

SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT





[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON 1 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023, ON PAGE 102] 2 3 4 5 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, GOOD MORNING. WELCOME, EVERYONE, TO THE PUBLIC -- WHERE ARE WE? WELCOME TO THE PUBLIC HEARING AND 6 CLOSED-SESSION MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF 7 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24TH, 2023, AND WE TAKE 8 9 NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF 10 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. AND WE WILL 11 BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING WITH THE COUNTY'S LAND 12 13 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. 14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR, ON RECORDING: THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 15 RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL INHABITED 16 AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, THE TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH, AND 17 CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS AND 18 19 DESCENDANTS-- PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING-- AS THEY CONTINUE 20 THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE 21 THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE, 22 SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE, AND MULTIGENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT DEMONSTRATES 23 24 OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH, HEALING, AND 25 RECONCILIATION, AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES, CULTURE, AND



- 1 COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 2 WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND WORK ON
- 3 THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO GROWING AND
- 4 SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND LOCAL TRIBAL
- 5 GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING, IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER, THE FERNANDENO
- 6 TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, THE GABRIELINO TONGVA
- 7 INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, THE GABRIELENO/TONGVA
- 8 SAN GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, THE GABRIELENO BAND OF
- 9 MISSION INDIANS-KIZH NATION, THE SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION
- 10 INDIANS, THE SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS.

- 12 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AND NOW, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
- 13 AGENDA.

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- 15 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
- 16 THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1
- 17 THROUGH 7. THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON ITEMS CS-1
- 18 AND CS-2, THESE ARE ADDITIONS, AS INDICATED ON THE
- 19 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA,
- 20 MADAM CHAIR.

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- 22 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, NOW PLEASE PLAY THE CODE OF
- 23 CONDUCT.



- 1 SPEAKER: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
- 2 ATTENTION? THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
- 3 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
- 4 BE READ, AND WE REOUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
- 5 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
- 6 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
- 7 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
- 8 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
- 9 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
- 10 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
- 11 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
- 12 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 13 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
- 14 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
- 15 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
- 16 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
- 17 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM, AND REFRAIN FROM
- 18 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
- 19 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE
- 20 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY
- 21 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF
- 22 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND
- 23 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
- 24 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
- 25 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE



- 1 BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR
- 2 BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO
- 3 REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY
- 4 THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 5 COOPERATION.

- 7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: BEFORE WE BEGIN OUR PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS,
- 8 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT
- 9 WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING
- 10 RULES.

- 12 SPEAKER: FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO PARTICIPATE
- 13 REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE CALL 877-692-
- 14 8955, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 4433-663. MEMBERS OF THE
- 15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATING REMOTELY AND IN THE BOARDROOM, YOU WILL
- 16 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE
- 17 MEETING. YOU WILL RECEIVE UP TO ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE
- 18 BOARD ON EACH OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, AND YOU WILL
- 19 RECEIVE ONE MINUTE TO COMMENT ON THE CLOSED-SESSION ITEMS, AND
- 20 ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, FOR A TOTAL
- 21 OF TWO MINUTES. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY,
- 22 WHEN THE BOARD MOVES TO THE ITEM YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, PROMPTLY
- 23 PRESS 1 THEN 0 TO BE ENTERED INTO THE SPEAKING OUEUE. PLEASE
- 24 REMEMBER TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR DEVICE AS SOON AS THE
- 25 MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU, OR THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. YOU WILL



- 1 NEED TO PRESS 1 THEN 0 FOR EACH ITEM ON WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE
- 2 TO SPEAK. TO ENSURE THAT WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-PERSON AND
- 3 TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO
- 4 SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE,
- 5 WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE
- 6 COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST
- 7 YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO
- 8 SO. WE WILL BEGIN BY CALLING IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND WHILE
- 9 THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

- 11 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE SWEAR IN THE
- 12 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE REQUESTING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
- 13 ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

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- 15 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND. IN
- 16 THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY
- 17 SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE
- 18 TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.

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- 20 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, WE ARE GOING TO BEGIN WITH ITEM 1. FOR
- 21 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS ONE THEN
- 22 ZERO NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 1. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
- 23 PLEASE READ IN THE SHORT TITLE.



- 1 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 1 IS A HEARING ON ADOPTION OF A
- 2 RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE 2024 HOLLYWOOD BOWL SEASON MAXIMUM
- 3 AND MINIMUM TICKET PRICE SCHEDULE PROPOSED BY THE LOS ANGELES
- 4 PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION. NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS
- 5 PROVIDED, AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

- 7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, AND WE HAVE WITH US THIS MORNING NORMA
- 8 GARCIA-GONZALEZ, OUR DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION, AND
- 9 CARLOS SINGER, DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY
- 10 ENGAGEMENT, LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION, AND THEY ARE
- 11 HERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS-- YES.
- 12 OH, LET ME CALL ON SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THEN SUPERVISOR HORVATH,
- 13 THEN SUPERVISOR BARGER. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

- 15 SUP. SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU, AND GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU, AND
- 16 THANK YOU BOTH FOR BEING HERE THIS MORNING. IT IS GOOD TO SEE
- 17 YOU. I AM EXCITED ABOUT THE PROPOSAL THAT YOU HAVE BEFORE US.
- 18 I KNOW THERE ARE SOME CHANGES, IN TERMS OF COSTS FOR LOW-COST
- 19 SEATS THAT ARE GOING TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO DIFFERENT
- 20 COMMUNITIES. SO, CAN YOU ELABORATE WHY THE CHANGES ARE
- 21 HAPPENING, AND CAN YOU ALSO EXPLAIN WHERE YOU SAY THAT YOU ARE
- 22 GOING TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF SEATS FOR FAMILIES? AND WHAT ARE
- 23 WE GOING TO DO TO ACTUALLY TARGET-- SO THERE'S THREE
- 24 OUESTIONS-- HOW ARE WE GOING TO TARGET THOSE SPECIAL-NEEDS
- 25 COMMUNITIES THAT DON'T TYPICALLY HAVE ACCESS? AND I WANT TO



- 1 KNOW, IN THE PAST, WHAT PERCENTAGE HAVE ACTUALLY TAKEN
- 2 ADVANTAGE OF THE LOW COST, AND HOW WE CAN FINE-TUNE THAT, OR
- 3 MAYBE YOU HAVE IDEAS ABOUT THAT. SO, FOR BOTH OF YOU. NORMA?
- 4 THANK YOU. TURN YOUR MIC ON.

- 6 NORMA GARCIA-GONZALEZ: THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK
- 7 ON THIS ITEM. I FIRST WANT TO SAY THAT THIS ITEM IS A ROUTINE
- 8 BOARD ITEM. THE L.A. PHILHARMONIC SUBMITS ITS PRICE INCREASES
- 9 TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SPENDS SEVERAL MONTHS
- 10 ACTUALLY ANALYZING THE COSTS OF SERVICE, THE INCREASES, AND
- 11 WORKING WITH THE PHILHARMONIC TO LOOK AT OPPORTUNITIES FOR
- 12 ACCESS. SO WE ANALYZE DATA, IN REGARDS TO HOW WE CAN IMPROVE
- 13 ACCESS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH FOR, ESPECIALLY, THE LOW-COST
- 14 TICKETS. AND SO WE ARE VERY EXCITED BECAUSE, OVER THE LAST
- 15 COUPLE OF YEARS, SPECIFICALLY SINCE THE PANDEMIC, WE HAVE
- 16 REALLY BUILT OUT AN ACCESS AND EQUITY PROGRAMMING THAT IS
- 17 REALLY MULTIFACETED. ONE IS THAT THE VALLEY PHILHARMONIC HAS
- 18 OFFERED FOR A LONG TIME THE \$1 SEATS. THIS YEAR, WE ARE VERY
- 19 EXCITED THAT WE WANT TO DO TARGETING FOR THE \$1 SEATS. SO WE
- 20 ARE LOOKING AT ALL OUR HIGH-NEED COMMUNITIES IN THE
- 21 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, TO ACTUALLY DEVELOP. AND WE'RE GOING TO
- 22 WORK WITH EACH OF YOUR BOARD OFFICES TO WORK ON AN ACCESS
- 23 PROGRAM THAT IS MULTIFACETED. SO, ONE, NOT ONLY JUST OFFERING
- 24 THE \$1 SEATS; TARGETING HIGHEST-NEED COMMUNITIES, COMMUNITIES
- 25 OF COLOR, SPECIFICALLY THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS; AND THEN ALSO



- 1 ENSURING THAT NOT ONLY ARE WE PROVIDING THE \$1 TICKETS, BUT WE
- 2 ARE ALSO PROVIDING THAT TRANSPORTATION ACCESS TO THE HOLLYWOOD
- 3 BOWL. SO, REALLY LINKING THE \$1 SEATS TO THE UNINCORPORATED
- 4 AREAS, TO THE PARK-AND-RIDE, TO THE SHUTTLE SERVICE, SO THAT
- 5 THEY COULD ALSO AFFORDABLY COME TO THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, AS WELL
- 6 AS HIGHLIGHTING THE AFFORDABLE MEAL PROGRAMS. WE ARE WORKING,
- 7 ALSO, WITH THE L.A. PHILHARMONIC. THEY ARE WORKING WITH
- 8 SODEXO, THEIR VENDOR, SO THAT THEY CAN ALSO IMPROVE THEIR FOOD
- 9 OFFERINGS, ALSO, IN THE \$1 AND AFFORDABLE SEATS. SO IT IS
- 10 REALLY A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM. I ALSO WANT TO MENTION THAT
- 11 THE LAST TIME THAT WE WERE HERE, WE ALSO COMMENCED AN ACCESS
- 12 PROGRAM FOR OUR TEEN CENTERS AND OUR SENIOR PROGRAMS. SO, LAST
- 13 YEAR, WE PROVIDED OVER 800 TEENS AND SENIORS WITH FREE ACCESS
- 14 TO THE BOWL. PARKS AND RECREATION PROVIDED THE TRANSPORTATION,
- 15 USING A.R.P.A. FUNDING. THANK YOU-- YOUR FUNDING. AND THEN
- 16 WHAT WE ALSO DID IS WE PROVIDED A SUBSIDY FOR THE FOOD
- 17 PROGRAM. AND WHAT WE ARE ALSO DOING IS TRACKING OF THOSE TEENS
- 18 AND THOSE SENIORS THAT HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED TO THE HOLLYWOOD
- 19 BOWL, WHO IS COMING BACK ON THEIR OWN. SO THIS IS REALLY A
- 20 MULTIFACETED APPROACH TO REALLY IMPROVING ACCESS TO THE
- 21 HOLLYWOOD BOWL.

