

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 381B OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012 Tuesday, January 28, 2025

9:30 AM

# Present: Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

Video Link for the Entire Meeting (03-1075)

## Attachments: Video Transcript

Invocation led by Father Vaughn Winters, Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic Church, Santa Clarita (5).

Pledge of Allegiance led by Harold K. Hicks Jr., former Third Class Petty Officer, United States Navy, Los Angeles (1).

## I. PRESENTATIONS

Presentation of scroll to God's Pantry, in recognition of their important work in hosting food distributions, increasing food access through their culinary program, and offering supportive services, as arranged by Supervisor Solis.

Presentation of scrolls to Second District Community Budget Group: A Participatory Budget Pilot, honoring co-governance and community leadership, as arranged by Supervisor Mitchell.

Presentation of scroll to the Community Brigade, in partnership with the Los Angeles County Fire Department, for their heroic actions and support during the Franklin and Palisades Fires, as arranged by Supervisor Horvath.

Presentation of scrolls to the 605 All Star Band, in recognition of their outstanding performance in the 136th Rose Parade on January 1, 2025, as arranged by Supervisor Hahn.

Presentation of scrolls to Eaton Fire community heroes, as arranged by Supervisor Barger. (25-0555)

## II. SET MATTER 11:00 AM

# Set Report on Continuum of Care for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Matter Beds

1.

Report by the Director of Mental Health, and other relevant Departments, on the Continuum of Care for mental health and substance use disorder beds, as requested at the Board meeting of May 2, 2023. (Continued from the meetings of 9-17-24, 12-10-24 and 1-14-25) (23-1834)

## Interested person(s) submitted written testimony.

By Common Consent, there being no objection, this item was continued to March 18, 2025.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

#### <u>Attachments:</u>

Report Public Comment/Correspondence

Presentation

## III. PUBLIC HEARINGS 2 - 9

# 2. Hearing on Annexation and Levying of Assessments for County Lighting Districts in the Unincorporated Area of Castaic

Hearing on the annexation of the single-lot project known as L 038-2020 located in the unincorporated area of Castaic (5), to County Lighting Maintenance District (CLMD)1687 and County Lighting District Landscaping and Lighting Act-1 (CLD LLA-1), Unincorporated Zone; order the tabulation of assessment ballots submitted and not withdrawn, in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed assessments; and if there is no majority protest, adopt a resolution ordering annexation of the single-lot territory to CLMD 1687 and CLD LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone, confirming a diagram and assessment and levying of assessments within the annexed territory for Fiscal Year 2025-26; and adopt joint resolutions between the Board and other taxing agencies approving and accepting the negotiated exchange of property tax revenues resulting from the annexation of single-lot territory to CLMD 1687, as approved by the nonexempt taxing agencies. (Department of Public Works) (Continued from the meeting of 12-10-24) (24-4689)

The Department of Public Works submitted a written statement for the record.

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Elaine Kunitake, Assistant Deputy Director, Department of Public Works, was present. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. No interested persons addressed the Board. Correspondence was received.

By Common Consent, there being no objection, the Board closed the public hearing and instructed the Executive Officer of the Board to tabulate the assessment ballots submitted and not withdrawn, in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed annexation and levying of annual assessments; and tabled the matter for later in the meeting for a report on the tabulation of the ballots and decision.

Ayes:5 -Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, SupervisorHorvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

Later in the meeting, after tabulating the ballots, the Executive Officer reported that a determination was made that no majority protest exists against the proposed annexation and levying of assessments of single-lot territory L 038-2020 within the unincorporated area of Castaic to County Lighting Maintenance District (CLMD) 1687 and County Lighting District Landscaping and Lighting Act-1 (CLD LLA-1), Unincorporated Zone.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Solis, seconded by Supervisor Horvath, the Board took the following actions:

- Made a finding that the annexation and assessments are for the purposes of meeting operating expenses, purchasing supplies, equipment or materials, meeting financial reserve needs and requirements, and obtaining funds for capital projects, including the operation and maintenance of streetlights necessary to maintain service within the proposed annexation territory;
- 2. Made a determination that no majority protest exists against the proposed annexation and levying of assessments;
- 3. Adopted a resolution ordering annexation of single-lot territory to CLMD 1687 and CLD LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone, confirming a diagram and assessment and levying of assessments within the annexed territory for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26; and the annexation and the exchange of property tax revenues shall not become effective unless the legal description for the annexed territory is approved as to definiteness and certainty by the Assessor, with the adoption of the resolution ordering annexation to constitute the levying of assessments in FY 2025-26; and
- 4. Adopted joint resolutions between the Board and other taxing agencies approving and accepting the negotiated exchange of property tax revenues resulting from the annexation of single-lot territory to CLMD 1687, as approved by the nonexempt taxing agencies.

#### Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

- Ayes:4 -Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, SupervisorHorvath and Supervisor Hahn
- Absent: 1 Supervisor Barger
- Attachments:
   Board Letter

   Department Statement
   Public Comment/Correspondence

   Audio I
   Audio II

# 3. Hearing on Annexation and Levying of Assessments for County Lighting Districts in the Unincorporated Area of Covina

Hearing on the annexation of approved tentative subdivision project known as Tract No. 83183 located in the unincorporated area of Covina (1), to County Lighting Maintenance District (CLMD) 1687 and County Lighting District Landscaping and Lighting Act-1 (CLD LLA-1), Unincorporated Zone; order the tabulation of assessment ballots submitted and not withdrawn, in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed assessments; and if there is no majority protest, adopt a resolution ordering annexation of the approved tentative subdivision territory to CLMD 1687 and CLD LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone, confirming a diagram and assessment and levying of assessments within the annexed territory for Fiscal Year 2025-26; and adopt joint resolutions between the Board and other taxing agencies approving and accepting the negotiated exchange of property tax revenues resulting from the annexation of subdivision territory to CLMD 1687, as approved by the nonexempt taxing agencies. **(Department of Public Works)** (24-5589)

The Department of Public Works submitted a written statement for the record.

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Elaine Kunitake, Assistant Deputy Director, Department of Public Works, was present. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. No interested persons addressed the Board. Correspondence was received.

By Common Consent, there being no objection, the Board closed the public hearing and instructed the Executive Officer of the Board to tabulate the assessment ballots submitted and not withdrawn, in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed annexation and levying of annual assessments; and tabled the matter for later in the meeting for a report on the tabulation of the ballots and decision.

> Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

Later in the meeting, after tabulating the ballots, the Executive Officer reported that a determination was made that no majority protest exists against the proposed annexation and levying of assessments of tentative subdivision territory Tract No. 83183 within the unincorporated area of Covina to County Lighting Maintenance District (CLMD) 1687 and County Lighting District Landscaping and Lighting Act-1 (CLD LLA-1), Unincorporated Zone.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Solis, seconded by Supervisor Hahn, the Board took the following actions:

- Made a finding that the annexation and assessments are for the purposes of meeting operating expenses, purchasing supplies, equipment, or materials, meeting financial reserve needs and requirements, and obtaining funds for capital projects, including the operation and maintenance of streetlights necessary to maintain service within the proposed annexation territory;
- 2. Made a determination that no majority protest exists against the proposed annexation and levying of assessments;
- 3. Adopted a resolution ordering annexation of approved tentative subdivision territory to CLMD 1687 and CLD LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone, confirming a diagram and assessment and levying of assessments within the annexed territory for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26; and the annexation, levying of assessments, and the exchange of property tax revenues shall not become effective unless the legal description for the annexed territory is approved as to definiteness and certainty by the Assessor, with the adoption of the resolution ordering annexation to constitute the levying of assessments in FY 2025-26; and
- 4. Adopted joint resolutions between the Board and other taxing agencies approving and accepting the negotiated exchange of property tax revenues resulting from the annexation of subdivision territory to CLMD 1687 as approved by the nonexempt taxing agencies.

#### Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

| Ayes: | 4 - | Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor |
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|       |     | Horvath and Supervisor Hahn                       |

Absent: 1 - Supervisor Barger

Attachments: Board Letter Department Statement Public Comment/Correspondence Audio I Audio II

## 4. Hearing on Annual Pass-Through Five-Year Water Rate Adjustment

Hearing on adoption of a resolution, acting as the Governing Body of the Waterworks Districts and the Marina del Rey Water System (County Districts) (2, 3 and 5), to adopt a schedule of water rates, effective for service provided on February 1, 2025, and authorizing the Director of Public Works to adjust the water rates annually over a five-year period to pass-through cost increases due to inflation and/or the cost of purchasing water from the wholesale water agencies serving the County Districts; authorize the Director of Public Works to amend the Rules and Regulations of the County Districts to adjust the water rates annually over a five-year period and to implement the water rate changes effective at least 30 days after adjustment notices are sent to customers; if no majority written protest exists against the proposed plan, adopt the resolution; and find the purpose of adjustments to the water rates shown in County Districts are to meet the operating expenses necessary to maintain service within existing service areas and are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. (Department of Public Works) 4-VOTES (25-0576)

## Correspondence was received.

# On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Supervisor Mitchell, this item was referred back to the Department.

