KNOW TEENS THAT GO TO CERTAIN  
19 STORES TO BUY CIGARETTES AND SMOKE IT OR THEY COULD SELL IT TO  
20 OTHER MINORS AND WE NEED TO PUT A STOP TO THIS. AND I CARE  
21 ABOUT THIS BECAUSE LOTS OF MINORS AND TEENS DIE WITH DISEASES  
22 CAUSED BY TOBACCO. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME I HOPE YOU SUPPORT  
23 THIS TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE..

24

25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. DELEON. MIKE PEDRO?



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1  
2 **MIKE PEDRO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
3 MIKE PEDRO AND I AM FROM SEARCH TO INVOLVE FILIPINO-AMERICANS  
4 HERE IN L.A. I AM ALSO THE CO-CHAIR OF THE ALLIANCE TO KEEP  
5 KIDS TOBACCO-FREE. AS AN ALLIANCE, OUR PRIMARY GOAL IS TO  
6 ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF YOUTH ACCESS TO TOBACCO. AS YOU CAN  
7 SEE, WE BROUGHT OVER 40 COMMUNITY ADVOCATES AND YOUTH IN  
8 SUPPORTS OF THE TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSE IN THE UNINCORPORATED  
9 AREAS OF L.A. OUR ALLIANCE SPANS COUNTY-WIDE AND CONSISTS OF  
10 COMMUNITY GROUPS SUCH AS DAY ONE FROM PASADENA, VALLEY  
11 COMMUNITY CLINIC IN SAN FERNANDO, THE ASIAN-AMERICAN DRUG  
12 ABUSE PROGRAM IN CARSON, THE CODE OF COMMUNICATIONS IN  
13 ENGLEWOOD, THE OFFICE OF SAMOAN AFFAIRS IN COMPTON AND PUEBLO  
14 Y SALUD IN LANCASTER. WE ALSO CONSIST OF THE AMERICAN HEART  
15 ASSOCIATION, AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION AND AMERICAN CANCER  
16 SOCIETY. OUR ALLIANCE HAS BEEN WORKING ON THIS ISSUE FOR OVER  
17 TWO YEARS AND WE HAVE SEEN TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSING ORDINANCES  
18 PASS AND IMPLEMENTED IN OUR RESPECTIVE CITIES, SUCH AS  
19 BURBANK, SIERRA MADRE, GLENDALE, INGLEWOOD, CARSON COMPTON,  
20 L.A., LANCASTER AND PASADENA. WE HAVE SEEN THE EFFECTIVENESS  
21 OF T.R.L'S IN OTHER CITIES AND WE KNOW THEY WORK TO REDUCE THE  
22 YOUTH ACCESS TO TOBACCO. THROUGH OUR WORK OF DOING TOBACCO  
23 STINGS, WE HAVE FOUND THAT THERE'S A 30.6 PERCENT SELLING RATE  
24 OF RETAILERS SELLING TOBACCO TO YOUTH IN THE UNINCORPORATED  
25 AREAS OF L.A. AS AN ALLIANCE, WE HAVE LOOKED OVER THE DRAFT



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1 ORDINANCE AND WE BELIEVE IT IS A STRONG VENUE IN HELPING THE  
2 FUTURE OF OUR YOUTH. IN ADDITION TO OUR ALLIANCE, WE HAVE SEEN  
3 THE STRONG SUPPORT IN THE DRAFT FOR OTHER PUBLIC AND CITY  
4 OFFICIALS, INCLUDING SENATOR ALEX PADILLA, ASSEMBLY MEMBER  
5 CURRAN PRICE, ASSEMBLY MEMBER PAUL KERKORIAN, SENATOR ALLEN  
6 LOEWENTHAL, CARSON CITY COUNCIL MEMBER MIKE GIBSON, CHIEF OF  
7 POLICE AT THE SIERRA MADRE POLICE DEPARTMENT, MARILYN DIAZ,  
8 THE L.A. CITY COUNCIL, SENATOR JACK SCOTT AND THE MAYOR OF  
9 GLENDALE, RIA RAMOS. AND I ALSO HAVE FOLDERS FOR YOU OF  
10 LETTERS OF SUPPORT ALSO. IN CONCLUSION, THE ALLIANCE TO KEEP  
11 KIDS TOBACCO-FREE, AND THE SUPPORTERS, LOOK FORWARD TO THE  
12 PASSING OF THE ORDINANCE AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR ITS  
13 IMPLEMENTATION AND BE A STRONG COMMUNITY VOICE IN ADVOCATING  
14 THE REDUCTION OF YOUTH ACCESS TO TOBACCO. THANK YOU.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. NORA MANZANILLA.

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18 **NORA MANZANILLA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE CHAIR AND  
19 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS NORA MANZANILLA. I'M WITH THE LOS  
20 ANGELES CITY ATTORNEY'S TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM. THE  
21 CITY'S PROGRAM WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY IN 2000. IT IS A  
22 COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT,  
23 COORDINATION OF TOBACCO CONTROL POLICIES AND LAWS IN THE CITY.  
24 THE CENTRAL COMPONENT IS A REQUIREMENT THAT ALL TOBACCO  
25 RETAILERS IN THIS CITY ARE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A TOBACCO



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1 PERMIT. CURRENTLY WE HAVE OVER 5,100 TOBACCO RETAILERS  
2 PERMITTED IN THE CITY. IN SEPTEMBER 2005, THE CITY ADOPTED AND  
3 APPROVED A \$208 PERMIT FEE IN ORDER TO EXPAND THE SCOPE AND  
4 THE DUTIES OF THE PROGRAM, WHICH INCLUDED SEVEN STAFF MEMBERS,  
5 A FULL-TIME DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, INVESTIGATORS, AND OUR  
6 PRIMARY FOCUS AGAIN IS TO CURB ACCESS YOUTH ACCESS TO TOBACCO  
7 PRODUCTS, DECREASE OUR ILLEGAL SALES, AND ALSO TO MAKE SURE  
8 THAT WE PROSECUTE THOSE WHO ARE SELLING TOBACCO PRODUCTS NOT  
9 ONLY TO MINORS, BUT SELLING WITHOUT A PERMIT. SINCE ITS  
10 INCEPTION, WE HAVE, OF THE FEE, WE HAVE FILED OVER 330  
11 CRIMINAL CASES. HALF OF THEM HAVE BEEN TO THOSE SELLING  
12 TOBACCO PRODUCTS WITHOUT A PERMIT. SO WHAT WE DO KNOW, FROM  
13 THESE PAST SEVEN YEARS, IS THAT ACTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS  
14 PROHIBITING ILLEGAL TOBACCO SALES TO MINORS REDUCES ILLEGAL  
15 SALES RATES BY RETAILERS, AND IN ORDER TO BE MEANINGFUL, LAWS  
16 MUST HOLD TOBACCO RETAILERS ACCOUNTABLE. MANY OTHER CITIES AND  
17 COUNTIES THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA HAVE JOINED WITH THE CITY OF  
18 LOS ANGELES IN CREATING THEIR OWN LICENSING AND PERMITTING  
19 PROGRAMS AND THEY, TOO, HAVE WITNESSED THE SAME SIGNIFICANT  
20 REDUCTIONS, SO WE APPLAUD YOUR EFFORTS AND, AGAIN, IF YOU HAVE  
21 ANY QUESTIONS, WE ARE MORE THAN HAPPY TO MEET WITH THE STAFF.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. STEVEN GALLEGOS, IF YOU'LL  
24 COME DOWN, AND THEN-- I'M JUST TRYING TO KEEP FROM SNEEZING  
25 HERE-- ZARA BUKIRIN.



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2 **ZARA BUKIRIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU SO MUCH  
3 FOR ALLOWING OUR YOUTH TO SPEAK AND ALLOWING OUR COMMUNITY  
4 MEMBERS TO SPEAK. I'M JUST HERE TO REITERATE THAT OUR  
5 COALITION IS VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE ORDINANCE. WE LOOK FORWARD  
6 TO SEEING STRONG REGULATIONS PASSED TO ENSURE THAT IT'S  
7 EFFECTIVE. WE JUST HOPE YOU CONTINUE TO LOOK TO US AS A  
8 RESOURCE, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. AGAIN, I'M  
9 WITH THE ALLIANCE TO KEEP KIDS TOBACCO FREE AND IT'S COMPOSED  
10 OF SEVERAL AGENCIES, AND SO IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE,  
11 YOU CAN COME TO US. THANK YOU.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. STEVEN GALLEGOS.

14

15 **STEVEN GALLEGOS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME'S STEVEN GALLEGOS, I AM  
16 THE SMOKE FREE ADVOCACY AND PROGRAM MANAGER FOR THE AMERICAN  
17 LUNG ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA, SERVING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
18 REGION. BEFORE COMING TO THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION OF  
19 CALIFORNIA, I WORKED ON TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSING ORDINANCES IN  
20 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, PASADENA, GLENDALE, AND WE DID THE  
21 YOUTH PURCHASE SURVEYS WHERE WE ACTUALLY HAD THE KIDS TO GO IN  
22 WITH PEOPLE WHO WERE SUPERVISING THEIR ATTEMPTED BUY AND, YOU  
23 KNOW, WE SAW RETAILERS THAT ASKED FOR I.D.S AND EVEN THOUGH  
24 THEY WOULD TAKE A LOOK AT IT AS THEY WERE SHOWING THE VIDEO  
25 CAMERA BEHIND THEM, THEY WOULD STILL GIVE BACK THE HIGH



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1 SCHOOLER'S I.D. TO THEM AND STILL SELL THEM A PACK OF  
2 CIGARETTES, AND THEY WOULD SAY TO THE KIDS, "WELL, WE JUST  
3 HAVE TO SHOW YOUR I.D. TO THE CAMERA JUST TO SHOW THAT WE WERE  
4 TAKING A LOOK AT IT, BUT IT DIDN'T MATTER." THE BOTTOM LINE  
5 IS, THEY WERE GOING TO SELL THOSE CIGARETTES TO THE KIDS, AND  
6 SO WHEN WE DID THIS IN GLENDALE, ONE OUT OF FOUR RETAILERS  
7 WERE SELLING TO OUR KIDS, AND THE THING IS, IT WASN'T JUST THE  
8 MOM AND POPS, BUT THE GAS STATIONS, IT WAS THE BIG STORES,  
9 LIKE RALPH'S AND VON'S THAT WERE SELLING TO THE KIDS. WE HAD  
10 CHAPERONES THAT WERE OBSERVING ALL OF THESE TRANSACTIONS THAT  
11 WENT DOWN. SO THE NUMBERS THAT WE COME UP WITH AREN'T JUST  
12 RANDOM NUMBERS OR REPORTS THAT WE GET FROM THE KIDS THAT ARE  
13 DOING THIS, BUT ACTUALLY FROM THE CHAPERONES AND PEOPLE WHO  
14 ARE INVOLVED AS VOLUNTEERS IN ALL OF THE EFFORTS THAT WE'RE  
15 DOING HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT'S A DIRTY, HIDDEN LITTLE  
16 SECRET IN A LOT OF COMMUNITIES. WHEN WE DID LA CANADA-  
17 FLINTRIDGE, WE FOUND 45 PERCENT OF THE RETAILERS WERE WILLING  
18 TO SELL TO OUR KIDS, EVEN MISS LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE, WHO WAS  
19 PART OF OUR VOLUNTEERS, SO THIS IS A BIG PROBLEM IN LOS  
20 ANGELES COUNTY. THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA  
21 HAS ASKED FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS PASSAGE OF THIS ORDINANCE.  
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THANK YOU. I HAVE NO MORE CARDS.  
2 IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? THERE'S A MOTION-- OR THERE'S A  
3 REQUEST TO CONTINUE THIS FOR TWO WEEKS?

4  
5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** TWO WEEKS.

6  
7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANY DISCUSSION? I BELIEVE YOU ASKED THE  
8 C.A.O. TO CONTINUE IT. I THINK HE HAD SOME QUESTIONS ON IT.  
9 YEAH. YOUR STAFF DID, AND SO I'M SURE OTHER PEOPLE HAVE, BUT  
10 WE'LL HAVE IT IN TWO WEEKS. WE'RE GOING TO BE ON THE CALENDAR  
11 TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY IF YOU WANT TO COME BACK AND SEE WHAT  
12 HAPPENS, YOUR TESTIMONY WILL BE MADE PART OF THE RECORD SO  
13 THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN A WASTE OF YOUR TIME TO COME DOWN HERE  
14 TODAY, BUT THERE'S STILL SOME ISSUES THAT SOME OF THE MEMBERS  
15 OF THE BOARD WANT TO RESEARCH AND ADDRESS BEFORE CASTING A  
16 VOTE ON IT, SO THEY'VE ASKED FOR A CONTINUANCE FOR TWO WEEKS,  
17 SO IT WILL BE DECEMBER THE 11TH.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ELEVENTH.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE WANT TO THANK YOU ALL VERY  
22 MUCH. THE TESTIMONY WAS OUTSTANDING AND FOCUSED AND TO THE  
23 POINT AND WE SHOULD USE THIS TESTIMONY THAT WE GOT TODAY AS  
24 KIND OF A PRIMER ON HOW EVERYBODY ELSE SHOULD TESTIFY, BECAUSE  
25 THEY STAYED WITHIN A TIME LIMIT, DIDN'T REPEAT, AND WAS VERY



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1 WELL DONE, SO THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
2 THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 11TH, TWO WEEKS FROM  
3 TODAY. NEXT ITEM?

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 9. THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
6 AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 12 ENVIRONMENTAL  
7 PROTECTION TO ESTABLISH FEES AND CHARGE RATES FOR THE WASTE  
8 DISPOSAL AT THE CALABASAS LANDFILL REFUSE DISPOSAL FACILITY.  
9 THERE'S NO STAFF PRESENTATION AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
10 RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER.

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12 **SUP. BURKE:** MR. SACHS, YOU WANT TO START COMING DOWN RIGHT  
13 NOW? IF YOU COULD SIT A LITTLE CLOSER IF YOU HAVE ITEMS TO BE  
14 HEARD, IT WOULD BE REALLY HELPFUL. WHAT OTHER ITEMS-- DOES HE  
15 HAVE ANY OTHER ITEMS?

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** HE DOES. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS, S-1, ITEM  
18 17, 19, AND 31.

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20 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. IF YOU WOULD ADDRESS THOSE. YOU HAVE  
21 17, 19, 31 AND S-1.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MM-HMM.

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25 **SUP. BURKE:** DO YOU WANT TO START?



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ONE MOMENT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** WHY DON'T YOU START WITH 9 AND THEN YOU CAN GO TO  
5 THE NEXT ONE.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, MA'AM. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. MY  
8 CONCERNS WITH THE COUNTY ESTABLISHING FEES AND CHARGE RATES  
9 FOR A COUNTY LANDFILL BRING ME BACK TO YOUR-- THE WAY YOU  
10 REACTED FOR THE SUNSHINE COUNTY-- SUNSHINE CANYON COUNTY  
11 LANDFILL BY ELIMINATING OR EXCLUDING 6,600 TONS WHEN YOU  
12 AUTHORIZED THE SUNSHINE COUNTY LANDFILL TO EXPAND FROM 36,000  
13 TONS PER WEEK TO 66,000 TONS PER WEEK, WHEN YOU ACTUALLY  
14 DOUBLED THE AMOUNT OF INTAKE FROM 6,000 TONS TO 12,000 TONS.  
15 12,000 TIMES 6 WOULD HAVE BEEN 72,600. YET WHEN IT WAS BROUGHT  
16 TO YOUR ATTENTION, IT WAS EXPLAINED THAT EXTRA TONNAGE WAS  
17 SOIL THAT WAS PUT ON TOP OF THE COUNTY LANDFILL OR THE  
18 LANDFILL AS A WAY OF NOT ALLOWING THE TRASH TO SPREAD, BUT,  
19 AGAIN, IT WAS POINTED OUT, WE WERE TALKING ABOUT DOUBLING  
20 INTAKE, SO I'M CURIOUS TO FIND OUT WHAT AMOUNT OF WASTE  
21 DISPOSAL WILL BE EXCLUDED IN THIS-- AT THIS COUNTY LANDFILL.

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. AND YOUR NEXT ITEM WAS?

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** S-1.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** S-1 IS REGARDING THE SHERIFF'S FUNDING. JUST A  
3 FEW THINGS REGARDING THAT. WHAT'S THE STATUS FOR THE SHERIFF  
4 IN HIS BIDS FOR THE METRO SYSTEM PATROLS? I ALSO KNOW THAT THE  
5 STATE LEGISLATURE NOW ALLOWS FOR HOME MONITORING SYSTEMS TO BE  
6 INITIATED BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN HOPES OF REDUCING THE  
7 OVERCROWDING AT THE JAIL SYSTEM. WHAT'S THE STATUS FOR THE  
8 EQUIPMENT THAT WILL BE REQUIRED AND THE SUPERVISION THAT WILL  
9 BE REQUIRED FOR THE HOME MONITORING SYSTEMS AND NEW FACILITIES  
10 THAT ARE BEING BUILT? ARE THEY JUST BEING BUILT OR WILL THEY  
11 HAVE STAFF ALSO? I'D LIKE THOSE ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED AND  
12 ACCOUNTED FOR.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** THE NEXT ITEM IS...

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SEVENTEEN..

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18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SEVENTEEN, JUST VERY QUICKLY, THERE'S A  
19 DISPARITY BETWEEN REIMBURSEMENT RATES BETWEEN SOUTHERN AND  
20 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. I'D LIKE TO KNOW IF THERE'S A DISPARITY  
21 BETWEEN THE RATES OF CHARGES BETWEEN NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN  
22 CALIFORNIA, AND IF THAT HAS ANY INFLUENCE ON THE AMOUNT FOR  
23 THE REIMBURSEMENT.