- 23 SUP. SOLIS: GOOD. I FELT IT WAS NECESSARY TO GET INTO THE
- 24 GRANULAR PART OF IT, BECAUSE WE ALWAYS TALK ABOUT ACCESS,
- 25 EQUITY, INCLUSION, BUT WE KNOW THAT MANY FROM OUR -- I KNOW,



- 1 FROM MY DISTRICT, IT IS A TREK TO COME DOWN TO THE HOLLYWOOD
- 2 BOWL, AND IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO NAVIGATE OR USE WHAT BUS
- 3 SYSTEM, OR EVEN T.A.P. CARDS, THE LOW-END COSTS FOR THAT,
- 4 EVERYTHING, WE NEED TO COORDINATE. SO I AM EXCITED ABOUT THAT,
- 5 AND WANT TO HELP OUT IN ANY WAY THAT WE CAN. AND I WANT TO
- 6 WELCOME YOU, TOO, CARLOS, BECAUSE I KNOW YOU HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN
- 7 HERE, WHAT, A YEAR? HAS IT BEEN A YEAR ALREADY, IN YOUR
- 8 POSITION?

10 CARLOS SINGER: IT'S BEEN A YEAR AND A HALF.

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12 SUP. SOLIS: A YEAR AND A HALF? OH, MY GOODNESS.

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14 CARLOS SINGER: YEAR AND A HALF.

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- 16 SUP. SOLIS: YOU'RE BUSY, BUT IT WAS GOOD TO SEE YOU THIS LAST
- 17 WEEKEND, WITH Y.O.L.A. AT THE PHIL, AND PROVIDING ACCESS TO
- 18 THE ARTS DOWNTOWN WITH OUR NEW METRO CONNECTOR ON BUNKER HILL.
- 19 SO, THANK YOU FOR THE PARTICIPATION THERE, AND IT WAS GREET TO
- 20 SEE THE WORK YOU ALL ARE DOING. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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22 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

- 24 SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR THE
- 25 CLARIFICATION ON HOW YOU ARE LOOKING TO EXPAND ACCESS, BOTH TO



- I THE \$1 TICKETS AND TO THE OVERALL EXPERIENCE. I HAVE BEEN TO
- 2 THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL A BUNCH, PRIOR TO MY SERVICE ON THE BOARD,
- 3 AND EVEN MORE NOW, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE MAKING THIS
- 4 OPPORTUNITY ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE. AND I KNOW THAT OUR OFFICE
- 5 HAS HAD THE ABILITY TO SHARE TICKETS WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS,
- 6 SO I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO EXPAND ACCESS EVEN
- 7 MORE SO. I KNOW WHEN PEOPLE GO TO THE EVENTS, AND THEY SEE AN
- 8 OPEN SEAT, THEY THINK ABOUT WAYS THAT WE COULD CONNECT THAT IN
- 9 THE FUTURE TO MORE ORGANIZATIONS. SO, I KNOW THAT MY OFFICE
- 10 WILL BE WORKING WITH YOU ON THAT, AS WELL AS OPPORTUNITIES
- 11 THAT WE WILL HAVE TO IMPROVE THE NEIGHBORHOOD EXPERIENCE, AS
- 12 WELL, BECAUSE WE ALWAYS KNOW THAT THAT BALANCE IS IMPORTANT TO
- 13 MAINTAIN, TOO. SO, VERY EXCITED TO SUPPORT TODAY'S ITEM,
- 14 MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE KEEPING UP WITH INCREASED COSTS, WHILE
- 15 BEING MINDFUL THAT THOSE COSTS DON'T PREVENT PEOPLE FROM
- 16 ACCESSING THE BOWL, ESPECIALLY THOSE COMMUNITIES WE ARE TRYING
- 17 TO WELCOME INTO THE EXPERIENCE. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
- 18 BEING HERE TODAY.

20 CARLOS SINGER: THANK YOU.

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22 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER?



- 1 SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. AND, NORMA, THANK YOU FOR OUTLINING.
- 2 JUST SO THAT PEOPLE CAN UNDERSTAND, HOW MANY FREE TICKETS DO
- 3 WE DISTRIBUTE EACH YEAR?

- 5 NORMA GARCIA-GONZALEZ: I WILL START, AND THEN I WILL ASK
- 6 CARLOS, BECAUSE THERE ARE DIFFERENT PROGRAMS. SO, I JUST WANT
- 7 TO CORRECT: THIS YEAR, WE ACTUALLY DISTRIBUTED 1,000 TICKETS.
- 8 375 TEENS ATTENDED THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL AS PART OF THE PARK
- 9 ACCESS PROGRAM, AND 625 SENIORS. SO, THAT'S THE PARKS AND
- 10 RECREATION PROGRAMMING: YOUR TEENAGERS AND YOUR SENIORS. AND
- 11 CARLOS WILL TALK ABOUT THE COMMUNITY TICKET PROGRAM.

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- 13 CARLOS SINGER: AND THE PROGRAM THAT THE DIRECTOR IS TALKING
- 14 ABOUT, OF COURSE, IS PRETTY ROBUST. IT INVOLVES TRANSPORTATION
- 15 AND MEALS, IN ADDITION TO THE FREE TICKETS THEMSELVES. ON TOP
- 16 OF THAT AND INCLUDING THOSE SEATS, WE GIVE APPROXIMATELY
- 17 70,000 FREE TICKETS A YEAR, AND THAT'S ACROSS THE
- 18 ORGANIZATION, IN LOTS OF DIFFERENT CAPACITIES, INCLUDING
- 19 WORKING WITH EACH OF THE BOARD OFFICES. SO THAT'S SOMETHING
- 20 THAT WE TAKE A LOT OF PRIDE IN, AND WE ASSUME THAT THAT'S VERY
- 21 MUCH A PART OF OUR D.N.A.: THE FOCUS ON ACCESS, AS WELL AS
- 22 MAKING SURE THAT THIS IS A COMPETITIVE, HISTORIC ENTERTAINMENT
- 23 VENUE.



- 1 SUP. BARGER: FANTASTIC. AND THEN, IN CLOSING, I MEAN, I
- 2 APPRECIATE, AND I AM GOING TO BE SUPPORTING THIS, AS WELL, BUT
- 3 WE HAVE GOT S.B. 96 NOW, THAT PASSED, THAT IS GOING TO ALLOW
- 4 YOU TO RETAIN PART OF YOUR SALES TAX TO REINVEST IN THE BOWL.
- 5 AND WE TALK ABOUT ACCESSIBILITY, WHETHER IT BE A.D.A. OR OTHER
- 6 UPGRADES. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THAT
- 7 HAPPEN, BECAUSE THAT'S AN OPPORTUNITY OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS
- 8 TO REINVEST IN THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO
- 9 LOOK TO INCREASE TICKET SALES TO MAINTAIN THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL.
- 10 BUT WHEN WE LOOK AT THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE GENERATED IN THESE
- 11 PAY INCREASES, IS THAT GOING TO BE USED TO OFFSET ANY OF THE
- 12 EXPENSES, OR HOW IS THAT DISTRIBUTED?

- 14 CARLOS SINGER: VERY MUCH SO. THIS WHOLE REQUEST IS LARGELY
- 15 DRIVEN BY OUR INTEREST IN MAINTAINING THE KIND OF ACCESS AND
- 16 EQUITY THAT IS EXPECTED OF US AS THE STEWARD, ALONG WITH THE
- 17 PARKS DEPARTMENT, OF THIS CHERISHED RESOURCE. BUT ALSO, IT IS
- 18 SIMPLY KEEPING UP WITH THE EXPENSES, WHICH HAVE GROWN
- 19 SUBSTANTIALLY. AND WE STILL ARE A MUCH LOWER-COST VENUE THAN
- 20 COMPARATIVE VENUES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. WE WOULD LIKE IT TO
- 21 STAY THAT WAY. AT THE SAME TIME, WE WANT TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE
- 22 IN A VERY DIFFICULT MARKET ENVIRONMENT.

- 24 SUP. BARGER: EXCELLENT. ALL RIGHT. WELL, I JUST WANT TO THANK
- 25 YOU, AND I KNOW MARK IS IN THE AUDIENCE. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE



- 1 THE WORK THAT HE DOES AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, AS WELL, BUT
- 2 YOU'VE GOT A GREAT TEAM. THANK YOU, CARLOS. THANK YOU, NORMA.

4 CARLOS SINGER: THANK YOU SUPERVISOR.

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6 NORMA GARCIA-GONZALEZ: THANK YOU.

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8 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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- 10 SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. IT IS NOT
- 11 DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE MOTION IN FRONT OF US, BUT I JUST WANT
- 12 TO KNOWLEDGE THE AMAZING PUBLIC TRANSIT BUS INTERLOCKING
- 13 SYSTEM THAT THE BOWL UTILIZES. SO MANY OF OUR OTHER VENUES
- 14 ACROSS THE REGION SHOULD TAKE A PLAY FROM YOUR PLAYBOOK, AND I
- 15 SAY THAT ALL THE TIME, TO KNOW THAT PEOPLE CAN, FOR VERY LOW
- 16 COST, GET A BUS, AS FAR SOUTH AS TORRANCE, AND MAYBE CARSON. I
- 17 AM NOT SURE ABOUT CARSON, BUT AS FAR SOUTH AS THOSE
- 18 COMMUNITIES, RIDE UP-- THE CONVENIENCE, IT IS JUST AMAZING.
- 19 AND SO I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT, AND AGAIN, FIGURE OUT
- 20 WAYS IN WHICH YOU CAN OFFER SUGGESTIONS TO SOME OF OUR OTHER
- 21 VENUES, NOT JUST WITH THE OLYMPICS COMING UP, BUT JUST ALL OF
- 22 THE VENUES THAT NOW HAVE BEEN STOOD UP IN THE REGION. THEY
- 23 REALLY COULD TAKE A PLAY FROM YOUR PLAYBOOK, SO I WANTED TO
- 24 JUST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT.



1 CARLOS SINGER: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

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- 3 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND AGAIN, YOU KNOW, NOBODY LIKES
- 4 RAISING TICKET PRICES. I DON'T THINK IT IS ANYTHING ANYBODY
- 5 ENJOYS VOTING FOR. THE PUBLIC FEELS LIKE EVERYTHING IS BEING
- 6 RAISED IN THEIR LIVES. BUT IF YOU WERE GOING TO GIVE US SORT
- 7 OF THE MAIN REASON THAT YOU ARE RAISING TICKET PRICES, OR
- 8 SEVERAL REASONS? I THINK SUPERVISOR BARGER TOUCHED ON THAT A
- 9 LITTLE BIT, TOO, BUT JUST FOR THE PUBLIC.

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- 11 NORMA GARCIA-GONZALEZ: AND FOR THE PUBLIC'S CLARIFICATION, WE
- 12 WERE VERY THOUGHTFUL IN REGARDS TO WHICH TICKET PRICES WE WERE
- 13 INCREASING. SO, I JUST WANT TO MENTION THAT THE AFFORDABLE
- 14 SEATS-- THE \$1 SEATS, AND ACTUALLY AFFORDABLE SEATS-- WILL NOT
- 15 BE RAISED IN TICKET PRICES. THE TICKET PRICES THAT ARE BEING
- 16 RAISED ARE THE MOST EXPENSIVE SEATS. THEY ARE IN THE CIRCLE,
- 17 THEY ARE IN THE GARDEN TERRACES, AND DO NOT IMPACT THE
- 18 COMMUNITIES THAT WE WANT TO REALLY TARGET TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO
- 19 THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL.

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21 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THAT'S A GREAT CLARIFICATION.