Ayes:5 -Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, SupervisorHorvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Board Letter</u> Public Comment/Correspondence

## 5. Hearing on Amendments to Power Purchase Agreements for Renewable Energy Systems

Hearing on the amendments to Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) for the expansion of renewable energy systems at two County facilities to increase the amounts of the PPAs by no more than 10% of the original PPA amount for each PPA as a contingency for additional, unforeseen project cost increases and authorize the Director of Internal Services to execute the amendments; adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines 15070(b), 15074 California Public Resources Code 21080 (c); find that the MND for the expansion of renewable energy systems at two County facilities, along with any comments received during the public review process, reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Board, and that the Mitigation Monitoring Program is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation, and that, on the basis of the whole record before the Board, that there is no substantial evidence the project may have a significant effect on the environment, and find that the proposed project has no effect on fish and wildlife. **(Internal Services Department)** (25-0575)

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. Eric Preven addressed the Board. Correspondence was received.

On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Supervisor Solis, the Board closed the public hearing and took the following actions:

1. Adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines 15070(b), 15074, California Public Resources Code 21080(c), made a finding that the MND for the expansion of renewable energy systems at two County facilities, along with any comments received during the public review process, reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Board, made a finding that the Mitigation Monitoring Program is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation, and that, on the basis of the whole record before the Board, that there is no substantial evidence the project may have a significant effect on the environment, and made a finding that the proposed project has no effect on fish and wildlife, and authorized the Director of Internal Services to complete and file a Certificate of Fee Exemption for the project with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk; and

2. Authorized the Director of Internal Services to execute amendments not to exceed 10% more than the original Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) amount for each PPA as a contingency for additional, unforeseen project cost increases.

## Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

<u>Attachments:</u> Board Letter Public Comment/Correspondence Audio

### 6. Hearing on Project No. PRJ2022-004615-(2 and 4), South Bay Area Plan Project

Hearing on the South Bay Area Plan (SBAP) Project No. PRJ2022-004615-(2 and 4), Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2022014508, Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2022014509, General Plan Amendment No. RPPL2023004724, Zone Change No. RPPL2023004725, Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2022014512, and the associated amendments to the General Plan and its accompanying Land Use Policy Map, County Code, Title 22 - Planning Zoning, including the zoning map, and the West Carson Transit Oriented District (TOD) Specific Plan, collectively known as the Project, the SBAP is a component of the General Plan that guides development in the eight unincorporated communities within the South Bay Planning Area (Planning Area) over the next 20 years, including Alondra Park/El Camino Village, Del Aire, Hawthorne Island, La Rambla, Lennox, West Carson, Westfield/Academy Hills, and Wiseburn; the associated amendments to the General Plan, County Code Title 22 and West Carson TOD Specific Plan implement the goals and policies in the SBAP and maintain consistency between the General Plan, the SBAP, and the SBAP's implementing documents, the proposed General Plan Land Use Policy Map amendments will establish the long-range vision for the general intended uses within the Planning Area, as well as development density, the proposed Zoning Map amendments implement that vision on a parcel-level through zoning that regulates specific allowable uses and development standards, State law requires that the Zoning Map be consistent with the Land Use Policy Map, the Project proposes land use and zoning changes in the following categories: Housing Element land use and zoning changes, technical changes, and Opportunity Areas; the Housing Element identifies a list of sites in the South Bay Planning Area that must be redesignated by 2025 in accordance with the County's Regional Housing Needs Allocation shortfall, total of 94 properties are proposed to be redesignated to accommodate 5,361 potential units, technical changes are proposed for 2,511 properties in the Planning Area to fix inconsistencies between land use and zoning designations, reflect existing conditions on the ground, and ensure consistency with the General Plan Land Use Policy legend, opportunity Areas implement the SBAP's and General Plan's goals to increase housing opportunities, focus growth in areas near transit, and transition underutilized sites to ensure compatibility with surrounding uses and reflect changing development patterns, the northeastern portion of the Del Aire community is identified as an opportunity area in the General Plan and as such, a total of 283 properties in the community of Del Aire are selected for land use and zoning changes because of their proximity to high quality transit, land use and zoning changes are proposed for an additional 13 properties identified as opportunity areas in the Planning Area as they are vacant, underutilized, and/or incompatible with adjacent established uses, these changes will facilitate the transition of these sites to uses that reflect surrounding development patterns, the Project also amends County Code, Title 22 to establish the South Bay Planning

Area Standards District (PASD) with two new Community Standards Districts (CSDs) for the communities of Del Aire and Wiseburn and six reserved CSDs for potential future community-specific development standards for the communities of Alondra Park/El Camino Village, Hawthorne Island, La Rambla, Lennox, West Carson, and Westfield/Academy Hills, the PASD establishes new areawide standards for residential, commercial, industrial, and mixed use development, addressing issues such as landscaping, lighting, and setback requirements, the Project also amends the West Carson TOD Specific Plan to move regulations and development standards from the Specific Plan into County Code, Title 22, while other non-regulatory information remains in the Specific Plan outside of County Code, Title 22, the northern boundary of the Specific Plan is proposed to be expanded to include parcels associated with the Alpine Village property, along with this change, the existing Light Industrial land use policy is proposed to be updated to General Commercial and the new Alpine Village Zone designation for the parcels is being established, these proposed changes are intended to help protect the existing historic landmark on the site while also accommodating future commercial and non-residential uses, as a lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act, the Board will consider the effects of the Project as shown in the Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), will consider certification of the Final PEIR with Alternative E - Reduced Density in Del Aire (H30 to H18), and will consider adoption of the associated Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. (On October 31, 2024, the Regional Planning Commission recommended approval of this project.) (Department of Regional Planning) (Continued from the meeting of 1-21-25) (25-0028)

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Amy Bodek, Director of Regional Planning, made a presentation and responded to questions posed by the Board. Connie Chung, Deputy Director, Department of Regional Planning, was also present. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. Jason Joseph, Briana Eagan, Toby Muresianu, Eric Preven, Anna Lee, Keith Pittluck, Cynthia Babich, Andrew Salimian, Courtney Miles, Mahdi Manji, Sean Kearney, Jacob Pierce, Scott Epstein, and William Frankenfeld addressed the Board. Correspondence was received.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Mitchell, seconded by Supervisor Hahn, the Board closed the public hearing and took the following actions:

 Certified that the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2022014512, with Alternative E – Reduced Density in Del Aire (H30 to H18) for the South Bay Area Plan, Project No. PRJ2022-004615-(2 and 4) (Project), has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the County; made a finding that the Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final PEIR prior to approving the Project, adopted the Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP), finding that the MMP is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation; and made a determination that the significant adverse effects of the Project have either been reduced to an acceptable level or are outweighed by the specific overriding considerations of the Project, as outlined in the Environmental Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, which findings and statement are adopted and incorporated by reference;

- Indicated its intent to approve the Project, Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2022014508, Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2022014509, General Plan Amendment No. RPPL2023004724, Zone Change No. RPPL2023004725, Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2022014512, as recommended by the Regional Planning Commission; and
- 3. Instructed County Counsel to prepare the necessary final documents for the Project for the Board's consideration.

#### Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

| Ayes: | 4 - | Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor |
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|       |     | Horvath and Supervisor Hahn                       |

- Absent: 1 Supervisor Barger
- <u>Attachments:</u> Board Letter <u>Presentation</u> <u>Public Comment/Correspondence</u> <u>Audio</u>

### 7. Hearing on Project No. 2023-001700-(2 and 3), The Westside Area Plan Project

Hearing on the Westside Area Plan (WSAP) Project No. 2023-001700-(2 and 3), Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2023002448, General Plan Amendment No. RPPL2023002433, Zone Change No. RPPL2023002450, Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2023002449, and the associated amendments to the General Plan and its accompanying Land Use Policy Map, County Code, Title 22 -Planning and Zoning, including the zoning map, the WSAP is a component of the General Plan that guides development in the seven unincorporated communities within the Westside Planning Area (Planning Area) over the next 20 years including Ladera Heights and View Park/Windsor Hills, Marina del Rey, Ballona Wetlands, West Los Angeles (Sawtelle Veterans Affairs), West Fox Hills, Franklin Canyon, and Gilmore Island; the associated amendments to the General Plan and County Code, Title 22 implement the goals and policies in the WSAP and maintain consistency between the General Plan, the WSAP, and the WSAP's implementing documents, the proposed General Plan Land Use Policy Map amendments will establish the long-range vision for the general intended uses within the Planning Area, as well as development density, the proposed Zoning Map amendments implement that vision on a parcel-level through zoning that regulates specific allowable uses and development standards, state law requires that the Zoning Map be consistent with the Land Use Policy Map, the Project proposes land use and zoning in the following categories: Housing Element land use and zoning changes, administrative changes, and Opportunity Areas; the Housing Element identifies a list of sites in the Westside Planning Area that must be redesignated by 2025 in accordance with the County's Regional Housing Needs Allocation shortfall, a total of 62 properties are proposed to be redesignated to accommodate 5,548 potential units, administrative changes are proposed for 810 properties in the Planning Area to fix inconsistencies between land use and zoning designations, reflect existing conditions on the ground, and ensure consistency with the General Plan Land Use Policy legend, the land use changes for the Opportunity Sites implement the WSAP's and General Plan's goals to increase housing diversity and commercial options along major corridors and near transit, increase housing opportunities, bring diverse land uses in proximity to residential neighborhoods, promote walkable communities, and focus growth in areas with existing infrastructure while preserving the community's character and culture, there are 10 Opportunity Sites, the Project amends County Code, Title 22 to establish the Westside Planning Area Standards District (PASD) with two new Community Standards Districts (CSDs) for the communities of Ladera Heights and View Park/Windsor Hills and one reserved CSD for potential future community-specific development standards for the unincorporated Del Rey, the PASD establishes new areawide standards for residential and mixed-use development, addressing issues such as landscaping, lighting, and setback requirements, as a lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act, the Board will consider the effects of the Project as

shown in the Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), will consider certification of the Final PEIR, and will consider adoption of the associated Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. (On October 23, 2024, the Regional Planning Commission recommended approval of this project.) **(Department of Regional Planning)** (Continued from the meeting of 1-21-25) (25-0006)

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Amy Bodek, Director of Regional Planning, made a presentation and responded to questions posed by the Board. Connie Chung, Deputy Director, Department of Regional Planning, was also present. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. David Oliver, Andrew Salimian, Alecia Molezion-Smith, Angela Sherick Bright, Diana Zimmerman, Catharine Cottles, Michelle Ballard, Tracie Lyons, Toni Mcdonald Tabor, Toby Muresianu and Andrea Alexander addressed the Board. Correspondence was received.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Mitchell, seconded by Supervisor Horvath, the Board closed the public hearing and took the following actions:

- Instructed the Director of Regional Planning to prepare development standards for the soon to be established Community Standards Districts (CSD) for Ladera Heights and View Park/Windsor Hills that contribute to preserving and enhancing the unique characteristics of these neighborhoods, the CSD, as the name implies, for each community should focus on development standards, not uses or density, and not regulate issues of Countywide importance, the development standards shall be informed by comprehensive and meaningful engagement with community stakeholders, the CSD should be developed in conjunction with the development of the capital improvement plan for the Westside Planning Area, if not sooner;
- 2. Certified that the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2023002449 for the Westside Area Plan, Project No. 2023-001700-(2 and 3) (Project), has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the County; made a finding that the Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final PEIR prior to approving the Project, adopted the Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP), finding that the MMP is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation; and made a determination that the significant adverse effects of the Project have either been reduced to an acceptable level or are outweighed by the specific overriding considerations of the Project, as outlined in the

Environmental Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, which findings and statement are adopted and incorporated by reference;

 Indicated its intent to approve the Project, Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2023002448, General Plan Amendment No. RPPL2023002433, Zone Change No. RPPL2023002450, as recommended by the Regional Planning Commission, except that the following provisions of County Code, Title 22 - Planning and Zoning amendments be modified:

References to West Fox Hills be changed to Unincorporated Del Rey;

All proposed standards and corresponding figures in Section 22.322.090.B of the Ladera Heights CSD be deleted;

All proposed standards and corresponding figures in Section 22.322.100.B of the View Park/Windsor Hills CSD be deleted; and

4. Instructed County Counsel to prepare the final documents for the Project for the Board's consideration.

## Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

- Ayes:4 -Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, SupervisorHorvath and Supervisor Hahn
- Absent: 1 Supervisor Barger
- <u>Attachments:</u> Board Letter <u>Motion by Supervisor Mitchell</u> <u>Public Comment/Correspondence</u> Audio
- 8. Hearing on Project No. PRJ2023-003193-(All Districts) Amending County Code, Title 2 - Administration and Title 22 - Planning and Zoning for the Tune Up Series 003 Ordinance

Hearing on Project No. PRJ2023-003193-(All Districts) and Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2023004662, amending County Code, Title 2 - Administration and Title 22 - Planning and Zoning with the Title 22 Tune Up Series 003 Ordinance (Ordinance), to make modifications where necessary to correct discrepancies, typographical errors and outdated and redundant provisions including, but not limited to, removing outdated language regarding Regional Planning Commission advisory membership (Chapter 2.108 - Regional Planning Commission); clarifying definitions (Section 22.14.160 - P) and provisions (Section 22.246.090) of the Public Art in Private Development Program; illustrating provisions for Fences and Walls (Section 22.110.070); correcting procedures for modifying or removing required fences and walls for Outdoor Storage (Section 22.140.430); correcting Commercial Zone Accessory Use code references (Section 22.20.030 - Land Use Regulations for Zones C-H, C-1, C-2, C-3, C-M, C-MJ, and C-R) for Home-Based Occupations (Section 22.140.290); correcting typographical errors (Sections 22.20.050 - Development Standards for Zones C-H, C-1, C-2, C-3, and C-M; 22.166.050 - Discretionary Housing Permit; 22.196.010 - Applicability (Yard Modifications); 22.312.080 - Area-Specific Development Standards (Castaic Area Community Standards District); and Chapter 22.140 - Standards for Specific Uses); correcting outdated names of County offices (Sections 22.22.080 -Development Standards for Zone M-2.5; 22.124.090 - Process for Designation of a Landmark; 22.124.100 - Process for Designation of a Historic District; 22.222.290 - Bonds and Insurance; 22.240.050 - Fee for Appeals; 22.250.010 -Filing Fees and Deposits; and 22.250.040 - eRecordation Fee); correcting the qualifying zones for Parking as a Transitional Use (Section 22.140.440); clarifying Procedures for Appeals and Calls for Review (Section 22.240.060); clarifying the Director's authority to withdraw or revise interpretations (Section 22.234.020); streamlining the administration of a Supplemental Fee Agreement (Section 22.262.040); administratively re-formatting Community Standards Districts to conform with the Planning Areas Framework of the General Plan (Division 10 -Planning Area and Community Standards Districts); clarifying the prohibition of incidental walkways in landscaped buffers in the Altadena Community Standards District (22.306.070 - Zone-Specific Development Standards); and correcting errors in the Florence-Firestone Transit-Oriented District Specific Plan Zones and Development Standards (Chapter 22.418); additionally, find that the adoption of this Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (Class 5 and Section 15061(b)(3)). (The Regional Planning Commission recommended approval of this project.) (Department of Regional Planning) (Continued from the meeting of 12-10-24) (24-5471)

#### Correspondence was received.

# On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Supervisor Mitchell, this item was continued to February 25, 2025.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

Attachments: Board Letter Public Comment/Correspondence

## 9. Hearing on Project No. PRJ2021-002039-(All Districts) the General Plan Safety Element Amendment

Hearing on Project No. PRJ2021-002039-(All Districts), Plan Amendment No. RPPL2024003096, to approve the General Plan Safety Element Amendment to identify residential developments in any hazard area identified in the Safety Element that do not have at least two emergency evacuation routes in compliance with Government Code Section 65302, subdivision (g)(5); and consider the Addendum to the Negative Declaration for PRJ2021-002039-(All Districts) Safety Element update, Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2024004068, along with the previously adopted Negative Declaration, prior to making a final decision on the Project. (Department of Regional Planning) (25-0504)

Correspondence was received.

**Board Letter** 

On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Supervisor Mitchell, this item was continued to February 25, 2025.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

<u>Attachments:</u>

Public Comment/Correspondence

#### IV. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS 10 - 11

#### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### **10.** After Action Report for the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events

Recommendation as submitted by Supervisors Barger and Horvath: Instruct County Counsel, in consultation with the Sheriff, Fire Chief and the Director of the Office of Emergency Management, to retain a consultant with subject matter expertise, to review the evacuation policies and emergency alert notification systems utilized by the County and its partners in responding to the Palisades and Eaton Fires, to review what the County, including the Sheriff, Fire Chief, and the Director of the Office of Emergency Management, did in terms of the evacuation efforts; and prepare and present a progress report back to the Board in writing in 90 days, and every 90 days thereafter, until the consultant has completed a comprehensive review. (25-0615)

Interested person(s) submitted written testimony.