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25 **SUP. BURKE:** AND 31.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NINETEEN AND 31 ARE TOGETHER.

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, 19-- WELL 19 AND 31 ARE--

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT, TRANSFERRING THE DATE OF THE MEETING.

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I JUST BASICALLY WANTED TO SPEAK ON 19: 19, I'D  
9 LIKE TO KNOW WHEN THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS GOING TO  
10 CHANGE THE RULES THAT ONLY ALLOW YOU PUBLIC COMMENT ONCE EVERY  
11 THREE MONTHS. THE PUBLIC COMMENTS SHOULD BE ALLOWED EVERY  
12 MEETING FOR THREE MINUTES. RIGHT NOW, THERE'S A RULE IN THIS  
13 COUNCIL, THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THAT ONLY ALLOWS YOU TO  
14 MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AT THE END OF THE MEETING ONCE EVERY THREE  
15 MONTHS, AND THAT IS TOTALLY, TOTALLY, TOTALLY, TOTALLY UNFAIR,  
16 AND IT SHOULD BE ADDRESSED. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** IS THERE ANYBODY ELSE WHO WAS SPEAKING ON 9?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. THAT WAS IT.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY KNABE.  
23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAM CHAIR PRO TEM, IF YOU COULD ALSO  
2 CLOSE THE HEARING ON THAT ITEM.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** ON ITEM 9?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 9.

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. MOVE THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT  
9 ITEM 9 BE APPROVED.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** ON ITEM --

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SEVENTEEN

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17 **SUP. BURKE:** SEVENTEEN, WAS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO WAS ASKING TO  
18 SPEAK ON THAT?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S MOVED BY BURKE, SECONDED BY  
23 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ITEMS 19 AND 31.





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2 **SUP. BURKE:** 19 AND 31, MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA.  
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ON 24-- WE HAVE-- OKAY. WHICH  
4 ONES DO WE HAVE?

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON ITEM NUMBER 10, AND IF I COULD  
7 READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD, THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
8 AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 15, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC  
9 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAN PASQUAL PREFERENTIAL  
10 PARKING DISTRICT NUMBER ONE IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF  
11 SAN PASQUAL AND IMPOSITION OF A PERMIT FEE WITH THE DISTRICT.  
12 THERE IS NO STAFF PRESENTATION. CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON  
13 THIS MATTER.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THERE IS CORRESPONDENCE?. ARE THERE ANY--  
16 THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK. BARBARA  
17 SPAULDING, WOULD YOU PLEASE COME FORWARD. ALSO, MARY TRINNAMAN  
18 AND BRENDA ECONOMIDES. WOULD YOU STATE YOUR NAME?

19

20 **BARBARA SPAULDING:** YES. MY NAME IS BARBARA SPAULDING. I HAVE  
21 LIVED ON OAKDALE AROUND THE CORNER FROM THE SCHOOL FOR 24  
22 YEARS. WE'VE HAD A VERY SEVERE PARKING PROBLEM DUE TO THE  
23 SCHOOL, AND JUST ONE QUICK EXAMPLE, A NEIGHBOR DIRECTLY ACROSS  
24 THE STREET HAS TO HAVE HER GARDENER DROP OFF HIS EQUIPMENT,  
25 PARK ELSEWHERE, WALK BACK, DO THE WORK AND DO IT IN REVERSE.



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1 THE POSTMAN CANNOT FIND A PLACE TO PARK HIS TRUCK. WE'VE HAD A  
2 NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GO TO THE PRINCIPAL TO TRY TO GET SOME  
3 RESOLUTION, INCLUDING A DOCTOR AROUND THE CORNER WHO ENDED UP  
4 BEING THREATENED WITH EMINENT DOMAIN, IF YOU CAN BELIEVE THAT.  
5 FURTHER, MR. ANTONOVICH HAD REQUESTED AN 8-WEEK STUDY OF THE  
6 TRAFFIC PROBLEM AND IN HIS LETTER TO EACH OF US, HE SAID THAT  
7 MR. YEE FROM THE CITY OF PASADENA AND THE PRINCIPAL AND PEOPLE  
8 FROM THE COUNTY HAD MET AND IT WAS AGREED THAT THEY WOULD TAKE  
9 DOWN THE PARKING SIGNS ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF DELMAR, WHICH  
10 THEY DID. AND IN HIS LETTER HE SAID THIS WILL ACCOMMODATE  
11 PARKING FOR UP TO 25 VEHICLES, THE MAJORITY OF THE SCHOOL  
12 STAFF, AND THAT WHEN THE SIGNS WERE TAKEN DOWN IN JANUARY,  
13 THIS IS THREE YEARS AGO, 2005, THE PRINCIPAL WOULD HAVE HER  
14 STAFF PARK THERE. THIS WAS IGNORED AND NEVER IMPLEMENTED. I  
15 TALKED TO THE ARCHITECT WHO DID THE REDESIGN OF THE SCHOOL  
16 AFTER THE BOND ISSUE AND HE CONFIRMED THAT THERE WAS ROOM FOR  
17 PARKING ON THE CAMPUS AND THAT HE HAD INCLUDED PARKING FOR 45  
18 CARS, WHICH WAS DROPPED BY THE SCHOOL FROM THE PLAN. I DECIDED  
19 TO DRIVE AROUND OUR AREA AND COMPARE THE SCHOOLS AND FOUND  
20 THAT TWO TO THE EAST, SMALLER THAN THIS CAMPUS, EACH HAD  
21 PARKING FOR PROBABLY 40 CARS ON IT. TO THE WEST, I DROVE  
22 AROUND POLYTECHNIC, CAL TECH, PASADENA CITY COLLEGE, AND ALL  
23 OF THE BLOCKS, NO PARKING WITHOUT OF PERMIT, 8:00 A.M. TO 8:00  
24 P.M.. I FURTHER WENT TO THE PASADENA LIBRARY AND FOUND THAT



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1 PASADENA OVERALL HAS EIGHT PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS.

2 FOUR OF THOSE ARE RELATED TO NEIGHBORHOODS AROUND SCHOOLS.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. COULD YOU

5 SUMMARIZE?

6

7 **BARBARA SPAULDING:** OKAY. OUR POSITION IS THAT-- I MEAN, THE  
8 TEACHERS-- PRINCIPAL'S POSITION IS, THEY WANT TO CONTINUE TO  
9 USE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD FOR A PARKING LOT. OUR POSITION IS THAT  
10 WE DON'T EXIST TO BE THEIR PARKING LOT, AND WE FEEL THAT OUR  
11 RIGHT TO ENJOY OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SHOULD SUPERSEDE THEIR RIGHT  
12 TO USE IT AS A PARKING LOT, AND WE'VE WORKED ON THIS FOR THREE  
13 YEARS NOW AND, AT THIS POINT, I FIRMLY FEEL WE'RE ENTITLED TO  
14 HAVE PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT.

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MARY TRINNAMAN

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18 **MARY TRINNAMAN:** I'M GOING TO TRY TO CONTINUE ON SORT OF WHERE  
19 BARBARA LEFT OFF.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD SARA RUDCHENKO COME FORWARD? PLEASE START.

22

23 **MARY TRINNAMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MY NAME IS MARY TRINNAMAN, I'M A  
24 RETIRED TEACHER AND I LIVE ON ROSE VILLA STREET IN PASADENA,  
25 DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.



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1 I'M GOING TO SKIP DOWN A LITTLE BIT. OUR PETITION WAS FILED 16  
2 MONTHS AGO AND WE'VE BEEN ON A ROLLERCOASTER EVER SINCE.  
3 SOMETIMES HOPEFUL, SOMETIMES NOT. ANYONE, IF THEY REALLY  
4 THOUGHT ABOUT IT, COULD SEE THAT THE KEY TO A REAL SOLUTION  
5 FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED WOULD BE A PARKING AREA BUILT ON THE  
6 SCHOOL GROUNDS. IT WAS IN THE ARCHITECT'S PLAN FOR THE  
7 REBUILDING OF THE SCHOOL FOUR YEARS AGO, BUT THE SCHOOL TOOK  
8 IT OUT. WHY DID THEY NEED A PARKING LOT WHEN THEY COULD PARK  
9 IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD? THE PRINCIPAL SEEMS DETERMINED THAT THERE  
10 WILL NEVER BE ONSITE PARKING ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS NO MATTER  
11 HOW SENSIBLE IT MIGHT BE. SHE MAY SAY THAT THERE IS NO PLACE  
12 TO PUT A PARKING AREA. THERE WAS ROOM FOR IT WHEN THE PLANS  
13 WERE DRAWN FOUR YEARS AGO. THERE IS ROOM FOR IT NOW ON THE  
14 NORTHEAST, BACK CORNER OF THE PLAYGROUND, WHERE IT WOULD BE  
15 EASY TO IMPLEMENT AND WOULD PROTECT THE CHILDREN FROM  
16 ADDITIONAL EMISSIONS FROM THE CARS AT THE TRAFFIC LIGHT ON  
17 DELMAR AND CRAIG AVENUE. SHE MAY SAY THAT BECAUSE THERE IS  
18 NOW-- THERE ARE NOW TWO PORTABLE CLASSROOMS ON THE PLAYGROUND  
19 BEHIND THE SCHOOL, THERE IS NO ROOM FOR PARKING. THE PORTABLE  
20 CLASSROOMS COULD BE PLACED NEAR EACH OTHER INSTEAD OF BEING  
21 SPREAD OUT ACROSS THE PLAYGROUND, MAKING SOME ROOM FOR  
22 PARKING. SHE MAY SAY THAT THE ASPHALT WON'T BE STRONG ENOUGH  
23 TO SUPPORT THE CARS. FOR THE FIRST THREE YEARS THAT THE  
24 ASPHALT WAS THERE, THERE WERE BUSES, R.V.S AND CARS PARKED,  
25 COVERING THE PLAYGROUND ON EACH NEW YEAR'S DAY. SEVERAL TIMES,



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1 A FILM-- FILMING COMPANY CAME TO USE THE SCHOOL AS A  
2 BACKGROUND AND THEY PARKED CARS AND LARGE PIECES OF EQUIPMENT  
3 ON THE PLAYGROUND. THERE ARE NOW TWO VERY HEAVY PORTABLE  
4 CLASSROOMS. THAT ASPHALT WILL SUPPORT CARS. YOU MAY SAY THE  
5 PARKING AREA IS TOO EXPENSIVE.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. COULD YOU SUMMARIZE?

8

9 **MARY TRINNAMAN:** OKAY. I'LL TRY. THE CLASSROOMS THAT ARE ON THE  
10 PLAYGROUND HAVE NOT BEEN USED FOR ANYTHING AND THEY ARE-- THEY  
11 COST BETWEEN \$400 AND \$900 APIECE. THEY'VE BEEN THERE OVER A  
12 MONTH.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BRENDA ECONOMIDES,  
15 AND COULD ANDREW DELSCAMP PLEASE COME FORWARD?

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17 **BRENDA ECONOMIDES:** MY NAME IS BRENDA ECONEMIDES. I LIVE ACROSS  
18 THE STREET FROM THE SCHOOL AT 2056 ROSE VILLA AND I'M ALSO  
19 SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER FOR JOHN CATALDO ARCHITECTS IN SOUTH  
20 PASADENA. I MET-- I MOVED TO THE AREA ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO,  
21 AND OUR OFFICE VOLUNTEERED TIME AND SERVICES TO HAMILTON  
22 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO HELP RESOLVE THE ISSUE. WE PROVIDED A  
23 PARKING ANALYSIS AND A PRELIMINARY SITE DESIGN. ACTUALLY, WITH  
24 THREE OPTIONS TO HELP RESOLVE THE ISSUE. IN JUST, THE PROBLEM  
25 IS THAT THERE ARE QUITE A LOT OF CARS THAT PARK IN A VERY



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1 SMALL AREA DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO THE SCHOOL, BUT WHEN CAREFULLY  
2 LOOKED AT, IN THE PARKING ANALYSIS, THE AMOUNT OF PARKING THAT  
3 THE SCHOOL NEEDS, THEY ACTUALLY HAVE, AND SO THE GOOD NEWS IS  
4 THAT THERE ACTUALLY ISN'T A PROBLEM IF IT'S MANAGED PROPERLY.  
5 THE SCHOOL HAS 51 SPACES AROUND THE CURB ADJACENT TO THE  
6 SCHOOL AND INCLUDING STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS, THERE'S ENOUGH  
7 PARKING FOR ALL OF THE STAFF AND 17 VOLUNTEERS ALONG THE CURB  
8 OF JUST THE SCHOOL. THE ONLY THING THAT WE REALLY NEED IN  
9 ORDER FOR THAT TO HAPPEN IS TO HAVE A PREFERENTIAL PARKING  
10 DISTRICT BETWEEN 8:00 AND 5:00, WHICH WOULD THEN TAKE AWAY THE  
11 OPTION FOR THE STAFF TO PARK IN THE VERY CONGESTED AREA, WHICH  
12 THEN BECOMES A PROBLEM WHEN THE PARENTS COME ALONG AND THEY  
13 CAN'T DROP THEIR KIDS OFF BECAUSE THERE'S WALLS OF CARS ON  
14 BOTH SIDES OF THE STREET. THE OTHER OPTIONS I GAVE TO THE  
15 SCHOOL INCLUDED SOME THINGS THEY COULD DO TO THE SCHOOL  
16 WITHOUT ANY AMOUNT OF FUNDING NECESSARY FOR THAT, BUT  
17 EVERYTHING COMES BACK TO THE ORIGINAL IDEA OF HAVING  
18 PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT BECAUSE WITHOUT IT, THE STAFF  
19 WILL CONTINUE TO PARK AS THEY DO AND NO CHANGE WILL OCCUR,  
20 EVERYTHING WILL CONTINUE TO BE AS IT IS, AND SO IT BECOMES AN  
21 ISSUE OF STATUS QUO VERSUS SOLUTION, AND I HOPE THAT YOUR  
22 OPINION WILL BE TO HAVE A SOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM. THANK YOU.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. SARA RUDCHENKO.

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1 **SARAH RUDCHENKO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SARAH RUDCHENKO.  
2 I'VE WORKED AT HAMILTON SCHOOL FOR THE PAST 14 YEARS, THE PAST  
3 SIX AS THE SITE ADMINISTRATOR, THE PRINCIPAL. WE EDUCATE OVER  
4 550 STUDENTS RANGING FROM PRE-K TO 6TH GRADE. OVER THE PAST  
5 YEARS, HAMILTON SCHOOL HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED AND MODERNIZED.  
6 OUR STUDENTS USED TO BE BUSED IN. IT'S NOW A NEIGHBORHOOD  
7 SCHOOL, SERVING 58 PERCENT OF OUR KIDS ARE FREE AND REDUCED  
8 LUNCH, ONE QUARTER OF THEM ARE SECOND LANGUAGE LEARNERS.  
9 HAMILTON SCHOOL HAS STEADILY INCREASED TEST SCORES. OUR  
10 CURRENT A.P.I. IS 823 AND WE CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN ALL THE  
11 TARGET GROWTHS FOR OUR POPULATIONS IN AN EFFORT TO CLOSE THE  
12 ACHIEVEMENT GAP FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN/LATINO STUDENTS. TO THIS  
13 END, HAMILTON SCHOOL HAS ENGAGED THE COMMUNITY AND IS ONE OF  
14 THE TOP CHOICES FOR SCHOOLS IN PASADENA, WHERE MANY FAMILIES  
15 OPT FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL. CURRENTLY, OUR P.T.A. MEMBERSHIP IS  
16 350 PARENTS. SO WHAT HAS THIS TO DO WITH PARKING? AS I SAID  
17 BEFORE, HAMILTON SCHOOL IS A VITAL PART OF THE COMMUNITY,  
18 BUILT IN 1927, OVER 80 YEARS AGO WITHOUT ONSITE PARKING. AT  
19 THIS TIME, IN 1927, CHILDREN WALKED TO SCHOOL AND ATTENDED  
20 THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL. ALTHOUGH HAMILTON HAS A LARGE  
21 WALKING POPULATION IN TODAY'S STANDARDS, MANY PARENTS DRIVE  
22 THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL AND MOSTLY DUE TO SAFETY ISSUES. IN  
23 ADDITION, THE SCHOOL'S BOUNDARIES CAN BE THREE TO FOUR MILES.  
24 DURING THE SCHOOL RENOVATION COMPLETED IN 2005, THE RESIDENTS  
25 THOUGHT A PARKING LOT ON SITE WOULD BE BUILT. I BELIEVE THESE



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1   STEMS-- SEEMS TO BE THE MOTIVATION FOR THE CREATION OF THE  
2   PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT. THIS WAS NEVER A PROMISE OF THE  
3   MEASURE-WIDE BOND. I'VE BEEN WORKING FOR A COUPLE YEARS WITH  
4   THE COUNTY TO REESTABLISH SOME LINES. ONE ONE OF THE RESIDENTS  
5   MENTIONED PARKING ON DELMAR. THE C.H.P., AT OUR LAST MEETING  
6   IN OCTOBER, EVEN STATED THAT THIS IS NOT SAFE. THERE ARE  
7   18,000 CARS THAT ARE DRIVING ON DELMAR BOULEVARD PER DAY, AND  
8   IT'S NOT A VIABLE SOLUTION FOR OUR STAFF OR FOR OUR PARENTS. I  
9   HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY OF PUBLIC WORKS, THE  
10   SHERIFF'S AND THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL TO RESOLVE THE  
11   ISSUES OF THE PARKING DROP-OFF AND PICK UP AND THE TEACHER  
12   PARKING DURING THE DAY. WE HAVE SOME NEW SIGNAGE FOR LOADING  
13   ZONE, FOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP, ADDITIONAL UNRESTRICTED  
14   PARKING IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL FOR STAFF, POSSIBLE CREATION OF  
15   ADDITIONAL STOP SIGNS AND CROSSWALKS, PAVEMENT OF THE SIDEWALK  
16   ON SAN MARINO AVENUE AND INSTALLING SOME 4-WAY STOPS WHERE  
17   CURRENTLY THERE IS ONLY 2-WAY STOPS. OUR UTMOST CONCERN IS THE  
18   SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN AS THEY ARRIVE TO SCHOOL AND THEY LEAVE  
19   AT THE END OF THE DAY. CLEARLY THE PREFERENTIAL PARKING  
20   DISTRICT WILL GREATLY AFFECT THE SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN, AND  
21   THE TEACHERS AND THE PARENTS IF THEY HAVE TO WALK TWO TO THREE  
22   BLOCKS MORE.