- 23 CARLOS SINGER: YEAH, THAT'S EXACTLY RIGHT. AND, IN FACT, 40%
- 24 OF OUR TICKETS ARE STILL \$37 OR LESS, AND WE ARE ACTUALLY



- 1 INCREASING THE NUMBER OF \$1 TICKETS IN THE COMING SEASON. SO,
- 2 WE DEFINITELY HAVE OUR EYE ON ACCESS.

- 4 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GREAT. WELL, YOU KNOW, AGAIN, I THINK THE
- 5 BEST TICKET IN TOWN IS THE PHILHARMONIC. IF ANYBODY HASN'T HAD
- 6 AN OPPORTUNITY TO LISTEN AND HEAR THEM, THEY ARE PERFORMING
- 7 NOW AT THE DISNEY CONCERT HALL, AND IN THE SUMMER, OF COURSE,
- 8 THEY DO THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY OVER THE
- 9 WEEKEND. I TOOK MY GRANDDAUGHTER, WHO PLAYS THE VIOLIN, TO SEE
- 10 HILARY HAHN, WHO WAS PERFORMING. JUST MAGNIFICENT. BUT THE
- 11 ENTIRE PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA WAS JUST FABULOUS. AND THERE
- 12 WERE SO MANY LITTLE GIRLS IN THE AUDIENCE COMING TO SEE HILARY
- 13 HAHN, WHO IS JUST AN EXTRAORDINARY VIOLINIST, AND THEN PEOPLE
- 14 LINED UP AFTERWARDS TO GET HER AUTOGRAPH. WE STOOD IN LINE,
- 15 TOO, TO GET HER AUTOGRAPH, AND MY GRANDCHILDREN HAD THINGS TO
- 16 SIGN. AND THEN I GOT UP, AND I'M LIKE, "MY LAST NAME IS HAHN,
- 17 TOO." AND I OPENED TO THE PAGE IN THE PROGRAM WHERE IT HAS ALL
- 18 OF OUR PICTURES, AND SHE SAID, "WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THE
- 19 PROGRAM?" I'M LIKE, "WELL, I AM ONE OF THOSE COUNTY
- 20 SUPERVISORS." SO, BUT SHE WAS GREAT, AND I THINK THINGS LIKE
- 21 THAT ARE TOUCHING A NEW GENERATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE, WHO
- 22 HOPEFULLY WILL BE LIFELONG CUSTOMERS OF OUR L.A. PHILHARMONIC.
- 23 SO, THANK YOU. ANY OTHER-- KATHRYN, YOU ARE STILL ON THE
- 24 QUEUE. DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK AGAIN?



1 SUP. BARGER: NO. I SHOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN OFF.

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- 3 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. ALL RIGHT. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
- 4 CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON
- 5 THIS ITEM.

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- 7 SPEAKER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO
- 8 ADDRESS THE BOARD. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
- 9 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 1, IF YOU HAVE
- 10 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
- 11 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER,
- 12 PLEASE?

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- 14 MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS PAUL EDELMAN. YOU MAY
- 15 BEGIN.

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- 17 PAUL EDELMAN: I WAS IN LINE TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 4, 5, AND 6, NOT
- 18 ITEM 1.

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- 20 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, HANG ON. NEXT CALLER WHO IS HERE FOR
- 21 ITEM 1.

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- 23 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL HENNESSEY. PLEASE GO
- 24 AHEAD.



- 1 SPEAKER: HI. PAUL HENNESSEY. I LIVE IN NORTH HILLS. BIG FAN OF
- 2 HOLLYWOOD BOWL. I AGREE WITH SOME STUFF IN THIS PROPOSAL, SOME
- 3 OF THE PRICE DECREASES, AND NO PRICE INCREASES. BUT, FRANKLY,
- 4 THERE'S TOO MANY PRICE INCREASES HERE. I'VE SAT IN THE CHEAP
- 5 SEATS, I'VE SAT IN GOOD SEATS. I HAVE BEEN MANY TIMES TO THE
- 6 BOWL, AND, YOU KNOW, IT KIND OF FEELS LIKE THESE ACCESSIBLE
- 7 SEATS, JUST QUITE FRANKLY, ARE JUST NOT IN VERY GOOD VIEW, AND
- 8 IT BECOMES MORE CHALLENGING FOR PEOPLE WHO WANT GOOD SEATS TO-
- 9 THEY ARE BEING CHARGED EXTRA FOR THIS. SO, YET ANOTHER
- 10 INCREASE ON TOP OF THAT. THERE'S TICKET FEES, RISING COSTS OF
- 11 PARKING. YOU MENTIONED THE PUBLIC TRANSIT, AS WELL, BUT, YOU
- 12 KNOW, THE BUSES SIT IN THE SAME TRAFFIC THAT EVERYBODY ELSE
- 13 DOES.

- 15 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
- 16 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 18 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY
- 19 BEGIN.

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- 21 SPEAKER: HI, BOARD. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING. MY CONCERN IS, IS
- 22 THERE A SYSTEM IN PLACE TO ENSURE THAT THOSE \$1 TICKETS REMAIN
- 23 \$1, AND GO TO THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE LESS AFFLUENT?



- 1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOU KNOW, WE DON'T TYPICALLY ANSWER
- 2 QUESTIONS DURING PUBLIC COMMENT, SO YOU HAVE ABOUT THIRTY
- 3 SECONDS MORE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING ELSE.

- 5 SPEAKER: OKAY. I JUST THINK THERE SHOULD BE A SYSTEM IN PLACE
- 6 THAT DOESN'T ALLOW A RESALE OF A \$1 TICKET, INCREASING THE
- 7 PRICE TO SOME AMOUNT WHERE SOMEONE WHO CAN'T AFFORD A \$30
- 8 TICKET. THAT'S MY COMMENT. THANK YOU.

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10 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 12 MODERATOR: AND, MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE
- 13 SPEAKERS IN THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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- 15 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NORMA, I SAW YOU SHAKING YOUR HEAD ON THAT
- 16 ONE CALLER. DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO THAT?

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- 18 NORMA GARCIA-GONZALEZ: AND I THINK THIS IS THE OPPORTUNITY
- 19 THAT WE HAVE WITH THIS ITEM, THAT IT WAS REALLY LOOKING AT
- 20 DEVELOPING A COMMUNITY OUTREACH TARGETED PROGRAM FOR HIGH-NEED
- 21 COMMUNITIES TO ACCESS THE \$1. SO THIS IS REALLY-- THIS ACTION
- 22 TODAY WILL ALSO REALLY STEER US IN THAT DIRECTION TO DO MORE
- 23 OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT FOR THE \$1 SEATS AND HIGH-NEED
- 24 COMMUNITIES, AND IN MULTILINGUAL OUTREACH, AS WELL.



- 1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE NOW
- 2 TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 1 IS
- 3 NOW BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY
- 4 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
- 5 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

7 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM ONE IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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9 SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

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- 11 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 12 MITCHELL?

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14 SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

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- 16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 17 HORVATH?

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19 SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

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- 21 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 22 BARGER?

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24 SUP. BARGER: AYE.



1 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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3 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

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5 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-0.

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- 7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GREAT. LET'S MOVE ON TO ITEM 2. FOR MEMBERS
- 8 OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS ONE THEN ZERO NOW
- 9 TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 2. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
- 10 READ IN THE SHORT TITLE.

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- 12 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 2 IS A HEARING ON ORDINANCE FOR
- 13 ADOPTION GRANTING A PROPRIETARY INDUSTRIAL GAS PIPELINE
- 14 FRANCHISE TO AIR PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS, INC., FOR A PERIOD OF
- 15 FIVE YEARS, BEGINNING ON NOVEMBER 23, 2023, AND EXPIRING ON
- 16 NOVEMBER 22, 2028. NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
- 17 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

- 19 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. AND I SEE WE HAVE MARK PESTRELLA, OUR
- 20 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND ART VANDER VIS, INTERIM DEPUTY
- 21 DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND THEY ARE BOTH HERE
- 22 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD
- 23 LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS ON THIS ITEM? I DON'T SEE ANY. EXECUTIVE
- 24 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED
- 25 UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.



- SPEAKER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO 2
- 3 ADDRESS THE BOARD. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
- TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 2, IF YOU HAVE 4
- 5 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
- THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST CALLER, 6
- 7 PLEASE?

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- 9 MODERATOR: AND, MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE NO REMOTE SPEAKERS IN THE
- QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. 10

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- SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, YOU KNOW WHAT? I CHANGED MY MIND ABOUT 12
- MAKING COMMENTS. SO, I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS FRANCHISE WAS 13
- ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED BACK IN MAY, BUT WAS PULLED BACK TO 14
- ADDRESS SOME CONCERNS FROM THE COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER 15
- 16 ENVIRONMENT. THEIR CONCERN WAS THAT THIS FRANCHISE WOULD
- PREEMPT FUTURE C.E.Q.A. ANALYSIS FOR FRANCHISEE FACILITY 17
- 18 EXPANSION, AND I UNDERSTAND WE MODIFIED THE AGREEMENT LANGUAGE
- 19 AS A RESULT OF THAT. CAN YOU SPEAK TO THAT?

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- MARK PESTRELLA: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MR. 21
- 22 VANDER VIS ANSWER THE QUESTION. HE'S THE CHIEF OF OUR OIL AND
- 23 GAS GROUP, AS WELL, SO HE HAS THE ANSWERS FOR YOU.

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SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GREAT. THANK YOU. 25



- 2 ART VANDER VIS: YES, SUPERVISORS. SO, WE MODIFIED THE LANGUAGE
- 3 SO THAT THEY COULD ONLY MAINTAIN AND OPERATE THEIR EXISTING
- 4 LINES. AND THAT WAY, THEY WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PUT IN
- 5 ADDITIONAL LINES WITHOUT GOING THROUGH A C.E.Q.A. PROCESS.

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- 7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO, ANY EXPANSION OF THEIR FACILITIES WITHIN
- 8 THIS FRANCHISE AREA WOULD REQUIRE AN AMENDMENT, WHICH WOULD
- 9 HAVE TO COME BACK BEFORE US?

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11 ART VANDER VIS: THAT'S CORRECT.

- 13 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. I APPRECIATE YOU ALL WORKING WITH
- 14 COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT. I HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH
- 15 THEM IN WILMINGTON SINCE I WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN 2001,
- 16 AND THERE ARE MORE PIPELINES TRAVERSING BELOW WILMINGTON THAN
- 17 ALMOST ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTY. IN FACT, THEY HAVE SO MANY
- 18 PIPELINES THAT A NEW SCHOOL BEING BUILT, THAT HAS TO BE LIKE
- 19 25, 50 FEET FROM AN EXISTING PIPELINE, THEY COULDN'T EVEN FIND
- 20 THAT LOCATION IN WILMINGTON. SO, I APPRECIATE YOU WORKING WITH
- 21 THEM. THEY CARE VERY MUCH ABOUT THESE ISSUES, AND IT IS NICE
- 22 TO KNOW THAT A GOVERNMENT LIKE L.A. COUNTY CAN WORK WITH THEM
- 23 AND CREATE A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT THAT IS BETTER. SO, THANK
- 24 YOU. ALL RIGHT. SO, WE HAVE NO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. IT
- 25 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON



- 1 THIS ITEM. ITEM 2 IS NOW BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED
- 2 BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
- 3 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

5 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM TWO IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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7 SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

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9 CELIA ZAVALA: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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11 SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

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- 13 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 14 HORVATH?