On motion of Supervisor Hahn, seconded by Supervisor Solis, this item was duly carried by the following vote:

| Ayes: | 5 - | Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor |
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|       |     | Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger    |

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Motion by Supervisors Barger and Horvath</u> <u>Report</u> Public Comment/Correspondence

#### **Community Services**

#### 11. Annual Abatement of Hazardous Vegetation

Recommendation: Acting as the Governing Body of the County and the Consolidated Fire Protection District, adopt a resolution and establish the following dates, times, and locations for Hearings of Protest before the Weed Abatement and Brush Clearance Referees; and set March 25, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. for Public Hearing on a Weed Abatement and Defensible Space Clearance Program: (Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures and Fire Department) (Continued from the meeting of 1-14-25)

February 15, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. located at 5757 South Fairfax Avenue, Los Angeles;

February 18, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. located at 30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills;

February 19, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. located at 12300 Lower Azusa Road, Arcadia;

February 19, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. located at 1234 Valencia Avenue, Hacienda Heights;

February 20, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. located at 335 East Avenue K-10, Lancaster;

February 22, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. located at 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita; and

February 25, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. located at 5504 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes. (25-0212)

Interested person(s) submitted written testimony.

On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Supervisor Mitchell, this item was continued to February 18, 2025.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Revised Board Letter</u> Public Comment/Correspondence

## V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT 12

**12.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

Eric Preven, Anna Lee, Nick Kolev, and Kadeem Booth addressed the Board. Interested person(s) also submitted written testimony. (25-0794)

<u>Attachments:</u> Public Comment/Correspondence Audio Additions to the agenda which were posted more than 72 hours in advance of the meeting, as indicated on the supplemental agenda. (12-9995)

## 13-A. Los Angeles County Fire Recovery Fund

**Revised** recommendation as submitted by Supervisors Horvath and Barger: Approve the Chief Executive Officer's recommendations in her January 21, 2025 report entitled, "Report Back on Ratification of Proclamation of Local Emergency, Curfew Order, and Local Health Emergency Declaration for the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events (Item No. 31-A, Agenda of January 14, 2025" (Report), and direct the Chief Executive Officer to launch the Los Angeles County Fire Recovery Fund (Fund) to provide direct cash aid to homeowners, renters, business owners, workers, and other impacted community members in the Fire Events, the Fund will provide immediate, temporary assistance to impacted residents until longer term State and Federal recovery resources become available, and reallocate \$32,200,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) enabled funding to support residents, workers, and small businesses (including nonprofits), assistance will prioritize residents who have lost their homes, as described in the Report, to the Fund; instruct the Director of Consumer and Business Affairs, in collaboration with the Chief Executive Officer, and in consultation with the Executive Director of Racial Equity, and the Poverty Alleviation Initiative, to administer the Fund on behalf of the County, including developing a simplified application, providing program administration services, directly distributing funds to eligible residents prioritizing those most impacted, providing technical assistance, tracking and reporting how funds are distributed, and authorize the Director of Consumer and Business to amend existing contracts, enter into new contracts, launch and administer the Fund, and in administering the Fund, follow the overarching principles identified in the Report, and use the criteria attached to the Report, and all applications materials and outreach related to the Fund must be culturally and linguistically competent; and take the following actions:

Authorize the Director of Consumer and Business Affairs to negotiate, execute, and amend, as necessary, agreements to implement and advance the above, and the Board shall waive the requirements of Board Policy No. 5.100 for these agreements for up to three years to implement the Fund;

Instruct the Directors of Consumer and Business Affairs and Economic Opportunity, to report back to the Board in writing in seven days with an update on the implementation progress and an estimated timeline for launching and funding applications, these Funds should first fund and prioritize those most immediately and directly impacted by the Fire Events; and provide regular updates to the Board on the progress on implementing and disbursing all Funds to support residents, workers, and small businesses;

To the extent the Chief Executive Officer, and the Directors of Economic Opportunity and Consumer and Business Affairs have taken any actions including, but not limited to, executing contracts, to launch the Funds described above after the filing of the Report, but before the approval of this motion, ratify such actions; and

Direct the Chief Executive Officer to continue to identify available County dollars that can be repositioned to support victims of the fires. (25-0739)

Colin Campbell addressed the Board. Interested person(s) also submitted written testimony.

Supervisors Horvath and Barger revised their joint motion as detailed above.

On motion of Supervisor Hahn, seconded by Supervisor Solis, this item, as revised, was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

 Attachments:
 Motion by Supervisors Horvath and Barger

 Revised motion by Supervisors Horvath and Barger

 Report

 Chief Executive Officer's Report dated January 21, 2025

 Public Comment/Correspondence

 Audio

#### 13-B. Water Supply and Resiliency of Waterworks District 29 Infrastructure

Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Horvath: Instruct the Director of Public Works to report back to the Board in writing within 30 days with the following:

Progress of retaining a consultant to review and prepare an independent after-action report on performance issues, if any, that have arisen in connection with Waterworks District 29 (District) facilities and operations during the Palisades Fire;

Identification of any system improvements (capital projects, system hardening, interconnections, and protocols) referenced in the District capital plan, Woolsey Fire After Action report, and the 2013 Waterworks District 29 "master plan," for each item referenced in the master plan, include the project rationale, prioritization, relation to fire suppression, approval status for each government entity, originally planned project timeline, and specify whether the implementation of the project was delayed and the reasons for delays in project delivery;

Description of the District's funding streams, funding allocated for ongoing projects, future upgrades, maintenance and operations, and future funding needs; and

Identification of any administrative, environmental, and permitting challenges that may have delayed or inhibited project delivery, as well as recommendations for local, State, or Federal reforms or regulatory streamlining to accelerate these resiliency investments; and

Instruct the Director of Public Works to report back to the Board in writing within 90 days with an assessment of current capital plans for the District, including a financial analysis to determine the resources needed for full implementation of the current capital plans, and a proposed schedule and strategy for updating these plans to enhance fire safety from urban wildfires. (25-0742)

Colin Campbell addressed the Board. Interested person(s) also submitted written testimony.

On motion of Supervisor Hahn, seconded by Supervisor Solis, this item was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Motion by Supervisor Horvath</u> <u>Report</u> <u>Public Comment/Correspondence</u> <u>Audio</u>

## 13-C. Los Angeles County Recovery Efforts and Building Urgency into Implementation of Long-Term Disaster Support

**<u>Revised</u>** recommendation as submitted by Supervisors Barger and Horvath: Acting as the Governing Body of the County, Los Angeles County Development Authority, the Regional Park and Open Space District, the Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District, the Los Angeles County Lighting Maintenance District, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts, and the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District, take the following actions to facilitate efforts to respond to and recover from the Los Angeles (LA) County Fires:

- Find that each of the directives, actions, activities, and projects encompassed by this motion and the enclosed resolution including, but not limited to, response, recovery, repair, replacement, and construction activities, are critically needed to respond to, and recover from the emergency related to the LA County Fires, and are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act;
- 2. Approve an exception to the County's grant policy by authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to accept grants including, but not limited to, from the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, the California Environmental Protection Agency, the California Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, the California Energy Commission, the California Public Utilities Commission and the California Office of Emergency Services, and any other necessary State, Federal, and local agencies, public entities, and private entities, to secure funds for actions and projects required because of the exigent and/or emergency conditions created by the LA County Fires;
- 3. Request the Assessor, and instruct the Treasurer and Tax Collector, to continue their efforts to inform property owners of the importance of filing a Misfortune and Calamity Claim, including the impact to the deferral of property taxes; request the Assessor to initiate reassessments notwithstanding whether a Misfortune and Calamity Claim has been filed where the property damage exceeds \$10,000, pursuant to Section 170(a) of the Revenue and Taxation Code and County Code Title 4 Revenue and Finance, Chapter 4.64.020, this information could come from the Fire Department's records or aerial photographs;
- 4. Request the Assessor to report back to the Board in writing in 60 days on the number of affected property owners who filed Misfortune and Calamity Claims.