23

24   **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I ASK IF YOU COULD WRAP IT UP.

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1 **SARAH RUDCHENKO:** SO OUR GOAL IS TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY WITH  
2 THE NEIGHBORS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN AND  
3 MAINTAINING POSITIVE AND PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE  
4 RESIDENTS.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ANDREW DELSCAMP. HANG ON ON  
7 SECOND. IS RACHEL MARTINEZ INCLAN HERE? I'M GOING TO CALL  
8 KATHY POLLOCK ALSO AND HELEN DERSJANT. ANDREW, YOU'RE ON.

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10 **ANDREW DERSJANT:** YES SIR. GOOD MORNIGN TO EACH OF YOU, AND  
11 THANK YOU FOR DOING THE WORK OF THE COUNTY. WHO KNEW? I'VE  
12 NEVER BEEN TO ONE OF THESE MEETINGS. WOW. MY NAME IS ANDREW  
13 DELSCAMP, AND I TEACH KINDERGARTEN AT HAMILTON ELEMENTARY  
14 SCHOOL. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DON'T KNOW, KINDERGARTEN, FOUR,  
15 FIVE, AND SIX YEAR OLDS. AND MY CLASS IS WITH A SUBSTITUTE  
16 TEACHER TODAY. MY CONCERN SHOULD BE ALL OF OUR CONCERN, AND IT  
17 IS THE SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN. IN KINDERGARTEN, THE PARENTS  
18 ARE REQUIRED TO PARK THEIR CAR, WALK THEIR FOUR, FIVE OR SIX  
19 YEAR OLD INTO MY CLASSROOM, SIGN THEM IN FOR THEIR SAFETY. IT  
20 TROUBLES ME GREATLY TO THINK THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO PARK FAR  
21 AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL TO WALK THE 4, 5, AND 6 YEAR OLDS TO  
22 SCHOOL TO SEE ME EACH DAY. IT TROUBLES ME GREATLY TO THINK  
23 THAT PARENTS WOULD HAVE TO PARK FAR AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL TO  
24 COME BE INVOLVED IN MY CLASSROOM. IT TROUBLES ME GREATLY TO  
25 THINK THAT VOLUNTEERS WOULD HAVE TO PARK FAR FROM THE SCHOOL



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1 TO COME BE A PART OF THE COMMUNITY THAT IS HAMILTON ELEMENTARY  
2 SCHOOL. IN KINDERGARTEN, WE WORK WITH SHARING AND PLAYING FAIR  
3 AND BEING NICE TO OTHERS, AND I THINK THERE'S AN ELEMENT HERE  
4 THAT WE COULD WORK WITH OUR NEIGHBORS. WE ARE WORKING HARD TO  
5 SHARE THE STREET WITH OUR NEIGHBORS AND NO PARKING DISTRICT IS  
6 REQUIRED TO DO THAT. WE ARE WORKING HARD TO BE RESPECTFUL OF  
7 OUR NEIGHBORS, AND WE ASK THAT THEY DO THE SAME IN RETURN. AND  
8 FINALLY, WE'RE WORKING HARD TO CREATE A SCHOOL THAT STUDENTS  
9 AND PARENTS AND TEACHERS ARE PROUD OF. WE WANT STUDENTS TO BE  
10 SAFE WHEN THEY ARE COMING TO SCHOOL AND WHEN THEY ARE LEAVING  
11 SCHOOL EACH DAY, AND WE WANT PARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS TO HAVE  
12 EASY ACCESS TO SUPPORT THE WORK THAT WE ARE DOING AS A PUBLIC  
13 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. PLEASE, HELP OUR TEACHERS. PLEASE HELP OUR  
14 STUDENTS, PLEASE HELP OUR PARENTS, PLEASE HELP OUR VOLUNTEERS.  
15 DO NOT SET A PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT THAT PUSHES  
16 EVERYONE FURTHER AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL SO THAT YOU CAN SATISFY  
17 FOUR DISGRUNTLED NEIGHBORS. THANK YOU.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. RACHAEL MARTINEZ INCLAN.

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21 **RACHAEL MARTINEZ INCLAN:** HI. I WAS HERE ON THE OCTOBER 23RD  
22 MEETING, AND SINCE THEN, I DECIDED TO TRY TO FIND OUT WHAT THE  
23 PROBLEM IS, SO I STOOD IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL AT 8:00 A.M.,  
24 AND AT 3:00 P.M. TO SEE IF THERE REALLY WAS A PARKING PROBLEM,  
25 AND WHAT I FOUND IS THAT THERE'S REALLY NOT A PARKING PROBLEM,



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1 THERE'S A TRAFFIC PROBLEM, WHICH IS NOW BEING ADDRESSED BY  
2 C.H.P. AND BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WHO ARE DOING A REALLY  
3 GREAT JOB, AND THEN AFTER I STOOD IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL, I  
4 WOULD WALK AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE DISTRICT AT 9:00  
5 A.M. AND AT 4:00 P.M. TO SEE IF AFTER THE DROP OFF AND PICK UP  
6 CHAOS WHAT HAD HAPPENED. AND WHAT I FOUND IS THAT ON EACH AND  
7 EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THESE STREETS, THERE IS PARKING AVAILABLE,  
8 EVEN ON ROSE VILLA, AND I DON'T THINK THAT A PREFERENTIAL  
9 PARKING DISTRICT IS REALLY THE ANSWER TO THESE PROBLEMS. THE  
10 SECOND POINT THAT I'D LIKE TO MAKE IS THAT I REALLY FEEL THAT  
11 THE PETITION PROCESS WAS DONE IMPROPERLY AND THAT RESIDENTS  
12 WERE IN WAYS STRONGARMED OR MANIPULATED BY FEAR TO SIGN  
13 PETITIONS. I HAVE A LETTER THAT WAS SENT TO MY NEIGHBOR WHEN  
14 HE MOVED NEXT DOOR TO ME A YEAR AGO, AND IN THE LETTER, IT  
15 STATES, THE PEOPLE WHO LIVED IN YOUR HOUSE DID SIGN THE  
16 PETITION AND WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL, TOO. THE PEOPLE WHO CHOOSE  
17 NOT TO SIGN, FOR WHATEVER REASON, WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARK ON  
18 THE STREET DURING THE RESTRICTED HOURS BECAUSE THEY WILL NOT  
19 HAVE A PERMIT. NOW, I JUST FEEL THAT THIS WHOLE PROCESS IS  
20 KIND OF BEEN POLLUTED AND I DON'T THINK IT SHOULD GO THROUGH  
21 BECAUSE MOST OF THE RESIDENTS DON'T REALLY WANT A PREFERENTIAL  
22 PARKING DISTRICT. I TRIED TO SAY, "WELL, LET'S DO TWO-HOUR  
23 PARKING", BUT THAT WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO THE RESIDENTS WHO  
24 LIVED DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM THE SCHOOL. SO IT'S MY HOPE THAT IN  
25 THIS PROCESS, PERHAPS THE COUNTY CAN REVISE THE METHOD BY



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1 WHICH THESE DISTRICTS ARE ESTABLISHED SO THAT THEY'RE DONE IN  
2 A WAY THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF NOT ONLY THE RESIDENTS WHO ARE  
3 ASKING FOR IT, BUT THE AFFECTED PEOPLE AROUND THAT AREA, AND  
4 THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. KATHY POLLOCK, AND HANG ON A  
7 SECOND. IS MICHELLE YOUNG HERE? ALL RIGHT. AND JEFF  
8 MARDAROSIAN. OKAY. MISS POLLOCK.

9

10 **KATHY POLLOCK:** I LIVE ON THE CORNER OF OAK AND SAN PASQUAL,  
11 AND SAN PASQUAL IS A BEAUTIFUL STREET, AN EXTRA WIDE STREET,  
12 POSTED WITH THE SCENIC ROUTE, AND THE NO PARKING WOULD BE ALL  
13 THE WAY DOWN TO THE END OF MY STREET, WHERE I FEEL THE  
14 OVERFLOW PARKING FROM OAK AND ALL THESE OTHER SIDE STREETS  
15 WOULD END UP IN MY FRONT YARD, WHICH I DO NOT LIKE. I THINK,  
16 JUST LIKE RACHAEL SAID, THIS IS NOT-- ABSOLUTELY NOT A PARKING  
17 PROBLEM, IT IS A TRAFFIC PROBLEM, AND WE BOUGHT THAT HOUSE 21  
18 YEARS AGO. THAT'S THE WAY WE'D LIKE IT TO STAY. I THINK IF YOU  
19 LIVE ACROSS FROM THE SCHOOL, YOU'VE GOT TO EXPECT KIDS AND  
20 CARS. THERE'S JUST NO WAY AROUND THAT. SO I'M REALLY HOPING  
21 THAT YOU DO SOMETHING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF THE TRAFFIC AND  
22 LEAVE THE PARKING DISTRICT AS IT IS.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. HELEN?

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1 **HELEN DERSJANT:** YES, HELLO.. MY NAME IS HELEN DERSJANT. I'M A  
2 PARENT AT HAMILTON SCHOOL FOR EIGHT YEARS, AND MY SON IS STILL  
3 THERE, CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH GRADE. I LIVE SIX HOUSES DOWN  
4 DIRECTLY FROM THE FRONT DOOR OF THE SCHOOL AND IT'S AN  
5 EXCELLENT THRIVING SCHOOL, WITH A GREAT ACTIVE P.T.A., THE  
6 PARENT VOLUNTEERS WHO PARK THERE, WHO NEED TO PARK TO  
7 VOLUNTEER FOR THE SCHOOL. AND I'D LIKE TO STATE THE OBVIOUS.  
8 IF YOU BUY A HOUSE ACROSS FROM THE SCHOOL, YOU'RE GOING TO  
9 HAVE CERTAIN CONDITIONS THAT GO WITH THAT, JUST AS IF YOU WERE  
10 TO BUY A HOUSE RIGHT AGAINST THE FREEWAY. ARE YOU GOING TO  
11 COMPLAIN ABOUT THE SMOG AND THE NOISE? SO IT'S A CONDITIONAL  
12 SITUATION THAT THESE PEOPLE HAVE. THEY VERY LIKELY GOT THEIR  
13 HOUSE AT A BETTER PRICE BECAUSE IT IS ACROSS THE STREET FROM  
14 THE SCHOOL, SO THIS IS SOMETHING THAT THEY CHOSE. I FEEL LIKE  
15 THIS PREFERENTIAL PARKING PROCESS IS A LITTLE FLAWED. IT FEELS  
16 UNDEMOCRATIC TO ME BECAUSE PEOPLE CAN-- I WAS TOLD THAT THEY  
17 CAN THEN RE-PETITION OVER AND OVER AGAIN, SO WE HAVE TO GO  
18 CHASING AFTER THEM TO STOP THEM FROM HAVING THIS, AND WHAT  
19 THEY WANTED WAS ZERO PARKING FROM 7:00 TO 6:00 P.M.. IT  
20 DOESN'T WORK WITH THE SCHOOL. IT IMPEDES THE PARENTS AND THE  
21 STAFF AND THE CHILDREN FROM ENTERING A SCHOOL. SO, YOU KNOW,  
22 THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THE WAY THIS WORKS, AND I THINK  
23 THAT-- I DON'T THINK THAT A FEW NEIGHBORS WHO ARE DISGRUNTLED  
24 SHOULD BE ABLE TO DICTATE THE PARKING AND THE PICK UP AND THE  
25 DROP OFF NEEDS OF 550 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS. PREFERENTIAL



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1 PARKING HINDERS THEIR ACCESS. IT'S A BEAUTIFUL SCHOOL, THE  
2 WHOLE THING DOES NOT MAKE SENSE TO ME. THANK YOU.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MICHELLE YOUNG.

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6 **MICHELLE YOUNG:** MY NAME IS MICHELLE YOUNG. I THINK I'M IN A  
7 UNIQUE POSITION TODAY, BECAUSE I'M NOT ONLY A PARENT OF A  
8 FIRSTGRADER AT HAMILTON. I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF THE  
9 NEIGHBORHOOD AFFECTED. I LIVE ABOUT TWO STREETS AWAY FROM THE  
10 SCHOOL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY. I WOULD LIKE TO TALK A  
11 LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE IMPACT TO THE PROPOSAL HERE THAT WOULD  
12 HAVE ON MY FAMILY. SO I HAVE A SIX-YEAR-OLD WHO IS NOT IN  
13 KINDERGARTEN, AND IF I WERE TO HAVE TO NOT PARK NEAR THE  
14 SCHOOL, MY OPTIONS WOULD BE AS FOLLOWED: ALTERNATIVE ONE WOULD  
15 BE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CAR CARAVAN, WHERE I'D ACTUALLY DROP  
16 MY CHILD ON THE SIDEWALK, MY SIX-YEAR-OLD CHILD ON THE  
17 SIDEWALK AND NOT WALK HIM INTO HIS SCHOOL. AS A PARENT, IT'S  
18 MY RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT HE'S IN A SAFE  
19 ENVIRONMENT. I BELIEVE IT'S PART OF MY DAILY RESPONSIBILITY TO  
20 MAKE SURE THAT I WALK HIM TO HIS CLASSROOM, AND I WOULD NOT BE  
21 ABLE TO DO THAT IF THIS GOES FORWARD. THE SECOND ALTERNATIVE  
22 IS THAT I'M THEN PUSHED TO PARK SEVERAL STREETS AWAY. I'M  
23 ACTUALLY-- I CONSTANTLY THINK OF ONE STREET THAT'S ONE BLOCK  
24 SOUTH OF THIS PROPOSED PARKING DISTRICT. IT'S ON OAKDALE. IT  
25 ACTUALLY DOESN'T HAVE A SIDEWALK. SO IF THERE WERE CARS PARKED



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1 ON THE STREET, WE'D HAVE PARENTS AND CHILDREN WALKING IN THE  
2 STREET, JUST ONE BLOCK SOUTH, NOT TO TALK ABOUT LACK OF  
3 CROSSWALKS, LACK OF STOP SIGNS IF THE PARENTS WERE TO HAVE TO  
4 BE FORCED FARTHER AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL. I'M FASCINATED TODAY  
5 THAT I'M HEARING COMMENTS THAT, LET'S PARK ON THE-- ON THE  
6 ACTUAL PLAYGROUND. IF YOU ACTUALLY SAW HAMILTON, IT'S NOT A  
7 LARGE CAMPUS. THERE ARE OVER 400 STUDENTS AND IT SURPRISES ME  
8 THAT WE WOULD EVEN CONSIDER PARKING CARS IN PLAY AREAS FOR  
9 CHILDREN THESE DAYS, BUT I GUESS THERE'S-- THERE ARE LOTS OF  
10 THINGS THAT PEOPLE HEAR. IN THE DOCUMENTATION THAT WAS  
11 SUBMITTED AS PART OF THE PROPOSAL, I READ IN THE MEMO FROM THE  
12 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS THAT PART OF THE REASON FOR THE  
13 ADOPTION OF THIS PARKING DISTRICT WAS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY  
14 OF LIFE IN THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY. I'M IN THE AFFECTED  
15 COMMUNITY, AND IF THE COUNTY-WIDE STRATEGIC PLAN DIRECTS THAT  
16 I, AND I QUOTE, WE PROVIDE SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY  
17 SERVICES, I'M ASKING THE BOARD TO CONSIDER ALL THE  
18 IMPLICATIONS OF THIS ACTION AND HOW IT AFFECTS THE ENTIRE  
19 COMMUNITY, NOT ONLY THOSE RESIDENTS THAT SIGNED THE PETITION.  
20 I'M HOPING WE COME TO SOME CONCLUSION AND COMPROMISE THAT  
21 ALLOWS FOR SERVICE EXCELLENCE FOR ALL THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS.  
22 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. JEFF MARDAROSIAN.