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16 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

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- 18 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 19 BARGER?

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21 SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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23 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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25 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.



2 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-0.

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- 4 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, LET'S MOVE ON TO ITEM 3. MEMBERS OF
- 5 THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS ONE THEN ZERO NOW TO
- 6 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 3. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ
- 7 IN THE SHORT TITLE.

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- 9 SPEAKER: ITEM 3 IS A HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION
- 10 AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 7, BUSINESS LICENSES, BY ADDING
- 11 AMMUNITION DEALERS TO CHAPTER 7.46, GUN DEALERS, TO REGULATE
- 12 BOTH GUN AND AMMUNITION DEALERS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
- 13 THE COUNTY; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 7.14, FEE SCHEDULE, TO UPDATE
- 14 FEES FOR THE REASONABLE REGULATORY COSTS FOR ISSUING THE
- 15 LICENSE AND RENEWALS AND ENFORCING CHAPTER 7.46. NO
- 16 DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS
- 17 RECEIVED.

- 19 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, AND I SEE THAT WE HAVE ELIZABETH
- 20 BUENROSTRO GINSBERG, CHIEF DEPUTY; MONICA ALLEN, ASSISTANT
- 21 OPERATIONS CHIEF OF THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE;
- 22 AND ELENA MILLER, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL. THEY ARE ALL
- 23 AVAILABLE FOR OUR OUESTIONS. I'D LIKE TO MAKE SOME REMARKS.
- 24 COLLEAGUES, EARLIER THIS YEAR, WE VOTED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH
- 25 FOUR ORDINANCES THAT HELPED TO ENHANCE GUN REGULATIONS, AND



- 1 HOPEFULLY PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE IN OUR UNINCORPORATED L.A.
- 2 COUNTY. THE THIRD AND FOURTH ORDINANCES NEEDED SOME MORE WORK
- 3 BY OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, SO WE DIRECTED OUR DEPARTMENT OF
- 4 REGIONAL PLANNING TO FINALIZE AN ORDINANCE THAT ENACTS A
- 5 1,000-FOOT BUFFER ZONE BETWEEN GUN STORES AND AREAS THAT
- 6 CHILDREN GATHER, LIKE SCHOOLS, PARKS, DAY CARES, AND TO
- 7 ESTABLISH A 1,000-FOOT BUFFER ZONE BETWEEN GUN STORES, AND
- 8 THAT ORDINANCE WILL COME TO THIS BOARD FOR A FINAL VOTE NEXT
- 9 MONTH. WE ALSO DIRECTED OUR TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR TO
- 10 FINALIZE AN ORDINANCE THAT ADDS REQUIREMENTS FOR GUN AND
- 11 AMMUNITION DEALERS IN UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY, AND THAT'S
- 12 THE ORDINANCE THAT IS BEFORE US TODAY, AND I HOPE I HAVE YOUR
- 13 SUPPORT. SPECIFICALLY, THIS ORDINANCE WILL DO FOUR THINGS.
- 14 FIRST, IT WILL REQUIRE AMMUNITION-ONLY DEALERS TO GET A
- 15 BUSINESS LICENSE AND COMPLY WITH THE SAME REQUIREMENTS AS GUN-
- 16 DEALER BUSINESSES. BEFORE NOW, WE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW HOW MANY
- 17 AMMUNITION-ONLY DEALERS WE HAD IN THE COUNTY, BECAUSE THEY
- 18 WEREN'T REQUIRED TO GET A SPECIFIC LICENSE, SO THIS WILL HELP
- 19 US TRACK AND MONITOR THESE BUSINESSES. SECOND, IT PROHIBITS
- 20 MINORS FROM ENTERING STORES THAT SELL GUNS AND AMMUNITION,
- 21 UNLESS THEY ARE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. THIRD, IT REQUIRES
- 22 STORES THAT SELL GUNS AND AMMUNITION TO COMPLY WITH MULTIPLE
- 23 STORE ENHANCEMENTS, LIKE MAINTAINING AN ANNUAL SALES REPORT
- 24 AND WEEKLY INVENTORY REPORT, KEEPING A FINGERPRINT LOG, HAVING
- 25 SECURITY CAMERAS IN PLACE, AND PUTTING UP SIGNS THAT WARN



- 1 CUSTOMERS OF THE RISK ASSOCIATED WITH ACCESS TO GUNS. AND
- 2 LASTLY, IT REQUIRES BUSINESSES THAT HAVE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED
- 3 LICENSES TO BE POSTED PUBLICLY ON THE T.T.C. WEBSITE. THESE
- 4 CHANGES, ALONG WITH ALL THE EFFORTS THAT THIS BOARD HAS MADE
- 5 TO ENHANCE GUN REGULATIONS AND PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE IN OUR
- 6 COMMUNITIES, THESE ORDINANCES WILL BE ANOTHER PIECE OF THE
- 7 PUZZLE THAT WILL KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES SAFE. I WANT TO THANK
- 8 THE TEAM AT THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, THAT HAS WORKED
- 9 HARD TO FINALIZE THIS ORDINANCE, AND TO MAKE SURE BUSINESSES
- 10 ARE AWARE OF THESE CHANGES, AND HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY AND TIME
- 11 TO MAKE THESE IMPORTANT CHANGES. TODAY IS THE FIRST HEARING OF
- 12 THIS ORDINANCE, AND IF IT PASSES, WE HAVE A SECOND HEARING ON
- 13 NOVEMBER 7TH. AND ONCE IT IS APPROVED, THEN THE ORDINANCE WILL
- 14 GO INTO EFFECT 30 DAYS AFTER THAT. SO, THAT IS WHAT WE HAVE
- 15 BEFORE US TODAY. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

- 17 SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR WALKING US THROUGH
- 18 EXACTLY WHAT THE ORDINANCE DOES, AND FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, AS
- 19 WELL AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IN MAKING THIS ORDINANCE POSSIBLE.
- 20 WE SAW ONE OF THE MOST HORRIFIC TRAGEDIES IN RECENT MEMORY AS
- 21 THE MOTIVATOR FOR THESE MOTIONS, AND OF COURSE OUR OVERALL
- 22 VIGILANCE ON THIS ISSUE. THE LUNAR NEW YEAR MASS SHOOTING IN
- 23 MONTEREY PARK CAST A LONG SHADOW OVER OUR COUNTY, AND IN THE
- 24 WAKE OF TRAGEDY, GOVERNMENT AT ALL LEVELS TOOK ACTION. WE
- 25 HEARD FROM THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION. RIGHT HERE IN THE COUNTY,



- 1 THIS BOARD TOOK A BOLD, COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO ADDRESSING
- 2 LOOPHOLES IN OUR GUN LAWS. AND WE KNOW THAT GUN VIOLENCE IS AN
- 3 EPIDEMIC, A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE. JUST AS RETAILERS CARRYING
- 4 CIGARETTES ARE REQUIRED TO POST WARNINGS OF THE DANGERS OF
- 5 SMOKING, RETAILERS OF GUNS, TOO, MUST BE HELD TO THAT SAME
- 6 STANDARD. SO, AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES, WHO MADE
- 7 THIS ORDINANCE POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL OF OUR
- 8 COUNTY RESIDENTS, AND I WILL PROUDLY BE SUPPORTING THIS
- 9 ORDINANCE. THANK YOU.

- 11 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER SUPERVISORS ON
- 12 THE QUEUE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE
- 13 PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 3.

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- 15 SPEAKER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO
- 16 ADDRESS THE BOARD. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
- 17 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 3, IF YOU HAVE
- 18 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
- 19 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST CALLER,
- 20 PLEASE?

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- 22 MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY
- 23 BEGIN.



- 1 SPEAKER: HI. THANK YOU, BOARD. I AM ALL FOR GUN CONTROL, OR
- 2 ACTUALLY, HAVING SYSTEMS IN PLACE TO MONITOR GUNS, AND TO MAKE
- 3 SURE THAT THEY DON'T GET INTO THE WRONG HANDS. BUT I'D ALSO
- 4 LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT THAT I FEEL THAT MOST OF THE GUN VIOLENCE
- 5 THAT TAKES PLACE IS RELATED TO SOME FORM OF MENTAL HEALTH
- 6 ISSUE, AND NOT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE SANE AND LAW
- 7 ABIDING. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT COMMENT.

9 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 11 MODERATOR: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS IN
- 12 THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.
- 14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE
- 15 PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 16 HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. TO APPROVE THIS ITEM,
- 17 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
- 19 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 3 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?
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- 21 SUP. SOLIS: AYE.
- 23 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 24 MITCHELL?

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1 SUP. MITCHELL: AYE. 2 3 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH? 4 5 SUP. HORVATH: AYE. 6 7 8 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR 9 BARGER? 10 11 SUP. BARGER: AYE. 12 13 CELIA ZAVALA: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN? 14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE. 15 16 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-0. 17 18 19 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, LET'S MOVE ON TO ITEM 4. FOR MEMBERS 20 OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS ONE THEN ZERO NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE 21 22 READ IN THE SHORT TITLE. 23 SPEAKER: ITEM FOUR IS A HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER PRJ2023-24

000322-(3), TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED UPDATE TO THE HABITAT



- 1 IMPACT FEE FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL
- 2 PROGRAM AND SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NORTH AREA COMMUNITY
- 3 STANDARDS DISTRICT, AND AMEND COUNTY CODE, TITLE 22 PLANNING
- 4 AND ZONING, TO UPDATE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL
- 5 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS
- 6 PROVIDED, AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

- 8 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. ARE THERE SUPERVISORS-- OH, WAIT. WE
- 9 HAVE AMY BODEK. OUR DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING IS HERE WITH
- 10 US TODAY, TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS
- 11 THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS ON THIS? SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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- 13 SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WANT TO THANK THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING FOR BRINGING THE SANTA MONICA
- 15 MOUNTAINS HABITAT IMPACT FEE UPDATE TO THE BOARD TODAY, WHICH
- 16 WILL NOW BRING THE COUNTY IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATION
- 17 OF THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN. AND I AM GLAD WE HAVE THIS FEE AS A
- 18 WAY OF MITIGATING THE IMPACTS OF DEVELOPMENT IN SENSITIVE
- 19 AREAS WHEN IT MUST OCCUR. I KNOW THAT SOME INDIVIDUALS WILL
- 20 THINK THE REVISED FEE OF \$83,478 PER ACRE IS HIGH, BUT I
- 21 ACTUALLY THINK IT IS LOW, GIVEN THE VALUE OF LAND AND
- 22 RESOURCES IN THE AREA. SO, I WANTED TO TURN IT TO OUR DIRECTOR
- 23 TO ASK IF SHE THOUGHT IT WAS LOW, AND TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS
- 24 FEE WAS CALCULATED.