- 5. Find, in accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 22050, and based on substantial evidence, that public interest and necessity demand immediate action by the Director of Public Works to respond to, and recover from the LA County Fires including, but not limited to, the repair, restoration, and replacement of buildings, structures, roads, bridges, roadway drainage, flood control facilities, sewer facilities and other property and public infrastructure impacted by the LA County Fires; the removal of sediment from debris basins, debris dams, and major dams, including, but not limited to, Devil's Gate, Eaton Wash and Sierra Madre, with watershed areas burned by the LA County Fires or that may otherwise be impacted by the LA County Fires; the construction of temporary and permanent debris mitigation measures and structures; and any other directly related and immediate action required to address those conditions for the public health and safety as determined by the Director of Public Works, including entering into or amending existing contracts without giving notice to let bids for contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances; find that the exigent or emergency conditions will not permit the delay that would result if such actions were performed pursuant to a contract procured through a competitive solicitation for bids, and that such actions are necessary to save lives, protect public health and safety, protect improved property, and eliminate or lessen an immediate threat of additional impacts and damage; and further delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to enter into, amend, and terminate, for convenience, new contracts, after solicitation in compliance with applicable Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, for response to, or recovery from, the LA County Fires.
- 6. Authorize the Director of Public Works, acting as the County Engineer, the Road Commissioner, the Chief Engineer of the County Flood Control District, and the administrator of the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts and the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District, to carry out the following emergency activities to respond to, and recover from, the LA County Fires:
  - a. Repair, restore, or replace buildings, structures, roads, bridges, roadway drainage, flood control facilities, water supply facilities, sewer facilities, and other public infrastructure impacted, damaged, or destroyed by the LA County Fires; remove sediment from debris basins, debris dams, and major dams, including, but not limited to, Devil's Gate, Eaton Wash and Sierra Madre, with watershed areas burned by the LA County Fires; construct temporary and permanent debris mitigation measures and structures; and take any other directly related and immediate action required to respond to, and recover from, the LA County Fires for the public health and safety as determined by the Director of Public Works,

including entering into or amending existing contracts without giving notice to let bids for contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, and authorize the Director of Public Works to enter into, amend, and terminate for convenience new contracts, after solicitation in compliance with applicable Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, for response to, or recovery from, the LA County Fires;

- b. Trim or remove trees damaged as a result of the LA County Fires that are adjacent to any County buildings or infrastructure within the fire areas, including, but not limited to, County roads, bridges, flood control facilities and water supply facilities, while taking actions to protect native trees that are still viable;
- c. Conduct outreach to impacted residents and businesses, and provide feasible options on mitigation of impacts from potential debris flows resulting from the LA County Fires;
- d. Analyze map and debris flow hazards and develop strategies and action plans for potential mudflow events, including maintenance and road closure plans, resulting from the LA County Fires;
- e. Acquire the necessary rights of way, including, without limitation, through permits or agreements with private parties and the Cities of Los Angeles, Malibu, Pasadena, Sierra Madre, and Arcadia, the National Park Service, United States Forest Service, the State Department of Parks and Recreation; and
- f. Carry out these emergency actions by using Department of Public Works (DPW) employees and by awarding new, or extending and supplementing existing as-needed or on-call contracts without giving notice for bids to let contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, or by awarding new contracts after solicitation in compliance with applicable Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,250,000,000, inclusive of the amounts stated below, for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires, for the following types of work in the following maximum amounts:
  - i. To support DPW activities to replace and repair damaged County buildings and structures, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$300,000,000;
  - ii. For professional services including, but not limited to,

geotechnical, design, inspection, environmental, survey, project management and construction management, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$360,000,000;

- iii. For debris removal and emergency recovery service contracts, including, but not limited to, hazardous material removal, debris removal and disposal, haul-truck services, and operated heavy equipment contracts, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$300,000,000;
- iv. For repair of damaged public roads and appurtenant assets within the road rights of way, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$100,000,000;
- v. To support DPW activities to replace and repair damaged public roads and appurtenant assets within the road rights of way, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$100,000,000;
- vi. For repair and construction of Flood Control District infrastructure to support emergency repairs to Flood Control District facilities and construction of temporary and permanent debris mitigation measures as required, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$100,000,000;
- vii. For the Waterworks Districts to support emergency repairs to water distribution system facilities for the various Waterworks Districts and construction of temporary and permanent debris mitigation measures required, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$50,000,000;
- viii. For the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District to support emergency repairs to Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District infrastructure and construction of mitigation measures, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$15,000,000; and
- ix. For the Lighting Maintenance Districts to support repairs to the Los Angeles County Lighting Maintenance Districts infrastructure and construction of permanent facilities, in a maximum amount not to exceed \$25,000,000.
- g. Acquire the necessary rights of way including, without limitation, through permits or agreements with private parties and the Cities of Los Angeles, Malibu, Pasadena, Sierra Madre, and Arcadia, the National Park Service, United States Forest Service, the State Department of Parks

and Recreation, and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, as necessary to conduct these emergency actions;

- h. Assist and coordinate with the Chief Executive Officer, through the Office of Emergency Management (CEO-OEM), in submitting grant applications, on behalf of the County, the County Flood Control District, the County Waterworks Districts, the County Lighting Maintenance Districts, and the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District, and in taking any necessary related actions, including with respect to negotiating and executing grant agreements, and signing requests for reimbursements, in consultation with, as applicable, to the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the California Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the California Office of Emergency Services, in order to secure Federal and State funds for response and recovery from the LA County Fires;
- i. Work with the Director of Public Health to identify and streamline permitting for necessary actions to repair existing septic systems and water wells for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires;
- j. In partnership with the Internal Services Department Wwork with Southern California Edison and all other electrical utilities to expedite the establishment of a streamlined permitting process to install temporary power solutions and associated infrastructure within the public rights-of-way and on County properties with the goal of rapidly restoring and rebuilding utility infrastructure that is more resilient to future disaster; and establish a similar process that includes the Department of Regional Planning and, as applicable, other County Departments, for private property, for response to and recovery from the LA County Fires;
- k. Coordinate on behalf of communities impacted by the LA County Fires including, but not limited to, the unincorporated communities of Altadena, Kinneloa Mesa, Kinneloa Canyon, Sunset Mesa, Topanga, Monte Nido, and any other surrounding unincorporated areas, and collaborate and coordinate with the Cities of Los Angeles, Malibu, Pasadena, Sierra Madre, and Arcadia, and other impacted incorporated cities, the National Park Service, the California Department of Parks and Recreation, and any other property owner as needed to restore and modify damaged infrastructure, including the construction of temporary and permanent debris mitigation measures for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires; and
- I. Enter into memoranda of understanding with cities, districts, and other

State and Federal partners regarding extraordinary flood control, debris flow, and debris removal efforts to protect life, property, and the environment from immediate hazards;

- Instruct the Director of Public Works to report back to the Board in writing in 30 days with an analysis of potential disposal opportunities for fire-related debris given the ongoing challenges to the County's waste stream;
- 8. Find, in accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 22050, and based on substantial evidence, that public interest and necessity demand immediate action by the Director of Internal Services to respond to, and recover from, the emergency conditions created by the LA County Fires including, but not limited to, the repair, restoration, and replacement of buildings, structures, and other property and public infrastructure impacted by the LA County Fires; and that the Director of Internal Services must therefore direct and take immediate action required to address those conditions for the public health and safety, including entering into or amending contracts without giving notice to let bids for contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances; and find that the exigent or emergency conditions will not permit the delay that would result if such actions were performed pursuant to a contract procured through a competitive solicitation for bids, and that such actions are necessary to save lives, protect public health and safety, protect improved property, and eliminate or lessen an immediate threat of additional impacts and damage;
- 9. Adopt a resolution, pursuant to Sections 20407, 20604, and 22050 of the Public Contract Code, authorizing the Director of Public Works to perform force account work, to negotiate and amend existing emergency and as-needed contracts, including Job Order Contracts (JOCs), without giving notice for bids to let contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, to award, amend, and terminate for convenience new contracts after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, and to perform any or all actions with respect to construction contracts including, but not limited to, the authority to adopt and advertise plans and specifications, award new construction contracts, including JOCs, after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, in consultation with County Counsel, for the necessary equipment, services, and supplies in order to repair, restore, or replace road, flood control, water supply, and sewer facilities, and County buildings, including property and infrastructure, damaged by LA County Fires, and to construct temporary and permanent debris mitigation measures to prevent and reduce potential flooding and damage due to debris flows resulting from the LA County Fires;