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1 **JEFF MARDAROSIAN:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF  
2 SUPERVISORS. I SERVE AS COUNSEL TO THE PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL  
3 DISTRICT. MY NAME IS JEFF MARDAROSIAN, AS I SAID. I'D LIKE TO  
4 ADDRESS THE PROCESS THAT WAS FOLLOWED. I THINK THE MERITS HAVE  
5 BEEN ADDRESSED BY NUMEROUS SPEAKERS, BUT HERE WE HAVE A  
6 SITUATION WHERE A SMALL GROUP OF RESIDENTS PASSED AROUND A  
7 PETITION, AND MADE CERTAIN REPRESENTATIONS TO RESIDENTS IN THE  
8 COMMUNITY. A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS SIGNED THE PETITION BELIEVING  
9 CERTAIN THINGS. IN THE MANY, MANY MONTHS THAT HAVE FOLLOWED AS  
10 A RESULT OF MEETINGS, NUMEROUS MEETINGS BY MEMBERS OF THE  
11 STAFF OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE INVOLVEMENT OF PUBLIC  
12 WORKS, MANY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE RECANTED AND HAVE SAID,  
13 "NO, WE NO LONGER SUPPORT THE PETITION." YET WHAT HAPPENED  
14 WAS, AT ONE POINT, THERE WERE 74 PERCENT AS IDENTIFIED BY  
15 PUBLIC WORKS AS SUPPORTING THIS MEASURE. AND SO PUBLIC WORKS,  
16 AS YOU CAN SEE, HAS NOW RECOMMENDED THE ADOPTION OF THIS  
17 PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT WITH NO MORE ANALYSIS THAN THAT.  
18 SEVENTY- FOUR PERCENT, THEY WILL-- ALL ARE WILLING TO PAY THE  
19 \$80 A YEAR FOR THE PERMITS AND THEREFORE WE'RE RECOMMENDING  
20 IT. THE GUIDELINES THAT WERE ADOPTED BY PUBLIC WORKS HAVE NOT  
21 BEEN FOLLOWED IN THIS INSTANCE. THOSE GUIDELINES REQUIRE THAT  
22 A STUDY OR SURVEY BE CONDUCTED BY PUBLIC WORKS TO ANALYZE THE  
23 NATURE OF THE PARKING TO LOOK AT WHERE IS THE ORIGIN OF THESE  
24 CARS? ARE THEY RESIDENTS? ARE THEY PEOPLE THAT WORK IN THE  
25 FACILITY EVERY DAY? IT ANALYZES WHETHER THE PARKING IS



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1 COMMUTER OR NONCOMMUTER, AND IT'S A VERY SIMILAR TO OTHER  
2 GUIDELINES THAT HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF PASADENA AND  
3 OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT FOCUS IN ON THE NATURE OF THE PARKING  
4 THAT WAS NOT FOLLOWED HERE. THE PRESENTATION OR THE REPORT  
5 THAT WAS GIVEN TO YOU BY PUBLIC WORKS DOES NOT IDENTIFY ANY OF  
6 THE FIVE FACTORS THAT ARE IDENTIFIED IN THE GUIDELINES. HAD A  
7 SURVEY BEEN CONDUCTED, HAD THERE BEEN INTERACTION BETWEEN  
8 PUBLIC WORKS AND EACH OF THE PEOPLE THAT SIGNED THE PETITION,  
9 FRANKLY ALL OF THE RESIDENTS, THEN YOU WOULD HAVE BEFORE YOU A  
10 RECORD THAT WOULD IDENTIFY EXACTLY WHO IS IN FAVOR AND WHO IS  
11 AGAINST, YOU'D HAVE A SCORECARD, AND YOU WOULD ALSO HAVE A  
12 TECHNICAL ANALYSIS OF WHERE THE CARS ARE COMING FROM SO THAT  
13 YOU CAN MAKE A PROPER DETERMINATION. I SUBMIT TO YOU THAT  
14 STAFF REALLY NEEDS TO GO BACK AND DO A PROPER SURVEY AND MAKE  
15 THE ANALYSIS THAT ITS OWN GUIDELINES REQUIRE, SO THAT YOU HAVE  
16 INFORMATION BEFORE YOU TO MAKE AN EDUCATED DECISION. ON BEHALF  
17 OF THE DISTRICT, WE REQUEST THAT THE REQUEST BE DENIED AND  
18 THAT THIS MATTER BE ALLOWED TO FULFILL ITSELF THROUGH THE  
19 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY BOTH THE SCHOOL AND  
20 PUBLIC WORKS IN TERMS OF THE CHANGING OF SIGNAGE AND CURBAGE.  
21 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ENDS THE PUBLIC HEARING.  
24 MR. ANTONOVICH?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, AS YOU HAVE HEARD FROM  
2 THE COMMUNITY THIS WEEK AND WHEN IT WAS BEFORE THE BOARD  
3 PREVIOUSLY, THERE'S BEEN QUITE A BIT OF DIVISIVENESS ON THIS  
4 ISSUE IN THE SAN PASQUAL COMMUNITY. BOTH THE RESIDENTS WHO  
5 SUPPORT PREFERENTIAL PARKING, AS WELL AS THOSE WHO OPPOSE IT,  
6 HAVE BEEN VERY VOCAL AND PASSIONATE ABOUT THIS ISSUE AND THERE  
7 ARE STRONG FEELINGS ON BOTH SIDES. I APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS  
8 FROM THE HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN OUR PASADENA UNIFIED  
9 SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY IN A DIALOGUE ABOUT  
10 PARKING IMPACTS. IT'S VERY VITAL THAT THE SCHOOL CONTINUE TO  
11 WORK TO IDENTIFY PARKING FOR THE FACULTY AND STAFF. I  
12 APPRECIATE SUSIE NEMUR, MY DEPUTY, WHO HAS BEEN INVOLVED AND  
13 ENGAGED IN THIS DIALOGUE WITH THE COMMUNITY AND THE SCHOOL  
14 DISTRICT. THE PUBLIC WORKS STAFF, ALONG WITH THE HIGHWAY  
15 PATROL AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAVE  
16 BEEN INVOLVED AS WELL, AND WE APPRECIATE PUBLIC WORKS STAFF TO  
17 EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY. ABOUT THE IMPACTS THAT PICK UP AND DROP  
18 OFFS FOR THE STUDENTS. THESE EFFORTS MUST CONTINUE, THOUGH,  
19 FOR THE LONG TERM OR THE ISSUE WILL BE BACK BEFORE THIS BOARD.  
20 AGAIN, I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE RESIDENTS WHO HAVE WORKED  
21 WITH OUR STAFF AND THE COMMUNITY MEETINGS TO DISCUSS THE  
22 VARIOUS SOLUTIONS AND COMPROMISES, AND WOULD LIKE TO THANK  
23 THOSE WHO HAVE COME DOWN TODAY AS WELL AS THOSE WHO WERE DOWN  
24 PREVIOUSLY. I HAVE A MOTION THAT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE. ON  
25 OCTOBER 23RD, DUE TO A LACK OF ADEQUATE NOTICE TO THE IMPACTED





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1 AREAS, I HAD MOVED TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM, WHICH PROPOSES THAT  
2 THE BOARD ESTABLISH A PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT IN THE SAN  
3 PASQUAL AREA OF UNINCORPORATED PASADENA. SINCE THEN, MY OFFICE  
4 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAVE MET WITH THE IMPACTED  
5 RESIDENTS, THE PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE  
6 PRINCIPAL OF HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. FOR SEVERAL YEARS  
7 NOW, THE RESIDENTS HAVE COMPLAINED THAT THE LACK OF TEACHER  
8 PARKING AT HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HAS IMPACTED THE QUALITY  
9 OF LIFE IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD. RESIDENTS HAVE INITIATED THE  
10 PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHING A PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT WHICH  
11 AT ONE TIME RECEIVED THE SUPPORT OF THE MAJORITY OF RESIDENTS.  
12 IN THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, MANY RESIDENTS HAVE CALLED OR  
13 WRITTEN MY OFFICE TO EXPRESS THEIR POSITION ON THE PARKING,  
14 PROPOSED PARKING DISTRICT. OPINION VARIES BUT ALL SEEM TO  
15 AGREE THAT THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH TRAFFIC CIRCULATION AND  
16 PARKING ADJACENT TO THE SCHOOL DURING ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL  
17 HOURS. IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING THE  
18 SCHOOL, A REVIEW OF TRAFFIC CONTROLS AT INTERSECTIONS NEAR THE  
19 SCHOOL IS NEEDED, ALONG WITH CHANGES TO THE ON-STREET PARKING  
20 IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE SCHOOL. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT THE  
21 BOARD HEREBY VOTE TO DENY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAN PASQUAL  
22 PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT AND DIRECT THE PUBLIC WORKS TO  
23 INSTALL MULTI-WAY STOP CONTROLS AT THE INTERSECTIONS AT ROSE  
24 VILLA STREET, AT SAN MARINO AVENUE, ROSE VILLA STREET AT OAK  
25 AVENUE AND ROSE VILLA STREET AT CRAIG AVENUE, ANALYZE WHETHER



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1 ANY OF THESE THREE INTERSECTIONS MEET THE COUNTY GUIDELINES TO  
2 DEPLOY CROSSING GUARDS, UPGRADE THE EXISTING UNCONTROLLED  
3 CROSSWALKS IN THE VICINITY OF THE SCHOOL WITH LADDER-TYPE  
4 MARKINGS FOR INCREASED VISIBILITY, AND UPGRADE EXISTING  
5 SIGNAGE, EXTEND THE SIDEWALK ON THE EAST SIDE OF SAN MARINO  
6 AVENUE AN ADDITIONAL 100 FEET TO EXTEND TO THE BOUNDARY OF THE  
7 CITY OF PASADENA, REMOVE EXISTING NO PARKING AND NO STOPPING  
8 SIGNS ON THE WEST SIDE AT CRAIG AVENUE AND REPLACE THEM WITH A  
9 PASSENGER LOADING ZONE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 AND 9:00 A.M.  
10 AND 2:00 AND 4:00 P.M., SCHOOL DAYS ONLY. THIS AREA WILL BE  
11 THE BEGINNING OF THE DROP OFF, PICK UP VALET SYSTEM RECENTLY  
12 INITIATED BY THE SCHOOL. REMOVE THE EXISTING NO PARKING 7:00  
13 TO 9:00 A.M. AND 12:00 TO 4:00 P.M. SCHOOL DAYS ONLY SIGNS ON  
14 THE NORTH SIDE OF ROSE VILLA AND REPLACE THEM WITH PASSENGER  
15 LOADING ZONE SIGNS BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 AND 9:00 A.M. AND  
16 2:00 AND 4:00 P.M., SCHOOL DAYS ONLY. REMOVE THE EXISTING 20-  
17 MINUTE PARKING ZONE IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL ON THE NORTH SIDE  
18 AT ROSE VILLA STREET TO ACCOMMODATE APPROXIMATELY 135 FEET OF  
19 ADDITIONAL PARKING FOR TEACHERS AND VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL.  
20 INITIATE PROCEEDINGS AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE VEHICLE CODE TO  
21 NOTIFY THE PUBLIC OF THE POSSIBLE REMOVAL OF THE MARKED  
22 CROSSWALK ON THE NORTH STRETCH OF CRAIG AVENUE AT ROSE VILLA  
23 STREET. REMOVAL OF THIS MARKED CROSSWALK IS INTENDED TO GUIDE  
24 PEDESTRIANS AT THE SOUTH STRETCH. NINE, IS TO INSTALL A NO U-  
25 TURN SIGN AT ROSE VILLA STREET, AT OAK AVENUE AND SEND A



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1 LETTER TO HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REQUESTING THAT THEY  
2 NOTIFY THE PARENTS OF THEIR STUDENTS OF THE NEW PASSENGER  
3 LOADING ZONES THAT WILL BE INSTALLED AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO  
4 DROP OFF AND PICK UP THEIR CHILDREN IN A UNIFORM DIRECTION,  
5 WHICH IS SOUTHBOUND ON CRAIG AVENUE, WESTBOUND ON ROSE VILLA  
6 STREET, NORTHBOUND ON EITHER SAN MARINO AVENUE OR BERKELEY  
7 AVENUE. ADDITIONALLY, I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE  
8 PUBLIC WORKS, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO COMPARE THE  
9 COUNTY'S GUIDELINES FOR ESTABLISHING A PREFERENTIAL PARKING  
10 DISTRICTS WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS, INCLUDING PASADENA AND  
11 LONG BEACH, AND RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD CHANGES THAT COULD BE  
12 IMPLEMENTED TO IMPROVE THE CURRENT PROCESS WITHIN 60 DAYS.  
13 THEREFORE, ALTHOUGH SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD  
14 MAY WANT TO INITIATE A PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT FOR THEIR  
15 INDIVIDUAL BLOCK, I'D REQUEST THAT THEY NOT DO THAT UNTIL THE  
16 DIRECTOR HAS FINISHED HIS REVIEW OF THE COUNTY CURRENT  
17 GUIDELINES AS WELL AS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE OTHER SUGGESTED  
18 CHANGES IN THIS MOTION THAT HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND/OR  
19 IMPLEMENTED. SO MOVED, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL SECOND. IS THERE ANY FURTHER  
22 DISCUSSION? IF NOT, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND THANK YOU TO THE  
25 PARENTS AND STAFF AS WELL AND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC



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1 WORKS AND SUSIE NEMUR. MR. CHAIRMAN, COULD I MOVE FOR  
2 RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM 11 SO I COULD VOTE "NO" ON IT?

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES. YOU MOVE, I'LL SECOND TO  
5 RECONSIDERATION. IT'S BEFORE US AGAIN. THIS IS ON THE MIXED  
6 USE ORDINANCE. IT'S MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY BURKE, WITH  
7 MR. ANTONOVICH VOTING "NO." IT'S A 4-TO-1 VOTE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON ITEM 12, TO ADOPT MORE  
14 RESTRICTIVE BUILDING STANDARDS THAT ARE REASONABLY NECESSARY  
15 BECAUSE OF LOCAL CLIMACTIC, GEOGRAPHICAL OR TOPOGRAPHICAL  
16 CONDITIONS, AND TO MAKE OTHER EDITORIAL CORRECTIONS, TITLE 26  
17 BUILDING, TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE 2007 CALIFORNIA BUILDING  
18 CODE ENFORCEMENTS OF THE 1997 UNIFORM BUILDING CODE, TITLE 27,  
19 ELECTRICAL TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE 2007 CALIFORNIA  
20 ELECTRICAL CODE, TITLE 28, PLUMBING TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE  
21 2007 CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE, AND TITLE 29, MECHANICAL TO  
22 ADOPT BY REFERENCE FOR 2007 CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE. THERE  
23 IS A STAFF PRESENTATION ON THIS AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
24 RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. STAFF?

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3 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M SORRY, THERE IS NO  
4 STAFF PRESENTATION. THEY ARE HERE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION ON  
7 THIS? ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WANT TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER  
8 12? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. THE ITEM IS  
9 BEFORE US.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE IT.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT  
14 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 13?

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 13, THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
17 AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY CODE TITLE 32 FIRE TO AMEND AND REPEAL  
18 CERTAIN PROVISIONS AND ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE 2007 ADDITION OF  
19 THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND THE 2006 EDITION OF THE  
20 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE WITH CERTAIN CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS.  
21 THERE IS NO STAFF PRESENTATION AND NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE  
22 WAS RECEIVED.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANY-- ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE  
25 WHO WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM 13? SEEING NONE--



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN? I DID HAVE A QUESTION.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. MR. KNABE?

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS WAS A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE WITH A NUMBER OF  
7 CITIES, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME  
8 FOLLOW-UP MEETINGS. THERE WAS CONCERN THAT IT WOULD BE  
9 USURPING LOCAL AUTHORITY AND I UNDERSTAND THERE WAS SOME  
10 CONFUSION, BUT I JUST WANT IT ON THE RECORD THAT I THINK THAT  
11 THEY WORKED IT OUT, BUT THERE WILL BE SOME FOLLOW-UP MEETINGS  
12 WITH THE CITIES, IF I'M CORRECT.

13

14 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING AS  
15 WELL.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? IF  
20 NOT, BURKE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS  
21 VOTE ON 13.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF WE COULD GO BACK TO ITEM  
24 NUMBER 3.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

2

3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A  
4 DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS  
5 AGAINST A PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF DRAINAGE BENEFIT  
6 ASSESSMENT AREA NUMBER 30 AND THE LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS ON  
7 THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED  
8 AREA NEAR THE CITY OF SAN CLARITA. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE  
9 APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION TO EXPAND  
10 AND LEVY ASSESSMENTS.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I SO MOVE. SECONDED BY BURKE.  
13 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ON ITEM 3.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING  
16 ITEMS.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. LET ME-- I SAW IN THE OBIT  
19 COLUMN THIS MORNING THAT JULIUS DRAZHEN, WHO I BELIEVE WAS A  
20 FORMER COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF OURS, PASSED AWAY, AND I DIDN'T  
21 HAVE TIME TO GET YOU THE INFORMATION, BUT I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT  
22 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY HIS MEMORY. WITHOUTH OBJECTION,  
23 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHO WAS THAT?