- 1 AMY BODEK: CERTAINLY. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK
- 3 ABOUT THIS, BECAUSE IT IS DEFINITELY IN NEED OF AN UPDATE. THE
- 4 DIFFICULTY THAT WE HAD WAS FINDING REALLY GOOD COMPS FOR
- 5 JUSTIFYING THE PRICE. AND SO, WE ALL DO BELIEVE THAT IT WILL
- 6 COST MORE THAN \$83,000 AN ACRE, BUT WE DID NEED TO PROVIDE A
- 7 TECHNICAL REPORT THAT COULD LEGITIMATELY WITHSTAND SCRUTINY.
- 8 AND SO WE DID WORK WITH SEVERAL JURISDICTIONS, INCLUDING THE
- 9 COASTAL COMMISSION AND THE NATURE CONSERVANCY AND OTHERS, TO
- 10 TRY TO FIND COMPARABLE ACQUISITION PRICES IN THOSE AREAS THAT
- 11 HAD THE SAME TYPE OF HABITAT. WE ALSO LOOKED AT COMPS IN OTHER
- 12 COUNTIES, LIKE SANTA BARBARA AND VENTURA, AND THIS WAS THE
- 13 BEST THAT WE COULD COME UP WITH, AT THIS POINT. THE GOOD NEWS
- 14 IS WE ARE EXTREMELY STRIDENT AT ALLOWING DESTRUCTION OF
- 15 HABITAT WHERE WE ARE-- YOU KNOW, WE DON'T ALLOW IT. AND SO,
- 16 HAVING SOMEONE HAVE TO PAY THE IN-LIEU FEE FOR A FULL ACRE IS
- 17 BEYOND MY EXPECTATIONS. I JUST DON'T SEE US GETTING TO THAT
- 18 POINT. IMPORTANTLY, THOUGH, THESE FEES MAY BE FOR SMALL SQUARE
- 19 FOOTAGES. SO, IF YOU HAVE TEN SOUARE FEET OF HIGH-OUALITY
- 20 HABITAT THAT IS UNAVOIDABLE-- YOU MUST DESTROY IT-- THEN AT
- 21 LEAST WE HAVE A FEE BASIS THAT WE CAN USE TO REPLACE THOSE
- 22 FEES.

24 SUP. HORVATH: WELL, I HOPE THAT WE WILL CONTINUE, BASED ON THE

25 EARLIER PART OF YOUR ANSWER, THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO LOOK AT



- 1 WHETHER THIS IS THE RIGHT AMOUNT. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
- 2 THIS ISN'T BEING USED AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET INTO SPACES
- 3 WHERE WE ARE CLEAR IT CREATES MORE ISSUES THAN IT SOLVES, BY
- 4 CREATING MORE DEVELOPMENT IN ESPECIALLY THESE PROTECTED AREAS,
- 5 THESE VERY SPECIAL AREAS. I KNOW, BY LAW, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE
- 6 THAT PEOPLE ARE ABLE TO USE AND EXERCISE THEIR PROPERTY
- 7 RIGHTS, BUT RECOGNIZING THE SEVERE SAFETY ISSUES THAT WE HAVE
- 8 HAD IN THIS AREA, AS WELL AS THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RICH
- 9 BIODIVERSITY OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, WE WANT TO BE
- 10 EXCELLENT STEWARDS, AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL REMAIN STRIDENT,
- 11 AS YOU SAY, VERY VIGILANT TO NOT ALLOW THE FLAGRANT USE OF THE
- 12 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS HABITAT IMPACT FEE. ONCE WE GIVE AN
- 13 INCH, WE KNOW THAT PEOPLE WILL TRY AND KICK OPEN THAT DOOR,
- 14 AND SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PROTECTING THIS SPACE
- 15 AS THE SPECIAL PLACE THAT IT IS.

- 17 AMY BODEK: FORTUNATELY, WE HAVE VERY ENGAGED RESIDENTS WHO
- 18 HELP US MAKE SURE THAT WE MAKE THOSE RIGHT DECISIONS WHEN WE
- 19 RECOMMEND IT TO YOU. AND THEN, CERTAINLY, THE COASTAL
- 20 COMMISSION IS ALWAYS THERE TO TELL US THAT WE CAN DO BETTER,
- 21 WHICH IS FRANKLY VERY HELPFUL. SO, WE DO HAVE THE AUTHORITIES
- 22 IN PLACE TO CHECK RAMPANT MISUSE OF MITIGATION FEES IN THIS
- 23 SITUATION.

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25 SUP. HORVATH: ALL RIGHT, WE WILL BE WATCHING. THANK YOU.



- 2 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, SEEING NO OTHER SUPERVISORS ON THE
- 3 QUEUE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
- 4 THAT SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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- 6 SPEAKER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO
- 7 ADDRESS THE BOARD. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
- 8 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 4, IF YOU HAVE
- 9 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
- 10 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER,
- 11 PLEASE?

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- 13 MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU
- 14 MAY BEGIN.

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- 16 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
- 17 SUPERVISORS. I AM VERY GLAD TO SEE THAT ITEM ON THE AGENDA. I
- 18 THINK WE SHOULD SUPPORT IT. SO, I JUST HOPE YOU VOTE IN
- 19 SUPPORT OF THAT. THANK YOU.

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21 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 23 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL EDELMAN. YOU MAY
- 24 BEGIN.



1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: HELLO?

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- 3 PAUL EDELMAN: -- VERY BALANCED. OF COURSE, IF THE BOARD WANTS
- 4 TO GO TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT 10%, 15% ON THE FLY HERE, THAT
- 5 WOULD BE WONDERFUL. IT WOULD PRESERVE MORE HABITAT AND BE MORE
- 6 IN LINE WITH THE IMPACTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH. PLEASE, WE
- 7 RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

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9 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 11 MODERATOR: AND, MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE
- 12 SPEAKERS IN THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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- 14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, THERE'S NO REMOTE SPEAKERS. THERE'S NO
- 15 ONE IN PERSON. THERE IS NO OTHER SUPERVISORS ON THE QUEUE. IT
- 16 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON
- 17 THIS ITEM. ITEM 4 IS NOW BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 18 HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. TO APPROVE THE ITEM,
- 19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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21 SPEAKER: ITEM FOUR IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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23 SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

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25 SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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SUP. MITCHELL: AYE. 2 3 SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH? 4 5 SUP. HORVATH: AYE. 6 7 8 SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER? 9 SUP. BARGER: AYE. 10 11 12 SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN? 13 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE. 14 15 16 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-0. 17 18 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, LET'S GO ON TO ITEM 5. FOR MEMBERS OF 19 THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO 20 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 5. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ IN THE SHORT TITLE. 21

23 SPEAKER: ITEM 5 IS A HEARING ON THE APPEAL OF PROJECT NO. 03-

- 24 250-(5), TO AUTHORIZE 247 LOTS, INCLUDING 222 SINGLE-FAMILY
- 25 RESIDENCES, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF DEL VALLE ROAD AND



- 1 HUNSTOCK STREET IN THE NEWHALL ZONED DISTRICT WITHIN THE
- 2 CASTAIC COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT, APPLIED FOR BY STERLING
- 3 GATEWAY L.P. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED,
- 4 AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

- 6 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, AND AMY BODEK IS HERE, WHO IS THE
- 7 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING. WE ALSO HAVE DAVID DEGRAZIA,
- 8 WHO IS THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR, AND WE HAVE MARK PESTRELLA, THE
- 9 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, ARE HERE FOR QUESTIONS. AND WE
- 10 HAVE...

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- 12 ART VANDER VIS: ART VANDER VIS, INTERIM DIRECTOR WITH PUBLIC
- WORKS.

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- 15 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THAT'S RIGHT. GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN. ARE
- 16 THERE ANY-- SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEAD US OFF?

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- 18 SUP. BARGER: MADAM CHAIR, I DO HAVE QUESTIONS, BUT I WANT TO
- 19 HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC BEFORE, BECAUSE THEY MAY BRING UP
- 20 SOMETHING THAT I WANT TO FOLLOW UP ON. SO, IF WE COULD DO
- 21 PUBLIC TESTIMONY FIRST, SO I CAN HEAR FROM INDIVIDUALS HERE?

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- 23 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, BUT THE FIRST THING WE DO IS WE CALL
- 24 UP THE APPELLANTS AND THE APPLICANT.



- 1 SUP. BARGER: OKAY. YEAH. BUT, I MEAN, I'VE GOT QUESTIONS THAT
- 2 I WANT TO HEAR.

- 4 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. AND THEN AFTER THAT, WE CAN HAVE THE
- 5 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SPEAK.

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7 SUP. BARGER: EXCELLENT. THANK YOU.

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- 9 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO, LET'S FIRST CALL UP THE APPELLANTS,
- 10 WHICH IS LYNNE PLAMBECK AND FRANK MISCIONI, WHO WILL BE GIVEN
- 11 A TOTAL OF TWO MINUTES. SO, THAT'S ONE MINUTE EACH FOR BOTH OF
- 12 YOU, OR HOWEVER YOU WANT TO DIVIDE UP THE TWO MINUTES. GOOD
- 13 MORNING.

- 15 LYNNE PLAMBECK: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND BOARD. AND,
- 16 SUPERVISOR BARGER, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HELPING US WORK WITH
- 17 THIS. LYNNE PLAMBECK, SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING
- 18 AND THE ENVIRONMENT. WE APPEALED THIS PROJECT BECAUSE IT IS
- 19 BAD PLANNING TO PUT 222 MORE FAMILIES NEXT TO A LANDFILL THAT
- 20 IS BURNING INSIDE, AND HAS ALWAYS EMITTED ODORS, AND THAT ARE
- 21 HARMING PEOPLE. HOUSES SHOULD SHOULD NOT BE PLACED IN A HIGH
- 22 FIRE HAZARD ZONE, LOSS OF OAKS, AND A FLAWED HYDROLOGY REPORT
- 23 THAT MAY RESULT IN FLOODING IF NOT CORRECTED. YOUR BOARD
- 24 APPROVED A RESOLUTION REQUIRING EVACUATION PLANS, BUT THE
- 25 E.I.R. RELIES ON A FUTURE PLAN PROMULGATED WHEN FIRE OCCURS.



- 1 WE OFFERED SUGGESTIONS TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES, AS OUTLINED IN
- 2 OUR CORRESPONDENCE AND DURING COMMENTS AT THE PLANNING
- 3 COMMISSION, BUT THE PROJECT WAS SUMMARILY APPROVED. WE DO NOT
- 4 BELIEVE THAT ANY STATE LAW REQUIRES YOU TO MAKE BAD PLANNING
- 5 DECISIONS AND APPROVE A DEFICIENT E.I.R. OUR SUBMITTED
- 6 COMMENTS AND THOSE OF OTHERS WERE NOT POSTED IN BOARD
- 7 CORRESPONDENCE UNTIL LATE LAST NIGHT, SO I HAVE SUBMITTED THEM
- 8 AGAIN TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE BEFORE YOU.

- 10 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, THANK YOU. YOUR MINUTE IS UP. AND,
- 11 FRANK, YOU HAVE A MINUTE.