- 10. Instruct the Director of Public Works to regularly report back to the Board bi-weekly in writing, in accordance with Section 22050 of the Public Contract Code, regarding emergency actions taken under the authority of Public Contract Code Section 22050, including providing justification of the need to continue the emergency actions required because of the continuing exigent and/or emergency conditions resulting from the LA County Fires;
- 11. Adopt a resolution, pursuant to Section 22050 of the Public Contract Code, authorizing the Director of Internal Services to perform force account work, to negotiate and amend existing emergency and as-needed contracts, including JOCs, without giving notice for bids to let contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, to award, amend, and terminate for convenience new contracts after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, and to perform any or all actions with respect to construction contracts including, but not limited to, the authority to adopt and advertise plans and specifications, award new construction contracts, including JOCs, after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, in consultation with County Counsel, for the necessary equipment, services, and supplies in order to repair, restore, or replace road, flood control, water supply, and sewer facilities, and County buildings, including property and infrastructure, damaged by LA County Fires, and to construct temporary and permanent debris mitigation measures to prevent and reduce potential flooding and damage due to debris flows resulting from the LA County Fires;
- 12. Authorize the Director of Internal Services to carry out the following activities for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires:
  - Provide any services required by County Departments to support the repair or restoration of County facilities and infrastructure and any other activities related to the response to and recovery from the LA County Fires;
  - b. Carry out emergency actions by using Internal Services Department (ISD) employees, and by awarding and executing one or more contracts, without giving notice for bids to let contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, or by procuring the necessary equipment, services, and supplies for those purposes, including awarding new or extending existing as-needed or on-call contracts, without giving notice for bids to let contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, or after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders;
  - c. To supplement and increase existing professional service contracts,

without giving notice for bids to let contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, or after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders including but not limited to, construction project management and architectural and engineering; to supplement the value of each construction project management contract by \$2,000,000 for 18 months each for an additional aggregate amount of \$8,000,000; to supplement the value of architectural and engineering contracts by \$500,000 each for 18 months for an additional aggregate amount of \$4,500,000 to support emergency repairs to County facilities, property and infrastructure required as a result of the LA County Fires; and

- d. To supplement ISD's existing approved JOC of \$88,400,000, by an additional \$22,800,000, by awarding new JOCs up to maximum authorized value of \$5,700,000 each, without giving notice for bids to let contracts where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, or after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, including B license General Contracting, A license General Engineering, and C-39 License Roofing, <u>authorize the Director of Internal Services to request technical assistance from the Office of Cybersecurity, Energy Security, and Emergency Response at the Department of Energy in supporting planning for rebuilding of regional energy infrastructure;</u>
- 13. Instruct the Director of Internal Services to regularly report back to the Board bi-weekly in writing, in accordance with Section 22050 of the Public Contract Code, regarding emergency actions taken under the authority of Public Contract Code section 22050, including providing justification of the need to continue the emergency actions required because of the exigent and/or emergency conditions resulting from the LA County Fires;
- 14. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to carry out the following emergency activities required for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires:
  - a. Carry out emergency protective measures at County parks and recreational facilities, including buttressing, bracing, or shoring, barricading and safety fencing, and flood protection, such as sandbagging, and emergency repairs or stabilization to eliminate or lessen an immediate threat to public health and safety directly resulting from the LA County Fires, remove and dispose of vegetative debris, including tree limbs, branches, stumps, or hazardous trees damaged by the LA County Fires, that extend over or otherwise threaten improved property or public-use areas at County parks and recreational facilities

within the LA County Fire areas, and take any other directly related and immediate action required to address emergency conditions for public health and safety, as determined by the Director of Parks and Recreation;

- b. Restore the pre-disaster appearance and functionality of parks and recreational facilities impacted by the LA County Fires, in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer and County Counsel, to address a public exigency or emergency as determined by the Director of Parks and Recreation, subject to independent authorizations, including as to budgeting and contracting authority, including as may be reflected in this motion;
- c. Award new contracts, and amend, supplement, and extend for up to 18 months existing service contracts including, but not limited to, food service delivery, field security and debris removal and disposal, to support the Department of Parks and Recreation's (DPR's) emergency response and recovery activities required because of the LA County Fires, without adhering to the requirements of the County's Sole Source Policy or any other competitive procurement requirements cause where there are exigent or emergency circumstances, or after solicitation in accordance with Federal, State, and County laws, regulations, and executive orders, for the execution of the agreement, and/or amendment, subject to independent authorizations, including as to budgeting and contracting authority, including as may be reflected in this motion, as necessary for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires, and to terminate said agreements as necessary; and
- d. Waive all fees, execute, and amend all permits and leases, in consultation with County Counsel, as necessary, and suspend applicable restrictions, for use of property and facilities under the control of DPR necessary to support response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires;
- 15. Ratify the award of new contracts or amendments of existing contracts entered into by the Director of Parks and Recreation executed on or after January 7, 2025 including, but not limited to, food service delivery, field security and debris removal and disposal, to support DPR's emergency response activities required as a result of the LA County Fires without adhering to the requirements of the County's Sole Source Policy or any other competitive procurement requirements, and authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to terminate said agreements as necessary;
- 16. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to execute and amend, and

terminate all lease agreements for County-owned or operated parks and recreational facilities, for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires, subject to independent authorizations, including as to budgeting and contracting authority, including as may be reflected in this motion;

- 17. Instruct the Director of Parks and Recreation to report back to the Board in writing in 30 days and then on a quarterly basis, what actions have been taken under the authorizations provided for under this motion;
- 18. Authorize the Director of Beaches and Harbors to waive all fees, execute and amend all permits, licenses, and leases, in consultation with County Counsel, as applicable, and suspend applicable restrictions, for use of property and facilities under the control of the Department of Beaches and Harbors necessary to support emergency response and recovery activities required because of the LA County Fires;
- 19. Instruct the Director of Beaches and Harbors to report back to the Board in writing in 30 days and then on a quarterly basis, what actions have been taken to support emergency response and recovery activities and verify the need to continue these emergency actions;
- 20. Instruct the Director of Regional Planning to identify and report back to the Board in writing in 30 days on potential exemptions from current regulations governing land use restrictions that may impact the recovery and rebuilding efforts, as required for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires;
- 21. Instruct the Director of Regional Planning, in conjunction with other EPIC LA-involved Departments, to build online resources, specific to the impacted communities, that provide step-by-step instructions on the recovery and rebuilding process, required because of the exigent and/or emergency conditions created by the LA County Fires;
- 22. Authorize the Director of Regional Planning to execute and amend, and terminate, contracts with consulting firms, including staffing agencies, as necessary emergency activities to respond to, and recover from, the LA County Fires, and the need for expedited permit application reviews, without adhering to the requirements of the County's Sole Source Policy or any other competitive procurement requirements provided the Department of Regional Planning has good cause justification for the execution of the agreement, and/or amendment, subject to independent authorizations, including as to budgeting and contracting authority, including as may be reflected in this motion;
- 23. Instruct the Director of Regional Planning to report back to the Board in

writing in 30 days and then on a quarterly basis, what actions have been taken under the authorizations provided for under this motion;

- 24. Direct the Chief Executive Officer, through the Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations Branch, to request exemptions from State and Federal agency compensatory mitigation requirements for repair and restoration of public infrastructure and construction of debris mitigation measures required because of the exigent and/or emergency conditions created by the LA County Fires;
- 25. Instruct the Directors of Regional Planning, Public Health, and Public Works, and the Fire Chief, to fully utilize existing resources, and apply increased resources, as necessary, to assist property owners in the reconstruction of structures damaged or destroyed by the LA County Fires, with assistance to include the following:
  - a. Streamlined coordination, plan review, and permit issuance for project compliance with County's building codes and all building requirements;
  - b. Separation of fire rebuild permit applications from other pending permit applications already in queue and establishment of two separate permit review teams to handle the fire rebuild permit applications, one to handle like-for-like rebuilds, and the other to handle more complex rebuilds and rebuilds requiring discretionary review;
  - c. Establishment of a comprehensive service implementation to include development of a comprehensive permit resource guide, which includes suggestions for incorporating resiliency into rebuilds as options for applicants, and enhanced community outreach to affected property owners through local information workshops and one-on-one consultation including, hosting "One-Stop" workshops where property owners are provided with assistance, including access to permit records, Assessor information, and site attributes, hosting separate workshops for design professionals, as needed, and participation by all permitting Departments, with additional County/City representatives as needed, modeled after the framework of the Woolsey Fire rebuild initiative;
  - d. Establishment of a Rebuild Coordination Team including, but not limited to forming a dedicated Concierge Fire Rebuild Coordination Team comprising representatives from all relevant Departments to oversee and monitor rebuild plan submittals, ensuring inter-Departmental connectivity and expedited processing, and developing staffing models to address existing constrained staff resources and to separate rebuild activities from 'business as usual' entitlement and permit activities, with staffing

models required to balance permit experience, timeliness of permit approvals, and fiscal resilience;