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** JULIUS DRAZHEN. I THINK HE WAS A SENIOR  
3 CITIZEN COMMISSIONER FOR QUITE A FEW YEARS. I THINK HE WAS 87  
4 YEARS OLD. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. I DID  
5 WANT TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT RELATING TO THE FIRE. REALLY, I  
6 WANT TO JUST-- IF ANYBODY IS WATCHING TOMORROW NIGHT OR  
7 TONIGHT, WHENEVER THIS IS ON, WE HAVE SET UP A LOCAL  
8 ASSISTANCE CENTER FOR FIRE VICTIMS IN THE MALIBU AREA. THE  
9 LOCAL ASSISTANCE CENTER WILL SERVE AS A ONE STOP SOURCE FOR  
10 DISASTER RELIEF SERVICES, INCLUDING INFORMATION ON HOW TO  
11 REPLACE RECORDS LOST IN THE FIRE, FILE INSURANCE CLAIMS AND  
12 APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE IN HOUSING. VARIOUS FEDERAL, STATE,  
13 COUNTY, LOCAL AND PRIVATE NONPROFIT AGENCIES SUCH AS THE RED  
14 CROSS, OFFERING DISASTER RELIEF, SMALL BUSINESS LOANS,  
15 BUILDING PERMITS, HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES AND CONSUMER  
16 PROTECTION SERVICES WILL BE REPRESENTED AT THE LOCAL  
17 ASSISTANCE CENTER, WHICH IS LOCATED THIS WEEK IN MALIBU BLUFFS  
18 PARK. MALIBU BLUFFS PARK IS AT 24250 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY. IT  
19 WILL OPERATE MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 7:00  
20 P.M., ON SATURDAY FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M., AND THIS SUNDAY  
21 FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.. OBVIOUSLY THE HOURS AND DAYS ARE  
22 SUBJECT TO CHANGE, BUT THAT'S THE PLAN FOR THIS WEEK. SO THE  
23 LOCAL ASSISTANCE CENTER IS AT MALIBU BLUFFS PARK ON P.C.H.,  
24 24250 P.C.H. AND IT'S OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 9:00 TO  
25 7:00, SATURDAY FROM 9:00 TO 4:00, SUNDAY FROM 9:00 TO 2:00.. I



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1 DO WANT TO THANK THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE FIRE-- AND  
2 SHERIFF'S AND HIGHWAY PATROL PEOPLE AND OUR PUBLIC WORKS  
3 PEOPLE, ALL THE COUNTY PERSONNEL AND THE OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES  
4 THAT RESPONDED TO THIS REALLY TRAGIC FIRE WHICH COULD HAVE  
5 BEEN 10 TIMES MORE TRAGIC IF IT HADN'T HAVE BEEN FOR THEIR  
6 EFFORTS AND THE CITIZENRY'S EFFORTS. IT WAS QUITE SOMETHING TO  
7 WITNESS IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS ON SATURDAY, AND CHIEF  
8 FREEMAN AND HIS STAFF AND GOVERNOR, YOU COULDN'T ASK FOR MORE  
9 FROM THE GOVERNOR THAN WE GOT. WE HAD PREDEPLOYED AIRCRAFT, WE  
10 HAD 30 AIRCRAFT USED IN THAT FIRE SATURDAY MORNING. IT WAS  
11 JUST UNBELIEVABLE. AND ALL THE PARTNERS THAT WE HAVE WERE  
12 OUTSTANDING, AND WE LOST CLOSE TO 60 HOMES, AND THAT'S A GREAT  
13 TRAGEDY, BUT WE DIDN'T LOSE ANY LIVES, AND THAT'S A BLESSING.  
14 SO WE WILL WORK WITH THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO SUFFERED  
15 LOSSES AND TRY TO HELP EASE THEIR WAY BACK INTO THE STATUS QUO  
16 ANTE, GET THEM BACK AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. WITH THAT, I DON'T  
17 THINK I WAS HOLDING ANYTHING. IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT ME TO  
18 TAKE UP?

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE STILL HAVE--

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW'S YOUR CHANCE.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE STILL HAVE THREE ITEMS. ON S-1, THERE IS  
25 ONE ADDITIONAL MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK AND WE HAVE A



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1 REPORT ON ITEM NUMBER 32 FROM HEALTH SERVICES, AND WE HAVE  
2 ITEM 24, WHICH IS BEING HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S TAKE S-1. I THINK WE'RE  
5 GOING TO CONTINUE THAT, BUT SOMEBODY WISHED TO BE HEARD, SO,  
6 MELINDA BIRD.

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8 **MELINDA BIRD:** THANK YOU. TWO BRIEF COMMENTS THIS MORNING. I DO  
9 UNDERSTAND THAT THE MATTER HAS BEEN HELD OVER UNTIL JANUARY OF  
10 2008. THE POINTS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO RAISE FOR YOUR  
11 CONSIDERATION IN THE INTERIM ARE TWOFOLD. THE FIRST IS THAT WE  
12 AT THE A.C.L.U. STRONGLY SUPPORT THE SHERIFF'S PROPOSAL TO  
13 DEMOLISHMENT OF CENTRAL JAIL AND BUILD A REPLACEMENT FACILITY.  
14 ANY RENOVATION PLANS WILL COST HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS AND WILL  
15 BE LEFT WITH A BAD DESIGN AND AN UNCONSTITUTIONAL JAIL AND CAN  
16 EXPAND ON THAT WITH ADDITIONAL TIME, WE WILL AGAIN PRESENT  
17 THIS POINT IN JANUARY. I THINK THE OTHER POINT THAT WE REALLY  
18 WANT TO MAKE IS THAT WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO DOWNSIZE OUR JAIL  
19 SYSTEM. FIFTEEN YEARS AGO, NEW YORK CITY HAD 15,000-- I'M  
20 SORRY, 21,000 INMATE BEDS AND THROUGH A COMBINATION OF  
21 EFFORTS, THEY WERE ABLE TO REDUCE THEIR INMATE POPULATION BY A  
22 THIRD DOWN TO 14,000. WE CAN DO THE SAME, AND IN MY WRITTEN  
23 COMMENTS, I SUGGEST THREE THINGS THAT WE CAN UNDERTAKE THAT  
24 CAN REALLY BE DONE SIMULTANEOUS WITH AN EFFORT TO OUR CAPITAL  
25 IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND THE JAIL CONSTRUCTION. THE FIRST IS



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1 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION FOR FELONY DEFENDANTS, AND I  
2 THINK THE KEY IN NEW YORK WAS IT DID NOT TAKE THE LOW HANGING  
3 FRUIT. THEY DID NOT TAKE PEOPLE WITH LIGHT SENTENCES. THEY  
4 TOOK PEOPLE WHO WERE SURE TO SERVE HEAVY JAIL TIME AND  
5 DEVELOPED VERY ROBUST ALTERNATIVES. THE PROGRAM'S BEEN  
6 EXHAUSTIVELY STUDIED. OUTCOMES, PUBLIC SAFETY IS GREATER FOR  
7 THE PEOPLE IN THESE ALTERNATIVES THAN FOR PEOPLE WHO SERVE  
8 LONG JAIL TIMES. RIGHT NOW, THEY'VE GOT 3,000 INMATES WHO ARE  
9 IN THESE ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. FOR US, THAT WOULD  
10 MEAN 3,000 JAIL BEDS WE DO NOT HAVE TO BUILD. A SECOND ISSUE  
11 IS DISCHARGE--

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WERE THE ALTERNATIVES THEY USED FOR  
14 THAT JAIL POPULATION?

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16 **MELINDA BIRD:** ATTACHED TO MY COMMENTS IS AN INTERESTING PIECE  
17 THAT SUMMARIZES THE PROGRAMS, BUT THEY FOCUS ON, FOR EXAMPLE,  
18 A DAY REPORTING PROGRAM. MUCH MORE ROBUST THAN ELECTRONIC  
19 MONITORING. YOU ACTUALLY BRING SOMEONE IN EVERY SINGLE DAY,  
20 YOU GIVE THEM COUNSELING, YOU WORK THEM HARD IN COMMUNITY  
21 SERVICE, YOU ENGAGE THEIR FAMILIES. THE COST FOR THESE  
22 PROGRAMS RANGES FROM \$1,000 A MONTH TO \$4,000 OR \$5,000 A  
23 MONTH, AS OPPOSED TO FAR HIGHER FOR INCARCERATION. THEY HAD  
24 THE SAME PROBLEM THAT WE DO, WHICH IS THE JUDGES AND THE  
25 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS DON'T LIKE THESE ALTERNATIVES, THEY WANT



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1 PEOPLE TO SERVE TIME. AND WHAT THEY DID WAS USE, I THINK,  
2 REALLY INSPIRED LEADERSHIP. THEY TOOK THEIR OWN OFFICIALS AND  
3 PLACED THEM-- OR STAFF, AND PLACED THEM IN THE COURTS TO SORT  
4 OF BROKER THESE ALTERNATIVES. THEY POINTED OUT THE EXHAUSTIVE  
5 STUDIES THAT HAD DONE SHOWING OUTCOMES, SHOWING THE PUBLIC  
6 SAFETY WOULD BE PROTECTED, AND THEY WERE ABLE TO GET BUY-IN IN  
7 THAT WAY EVEN OVER PARTS OF OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM THAT  
8 YOUR BOARD HAS NO CONTROL OVER. SO IT IS A COMBINATION OF  
9 RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT, IT DOES USE SOME FORM OF ELECTRONIC  
10 MONITORING BUT IT'S FAR MORE ROBUST THAN THAT. IT HAS A VERY  
11 STRONG VOCATIONAL, EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

14

15 **MELINDA BIRD:** THE SECOND THING THAT THEY DID WAS DISCHARGE  
16 PLANNING. THEY LOOKED AT ALL THE PEOPLE WITH ADDICTION DISEASE  
17 AND MENTAL ILLNESS THAT THEY WERE RELEASING FROM THE JAIL WHO  
18 WERE JUST DEAD CERTAIN TO COME BACK ON A REARREST, AND THROUGH  
19 REALLY INTENSE DISCHARGE PLANNING, THEY WERE ABLE TO REDUCE  
20 THE ADMISSIONS BACK INTO THEIR JAIL SYSTEM. THE THIRD THING  
21 THAT THEY DID WAS ADDRESS INEFFICIENCIES AND DELAYS IN THE  
22 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AND, AGAIN, THAT'S NOT AN AREA OVER  
23 WHICH THIS BOARD HAS DIRECT CONTROL, BUT THIS BOARD CAN SHOW  
24 LEADERSHIP AND, ACTUALLY, I THINK SHOW THE WAY FOR THE COURTS.  
25 I GAVE THE EXAMPLE IN MY TESTIMONY, MY WRITTEN TESTIMONY,





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1 ABOUT IF WE COULD SHORTEN LENGTH OF STAY BY JUST THREE DAYS,  
2 WE WOULD SAVE 2,000 JAIL BEDS. VERY SIMPLE THING. LENGTH OF  
3 STAY IS AS IMPORTANT IF NOT MORE IMPORTANT THAN ADMISSIONS,  
4 AND LENGTH OF STAY CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SPEEDING UP  
5 SENTENCING, AFTER YOU'VE CONVICTED SOMEONE, OR JUST WORKING  
6 WITH THE COURTS TO EXPEDITE THE ARRAIGNMENTS. I SEE SO MANY  
7 PEOPLE WHO COME BACK TWO AND THREE TIMES BECAUSE THERE'S  
8 PROBLEMS WITH THE ARRAIGNMENT PROCESS. I'VE LISTED A NUMBER OF  
9 RESOURCES NATIONWIDE WHO HAVE HELPED OTHER LOCALITIES TACKLE  
10 THESE PROBLEMS AND DOWNSIZE THEIR JAILS. I JUST SUBMIT TO THE  
11 BOARD THIS IS THE DIRECTION THAT WE NEED TO GO.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME JUST ASK YOU A QUESTION ON THIS  
14 LENGTH-OF-STAY ISSUE. IN A JAIL SYSTEM HERE IN THE COUNTY  
15 WHERE THERE'S SUCH HIGH PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SERVING A  
16 VERY SMALL PERCENTAGE OF THEIR SENTENCES, DOES THAT KIND OF A  
17 MODEL HAVE THE SAME IMPACT HERE AS IT MIGHT HAVE HAD WHERE YOU  
18 DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF REALITY?

19

20 **MELINDA BIRD:** IT ACTUALLY DOES EVEN MORE SO, AND ONE OF THE  
21 EXPERTS THAT I CITED, DR. ALAN PACK, SAYS THAT HAVING A HIGH  
22 PERCENTAGE OF PRETRIAL DETAINEES IN THE JAIL SYSTEM-- OURS IS  
23 ABOUT 91 PERCENT-- IS EVIDENCE OF WHAT HE CALLS JAIL BLOATING,  
24 WHERE YOU HAVE EXCESS POPULATION IN THE JAIL, PURELY BECAUSE  
25 OF DELAYS IN COURT PROCESSING. AND HIS REVIEW OF SYSTEMS



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1 ACROSS THE COUNTRY SUGGEST THAT THE INDICATORS THAT WE HAVE IN  
2 OUR JAIL WOULD POINT TO THAT AS A BIG PROBLEM. IT'S REALLY NOT  
3 THE SENTENCING END AT ALL. IT'S THE DELAYS FROM THE TIME OF  
4 ARREST THROUGH BOOKING TO FINAL DISPOSITION. THAT'S WHAT TAKES  
5 A LOT OF TIME.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT IF EVERYONE IN THE JAIL SYSTEM WERE  
8 SERVING THEIR TIME, WE WOULD-- WHAT DO WE HAVE IN THE COUNTY  
9 JAILS TODAY, 25,000, CLOSE TO 30,000 PEOPLE? WHAT IS IT,  
10 20,000?

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12 **MELINDA BIRD:** THIS MORNING, THE COUNT WAS ABOUT 20,000.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** TWENTY THOUSAND, AND THAT IS-- THAT'S  
15 20,000 BODIES THAT ARE THERE, AND THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF  
16 OTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN RELEASED EARLY.

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18 **MELINDA BIRD:** CORRECT.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MAYBE TENS OF THOUSANDS.

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22 **MELINDA BIRD:** CORRECT.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT-- IF YOU WENT TO THIS MODEL OF  
25 REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF TIME-- THE PROCESSING TIME,



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2 **MELINDA BIRD:** LENGTH OF STAY.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** CUT THREE DAYS OFF, WHAT WOULD-- IT  
5 WOULD CERTAINLY ACCOMPLISH JUSTICE BECAUSE SOMEBODY WHO IS  
6 ENTITLED TO LEAVE ON JANUARY 1ST SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL  
7 JANUARY 4TH, BUT WHAT DOES IT DO IN TERMS OF THE JAIL  
8 POPULATION? DOES IT JUST-- YOU CONTINUE TO HAVE PEOPLE SERVE  
9 5, 10, 15 PERCENT OF THEIR TIME AND THEN REDUCE THE POPULATION  
10 CONCOMITANTLY WITH THIS OTHER MODEL AND--?

11

12 **MELINDA BIRD:** SIR, THIS IS A LITTLE ODD COMING FROM US AT THE  
13 A.C.L.U., BUT I DO THINK THAT INCREASING THE PERCENTAGE OF THE  
14 SENTENCE THAT SOMEONE SERVES IS KEY TO REDUCING OUR  
15 OVERPOPULATION. SO ONE OF THE PROBLEMS IS THAT THE COURTS, THE  
16 JUDGES ARE MAD AND THEY DELAY SENTENCING DELIBERATELY IN ORDER  
17 TO KEEP SOMEONE IN FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME. THAT'S NOT  
18 EFFICIENT. IT'S ACTUALLY NOT FAIR, BUT TO BUILD CONFIDENCE AND  
19 REALLY PARTICIPATION WITH THE COURTS IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
20 SYSTEM, I WOULD AGREE THAT WE NEED TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE  
21 OF TIME THAT'S SERVED. BUT THE KEY TO THAT, IT SEEMS TO ME, IS  
22 TO FOCUS ON THAT FRONT END, AND MOVING OUT PEOPLE FOR WHOM  
23 THERE ARE ALTERNATIVES, PREVENTING THE REARRESTS, THERE ARE  
24 OTHER DIVERSIONS THAT I THINK WE COULD LOOK AT. WE HAVE SO  
25 MANY PEOPLE IN OUR JAIL WHO ARE ON OR ELIGIBLE FOR SOCIAL



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1 SECURITY. THAT'S REALLY SILLY. THEY'RE NOT GETTING MONEY AND  
2 WE'RE PAYING FOR THEIR MEDICAL CARE, WHEREAS IF THEY WERE IN  
3 THE COMMUNITY, WE'D GET A 50 PERCENT FEDERAL MATCH ON ALL THE  
4 FEDERAL SERVICES. I THINK THERE ARE SOME REALLY GOOD SOLUTIONS  
5 AND EXPERTS WHO KNOW THOUSAND WORK THESE NUMBERS, AND HELP US  
6 CONCENTRATE ON WHERE THE INEFFICIENCIES ARE, AND I KNOW THAT  
7 YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, HAVE BEEN THE CARE OF C.C.J.C.C.  
8 THAT WOULD BE -- SUPERVISOR BURKE IS OUR INCOMING CHAIR. THAT  
9 IS A PERFECT FORUM TO BE IN LOOKING AT OVERCROWDING AND  
10 DOWNSIZING. IT'S WHAT EVERY OTHER-- WHAT MOST OTHER  
11 JURISDICTIONS ARE DOING.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. MS. MOLINA?

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** COULD I ASK, BILL, FOR YOU TO LOOK INTO THIS? I'M  
16 IMPRESSED WITH THE FLORIDA OUTCOME, THAT EVEN BEFORE THEY  
17 STARTED, THEY WERE ALREADY REDUCING, AND TO LOOK AT-- NEW YORK  
18 STARTED IN '94?

19

20 **MELINDA BIRD:** NINETY-FOUR WAS THE HIGH POINT OF THEIR  
21 OVERPOPULATION, OF 21,000--

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THEY STARTED THE A.T.I. IN '94?

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1 **MELINDA BIRD:** STARTED AN A.T.I.-- THEY'VE BEEN ADDING THEM ON  
2 THROUGH THE LAST 15-- TEN, 15 YEARS, AND THE VERA INSTITUTE  
3 FOR JUSTICE HAS BEEN SHEPHERDING THEM THROUGH THAT AND THEN  
4 DOING THESE VERY EXHAUSTIVE STUDIES ON OUTCOMES.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T KNOW THAT I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO BE  
7 DISCUSSING THIS IN JANUARY, SO HOPEFULLY BY THAT TIME YOU CAN  
8 ALSO BRING US SOME ANALYSIS, BILL? ON THIS? THANK YOU.

9

10 **MELINDA BIRD:** AND I WANT TO SAY, COUNTY COUNSEL HAS BEEN  
11 REALLY HELPFUL IN WORKING WITH THIS, ON THIS, AND IN  
12 ADDRESSING CONDITIONS IN THE JAIL. I THINK WE ARE WORKING  
13 FORWARD ON THIS AND IF WE CAN BEGIN TO TACKLE THE BIG PICTURE  
14 IN DOWNSIZING.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE YOU TALKED TO THE SHERIFF ABOUT  
17 THESE TACTICS, STRATEGIES?