- 13 SPEAKER: FRANK MISCIONI, LICENSED [INAUDIBLE] STATE OF
- 14 CALIFORNIA. THE EXISTING DRAINAGE IS A SERIES OF CATCH BASINS
- 15 THAT DRAIN WITH COLLECTORS. IT DRAINS BY GRAVITY TO THE
- 16 SOUTHERN PROPERTY LINE, WHERE AT THIS POINT IT TURNS TO AN
- 17 OUTLET, AND THIS OUTLET IS A CONDITION WHERE THE DESIGN FLIPS
- 18 FROM A DRAINAGE DESIGN TO A FLOODING DESIGN: A FLOODING THAT
- 19 DOES NOT EXIST. THIS IS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE HYDROLOGY
- 20 REPORT BY MANUFACTURING FLOOD DATA. I HAVE EXPLAINED THIS TO
- 21 THE COUNTY PEOPLE, COUNTY ENGINEERS, AND THEY REFUSE TO
- 22 ACKNOWLEDGE MY ARGUMENT. WE ARE GOING TO BE STUCK WITH A
- 23 DEVICE, SPECIFICALLY BASIN NUMBER FOUR, THAT IS GOING TO
- 24 FLOOD, THAT HAS A FLOOD ELEVATION THAT'S MORE THAN 12 INCHES
- 25 ABOVE THE FINISHED FLOOR OF THE ADJACENT NEIGHBORS, THAT'S



- 1 LESS THAN 50 FEET AWAY, AND THAT CONSTITUTES PRETTY MUCH A
- 2 FLOOD HAZARD. AND HERE IS THE EXHIBIT FOR THE FLOOD MAP. THANK
- 3 YOU.

- 5 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, FRANK MISCIONI. I AM SORRY I
- 6 MISPRONOUNCED YOUR NAME THE FIRST TIME.

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8 SPEAKER: IT'S "MISH-ONI."

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- 10 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: "MISH-ONI." OKAY, NOW WE ARE GOING TO CALL
- 11 UP THE APPLICANT, KATHLEEN O'PREY TRUMAN, WHO WILL BE GIVEN A
- 12 TOTAL OF TWO MINUTES. MS. TRUMAN, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

- 14 KATHLEEN TRUMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE
- 15 CHAIR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I AM KATHLEEN TRUMAN, OF
- 16 TRUMAN & ELLIOTT, COUNSEL FOR STERLING GATEWAY, THE APPLICANT
- 17 FOR THE STERLING RANCH RESIDENTIAL PROJECT. THANK YOU FOR THE
- 18 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH YOU THIS MORNING. ON AUGUST 30TH,
- 19 2023, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CERTIFIED THE E.I.R.
- 20 AND APPROVED THE PROJECT. THE APPELLANTS APPEALED THIS
- 21 APPROVAL ON SEPTEMBER 11TH, THE DEADLINE FOR SUCH APPEAL. IN
- 22 OUR SEPTEMBER 20TH LETTER TO THE BOARD, THE PROJECT TEAM
- 23 ADDRESSED THE ISSUES RAISED IN THE APPEAL, ALL OF WHICH WERE
- 24 ADDRESSED IN THE PROJECT'S E.I.R. MR. MISCIONI'S OCTOBER 19TH
- 25 SUBMISSION TO THE BOARD, REGARDING HYDROLOGY AND STORMWATER



- 1 RUNOFF, REPEATS PRIOR ALLEGATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED BY
- 2 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE E.I.R. S.C.O.P.E.'S
- 3 OCTOBER 20TH SUBMISSION TO THE BOARD REPEATS, VIRTUALLY
- 4 VERBATIM, ITS JANUARY 9, 2022, COMMENT LETTER, WHICH WAS
- 5 ADDRESSED IN THE FINAL E.I.R., AND OUR SEPTEMBER 20TH 23RD
- 6 SUBMISSION TO THE BOARD. REGARDING THE CURRENT SITUATION AT
- 7 THE CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL, WE SHARE THE PUBLIC'S CONCERN,
- 8 AND ARE PLEASED THAT THE ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE
- 9 COUNTY, THE AIR OUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, AND THE REGIONAL
- 10 WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, ARE AGGRESSIVELY INVESTIGATING
- 11 AND TACKLING THESE ISSUES, AND WE ARE CONFIDENT THE CURRENT
- 12 SITUATION WILL BE RESOLVED LONG BEFORE THE PROJECT'S PROPOSED
- 13 HOMES ARE READY FOR OCCUPANCY. SINCE THE PLANNING COMMISSION
- 14 HEARING, THE PROJECT TEAM HAS MET WITH MEMBERS OF THE VAL
- 15 VERDE CIVIC ASSOCIATION TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND TO DISCUSS
- 16 PROGRAMMING FOR THE PROPOSED 3.4-ACRE PARK TO BE MAINTAINED BY
- 17 THE H.O.A. AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THE PROJECT TEAM ALSO MET
- 18 WITH THE CASTAIC AREA TOWN COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THE APPEAL. WE
- 19 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THESE GROUPS. WE APPRECIATE THE
- 20 SUPPORT OF MANY, INCLUDING BRIDGE TO HOME AND FAMILY PROMISE,
- 21 EACH OF WHICH WILL RECEIVE A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION OF
- 22 \$440,000.

24 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TWO MINUTES HAS EXPIRED.

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- 1 KATHLEEN TRUMAN: THANK YOU. AND I ALSO-- LIKE LYNN PLAMBECK, I
- 2 DIDN'T NOTICE A LOT OF THE SUPPORT LETTERS IN THE ATTACHMENTS.
- 3 THERE WAS JUST THE COVER E-MAIL, SO I HAVE COPIES.

- 5 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. JUST HAND THEM OVER, AND WE WILL
- 6 BE ABLE TO--

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8 KATHLEEN TRUMAN: PERFECT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 10 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE TO HEAR
- 11 FROM THE PUBLIC NEXT. SO, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
- 12 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 5.

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- 14 SPEAKER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD,
- 15 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST: BRYAN GEORGE, HUNT WILLIAMS, MANDY
- 16 O'CONNOR, RACHEL RIKOFF, TONY LOCACIADO. MODERATOR, MAY WE
- 17 HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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- 19 MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY
- 20 BEGIN.

- 22 SPEAKER: I AM OPPOSED TO THE ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE
- 23 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, UNTIL OTHER PROJECTS ARE COMPLETED, SO
- 24 THAT WE MAY SEE THEIR IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY, WATER
- 25 AVAILABILITY, ELECTRICITY AVAILABILITY, STREET AND ROAD



- 1 ACCESS, AIR QUALITY, CRIME RATE, AND MUCH MORE. I ALSO HAVE A
- 2 CONCERN THAT WE HAVE NO REGULATIONS IN PLACE TO PRECLUDE REAL
- 3 ESTATE GROUPS AND MANAGEMENT COMPANIES FROM BUYING UP
- 4 PROPERTIES AND TURNING THEM INTO HIGH-PRICED RENTALS, AND ARE
- 5 DRIVING UP PRICES VIA OVERBIDDING. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT SOME OF
- 6 THE SIDE EFFECTS OF THE GROWTH WE ALREADY EXPERIENCE IN THE
- 7 VALLEY. HOMES AND BUSINESSES EXPERIENCE ELECTRICAL OUTAGES.
- 8 THE NEW SKYLINE DEVELOPMENT, WHICH IS STILL IN PROGRESS, HAS
- 9 EXPERIENCED OUTAGES FOR THEIR BUSINESS. I LIVE IN A COMMUNITY
- 10 THAT'S BEEN HERE SINCE THE 1980'S, AND WHEN SUMMER STARTED,
- 11 THE FIRST INCIDENCES OF 100-DEGREE-PLUS TEMPERATURES, OUR
- 12 ELECTRICITY WENT OUT. OUR STREET AND HIGHWAY TRAFFIC--

14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT

15 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANDREW WOODWARD. YOU MAY

18 BEGIN.

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- 20 SPEAKER: HI. GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I
- 21 HAVE WRITTEN DOWN MY POINTS AND MY BULLET POINTS TO MAKE IT
- 22 BRIEF, AND I URGE YOU TO APPROVE THE STERLING GATEWAY PROJECT.
- 23 IT BRINGS MUCH-NEEDED HOUSING TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.
- 24 THERE WILL BE OPEN SPACE AND A PUBLIC PARK. STERLING GATEWAY
- 25 IS COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING HIKING TRAILS TO CURRENTLY



- 1 INACCESSIBLE AREAS, AND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS FOR SAFETY EGRESS
- 2 AND INGRESS. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BUILD
- 3 OUT A \$1 MILLION-- ACTUALLY, A MILLION-GALLON WATER TANK FOR
- 4 FIRE SUPPRESSION. SO I URGE YOU TO DENY THIS APPEAL, AND
- 5 APPROVE THE STERLING GATEWAY PROJECT. THANK YOU.

7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 9 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KRISTINA ORANA. YOU MAY
- 10 BEGIN.

- 12 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I SUPPORT THE
- 13 APPEAL OF THIS PROJECT AS A RESIDENT, AND I FEAR BEING TRAPPED
- 14 IN A FIRE BECAUSE OF THE DISREGARD TO ADDRESS THE VERY REAL
- 15 THREAT OF INCREASING THE POPULATION IN A VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD
- 16 SEVERITY ZONE. THE E.I.R. DOES NOT ANALYZE THE TIME TO
- 17 EVACUATE IN A WIND-DRIVEN FIRE, NOR DISCUSS HOW THE PROJECT'S
- 18 DEVELOPMENT WILL SLOW EXIT ROUTS DOWN IN A COMMUNITY THAT
- 19 ALREADY ONLY HAS TWO-LANE ROADS, AND TWO ROUTES IN AND OUT OF
- 20 THE COMMUNITY. WHILE THE E.I.R. IDENTIFIED [INAUDIBLE] CANYON
- 21 ROAD AS AN ACCESS POINT, THIS IS NOT A HIGHWAY DESIGNATED TO
- 22 HANDLE AN EVACUATION IN THIS SCENARIO. WE HAVE ALREADY SEEN
- 23 THIS DEATH TOLL IN THIS EXACT LAYOUT, IN MAUI, CALIFORNIA, AS
- 24 WELL AS PARADISE. IF THIS HAPPENS, THE RESIDENTS WILL BE
- 25 TRAPPED. I URGE THE SUPERVISORS TO MAKE THE MORAL CHOICE NOW,



- 1 AND RECOMMEND THEY HAVE THE E.I.R. EXTEND THE DATA BASED ON
- 2 FUTURE TRENDS, AND NOT ON HISTORICAL DATA. PLEASE ENSURE THE
- 3 SAFETY AND SECURITY OF THE UNDERPRIVILEGED RESIDENTS OF VAL
- 4 VERDE, AS WELL AS FUTURE RESIDENTS, BEFORE THE PROJECT MOVES
- 5 FORWARD. THANK YOU.

7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 9 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL EDELMAN. YOU MAY
- 10 BEGIN.