- e. All permitting Departments to evaluate the feasibility of waiving certain fees for applicable permits, based on ability to reimburse the affected Department or from sourcing alternative funding for fees, with a report back to the Board in writing in 30 days with this information;
- f. Leveraging the 2025 fire and building code update cycle to revise and adapt existing codes to accommodate the fire rebuild processes;
- g. Inclusion of commercial/institutional and historic buildings within the scope of the rebuild guidelines to streamline economic and community development recovery; and
- h. Establishment of a clear timeframe for approvals from each department for like-for-like rebuilds, with consideration for extensions or different timeframes for more complex or discretionary rebuilds;
- 26. Instruct the Fire Chief, in support of directive 23 to, subject to Department coordination and compliance with applicable law, allow applicants rebuilding their homes to utilize plans approved within the last two code cycles (since 2020) without additional plan checks, and include the "Zone Zero" no combustible materials within five feet, and for R-3 structures, in areas impacted by the Eaton Fire, within Fire Hazard Severity Zones limit Fire Department review of R-3 plan submittals to water and access requirements, deferring all other elements, including Chapter 7A, to DPW;
- 27. Instruct the Director of Public Health, in support of directive 23, to provide simplified reviews when rebuilding according to the original floor plan, and grant a variance from the requirements of the Noise Control Ordinance (Section 12.08.580) for a period not to exceed two years, extending working hours (7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) to include Sundays and legal holidays, and allowing an activity, operation or noise source which cannot feasibly be done in a manner that would comply with the provisions of this chapter, when no other reasonable alternative is available;
- 28. Instruct the Director of Public Works, in support of directive 23 to, for areas impacted by the Eaton Fire, adopt local regulations delineated under the "Local Regulations" as noted in Attachment 4 of Chief Executive Officer's January 21, 2025 report entitled, "Report Back on Ratification of Proclamation of Local Emergency, Curfew Order, and Local Health Emergency Declaration for the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events (Item No. 31-A, Agenda of January 14, 2025)," and implement the

recommendations delimitated under the "Local Procedures for Streamlining the Permitting Process" as noted in Attachment 4 of the Chief Executive Officer's report dated January 21, 2025; (25-0717)

29. Instruct the Director of Regional Planning in support of directive 23, and subject to State law, to do the following:

- Exempt applicable fire impacted businesses from the requirements of section 22.140.030.H.3.C.; this section of Title 22 requires a Conditional Use Permit if a deemed approved alcohol sales use has been abandoned, has discontinued operation, or has ceased selling alcoholic beverages for at least three consecutive months;
- b. Allow temporary housing on non-fire impacted properties and accessory emergency shelters for volunteers and workers assisting with recovery efforts, affected property owners, and others;
- c. Coordinate with permitting agencies to allow temporary housing on the parcel right of way of a fire impacted property under certain circumstances (*i.e.*, site limitations), provided that there is appropriate emergency and public access maintained at all times;
- In Altadena, allow temporary food truck operations for fire impacted restaurants, coffee shops or eateries to occur on the same parcel as the original use, provided that all health, safety and welfare regulations are met;
- e. Grant a five-year extension for unused discretionary and ministerial land use entitlements, and for discretionary land use entitlements that will expire soon or have already expired, provided the permittee was in the process of receiving a new entitlement;
- f. In fire impacted areas, exempt rebuilds from minimum densities required by the General Plan, provided that the State grants an exception for no net loss provisions for Housing Element rezoned sites;
- g. Provide flexibility on the enforcement of junk and salvage and outside storage on fire impacted properties;

- h. Exempt like-for-like rebuilds in fire impacted areas from referrals to DPW for R-3 zoning and above for site plan reviews;
- i. In the flatland areas of Altadena, process and record a single Certificate of Compliance for all applicable residential parcels, as feasible, to streamline future rebuilding; and
- j. In areas impacted by the Eaton Fire, acknowledge that all subdivisions entitled by the Department were completed in accordance with the Subdivision Map Act and are exempt from obtaining a new Certificate of Compliance;
- 30. Direct the Chief Executive Officer, through the Legislative Affairs and Governmental Relations Branch, in collaboration with the permitting Departments, to send a five-signature letter to Governor Gavin Newsom and the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation, advocating for the modification for fire victims of the following:
  - a. That, in alignment with Executive Order N-4-25, the following provisions of the California Building Standards Code be suspended for fire victims in areas impacted by the Eaton Fire:
    - Residential Photovoltaic (PV) requirements of the California (CA) Energy Standards Code, similar to Assembly Bill (AB) 178 (2019);
    - ii. Battery Storage and All-Electric Ready requirements of the CA Energy Standards, in lieu of suspending the above requirements, request that the State offer full rebates for owners who are required to install solar on rebuilt homes, and if waived, encourage implementation through the Rebuilding Through Resilience Resource Guide;
  - b. The application of current codes for owners rebuilding their homes and to authorize the Director of Public Works and the Fire Chief to use plans approved since 2020, during the prior two code cycles, to issue rebuild permits without additional plan checks;
  - c. The following under Senate Bill (SB) 35:
    - i. Temporary suspension in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZ), including any other bills that reference SB 35, such

as SB 9;

- ii. Extending the exemption for replacement housing to fire impacted areas that are not within a VHFHSZ; and
- Removing the requirement for public meetings on SB 35 projects per SB 423;
- d. The following under State Density Bonus Law/Government Code 65915:
  - i. Temporary suspension of this code section for five years in fire impacted areas to allow like-for-like rebuilds and retention of community character; and
  - Temporary suspension of the requirement for ground floor commercial on projects that take advantage of State by-right or State density bonus laws (specific to Altadena/Lake Avenue);
- e. The following under SB 330/Government Code Section 66300/Housing Crisis Act of 2019:
  - i. Temporary suspension in fire impacted communities for five years;
  - ii. Added local flexibility to objective development standards to retain the character of communities; and
  - iii. More flexibility in timing of the replacement units;
- f. The following pertaining to Housing Elements:
  - i. Suspension of the obligation to fulfill any Regional Housing Needs Assessment the local jurisdiction allocated to the fire impact areas;
  - ii. Extension of the April 1, 2025 submittal deadline for the Housing Element Annual Progress Report to July 1, 2025, and providing a variance for jurisdictions with populations over 500,000 with a later deadline of July 1st of each year;
- g. Temporary suspension of an existing 90-day time frame for approving Accessory Dwelling Units in fire impacted communities to accommodate the surge in rebuilds and staffing challenges for all impacted jurisdictions

at the same time, as allowed in Government Code Sections 66310 through 66342;

- h. Temporary suspension of Government Code Section 65863.2 for five years in fire impacted communities;
- i. Temporary suspension of Housing Accountability Act regulations, Government Code Section 65589.5, (including Builder's Remedy and enforcement) for five years within fire impacted communities;
- j. Suspension of no net loss provisions, Government Code Section 65863, for rebuilds on Housing Element sites in fire impacted areas, and to not penalize these jurisdictions in the current Housing Element timeframe and for Round 7 of the Housing Element;
- k. Temporary suspension of Government Code Section 65852.24 for five years in fire impacted communities;
- I. Temporary suspension of Government Code Sections 65912.100 through 65912.140 for five years in fire impacted communities; and
- m. Temporary suspension of Government Code Section 65913.11 for five years in fire impacted communities;
- 31. Instruct the Directors of Public Health, Mental Health, and Public Social Services, to conduct a needs assessment and evaluate the implementation of public health, mental health, and eligible social service resources to mitigate the negative effects experienced by those affected by the LA County Fires;
- 32. Instruct the Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Development Authority, in coordination with other relevant County Department Heads, to report back to the Board in writing in 30 days with an assessment on the ability to provide eligible housing and community-based services to mitigate the loss experienced by those impacted by the LA County Fires;
- 33. Instruct the Directors of Public Works and Internal Services to explore opportunities for County Departments and related special districts and agencies to enter into master purchasing agreements to leverage economies of scale, to reduce building material costs, as the County and the related agencies/districts implement the repair, replacement, rehabilitation, or construction of their structures, buildings, and facilities, as contemplated by this motion, for response to, and recovery from, the LA County Fires;