18

19 **MELINDA BIRD:** WE HAVE BEEN TALKING TO VERY HIGH LEVEL  
20 COMMANDERS AND ASSISTANT SHERIFF CAVANAUGH HAS BEEN VERY  
21 HELPFUL IN THAT. THEY TOTALLY AGREE. I'LL GIVE YOU ANOTHER  
22 EXAMPLE, WHICH IS WE'VE GOT HUGE OVERCROWDING IN OUR COURT  
23 LINES, AND WE SEND COUNTY BUSES ALL OVER THE-- ALL OVER THE  
24 COUNTY, HUGE LONG DISTANCES AND COMMUTER TRAFFIC. HE AGREES  
25 THAT ONE OF OUR ANSWERS IS TO WORK WITH THE COURTS TO HAVE



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1 SOME SHIFTED SCHEDULES ON WHEN THEY BRING THEIR INMATES IN.  
2 EVERY JUDGE WANTS EVERY INMATE THERE AT 8:30. I DON'T CARE IF  
3 THEY'RE AT PITCHES AND GOING TO LONG BEACH, THEY'VE GOT TO BE  
4 THERE AT 8:30, WHICH MEANS GUYS ARE WAKING UP AT 2:00 IN THE  
5 MORNING WHEN THEY HAVE TRIAL DAY AFTER DAY, PACKED INTO  
6 CROWDED HOLDING CELLS WHILE WE TRANSPORT THEM. IT SEEMS TO ME  
7 THAT IF WE COULD GET BUY-IN FROM THE PRESIDING JUDGE, AND THE  
8 JUDGES ABOUT PEOPLE SERVING INCREASED TIME, MAYBE THEY'D GIVE  
9 ASSISTANT SHERIFF CAVANAUGH SOME SLACK ON WHEN WE HAVE TO HAVE  
10 THE INMATES THERE AND IT WOULD BE A WIN-WIN FOR EVERYONE.  
11 THAT'S ANOTHER EXAMPLE WE'VE BEEN DISCUSSING ABOUT HOW TO  
12 REDUCE OVERCROWDING.

13

14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MS. BURKE?

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST WANT TO ASK, AND I REALLY AM IMPRESSED WITH  
17 THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING SOME KIND OF A COORDINATION WITH THE  
18 COURTS, BUT GETTING TO THE CONDITIONS IN THE JAIL. DO YOU  
19 AGREE THAT WE DO NEED TO HAVE SOME RECONSTRUCTION ON SOME OF  
20 THESE JAILS THAT ARE SO OLD?

21

22 **MELINDA BIRD:** WELL, I DON'T THINK IT MAKES SENSE FOR THIS  
23 BOARD TO COMMIT FUNDS TO RECONSTRUCT OR RENOVATE MEN'S CENTRAL  
24 JAIL. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS A PLAN, THAT THE C.E.O. IS  
25 WORKING ON ,WHERE WE'D BEGIN BY CONSTRUCTING A NEW MODERN JAIL





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1 TOWER NEXT TO C.J., WHICH WE STRONGLY SUPPORT. THAT'S A GREAT  
2 WAY TO GO. WE SHOULD BREAK GROUND ON IT TOMORROW, IT WOULD BE  
3 READY IN ABOUT THREE YEARS. THE DISCUSSION IS SOMEWHERE ABOUT  
4 A THOUSAND BEDS. AND THAT WOULD HELP TREMENDOUSLY IN THE  
5 SYSTEM, IT WOULD GIVE US MORE BEDS CLOSE TO THE ARRAIGNMENT  
6 COURT, WHICH WE NEED. THE DECISION POINT FOR THIS BOARD IN  
7 JANUARY WILL BE WHETHER YOU BEGIN TO EMPTY MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL  
8 AND RENOVATE IT. AND EVERY EXPERT THAT WE'VE SPOKEN TO  
9 BELIEVES THAT YOU'D BE THROWING GOOD MONEY AFTER BAD AND THAT  
10 THE DESIGN OF THE JAIL AND THE STRUCTURE OF THE JAIL IS SUCH  
11 THAT YOU'D ALWAYS BE LEFT WITH A PROBLEMATIC FACILITY. AND THE  
12 OTHER PART OF IT IS IS THAT IF WE TRY AND RETOOL AND TINKER  
13 WITH THIS VERY OLD, DECREPIT JAIL-- AND I'M IN THERE A LOT, I  
14 WILL TELL YOU, AND IT'S PRETTY HORRIBLE-- IF WE TINKER WITH  
15 IT, WE'RE LOOKING AT THE FOOTPRINT FOR A 5,000-BED FACILITY,  
16 AND I'M NOT SURE WE NEED A 5,000-BED FACILITY. WE MAY NEED A  
17 THOUSAND-BED FACILITY AND THEN A GOOD HARD LOOK AT HOW WE USE  
18 OUR REMAINING SPACES.

19

20 **SUP BURKE:** THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN-- WHAT WOULD YOU DO  
23 WITH THE OLD JAIL THEN?

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25 **MELINDA BIRD:** TEAR IT TO THE GROUND.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HMM?

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4 **MELINDA BIRD:** WE AND MERRICK BOBB, AND I THINK SHERIFF BACA,  
5 WOULD ALL SAY DEMOLISH IT. IT'S NOT-- YOU CAN'T SAVE IT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT YOU WOULD SUPPORT BUILDING A NEW ONE.

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9 **MELINDA BIRD:** I WOULD ABSOLUTELY SUPPORT BUILDING RIGHT AWAY--  
10 I WISH WE'D STARTED YESTERDAY-- A NEW THOUSAND BED TOWER, AND  
11 I THINK SOME OF THE PLANS ARE TO SITE IT RIGHT SORT OF BEHIND  
12 THE EXISTING JAIL, BEHIND C.J. WE THINK THAT'S A TERRIFIC  
13 IDEA. YOU'D HAVE SOME OF THE HIGH SECURITY, HIGH POWER CELLS  
14 THAT WE NEED. THEY'RE IN THE SPOT WHERE WE NEED THEM.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU SUPPORT BUILDING A NEW TOWER OF A  
17 THOUSAND BEDS?

18

19 **MELINDA BIRD:** WE ABSOLUTELY DO, YES, AND DEMOLISHING MEN'S  
20 CENTRAL.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW MANY BEDS ARE IN THE CENTRAL JAIL  
23 RIGHT NOW?

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1 **MELINDA BIRD:** RIGHT NOW, THIS MORNING, WHEN I CHECKED THE  
2 CENSUS, IT WAS UNDER 5,000. IT'S ABOUT 4,800, I THINK.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHERE WOULD YOU PUT THE OTHER FACILITY?

5

6 **MELINDA BIRD:** I LEFT MY NOTES AT MY DESK, BUT I THINK-- AT MY  
7 CHAIR. WE'VE GOT ANOTHER 2,000 BEDS, 1,800 BEDS, COMING ONLINE  
8 WITH WITH SILVER BRAND. WE'VE GOT SOME PLANS FOR NEW  
9 CONSTRUCTION AT PITCHESS, BOTH OF WHICH MAKES A LOT OF SENSE  
10 TO US AT THE A.C.L.U. SO RIGHT THERE, YOU'VE GOT ANOTHER 3,000  
11 BEDS. BUT THEN I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT SOME OF THE MONEY  
12 THAT WE WOULD BE-- SOME OF THE HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS THAT WE  
13 WOULD BE SPENDING TO BUILD A 5,000 BED JAIL DOWNTOWN, TO FUND  
14 THESE ALTERNATIVES, THE INCREASED EFFICIENCIES, THE DISCHARGE  
15 PLANNING PROGRAMS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS NOT APPROXIMATELY 90 PERCENT GOING THROUGH  
18 THE COURTS RIGHT NOW, THEY HAVEN'T BEEN SENTENCED, THEY'RE  
19 PRESENTENCED?

20

21 **MELINDA BIRD:** THEY ARE PRESENTENCED. I WOULD AGREE WITH THAT,  
22 90 PERCENT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO ARE YOU SAY THOSE THAT ARE GOING THROUGH  
25 THE TRIAL SHOULD BE RELEASED PRIOR TO THEIR VERDICT?



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2 **MELINDA BIRD:** NO. I'M SAYING THREE THINGS. ONE IS THAT THE  
3 ALTERNATIVES TO-- AT LEAST IN NEW YORK, THE ALTERNATIVES TO  
4 INCARCERATION PROCESS IS A NEGOTIATION PROCESS THAT BEGINS AT  
5 ARRAIGNMENT, AND SO IN THE COURTS, NEW YORK PLAY-- AND THEY  
6 DID IT BECAUSE THEY NEEDED-- THEY HAD TOO MANY INMATES AND  
7 THEY NEEDED 3,000 INMATES TO GO SOMEPLACE ELSE, SO THEY HAVE  
8 THEIR OFFICIALS OR STAFF IN THE COURTS AND AT THE POINT OF  
9 ARRAIGNMENT, THEY IDENTIFIED-- THEY ACTUALLY HAVE A COMPUTER  
10 PROGRAM THAT SAYS WHO IS A FELONY DEFENDANT WHO IS LIKELY TO  
11 SPENT SIX MONTHS IN JAIL, 12 MONTHS IN JAIL, AND RECALL NOW  
12 AVERAGE PROCESSING TIME FROM BOOKING TO DISPOSITION FOR A  
13 FELONY DEFENDANT CAN BE A YEAR. SO YOU'VE GOT SOMEBODY WHO CAN  
14 SIT A LONG TIME IN JAIL PRETRIAL PLUS, YOU KNOW, BEFORE WE  
15 EVEN GET THEM OUT OF THE STATE PRISON, ASSUMING THEY'RE  
16 CONVICTED. SO AT THE ARRAIGNMENT STAGE, NEW YORK SAYS, "WE  
17 HAVE A PROGRAM. YOUR GUY FITS THE TARGET, OR YOUR WOMAN FITS  
18 THE TARGET, LET'S NEGOTIATE THAT WITH THE JUDGE AND THE D.A."  
19 THEY WERE VERY PROACTIVE ABOUT REDUCING THEIR JAIL POPULATION,  
20 AND THAT'S WHY THEY WERE SUCCESSFUL.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU WOULD EVEN REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION  
23 FOR HARDCORE FELONS THAT ARE GOING THROUGH THE JUDICIAL  
24 PROCESS?

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1 **MELINDA BIRD:** THEIR COMPUTER PROGRAM IDENTIFIED THE PEOPLE WHO  
2 WERE-- AND THEY ACTUALLY HAD THREE TARGET GROUPS IN THEIR  
3 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION PROGRAM. YOUTH, WOMEN AND DRUG  
4 ADDICTS. AND THE DRUG ADDICTS, FOR EXAMPLE, WERE PUT IN PRETTY  
5 INTENSIVE RESIDENTIAL OR DAY REPORTING PROGRAMS WHERE THEY GOT  
6 TREATMENT THERAPY. WE HAVE SOME GREAT PROGRAMS--

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WOULD YOU SUPPORT MANDATED TREATMENT THERAPY  
9 FOR DRUG DEPENDENCE?

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11 **MELINDA BIRD:** I WOULD SUPPORT ANYTHING THAT HELPS US DOWNSIZE  
12 THE JAIL AND IMPROVE OUTCOMES.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU WOULD SUPPORT THAT IN SACRAMENTO, HAVE  
15 THE LEGISLATURE ENACT THAT LAW SO THAT MANDATORY SUBSTANCE  
16 ABUSE PROGRAMS COULD BE GIVEN TO THOSE WHO ARE ADDICTED TO  
17 DRUGS?

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19 **MELINDA BIRD:** SIR, I WOULD BE VERY HAPPY--

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN OPPOSING THAT IN  
22 SACRAMENTO.

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24 **MELINDA BIRD:** I WOULD BE VERY HAPPY TO TALK ABOUT SOME OF  
25 THESE ALTERNATIVES WITH YOUR STAFF AND LOOK AT THE



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1 LEGISLATION. OUR SACRAMENTO OFFICE WILL TAKE A POSITION-- YOU  
2 KNOW, WE'RE ACTUALLY COMPLETELY SEPARATE FROM THEM. I HAVE  
3 SOME INFLUENCE OVER WHAT THEY DO AND A SOLUTION THAT DEALT  
4 WITH OVERCROWDING AND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION WOULD BE  
5 SOMETHING WHERE I COULD GET SOME LEVERAGE. THAT'S ALL I CAN  
6 SAY.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL GO TO SACRAMENTO, IF YOU GO TO  
9 SACRAMENTO WITH ME, AND WE'LL SUPPORT THE MANDATORY TREATMENT  
10 OF THOSE WHO ARE ADDICTED TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE. THANK YOU.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANTONOVICH/A.C.L.U. ALLIANCE. THAT'S  
13 BREAKING NEWS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND WE HOPE YOU'LL BE HERE  
14 IN JANUARY WHEN WE TAKE THIS UP. WHAT'S NEXT? THERE WERE A  
15 COUPLE OTHER ITEMS?

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 24 OR 32. THIRTY-TWO IS THE REPORT BY  
18 HEALTH SERVICES.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S TAKE UP 24. WHO IS THE  
21 CARD WE HAVE ON 24? DR. CLAVREUL, YOU'VE SIGNED UP ON 24 AND  
22 32. IF YOU WANT TO DO THEM BOTH, THAT'S OKAY WITH US.

23 (LAUGHTER)

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
2 THIS IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 24, YOU KNOW I'M NOT A FAN  
3 OF SOLE VENDOR CONTRACT, AND MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT WE WILL  
4 NOT HAVE SO MANY SOLE VENDOR CONTRACTS. AND AGAIN, IS ON  
5 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MAINLY AND FOR MCKESSON TO PROVIDE  
6 SERVICES FOR 24/7 NURSE PHONE SUPERVISION AND CASE MANAGEMENT  
7 AND SO ON. THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT IS FOR \$11,094,930, AND AS--  
8 ON MANY OF THE SOLE VENDOR CONTRACTS, YOU HAVE THAT LITTLE  
9 ITEM, MAY INCREASE THE CONTRACT BY 25 PERCENT WITHOUT COMING  
10 BACK TO THE BOARD. WELL, 25 PERCENT OF \$11 MILLION IS \$2.733  
11 MILLION, ALMOST \$3 MILLION. THAT'S TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE. AND I  
12 HOPE THAT SOMEBODY SOMETIME LISTENS TO THE BOARD OF  
13 SUPERVISORS, WHO ARE RETIRED ATTORNEY, WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO  
14 TAKE ON-- TO REVIEW THE SOLE VENDOR CONTRACT AS WELL AS  
15 FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT BECAUSE IT'S SOMETHING NOT VERY APPEALING  
16 IN THE SOLE VENDOR CONTRACT, EXCEPT FOR THE PEOPLE WHO ARE  
17 GETTING IT AND MANAGING THEM. THANK YOU.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL.

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21 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I'LL SPEAK TO 32 AFTER THE REPORT.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.

24

25 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THANK YOU.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE ITEM IS-- 24 IS BEFORE US.

3 ANTONOVICH MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS  
4 VOTE. DID WE DO ITEM 31?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, WE DID.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THAT LEAVES 32?

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT, AND THE ADJOURNMENTS.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. SO WHY DON'T WE TAKE UP-- WHY  
13 DON'T WE DO THE ADJOURNMENTS? MR. KNABE?

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
16 TODAY I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MR. MICHAEL  
17 HERSEK. MICHAEL WAS BORN IN OHIO, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF  
18 70. HE IS-- HE WAS THE PRESIDENT AND A MEMBER OF THE  
19 BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION. GREAT  
20 GUY, ENJOYED HIS FAMILY AND TRAVELING AND THE ARTS AND HIS  
21 WIFE PASSED AWAY HERE A FEW YEARS AGO, AND HE WAS APPOINTED TO  
22 TAKE HER PLACE ON THE BELLFLOWER BAORD. HE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY  
23 REELECTED AND VERY SUDDENLY HE HAD A HEART ATTACK ON WEDNESDAY  
24 NIGHT, THE NIGHT BEFORE THANKSGIVING, AND PASSED AWAY. HE IS  
25 SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN MICHAEL, MARTA, TRACY, JEANINE, 11