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- 12 PAUL EDELMAN: THIS IS PAUL EDELMAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF NATURAL
- 13 RESOURCES AND PLANNING FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
- 14 CONSERVANCY. THIS PROJECT PIECEMEALS ITS MITIGATION ON OPEN
- 15 SPACE. ON PARCEL 3271-005-032, THEY PROVIDE A CONSERVATION
- 16 EASEMENT, BUT IN THE MEANTIME, THERE'S PART OF THAT PORTION
- 17 THAT'S BETWEEN THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT AND THE TRACT THAT
- 18 THE APPLICANT PLANS FOR LUXURY HOMES. THAT'S C.E.O.A.
- 19 PIECEMEALING. I BELIEVE, IN PART, THE APPEAL COULD BE GRANTED,
- 20 BUT REQUIRE THE REST OF PARCEL 32 TO BE IN A CONSERVATION
- 21 EASEMENT, OR DEDICATED IN FEE SIMPLE. OTHERWISE, WE BELIEVE
- 22 THEY'RE C.E.Q.A. PIECEMEALING ON THE SUBJECT PROJECT. THANK
- 23 YOU.

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25 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



2 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SUSAN EVANS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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- 4 SPEAKER: YES, I SUPPORT THE APPEAL. I HAVE LIVED IN VAL VERDE
- 5 CANYON FOR OVER 20 YEARS, AND HAVE EXPERIENCED FIRSTHAND HOW
- 6 INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT AND EXPENSIVE IT IS TO GET FIRE INSURANCE
- 7 OUT HERE. I HAVE BEEN EVACUATED DURING A WILDFIRE, LIVING
- 8 HERE. I KNOW HOW STRESSFUL AND FEARFUL IT CAN BE. IT IS ALSO
- 9 IN THE DIRECT SHADOW OF THE GAS-SPEWING CHIQUITA CANYON
- 10 LANDFILL. WHY IS L.A. COUNTY APPROVING 222 MORE HOMES IN THIS
- 11 EXTREMELY HIGH FIRE RISK AREA? THE NEW DEVELOPMENT INCLUDES
- 12 TAKING OUT EXISTING ROADS, AND MOVING THEM. DURING
- 13 CONSTRUCTION, THE RISK OF THIS TO THE CURRENT RESIDENTS
- 14 INCREASES EXPONENTIALLY, LEAVING ONLY ONE SINGLE LANE OPEN FOR
- 15 RESIDENTS TO ALL SHARE IN THE EVENT OF AN EVACUATION. WHAT
- 16 HAPPENS IF THE FIRE IS ON THAT ROADWAY? THE RESIDENTS BECOME
- 17 TRAPPED, AND RISK BURNING TO DEATH LIKE IN LAHAINA AND
- 18 PARADISE. I BELIEVE IT IS IRRESPONSIBLE OF L.A. COUNTY TO
- 19 CONSIDER RISKING THE CURRENT RESIDENTS' LIVES FOR MORE
- 20 MILLION-DOLLAR HOMES, THE AVERAGE PRICE OF THE RANGE WOULD BE
- 21 TODAY, IF THEY HIT THE MARKET.

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- 23 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.
- 24 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



- 1 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIKA LARSEN. YOU MAY
- 2 BEGIN.

4 SPEAKER: HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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6 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES.

- 8 SPEAKER: YES. OKAY, GREAT. ERIKA LARSEN. I AM A RESIDENT OF
- 9 VAL VERDE, AND HAVE BEEN A COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE FOR ALMOST
- 10 NINE YEARS. I URGE THE BOARD TO READ THE LETTERS IN THE VAL
- 11 VERDE CIVIC ASSOCIATION, BECAUSE THEY WILL REPRESENT THE
- 12 COMMUNITY. THIS DEVELOPMENT OF 220 HOMES IN A COMMUNITY OF
- 13 ONLY 800 IS A MAJOR IMPACT. IT ALSO BRINGS LIGHT TO NUANCES
- 14 NOT INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSAL, INCLUDING HOW THE COMMUNITY'S
- 15 VOICE HAS BEEN IGNORED, SUPPRESSED, AND UNDERMINED. MANY OF
- 16 THE ITEMS THEY ADDRESS ALSO INCLUDE SEVERAL CONCERNS,
- 17 INCLUDING LACK OF PROTECTIONS IN THE E.I.R. IT IS ALSO A
- 18 SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUE. THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL RESULT IN
- 19 RESIDENTIAL SEGREGATION ON A DISADVANTAGED, LOW-INCOME
- 20 COMMUNITY OF COLOR. I HOPE THAT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU. I IMPLORE
- 21 YOU TO DELAY THE PROJECT, SO THE E.I.R. DATA IS BASED ON
- 22 PROJECTED DATA, AND NOT HISTORICAL, WHICH WILL HAVE A
- 23 DISASTROUS EFFECT IF NOT PROPERLY MITIGATED. I ALSO IMPLORE
- 24 YOU TO VOTE WITH THE COMMUNITY OF VAL VERDE IN MIND, AND



- 1 CONSIDER THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS WE ARE ALREADY
- 2 SUFFERING FROM. THANK YOU.

4 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 6 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SARAH OLAGUEZ. YOU MAY
- 7 BEGIN.

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- 9 SPEAKER: HELLO, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I AM A RESIDENT OF VAL
- 10 VERDE. I BOUGHT MY HOME 5 YEARS AGO. I WISH I KNEW THEN WHAT I
- 11 KNOW NOW, AND SOMEONE HAD STOPPED ME FROM BUYING. DON'T GET ME
- 12 WRONG: WE HAVE AN AMAZING SMALL-TOWN FEEL, WITH A RICH AND
- 13 BEAUTIFUL HISTORY. IT IS AN IDYLLIC PLACE, WHICH IS WHAT DREW
- 14 ME IN, IN THE FIRST PLACE. BUT THE ODORS AND TOXINS THAT HAVE
- 15 BEEN CONSISTENT SINCE WE MOVED IN, AND HAVE GOTTEN WORSE AND
- 16 MORE INTENSE OVER THE YEARS, HAS MADE LIVING HERE A NIGHTMARE.
- 17 UNTIL THE LANDFILL IS SHUT DOWN AND TOXINS ARE FULLY
- 18 ADDRESSED, IT IS NEGLECTFUL FOR THE COUNTY TO APPROVE HOUSING,
- 19 AND SUBJECT MORE THAN 200-PLUS RESIDENTS TO THESE ISSUES.
- 20 THERE IS A HEALTH REPORT COMING OUT AT THE BEGINNING OF 2024.
- 21 PLEASE CONSIDER REVIEWING THE EFFECTS THIS LANDFILL IS HAVING
- 22 ON THE CURRENT RESIDENTS BEFORE PLACING MORE IN HARM'S WAY.
- 23 THANK YOU FOR HEARING MY CONCERNS.

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25 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



- 2 SPEAKER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
- 3 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 5, IF YOU HAVE
- 4 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
- 5 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
- 6 PLEASE?

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8 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JONATHAN O. YOU MAY BEGIN.

- 10 SPEAKER: DEAR ESTEEMED COMMITTEE, EVERY DAY, EVERY HOUR, THERE
- 11 HANGS IN THE AIR THE TOXIC POLLUTANTS THAT SPREAD TOWARDS VAL
- 12 VERDE, CASTAIC, AND THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA. ACETONE,
- 13 BENZENE, VINYL CHLORIDE, AND MANY MORE TOXIC CHEMICALS ARE
- 14 PREVALENT IN THE AIR AROUND US, WHICH, GIVEN ENOUGH TIME, WILL
- 15 INCREASE OUR RISK FOR CANCERS AND RESPIRATORY ILLNESSES.
- 16 COMMITTEE BOARD MEMBERS, BY APPROVING THIS DEVELOPMENT, YOU
- 17 WILL BE ENDANGERING THE LIVES OF 200-PLUS PEOPLE AND THEIR
- 18 FAMILIES BY ENCOURAGING THEM TO MOVE HERE WITH THE
- 19 DEVELOPMENT. I AM HERE TO TELL YOU THAT THE PEOPLE OF VAL
- 20 VERDE WILL DO EVERYTHING IN THEIR POWER TO STOP THAT FROM
- 21 HAPPENING. UNTIL THE LANDFILL IS CLOSED AND SEALED FOREVER,
- 22 WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT EVERY PERSON WHO IS SHOPPING FOR A HOME--
- 23 AND SHAREHOLDERS OF THE DEVELOPMENT-- ARE ACUTELY AWARE OF THE
- 24 DANGERS THAT YOU WILL BE PUTTING THEM THROUGH BY ALLOWING THIS
- 25 DEVELOPMENT. YOU MAY GET YOUR MONEY IN PERMITS AND TAXES, BUT



- 1 THERE WILL BE NO PROFIT AND NO PEOPLE IN THOSE HOMES. THANK
- 2 YOU.

4 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 6 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY
- 7 BEGIN.

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- 9 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
- 10 SUPERVISORS. I AM ALWAYS AMAZED, ESPECIALLY IN CALIFORNIA.
- 11 IT'S EVERYTHING TO PROTECT EVERYBODY, EXCEPT THE PEOPLE. THAT
- 12 EXPANSION WILL GIVE MORE HOUSING, AND SO ON, WHICH IS VERY
- 13 NEEDED IN OUR STATE. SO I HOPE YOU GO AHEAD WITH THAT
- 14 DEVELOPMENT, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT I THINK WE SHOULD BE DOING.
- 15 WE HAVE BEEN BLOCKING DEVELOPMENT EVERY YEAR, EVERY PLACE.
- 16 THANK YOU.

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18 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 20 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ABEL DACESSA. YOU MAY
- 21 BEGIN.

- 23 SPEAKER: PLEASE POSTPONE THE STERLING RANCH GATEWAY PROJECT,
- 24 WHICH DOES NOT ADDRESS THE SERIOUS HOUSING SHORTAGE OF LOW, OR
- 25 LOW- TO MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING IN CALIFORNIA, WITH MORE



- 1 MILLION-DOLLAR HOMES. STERLING RANCH IS LOCATED IN A SEVERE
- 2 FIRE RISK AREA. IT'S ALSO ONLY A HALF-MILE AWAY, VIA AIR, TO
- 3 THE SICKENING, GAS-SPEWING CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL THAT IS
- 4 ONLY INCREASING WITH PROBLEMS. THE LANDFILL HAS OVER 85
- 5 N.O.V.S FROM A.Q.M.D IN 2023, AND COUNTING, AND IT IS A REPEAT
- 6 OFFENDER, HAVING RECEIVED 19 N.O.V.S. JUST 3 YEARS AGO, IN A
- 7 4-MONTH PERIOD OF TIME. NONE OF THE LANDFILL EXPERTS ARE ABLE
- 8 TO SAY WHEN THEY THINK THE LANDFILL'S MELTDOWN WILL BE
- 9 REPAIRED. IT IS REPREHENSIBLE TO THINK OUR ELECTED-TO-HELP-
- 10 PROTECT-US OFFICIALS WOULD CONSIDER ADDING MORE PEOPLE TO THIS
- 11 DEVASTATING SITUATION IN VAL VERDE CANYON. I AM SICK, OUR PETS
- 12 ARE SICK, MY NEIGHBORS ARE SICK, AND THE AIR IS SICKENING. MY
- 13 HEALTH IS GONE, MY PROPERTY VALUE IS GONE, MY QUALITY OF LIFE
- 14 IS GONE, MY HOPE IS GONE. WHY WOULD YOU DO THIS TO EVEN MORE
- 15 PEOPLE? THIS IS A HUMAN HEALTH ISSUE. THANK YOU.