- 34. Instruct the Director of Consumer Business Affairs, in collaboration with the California Department of Consumer Affairs, and in coordination with the Directors of Public Works, Regional Planning, Economic Opportunity, and Internal Services, along with the Los Angeles-Orange County Building Trades Council, the Building Industry Association of Southern California, and other relevant labor partners, and in consultation with County Counsel, to take steps to identify a potential pool of qualified general contractors, technical services providers, such as architects and engineers, and a trained and skilled workforce to begin the rebuilding of LA County, required because of the exigent and/or emergency conditions created by the LA County Fires;
- 35. Direct the Agricultural Commissioner/Director of Weights and Measures to inspect any food production facilities, including farms, within the vicinity of the fires to ensure that products were not contaminated by the fires and that appropriate actions take place as a result of any findings; and report back to the Board in writing in 30 days with recommendations on any enhancements or updates to the weed abatement program that can help further mitigate wildfire risk;
- 36. Before County Departments and special districts are permitted to exercise the contracting-related delegated authorities granted above, the Departments and special districts must first request and obtain the Chief Executive Officer's written approval thereof, in addition, the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to prepare and implement binding written guidelines and processes for approval requests applicable to the use of such contracting-related delegated authorities, including as to funding and budgeting issues;
- 37. In accordance with Los Angeles County Code Section 6.12.030, ratify the authority of the Chief Executive Officer to take the following actions required because of the emergency conditions created by the LA County Fires:
  - a. Grant <u>up to 120 hours of paid leave for employees working a 56-hour</u> <u>workweek</u>, up to 80 hours of paid leave to full-time employees and up to 40 hours of paid leave to part-time employees who were or are unable to work due to the LA County Fires;
  - Establish guidelines governing the specific eligibility criteria for and use of such leave, in consultation with the Director of Personnel and County Counsel; and
  - c. Make such leave available for the period beginning January 7, 2025, through December 31, 2025, to qualifying employees who were hired on or before January 7, 2025;

- 38. To the extent that County Departments and special districts need or request additional delegated authorities that are not encompassed within those provided for above, the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to grant additional contracting-related delegated authority to County Department Heads and special districts as required for response to and recovery from the LA County Fires, as follows:
  - a. The Chief Executive Officer is authorized to delegate authority to County Department Heads and special districts enabling them to enter into and/or amend agreements for professional and other services, without the Department Heads and special districts adhering to the requirements of any Board-mandated policies, regulations, directives, or requirements including, but not limited to, the County's Sole Source Policy or any other competitive procurement requirements, subject to applicable Federal and State law and funding source limitations, and to terminate said agreements as necessary; and in furtherance of the Chief Executive Officer's role/authority in this regard, the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to prepare and implement binding written guidelines and processes for approval requests applicable to Department Heads and special districts' use and attainment of such contracting-related delegated authority, including to funding/budgeting issues, and procedural requirements for approval requests by Departments and special districts; as an example, the Chief Executive Officer could, in her discretion, require that County Department Heads prepare and submit Board letters to the Chief Executive Office for the Chief Executive Officer's consideration in order to secure such contract-related authorizations and, among other things, the Chief Executive Officer's issuance of contracting-related approvals is subject to the following:
    - i. That the Chief Executive Officer confirms in writing that there is good cause justification or the request in accordance with applicable Federal or State funding for the execution of the agreement and/or amendment, in order to address the LA County Fires;
    - That the Chief Executive Officer confirms in writing there is sufficient funding in the Final Adopted Budget or the Adjusted Allowance and the funds can be used to address the LA County Fires; and
    - iii. That the term of the agreements, including all change orders or work orders, shall not extend beyond December 31, 2026, unless the Department has obtained prior written approval from the Chief Executive Officer to extend or amend the term of the

agreements;

- b. With respect to purchases of goods, including supplies, equipment, and services necessary to address LA County Fires, the Chief Executive Officer is delegated the following:
  - i. The authority to increase impacted County Departments' delegated purchasing authority to \$50,000 and, to the extent legally permitted, authorize impacted County Departments to enter into and amend agreements including work or purchase orders, and other services or commodities, without adhering to the requirements of any Board mandated policies, regulations, directives, or requirements including, but not limited to, the County's Sole Source Policy or any other competitive procurement requirements provided the department has good cause justification or the request is in accordance with applicable Federal or State funding for the execution of the agreement and/or amendment, in order to address the LA County Fires, and terminate said agreements as necessary; and
  - ii. The authority to instruct the Director of Internal Services, as the County's Purchasing Agent, as applicable, to the extent legally permitted, to approve any purchases that otherwise would require Board approval under current law, regulations, or Board policies; take any procurement or other actions necessary for the expedited acquisition of all goods, including supplies, equipment, and services needed, without adhering to the requirements of any Board-mandated policies, regulations, directives, or requirements including, but not limited to, the County's Sole Source Policy, Purchasing Policies, or any other competitive procurement requirements provided the Chief Executive Officer confirms in writing that there is good cause justification or it is in accordance with applicable Federal or State funding for the purchase, in order to address the LA County Fires; and when necessary, authorize the Purchasing Agent to make purchases in excess of \$250,000 without prior Board approval;
- c. In connection with the Chief Executive Officer's authorization to grant additional contracting-related delegated authority to special districts, the Chief Executive Officer may require that the special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, districts, and authorities prepare and submit Board letters for the Chief Executive Officer's consideration, when the Board acts in the capacity of the those districts' Governing Board; in this

regard, the Chief Executive Officer is further authorized to approve those fiscal, budgetary, contractual, procurement, and operational actions of the such special districts, that are necessary to address the exigent or emergency circumstances created by the LA County Fires, including, but not limited to the Los Angeles County Development Authority, the County Flood Control District, the Consolidated Fire Protection District, the County Waterworks Districts, and the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance Districts;

- d. The authority to waive fees, execute and amend all permits, licenses, and leases, as applicable, and suspend applicable restrictions, for the use of County property and facilities necessary for response to and recovery from, and as needed during, the LA County Fires;
- e. The authority to execute and amend all permits, licenses, and leases, as applicable, to secure the use of property and facilities necessary for response to and recovery from, and as needed during, the LA County Fires;
- f. The authority to approve and adopt resolutions and to make any determinations and findings necessary, as applicable, to support and execute other authorities that have been delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, to the extent permitted by law, required because of the LA County Fires; and
- g. The authority to approve, in consultation with County Counsel, 120-day retiree rehires if the Chief Executive Officer determines that such rehires are necessary for the response to the LA County Fires;
- Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into services contracts necessary to support emergency response and recovery and report quarterly to the Board on such contracts; effective as of January 7, 2025, the date of the declared emergency;
- 40. Except as otherwise provided herein, the authorizations and delegated authorities provided for above shall remain in effect until July 29, 2026, unless the Board extends that date or provides that the authorizations and delegated authorities are terminated on a sooner date; and
- 41. <u>Instruct the Auditor-Controller, in collaboration with the Chief Executive</u> <u>Officer, to report back to the Board in writing within 30 days with</u> <u>recommendations and a staffing model to utilize existing resources to track</u> <u>revenues, track expenditures, and monitor contracts related to the LA County</u> <u>Fires to ensure resources are effectively utilized and avoid fraudulent activity,</u>

and identify opportunities to track data and outcomes on the progress of aforementioned activities, utilizing existing resources; and

42. Authorize the Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Development Authority, in consultation with County Counsel, to execute agreements and amend existing agreements in accordance with applicable Federal or State laws and regulations for response to or recovery from the LA County Fires, and terminate said agreements as necessary. (25-0717)

Tracy Alexander, Christine Kwon, Colin Campbell, Noah Mercer, John Gregorchuk, Erin Hoops, Christine Bray, Janet Cox, Michael Scharboneau, Ida Ashouri, Michael Canavan, Branko Burckacn, Courtney Miles, Jacob Pierce, Joseph Cohen May and other interested persons addressed the Board. Interested person(s) also submitted written testimony.

Fesia Davenport, Chief Executive Officer, Amy Bodek, Director of Regional Planning, Mark Pestrella, Director of Public Works, Rita Kampalath, Chief Sustainability Officer, Kelly LoBianco, Director of Economic Opportunity, Michael Owh, Director of Internal Services, and Celeste McCoy, Environmental Protection Agency, responded to questions posed by the Board. Anthony Marrone, Fire Chief, and Kevin McGowan, Director of the Office of Emergency Management, were also present.

Supervisors Barger and Horvath revised their joint motion as detailed above.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Barger, seconded by Supervisor Horvath, this item, as revised, was duly carried by the following vote:

> Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn and Supervisor Barger

 
 Attachments:
 Motion by Supervisors Barger and Horvath Revised motion by Supervisors Barger and Horvath Chief Executive Officer's Report dated January 21, 2025 Five-Signature Letter Report Public Comment/Correspondence Audio

#### Closing 14

**14.** On motion by Supervisor Solis, and by Common Consent, there being no objection (Supervisor Barger being absent), the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts, adjourned its meeting at 3:02 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. (25-1070)

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the Public Hearing meeting held January 28, 2025, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

Edward Yen, Executive Officer Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By

Tanya Ruiz

Assistant Division Chief, Board Services Division