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1 GRANDCHILDREN, BROTHERS PAUL AND RON. ABSOLUTELY GREAT GUY.  
2 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PAUL MCILROY. PAUL WAS A  
3 RETIRED CHIEF LIEUTENANT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BAYWATCH  
4 LIFEGUARDS FOR CATALINA ISLAND. HE PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER  
5 23RD. HE WAS ASSIGNED TO AVALON AS A RESCUE BOAT CAPTAIN IN  
6 1972 AND MOVED TO AVALON. HE WAS ONE OF THE FIRST PARAMEDICS  
7 TRAINED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR DUTY ON CATALINA. HE  
8 SPENT 30 YEARS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS  
9 WORKING BAYWATCH RESCUE BOATS WITH 20 OF THOSE YEARS SPENT ON  
10 CATALINA. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE SHARON, DAUGHTER KELLY  
11 AND SEVERAL BROTHERS AND SISTERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE  
12 MEMORY OF ELIZABETH MILLER, DAUGHTER OF CONGRESSMAN GARY  
13 MILLER, WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY ON NOVEMBER 24TH. SHE WAS  
14 33 YEARS OLD. ELIZABETH GREW UP IN DIAMOND BAR WITH HER  
15 PARENTS AND THREE BROTHERS. SHE ATTENDED UNDERGRAD AT SCRIPPS  
16 COLLEGE IN CLAREMONT EARNED A MASTERS OF BUSINESS  
17 ADMINISTRATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. IT WAS  
18 THERE WHERE SHE MET HER FUTURE HUSBAND, DONALD. THEY MARRIED  
19 IN 2005 AND SETTLED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. SHE IS SURVIVED BY  
20 HER HER DONALD, PARENTS, CONGRESSMAN GARY MILLER AND KATHY,  
21 THREE BROTHERS, MATTHEW, BRIAN AND LOREN. SHE'LL BE DEARLY  
22 MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ADD ME TO THAT. I HAD ONE AS WELL.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF  
2 GREG WHITNEY. GREG IS THE FORMER VICE PRESIDENT OF BUSINESS  
3 ASSISTANCE FOR OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
4 CORPORATION, PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY ON NOVEMBER 18TH. HE  
5 TOUCHED THE LIVES OF MANY AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. HE IS  
6 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CHARLOTTE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE  
7 MEMORY OF MORIO FUKOTO, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF TORRANCE, WHO  
8 PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 15TH FROM COMPLICATIONS OF PARKINSON'S  
9 HE WAS 77. HE GRADUATED FROM THE U.C.L.A. IN '51 EARNED HIS  
10 LAW DEGREE FROM U.C. BERKELEY. GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN  
11 APPOINTED HIM TO LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL COURT COVERING SOUTH  
12 BAY. FIVE YEARS LATER, GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN APPOINTED HIM TO  
13 SUPERIOR COURT. AND IN 1986, HE WAS NOMINATED TO THE SECOND  
14 DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS BY GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN. HE IS  
15 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 51 YEARS, GRACE, A DAUGHTER DONNA, A  
16 SON STEVEN, SIX GRANDCHILDREN AND A SISTER. THE GOOD JUDGE  
17 WILL BE MISSED. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARK  
18 BRONSON, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE WAS 44 YEARS OLD. HE WAS  
19 THE SON-IN-LAW OF VAL AND HENRY NOGUCHI. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
20 WIFE KAREN AND HIS BELOVED TWINS. FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
21 THE MEMORY OF BELGHAYS TAYEBI, A RESIDENT OF RANCHO SANTA FE.  
22 SHE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AND OUR  
23 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY DURING THESE  
24 DIFFICULT TIMES. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST I HAVE A MOTION THAT WE APPROVE A  
4 REWARD OF \$10,000 LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE  
5 PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHOOTING THAT OCCURRED  
6 ON AUGUST 27TH, AT APPROXIMATELY 8:15 P.M., WHERE TWO  
7 SHELTERED RESIDENTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES, LANCASTER  
8 HOMELESS SHELTER, WERE INJURED IN THE CROSSFIRE, OF GANG-TO-  
9 GANG VIOLENCE WHICH TOOK PLACE IN THE VICINITY OF THE 44600  
10 BLOCK OF YUCCA AVENUE IN LANCASTER. THE REWARD IS DUE TO  
11 EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 3RD. THE LANCASTER SHERIFF'S STATION IS  
12 SEEKING ASSISTANCE FOR ANYONE WHO MAY HAVE SUCH INFORMATION TO  
13 AID THAT INVESTIGATION, SO THAT'S WHAT THE MOTION WOULD  
14 APPROVE, THE \$10,000 REWARD FOR THAT.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, MAKE THE  
17 FINDING AND MOVE THE-- ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.  
18 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO WANT HEAD A MOTION FOR-- AN  
21 ADJOURNMENT MOTION FOR JUDGE MORIO FUKUTO.. DR. ALFRED JACOBS,  
22 PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 20TH. AL AND HIS WIFE, DIANE, ARE  
23 QUITE INVOLVED IN THE REPUBLICAN JEWISH COALITION AND  
24 REPUBLICAN ORGANIZATIONS ON THE WEST SIDE OF LOS ANGELES  
25 COUNTY AND OUR STATE. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. BILL



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1 PELTOLA, HE WAS 70 YEARS OF AGE, HE DIED FROM A BICYCLE  
2 ACCIDENT LAST WEEK. HE AND HIS WIFE WERE GOING TO BE  
3 CELEBRATING THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY THIS MONTH. HE TURNED HIS  
4 PROFESSIONAL SKILLS FROM AIRCRAFTS TO AUTOMOBILES WHEN HE  
5 STARTED HIS OWN BUSINESS, AS THE "TRANSMISSION MAN" IN 1986.  
6 AND BOGOMILA M. TIESSEN, WHO PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS FROM  
7 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, BUT SHE WAS VERY PROUD, SHE WAS AN  
8 IMMIGRANT FROM CROATIA AND LIVED IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND  
9 SHE WAS ALSO QUITE INVOLVED WITH THE REPUBLICAN PARTY  
10 ACTIVITIES. SHE WENT BY THE NAME OF BO AND SHE WAS A REAL  
11 WONDERFUL PERSON. ROBERT HOLLAND OF LA CRESCENTA, WHO PASSED  
12 AWAY. HAROLD THORNTON, RETIRED L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S--  
13 LIEUTENANT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. LAWRENCE JOSEPH  
14 MORINO. MORINO WAS FROM SAN CLARITA, HE SERVED IN THE UNITED  
15 STATES ARMY RIGHT OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL AND THEN HE JOINED THE  
16 LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. HE LATER MARRIED MARY ANN  
17 FITZGERALD, AND THEY SETTLED IN NEW HALL, WHERE THEY HAD LIVED  
18 FOR THE PAST 34 YEARS. HE FORMED MANY BUSINESSES AND FROM THE  
19 '70S TO THE '80S, HE SERVED IN THE U.S. AIR NATIONAL GUARD,  
20 WHICH WAS BASED AT VAN NUYS AIRPORT AND THEN HE AIDED  
21 LOGISTICAL OPERATIONS, INCLUDING MAJOR REGIONAL FIRES AS WELL  
22 AS HUNGER RELIEF MISSIONS. HE RE-ENLISTED IN IN THE U.S. ARMY  
23 RESERVES, WHICH LED HIM INTO SOME OF HIS MOST DISTINGUISHED  
24 YEARS OF SERVICE. HE WAS INVOLVED WITH OPERATION JOINT FORGE,  
25 OPERATION NOBLE EAGLE, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM AND





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1 OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, FOR WHICH HE RECEIVED MANY  
2 COMMENDATIONS. SANDER BOLIS, WHO SERVED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SANDY KLENK, WHO WAS THE COUNTY  
4 SECRETARY AND EMPLOYEE OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF  
5 BOY SCOUTS PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY. ELIZABETH MILLER, WE HAD  
6 DONE, AND DR. CAROL BAKER THARP LOST HIS BATTLE TO CANCER ON  
7 SUNDAY AT THE AGE OF 55. HE WAS THE-- CAROL WAS THE GENERAL  
8 MANAGER OF L.A. CITY'S DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT,  
9 AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CORAL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AS WELL AS  
10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CIVIC ENGINE-- ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVE  
11 ACTIVE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS. I WOULD, TOO.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE A MOTION. FIFTY YEARS  
24 AGO-- 52 YEARS AGO ON DECEMBER 1ST, 1955, ROSA PARKS REFUSED  
25 TO MOVE FROM HER SEAT ON A MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA BUS. HER



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1 COURAGEOUS STAND AGAINST SEGREGATION WAS A MONUMENTAL TURNING  
2 POINT IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, ENCOURAGING OTHERS TO  
3 STAND UP AGAINST RACIAL INEQUALITY, BIGOTRY AND INTOLERANCE. I  
4 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY PROCLAIM  
5 DECEMBER 1ST, 2007, AS ROSA PARKS HUMAN RIGHTS DAY AND URGE  
6 ALL CITIZENS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO HONOR AND PAY  
7 TRIBUTE TO THE SPIRIT AND MEMORY OF ROSA PARKS THROUGH A  
8 REAFFIRMED COMMITMENT TO PRACTICING TOLERANCE AND PROMOTE  
9 DIVERSITY.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THERE'S NO REASON WHY WE  
12 CAN'T APPROVE THAT TODAY, IS THERE?

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS  
17 VOTE.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** ON MY ADJOURNMENTS, COMMANDER HOMER F. BROOME,  
20 JR., RETIRED L.A.P.D. COMMANDER WHO PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER  
21 25TH AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. HE WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
22 TO BE PROMOTED TO BOTH THE RANK OF CAPTAIN AND COMMANDER  
23 WITHIN L.A.P.D. AND A FORMER CITY OF LOS ANGELES PUBLIC WORKS  
24 COMMISSIONER. HE WAS ALSO A FEDERAL DIRECTOR OF LAW  
25 ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY A



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1 HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AND ROBERT GOOD ELL, FORMER CHIEF  
2 OF PUBLIC SERVICES FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
3 WHO PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 24TH AT THE AGE OF 83. HE BEGAN HIS  
4 COUNTY LIBRARY CAREER AS A LIBRARIAN IN 1959, AT THE ALHAMBRA  
5 PUBLIC LIBRARY. HE BECAME AN ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COUNTY  
6 LIBRARY IN 1962. HE RETIRED AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF PUBLIC SERVICES  
7 IN 1983. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE OF 60 YEARS,  
8 MARY MARGARET GOODWELL, SON RICHARD AND A DAUGHTER, JEANNE.  
9 AND JAMES CHRISTOPHER ASHLEY, A LONG-TIME LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
10 RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 18TH. HE WAS A REALTOR  
11 FOR OVER 20 YEARS IN THE COMPTON AND SOUTH LOS ANGELES AREA.  
12 HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY, HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND  
13 FINALLY, LILA LEE RICHARDS, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT  
14 REPORTER FOR 20 YEARS, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. SHE RECEIVED  
15 NUMEROUS AWARDS FOR HER SPEED AND ACCURACY IN CAPTURING THE  
16 SPOKEN WORD. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY A HOST OF FAMILY  
17 AND FRIENDS.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ADD MY NAME TO HOMER BROOME.  
20 I KNEW HOMER-- ACTUALLY, FIRST TIME I MET HIM WAS WHEN I WAS  
21 ARRESTED FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE AT A DEMONSTRATION, WHEN I  
22 WAS IN COLLEGE, AND I WAS IN A HOLDING TANK AT THE-- WHAT IS  
23 NOW THE SOUTHWEST DIVISION OF L.A.P.D., AND WE HIT IT OFF  
24 THEN. AND THREE YEARS LATER, I WAS A CITY COUNCILMAN, AND  
25 FUNNY THE WAY THESE THINGS WORK. HE WAS A GREAT HUMAN BEING



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1 AND A GREAT COP, A HUGE HUMAN DIMENSION TO HIM. AS I THINK WAS  
2 QUOTED IN THE PAPER THIS MORNING FROM FORMER CHIEF PARKS,  
3 COUNCILMAN PARKS, A ROLE MODEL AND A PACE SETTER FOR A LOT OF  
4 OTHER PEOPLE, AND THEN I GOT TO WORK WITH HIM WHEN HE WAS A  
5 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSIONER FOR THE CITY, WHEN MAYOR BRADLEY  
6 APPOINTED HIM TO THAT POST. HE WAS A GREAT PUBLIC SERVANT FOR  
7 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND I WAS SORRY TO HEAR THE NEWS  
8 ABOUT HIM, SO I'D LIKE TO ADD MY NAME TO THAT. UNANIMOUS VOTE  
9 ON ALL THOSE. WE HAVE ONE OTHER ITEM?

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 32.

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ITEM 32. IS THE HEALTH DIRECTOR HERE OR  
14 HIS REPRESENTATIVE? HERE HE COMES. WE MISSED YOU LAST WEEK.  
15 HOPE YOU WERE HAVING A GOOD TIME.

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17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I'M SORRY?

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I SAID I HOPE YOU WERE HAVING A GOOD  
20 TIME WHILE WE WERE HERE. JUST GIVING YOU A HARD TIME. GOOD  
21 AFTERNOON.

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23 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I MISSED ALL OF YOU.

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25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I'LL BET.



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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YOU WERE ONE OF THOSE GUYS THAT RAISED YOUR  
3 HAND UNDER OATH SAYING THAT THE TESTIMONY YOU WERE GOING TO  
4 GIVE WAS TOTALLY TRUTHFUL.

5

6 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I AM ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE, YES, SUPERVISOR.  
7 LET ME GIVE YOU A BRIEF ORAL REPORT. THERE WAS NOT A WRITTEN  
8 REPORT THIS WEEK AS WE HAD NOTIFIED YOUR BOARD BECAUSE OF THE  
9 HOLIDAY. THERE WILL BE-- WE'LL GET BACK TO OUR NORMAL WEEKLY  
10 WRITTEN REPORTS, STARTING WITH THIS FRIDAY. IN THE WEEK PRIOR,  
11 THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 515 PATIENTS SEEN IN THE URGENT CARE AT  
12 MARTIN LUTHER KING MACK, AND THAT'S A 10 PERCENT INCREASE FROM  
13 THE WEEK BEFORE AND AGAIN, ON TRACK TO SEE MORE THAN 25,000  
14 VISITS A YEAR, ABOVE THE 20,000 TARGET WE HAD SET FOR  
15 OURSELVES. THERE WERE 35 PATIENTS TRANSFERRED OUT FOR THAT  
16 WEEK AND THE TOTAL NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT VISITS AT THE MACK WAS  
17 20,054, WHICH IS A SLIGHT DECREASE FROM THE WEEK BEFORE. AS  
18 FAR AS THE IMPACTED HOSPITALS GO, DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER  
19 17TH, THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 12,000-- 1,258 PEOPLE REGISTERED IN  
20 THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS OF THE EIGHT HOSPITALS THAT PROVIDED  
21 DATA. ONE HOSPITAL DID NOT PROVIDE DATA THAT WEEK. L.A.  
22 COUNTY, U.S.C. AND HARBOR CONTINUE TO SEE A SUSTAINED INCREASE  
23 IN PATIENTS COMPARED TO PRE-HOSPITAL CLOSURES. WE HAVE  
24 CONTINUED TO WORK WITH DOWNEY, COMPTON AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
25 AND CITY FIRE DEPARTMENTS, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH



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1 TO HOST FLU VACCINATION CLINICS AT THEIR FIRE STATIONS. THAT'S  
2 A STEP TOWARDS IMPLEMENTING OUR FLU MITIGATION PLAN. AND AS I  
3 BELIEVE WAS REPORTED TO YOUR BOARD LAST WEEK, WE HAVE MET WITH  
4 THE PRIVATE HOSPITALS, EMERGENCY TASK FORCE, AROUND VARIOUS  
5 FLU PREVENTION OR FLU MITIGATION INTERVENTIONS THAT WE CAN  
6 TAKE IN THE COMING WEEKS. THE FIRST FLU VACCINATION CLINICS  
7 ARE GOING TO BE HELD THIS WEEK, DECEMBER 1ST FOR DOWNEY AND  
8 COMPTON. THEY'LL BE THE VERY FIRST ONES TO ROLL OUT. I BELIEVE  
9 YOUR BOARD HAD SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT HARBOR LAST WEEK. WHEN I  
10 WAS NOT HERE. YOU KNOW, AND I JUST WANT TO STATE CLEARLY FOR  
11 ALL OF YOU THAT HARBOR, MORE THAN ANY OTHER HOSPITAL, BUT  
12 L.A.C./U.S.C. TO A SMALL DEGREE AS WELL, HAVE SEEN A  
13 SIGNIFICANT SUSTAINED IMPACT SINCE THE CLOSURE OF M.L.K. AS A  
14 HOSPITAL, AND WE KNEW THAT WOULD BE SO. IT'S NOT JUST THE NINE  
15 PRIVATE HOSPITALS THAT ARE IMPACTED. IT INCLUDES OUR OWN  
16 FACILITIES AS WELL. THE PRESSURES ON HARBOR ACTUALLY DATE  
17 BEFORE THE CLOSURE. THERE WAS A 17 PERCENT MONTHLY AVERAGE  
18 INCREASE IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TRAUMA CASES FROM 2005 THROUGH  
19 2006. THERE'S BEEN A SIGNIFICANT CENSUS INCREASE AT HARBOR  
20 OVER THE PAST YEAR WITH THE INPATIENT WARDS INCREASING IN  
21 GENERAL FROM 332 TO ABOUT 353 PATIENTS, AVERAGE DAILY CENSUS,  
22 BUT WE HAVE DAYS THAT APPROACH 400 PATIENTS. THAT'S REALLY  
23 IMPORTANT, BECAUSE WHEN THE BEDS ARE VERY FULL THERE AREN'T  
24 NECESSARILY PLACES TO ADMIT PATIENTS WHO ARE DOWNSTAIRS  
25 WAITING FOR A BED. AND PROBABLY ON AVERAGE, THERE ARE ABOUT 11





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1 BOARDED PATIENTS AT ANY ONE TIME WAITING FOR A BED. OTHER  
2 THINGS THAT ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE CHALLENGE OVER THE PAST  
3 YEAR INCLUDE THE NURSING VACANCY RATE. E.D. NURSES ARE SOME OF  
4 THE HARDEST NURSES TO HIRE. THE CURRENT VACANCY RATE AS OF  
5 NOVEMBER 1ST WAS 16 PERCENT AT HARBOR. AND OCCASIONALLY THAT  
6 MEANS THAT WE HAVE TO CLOSE TREATMENT AREAS IN ALL OF OUR  
7 HOSPITALS, INCLUDING HARBOR. LET ME TALK WITH YOU ABOUT SOME  
8 OF THE ACTIONS THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS TAKEN TO DATE TO  
9 MITIGATE THOSE EFFORTS. BUT LET ME SAY CLEARLY THE MOST  
10 IMPORTANT THING TO HEALTH HARBOR IS TO CONTINUE OUR  
11 EXPEDITIOUS WORK TO REOPEN MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. AND  
12 THE WORKS TO-- THE WORK TO FIND A PRIVATE OPERATOR ARE WELL  
13 UNDERWAY.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S GOT TO BE A FASTER FIX THAN THAT.

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17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I HEAR YOU, SUPERVISOR. THE THREE KEY AREAS  
18 THAT WE ARE WORKING ON, THAT ARE UNDER OUR CONTROL, AND ARE  
19 OPERATIONAL, FOCUS ON TRYING TO INCREASE THE URGENT CARE AT  
20 HARBOR. HARBOR ITSELF HAS ALREADY BEEN INCREASING ITS URGENT  
21 CARE UNDER ITS CURRENT BUDGET. WE HAVE FINISHED A BUDGETING  
22 PLAN WHICH THE C.E.O. STAFF HAS RECEIVED AND IS LOOKING AT,  
23 AND WE'LL BE BRINGING BEFORE YOUR BOARD SHORTLY TO INCREASE  
24 THE URGENT CARE EVEN FURTHER ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT'S IN ITS  
25 CURRENT BUDGET, SPECIFICALLY ON NIGHTS AND WEEKENDS. WE'VE



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1 OPENED THE ADDITIONAL BEDS, WHICH GIVES THEM MORE FLEXIBILITY,  
2 SO THAT'S ANOTHER AREA. WE'RE LOOKING AT WAYS TO INCREASE THE  
3 EFFICIENCY OF THE E.R. ITSELF. THE E.R. STAFF HAS DONE A  
4 REALLY FINE JOB OF THAT THEMSELVES, LOOKING AT WAYS OF PRE-  
5 POSITIONING RESIDENTS TO DO STANDARD ORDERS, TO SEE PATIENTS  
6 EARLY ON, SO BY THE TIME THEY GET BACK IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM  
7 THE LAB TESTS ARE ALL THERE AND AVAILABLE. AND THE HOSPITAL  
8 HAS ASKED FOR, AND WE WILL BE WORKING WITH THEM ON, ENGAGING A  
9 CONSULTANT TO LOOK AT ANYTHING THAT THEY CAN DO WITH RESPECT  
10 TO WORK FLOW REDESIGN, TO MAKE THE E.R. FUNCTION MORE  
11 EFFICIENTLY. THE OTHER THING WE CAN DO TO HELP HARBOR IS TO  
12 MOVE PATIENTS OUT OF THE HOSPITAL MORE QUICKLY, AND TO THAT  
13 END WE HAVE WITH THE HELP OF E.M.S. BEGUN WORK ON THE  
14 IMPLEMENTATION OF A MINI MACK CENTER RIGHT ON SITE TO HELP  
15 MOVE PATIENTS. THAT LINKS WITH THE WORK FLOW A BIT, BECAUSE  
16 THE RESIDENTS ADMIT PATIENTS TO THE WARDS AS SOON AS IT'S  
17 CLEAR THAT THEY NEED TO BE ADMITTED. BUT WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS  
18 IDENTIFY THE SUBSET OF PATIENTS WHO SHOULD REMAIN AT HARBOR AS  
19 OPPOSED TO THOSE WHO WE CAN TRANSFER OUT, INCLUDING  
20 TRANSFERRING PATIENTS OUT TO SAINT VINCENT'S AND THE OTHER  
21 METROCARE HOSPITALS AND USING THE CURRENT CONTRACTS WE HAVE IN  
22 PLACE TO DO THAT. SO WE'RE GOING TO PUT E.M.S. STAFF ON SITE  
23 IN THE HOSPITAL TO HELP THEM DO THAT PATIENT MOVEMENT AS  
24 OPPOSED TO JUST HAVING THEM BE IN THE E.M.S. OFFICES. FINALLY,  
25 WE ARE WORKING WITH THE FACILITY TO-- THE FACILITY HAS



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1 APPROACHED THE DEPARTMENT AND WE THINK IT MAKES SENSE TO  
2 EXPAND SOME OF THE HOSPITALIST COVERAGE THAT WE'RE USING AT  
3 RANCHO TO FACILITATE DISCHARGE OF PATIENTS FROM INPATIENT  
4 WARDS. WE'RE FINISHING THAT PLAN WITH THE STAFF AND WILL BE  
5 BRINGING THAT BEFORE YOUR BOARD ONCE THE HOSPITAL IS CONVINCED  
6 THAT THEY HAVE A PLAN THAT MAKES SENSE AND WE HAVE A BUDGET  
7 THAT MAKES SENSE. SO WE'RE TRYING TO IMPACT EACH AREA WHERE  
8 THE HOSPITAL IS IMPACTED. EXPANDING URGENT CARE SO PATIENTS  
9 DON'T HAVE TO BE SEEN IN THE E.R. AS MUCH. LOOKING TO INCREASE  
10 THE EFFICIENCY OF THE E.R. ITSELF, WHERE POSSIBLE. AND FINALLY  
11 TO HELP THEM TRANSFER MORE PATIENTS OUT. ALL THREE OF THOSE  
12 ARE AT PLAY. THAT'S MY REPORT TO YOUR BOARD AND I'LL BE GLAD  
13 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. ANTONOVICH.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHERE ARE WE ON THE RETRAINING OF THE  
18 EMPLOYEES AT M.L.K. WHO WERE NOT COMPETENT IN THEIR--?

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20 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ALL THAT WORK HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND  
21 REVIEWED BY THE C.E.O. STAFF.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEY'VE ALL BEEN RETRAINED OR THEY'VE  
24 BEEN?

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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** PERSONNEL ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN, THAT'S  
2 CORRECT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW MANY WERE RETRAINED? HOW MANY WERE  
5 TRANSFERRED? HOW MANY WERE LET GO?

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7 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, WE PROVIDED EACH OFFICE WRITTEN  
8 INFORMATION ABOUT THE STATUS. I DON'T HAVE THE DATA HERE WITH  
9 ME TODAY, BUT IT'S BEEN PROVIDED TO EACH OFFICE, INCLUDING  
10 YOURS. I'LL BE GLAD TO REPROVIDE IT.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THERE'S BEEN NO PROBLEMS WITH THOSE WHO  
13 HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO OTHER MEDICAL FACILITIES?

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15 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** AGAIN EVERYBODY WENT THROUGH AN EVALUATION  
16 AND TRAINING PROCESS ON THEIR WAY OUT, AS WELL ON THEIR WAY  
17 IN. AND ANYBODY WHO WAS FOUND TO HAVE TRAINING-- HAVE ISSUES  
18 ON THEIR WAY IN THE DOOR, WERE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
19 RETRAIN OR PERSONNEL ACTIONS WERE TAKEN. ONE WAY OR ANOTHER,  
20 SUPERVISOR, WE PUT IN PLACES TO TAKE DEFINITIVE ACTIONS.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** ONE OF THE PLACES THAT HAS BEEN IMPACTED ARE OUR  
2 COMPREHENSIVE CLINICS, FOR INSTANCE, HUMPHREY. AND HOW ARE WE  
3 DEALING WITH THAT, OR WHAT CAN WE DO? I KNOW THAT FIRST OF ALL  
4 WE SHOULD HAVE A TEMPORARY PERSON WHO WAS THE ADMINISTRATOR AT  
5 HUMPHREY. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THEY HAVE BEEN IMPACTED WITH  
6 MORE PEOPLE. I SUSPECT THEY'RE NOT THE ONLY ONES. PROBABLY  
7 SOME OF THE OTHER COMPREHENSIVE CLINICS.

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9 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT  
10 WE WILL BE WORKING ON WITH THE C.E.O.'S STAFF AS WE HEAD INTO  
11 THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE CLINICS AT KING, THE NEXT PHASE OF  
12 THE MACK RESTRUCTURING, WE NEED TO LOOK-- IN THE SAME BREATH  
13 WE NEED TO LOOK PARTICULARLY AT HUMPHREY. HUMPHREY'S VISITS  
14 HAVE DECREASED OVER THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS. THEIR STAFFING  
15 HASN'T DECREASED SIGNIFICANTLY, TO MY KNOWLEDGE. I THINK THAT  
16 THERE ARE EFFICIENCY OPPORTUNITIES THERE. WE ARE ACTIVELY  
17 ADDRESSING THE LEADERSHIP ISSUES AT KING. WE'RE CLOSE TO  
18 IDENTIFYING SINCE DR. SPLAWN IS NOW BACK DOWNTOWN, WE ARE  
19 CLOSE TO IDENTIFYING A PERMANENT PERSON TO SERVE IN A CHIEF  
20 MEDICAL OFFICER ROLE FOR THE MACK, STABILIZING THE OTHER  
21 LEADERSHIP, AND WE NEED TO DO THE SAME THING AT HUMPHREY. THAT  
22 IS IMPORTNAT. I THINK THAT THEY AREE SEEING MORE PATIENTS, BUT  
23 I ALSO THINK THAT THEY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE MORE  
24 PATIENTS GIVEN THE RESOURCES THAT ARE THERE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** ON ANOTHER SUBJECT, DOES CENTINELA HOSPITAL TAKE  
2 ANY OF OUR C.H.P. PATIENTS? DO WE HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THEM?

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4 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES WE DO, SUPERVISOR.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** DO WE HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE REORGANIZATION  
7 THERE AND ACQUISITIONS? SINCE I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT ACTUALLY  
8 WHEN THE PRESENT H.M.O. CONTRACTS COME TO A CONCLUSION, THAT  
9 THE PRESENT OWNER, AS A MATTER OF PRACTICE, ORDINARILY DOES  
10 NOT ENTER INTO THOSE CONTRACTS. SO I WONDER WHAT WILL HAPPEN  
11 WITH OUR C.H.P. PATIENTS IF THEY'RE GOING TO CENTENELA AND I  
12 DON'T KNOW WHAT OTHER HOSPITALS WE HAVE AGREEMENTS AND WHAT'S  
13 GOING TO HAPPEN TO THEM?

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15 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, IF HISTORY IS YOUR GUIDE, THEN  
16 YOU'RE RIGHT. THE CURRENT PURCHASER IS LIKELY TO CANCEL THE  
17 MANAGED CARE CONTRACTS. MANY, IF NOT ALL, OF THE MANAGED CARE  
18 CONTRACTS THAT THE HOSPITAL CURRENTLY HOLDS. AND GIVEN PAST  
19 PRACTICE, I AM CONCERNED, VERY CONCERNED, THAT THAT'S AN  
20 IMPORTANT RISK. NOW, I WILL SAY TO YOU THAT THAT WILL BE A  
21 RISK FOR EVERY SINGLE HEALTH PLAN, L.A. CARE, ALL OF ITS  
22 SUBCONTRACTORS TOO.

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** YES, EVERYONE.

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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WE WILL ALL BE FORCED TO MAKE ALTERNATIVE  
2 ARRANGEMENTS. I THINK THERE IS THE KIND OF BASIC REQUIREMENT,  
3 WHICH IS PUT OUT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGED HEALTHCARE,  
4 AROUND ACCESS STANDARDS. AND THERE IS-- YOU KNOW, WE NEED TO  
5 GO BACK AND LOOK AT THE MAPS, BUT JUST FROM MY OWN EXPERIENCE,  
6 SUPERVISOR, THERE ARE OTHER HOSPITALS IN THE AREA, BUT WHETHER  
7 THEY'RE CONVENIENT OR NOT IS DIFFERENT THAN WHETHER THEY MEET  
8 SOME TECHNICAL DISTANCE STANDARD. I THINK THAT ALL OF THE  
9 HEALTH PLANS, PARTICULARLY THE MEDI-CAL HEALTH PLANS, WILL  
10 FACE AN IMPORTANT CHALLENGE IN THAT AREA, INCLUDING US. I WILL  
11 SAY TO A DEGREE IT COULD HELP US WITH RESPECT TO FINDING A  
12 PRIVATE OPERATOR FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL TO REOPEN IT.  
13 THERE'S A LARGE MEDICAID POPULATION THAT NEEDS SERVICE. AND I  
14 THINK THAT ANY PRIVATE OPERATOR THAT WILL REOPEN MARTIN LUTHER  
15 KING HOSPITAL WILL DO SO IN A WAY THAT CHANGES THE PAYOR MIX.  
16 AND WHAT THAT WILL CREATE IS AN OPPORTUNITY POTENTIALLY FOR A  
17 PRIVATE OPERATOR TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL AND BE ABLE TO GROW A  
18 PAYOR MIX VERY QUICKLY THAT IS LIKELY TO BE PROFITABLE OR HELP  
19 THE HOSPITAL HAVE-- BE RIGHT SIDE UP FAIRLY QUICKLY. BECAUSE  
20 THERE ARE A FAIR NUMBER OF ONE-TIME COSTS IN REOPENING A  
21 HOSPITAL. SO I THINK IT'S A SERIOUS CHALLENGE. I AM CONCERNED.  
22 IT'S A POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITY, AND WE'LL JUST HAVE TO ADDRESS  
23 IT AS IT COMES FORWARD.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I CAN SEE WHERE THERE MIGHT BE AN OPENING THERE  
2 FOR SOMEONE WHO COMES INTO KING. THANK YOU.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? DR. CLAVREUL.

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6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, I'M ASTONISHED TO HEAR WE  
8 HAVE 16 PERCENT NURSING VACANCY AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. THAT'S  
9 HUGE. AND THAT PROBLEM IS GETTING WORSE, BECAUSE, I DON'T  
10 REMEMBER IT WAS THAT HIGH LAST YEAR OR THE YEAR BEFORE. I'M  
11 TOTALLY CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON, ESPECIALLY MS.  
12 BURKE'S QUESTION ABOUT HUMPHREY. HUMPHREY, ACCORDING TO A  
13 PRESS CREDENTIAL THAT MISS EPPS GAVE NOT TOO LONG AGO, IS  
14 UNDER DIRECT JURISDICTION. AND I STILL HAVE NOT RECEIVED A  
15 RESPONSE TO MY RECORD OF PUBLIC ACT, TO SEE HOW MUCH MISS EPPS  
16 WAS MAKING YET. I'M ENTITLED TO IT. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT  
17 WITHIN 72 HOURS. AND, YOU KNOW, SOMEBODY WHO HAS FAILED, AND  
18 NOW IS PUT IN CHARGE OF THAT PROGRAM, IT'S RIDICULOUS. FIRST  
19 SHE SHOWED SHE HAD NO HONOR OR SHE WOULD HAVE RESIGNED THE DAY  
20 WE FAILED C.M.S. THAT WOULD BE THE LEAST SHE COULD HAVE DONE.  
21 BUT THAT NOW SHE'S IN CHARGE OF A VERY FRAGILE AND ESSENTIAL  
22 SYSTEM IS SCARY. DO YOU CARE WHAT KIND OF CARE THE PATIENT  
23 RECEIVES? I THINK THE FIRST THING SHOULD HAVE BEEN, SHE SHOULD  
24 NOT BE IN CHARGE. ANYWAY, FOR YOUR INFORMATION, I AM VERY  
25 CONCERNED ALSO THAT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS HAVE LOST THEIR



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1 PERMANENT ACCREDITATION. THEY ARE NOW UNDER A PROVISIONAL  
2 ACCREDITATION. THIS WAS THE PREMIER OF REHABILITATION HOSPITAL  
3 NOT ONLY IN THE UNITED STATES, BUT IN THE WORLD. HOW WE WENT  
4 FROM BEING THE PREMIER TO NOT MEETING THE ACCREDITATION. HOW  
5 MANY PEOPLE HAVE FROM KING TOO WERE CASCADED DOWN TO LOS  
6 AMIGOS. HOW PEOPLE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THOSE FAILURES? I MEAN,  
7 THE SYSTEM IS FALLING APART. I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO REALLY  
8 LOOK AT WHAT'S GOING ON THERE. TO NOT HAVE EVEN MET 77 PERCENT  
9 OF THAT IS SCARY, AND I WILL SUGGEST THAT YOU DO A BETTER JOB.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

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13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I HAVE TWO ARTICLES FOR YOU. TWO  
14 LETTERS TO THE EDITOR FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** TO THE ITEM-- RECEIVE AND FILE WITHOUT  
17 OBJECTION. PUBLIC COMMENT WE HAVE KAREN MORRIS.

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19 **KAREN MORRIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS. I  
20 IMAGINE I WILL BE BEFORE THIS BOARD ON ANOTHER OCCASION WITH A  
21 DIFFERENT VOICE. BUT I'M ACTUALLY HERE TODAY TO GIVE PROPS, TO  
22 GIVE COMMENDATION, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND  
23 COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN. OVER THE LAST TWO AND A HALF WEEKS  
24 S.E.I.U. 721 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND  
25 COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN MANAGEMENT HAVE MET, DURING THE MEET AND



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1 CONFER PROCESS, TO DISCUSS THE MCKESSON CONTRACT. AND THE  
2 CONTRACT FOR DISEASE MANAGEMENT, COMPLEX CASE MANAGEMENT,  
3 NURSE ADVISEMENT, WELLNESS, SERVICES. AND AS A RESULT OF THAT  
4 MEET AND CONFER PROCESS, THE UNION HAS AGREED WITH MANAGEMENT  
5 TO ESTABLISH A JOINT LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE  
6 FEASIBILITY OF, AND THE PROCESS FOR, BRINGING THESE SERVICES  
7 IN-HOUSE AND SUPPORTING OUR COUNTY TALENT. OVER THE PAST 20  
8 YEARS DR. GUDERMAN HAS ESTABLISHED HIMSELF AS A LEADER IN  
9 DISEASE MANAGEMENT. AND HIS CLINICAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  
10 PROGRAM HAS BEEN ACCREDITED BY J.H.A.C.O. AND LAUDED BY P.B.S.  
11 AS AN INNOVATIVE PROGRAM IN MEDICINE. HUNDREDS OF COUNTY  
12 CLINICAL STAFF HAVE BEEN TRAINED IN THE PROGRAM. AND WE'RE  
13 JUST VERY PLEASED THAT BOTH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
14 MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN MANAGEMENT HAS AGREED TO  
15 WORK WITH US TO MAKE SURE THAT A FEASIBILITY STUDY IS  
16 CONDUCTED. AND SO I JUST WANTED TO THANK THEM PUBLICLY.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A CLOSED SESSION.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS  
21 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
22 CONVENE IN CLOSED DISCUSSION TO DISCUSS CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH  
23 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION,  
24 ONE CASE, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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5 No reportable action was taken on Item CS-1. In Open Session,

6 the Board continued Item CS-2 one week to December 4, 2007.

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