17 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I SEE WE'RE GOING IN PERSON.

18 WELCOME.

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- 20 BRYAN GEORGE: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS BRYAN GEORGE. I'VE BEEN A
- 21 RESIDENT IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY FOR ALMOST 50 YEARS. I'M
- 22 A SMALL BUSINESSMAN. I AM THE TREASURER OF THE FAMILY PROMISE
- 23 OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF THIS
- 24 DEVELOPMENT. IT APPEARS TO ME, PERSONALLY, TO BE DONE IN A
- 25 WELL-MANAGED, RESPONSIBLE WAY. I'M ALSO THRILLED THAT THEY'RE



- 1 WILLING TO HELP WITH HOMELESSNESS IN OUR VALLEY BY MAKING
- 2 CONTRIBUTIONS TO US, AND TO THE BRIDGE TO HOME. THANK YOU.

- 4 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, ALTHOUGH I HEARD EVERYTHING HE
- 5 SAID BEFORE. SO, OKAY, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 7 MANDY O'CONNOR: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MANDY O'CONNOR, AND
- 8 I'M THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT FOR BRIDGE TO HOME IN SANTA
- 9 CLARITA. BRIDGE TO HOME IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT
- 10 PROVIDES FAMILY AND CRISIS HOUSING FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING
- 11 HOMELESSNESS, AND THOSE IN NEED OF LONG-TERM HOUSING. WITH THE
- 12 DEVELOPMENT OF STERLING RANCH RESIDENTIAL HOUSING PROJECT, AS
- 13 WE'VE HEARD, OVER 200 NEW HOMES WILL BE BUILT. BRIDGE TO HOME
- 14 URGES THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT, KNOWN
- 15 AS THE STERLING RESIDENTIAL PROJECT. WE ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE
- 16 AND GRATEFUL TO THE DEVELOPER OF STERLING RESIDENTIAL FOR
- 17 THEIR COMMITMENT TO OUR MISSION TO HOMELESSNESS, TO BRIDGE TO
- 18 HOME, AND OUR HOMELESS SERVICES WE ARE DEDICATED TO PROVIDE IN
- 19 THIS AREA. WE ARE IN SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

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21 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 23 SPEAKER: HELLO. MY NAME IS RACHEL RIKOFF, AND I AM SPEAKING ON
- 24 BEHALF OF FAMILY PROMISE OF SANTA CLARITA. WE ARE IN SUPPORT
- 25 OF THE STERLING RESIDENTIAL PROJECT. WE'RE HAPPY STERLING



- 1 RANCH IS MAKING THIS GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION TO AFFORDABLE
- 2 HOUSING IN THE S.C.V. AREA, AND WE SUPPORT THE PROJECT, AS IT
- 3 WILL HAVE A POSITIVE EFFECT ON THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND
- 4 THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY IN PARTICULAR, SINCE IT WILL PROVIDE
- 5 HUNDREDS OF RESIDENTS WITH NEW HOUSING, AND ALLEVIATE THE
- 6 HOUSING CRISIS THAT WE FACE IN SANTA CLARITA. THANK YOU.

8 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS,

9 EITHER ON THE PHONE OR IN PERSON?

11 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR.

13 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NO? OKAY, SUPERVISOR BARGER.

15 SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU, AND I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR

- 16 TESTIMONIES. I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS, AND THE FIRST ONE I'M
- 17 GOING TO DO FOR M.R.C.A., BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T REACH OUT TO US.
- 18 MR. EDELMAN DIDN'T REACH OUT TO US ON THIS. AND I JUST WANT TO
- 19 GET A CLARIFICATION REGARDING THE ISSUES THAT HE REFERENCED
- 20 FOR ADDITIONAL CONSERVATION AREAS, AND I THINK HE SAID
- 21 SOMETHING ABOUT BEING "PIECEMEALED." AMY, CAN YOU ADDRESS
- 22 THAT?

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- 24 AMY BODEK: WE'RE NOT SURE WHAT THAT MEANS, EITHER, ACTUALLY.
- 25 THERE IS A CONSERVATION EASEMENT THAT IS PART OF THIS PROJECT.



- 1 THERE IS ACTUALLY AN OPEN SPACE DEDICATION AREA, AS WELL AS A
- 2 CONSERVATION EASEMENT, AND THEY DO ABUT EACH OTHER. SO, WE
- 3 WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND
- 4 WILDLIFE ON THE OFFSITE DEDICATION AREA THAT ABUTS THE
- 5 CONSERVATION EASEMENT AREA, SO WE ARE UNCLEAR WHAT THAT
- 6 COMMENT WAS. AND IT HAS NOT BEEN RAISED TO US PRIOR TO THAT,
- 7 EITHER, SO WE DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO ANALYZE IT FURTHER FOR
- 8 YOU.

- 10 SUP. BARGER: YEAH, AND HE DIDN'T RAISE IT WITH US, EITHER. SO,
- 11 I GUESS I WILL ASK MY OFFICE TO FOLLOW UP WITH HIM, TO BETTER
- 12 UNDERSTAND WHAT HE WAS TALKING ABOUT, BECAUSE I WANT TO GET A
- 13 CLARIFICATION ON THAT, AS WELL.

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15 **AMY BODEK:** CERTAINLY.

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- 17 SUP. BARGER: ALL RIGHT. AND THEN, SINCE YOU'RE TALKING, AMY,
- 18 MY OFFICE RECEIVED A NUMBER OF INOUIRIES ABOUT CONCERNS
- 19 RELATED TO THIS PROJECT, MANY RELATING TO THE ONGOING CHIQUITA
- 20 CANYON LANDFILL ISSUE, WHICH IS A VALID ISSUE, AND I KNOW WE
- 21 ARE ADDRESSING IT. BUT CAN YOU ADDRESS THE ISSUE SURROUNDING
- 22 CHIQUITA?

- 24 AMY BODEK: CAREFULLY. SO, MR. PESTRELLA AND I WILL CAREFULLY
- 25 ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES, BECAUSE THERE IS A POTENTIAL ONGOING



- 1 LITIGATION RELATED TO THAT. SO, THE LANDFILL DOES HAVE AN
- 2 ACTIVE EVENT THAT IS OCCURRING ON 1/10 OF THE LANDFILL'S
- 3 PROPERTY, AND IT IS IMPACTING ADJACENT NEIGHBORHOODS TO
- 4 VARYING DEGREES. IT ALSO IMPACTS INDIVIDUALS TO VARYING
- 5 DEGREES, AS WELL, BUT WE ARE AWARE OF THOSE IMPACTS AND HAVE
- 6 BEEN, AS A REGULATORY AGENCY, WORKING-- THE COUNTY, AS A
- 7 REGULATORY AGENCY, HAS BEEN WORKING WITH THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT
- 8 AGENCY, A.Q.M.D., AND THEN CALRECYCLE, AS WELL AS THE U.S.
- 9 E.P.A., TO ALLEVIATE THOSE ISSUES. THEY ARE UNDER SEVERAL
- 10 ENFORCEMENT ORDERS, THROUGH A.Q.M.D. IN PARTICULAR, THAT THEY
- 11 ARE ADDRESSING, AND THE ODORS ARE SLOWLY ABATING, BUT THEY DO
- 12 STILL EXIST. THIS IS NOT VIEWED AS A PERMANENT MEASURE. THIS
- 13 IS NOT RELATED TO THE EXISTING OPERATION OF THE LANDFILL. THIS
- 14 IS RELATED TO A VERY OLD SECTION OF THE LANDFILL THAT HAS NOT
- 15 BEEN IN USE FOR A WHILE. AND I THINK THAT'S PRETTY MUCH ALL I
- 16 CAN SAY.

- 18 SUP. BARGER: I THINK A.Q.M.D. SAID 30 YEARS, THAT IT HAS NOT
- 19 BEEN IN USE. BUT CAN YOU EXPLAIN THE HOUSING ACCOUNTABILITY
- 20 ACT, AND IS IT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROJECT?

- 22 AMY BODEK: CERTAINLY. I CAN DO THAT, AND THEN I'M GOING TO
- 23 REFER TO COUNTY COUNSEL, IF I MAY. SO, RECENTLY, A FEW YEARS
- 24 AGO, THE STATE TIGHTENED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVING
- 25 APPLICABLE HOUSING PROJECTS THAT COMPLY WITH ZONING AND



- 1 GENERAL PLAN. AND THEY DO REQUIRE US TO HAVE A LIMIT ON THE
- 2 NUMBER OF PUBLIC MEETINGS HELD ON THOSE TYPES OF PROJECTS, SO
- 3 THAT THOSE PROJECTS GET A TIMELY HEARING AND ARE NOT
- 4 ULTIMATELY DELAYED THROUGH A PUBLIC PROCESS. THIS PROJECT DOES
- 5 COMPLY WITH THAT, SO WE ARE AT OUR FIFTH MEETING OF A 5-
- 6 MEETING LIMIT ON THIS APPEAL.

8 SUP. BARGER: DO YOU WANT TO ADD ANYTHING?

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- 10 MARK PESTRELLA: SURE, SUPERVISOR. THE HOUSING ACCOUNTABILITY
- 11 ACT IS A STATE LAW THAT IS REALLY AIMED AT INCREASING,
- 12 SIGNIFICANTLY, THE HOUSING THROUGHOUT THE STATE, TO ADDRESS
- 13 THE HOUSING SHORTAGE. SO, IT MANDATES THAT HOUSING
- 14 DEVELOPMENTS BE APPROVED, AND NOT BE DOWNSIZED, UNLESS YOU CAN
- 15 IDENTIFY SPECIFIC ADVERSE IMPACT TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY.
- 16 SO, THIS PROJECT HERE QUALIFIES AND FALLS UNDER THE HOUSING
- 17 ACCOUNTABILITY ACT, BECAUSE IT IS A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
- 18 PROJECT WITH MORE THAN ONE RESIDENTIAL UNIT. AND AT THE TIME
- 19 THE PROJECT WAS APPLIED FOR, IT DID MEET ALL OBJECTIVE GENERAL
- 20 PLAN AND LOCAL ZONING ORDINANCES AT THE TIME.

- 22 SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND NOW, MARK, WE
- 23 RECEIVED AND HEARD TESTIMONY REGARDING THE
- 24 HYDROLOGY REPORT. AND I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU'VE SUBMITTED. CAN
- 25 YOU ADDRESS THIS, PLEASE?



- 2 MARK PESTRELLA: SUPERVISOR, I'M GOING TO HAVE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
- 3 ART VANDER VIS SPEAK TO THAT, AS HE'S THE CHIEF OVER OUR
- 4 MUNICIPAL SERVICES GROUP.

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- 6 ART VANDER VIS: GOOD MORNING. YES, SUPERVISOR, A HYDROLOGY
- 7 STUDY WAS PREPARED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLIC WORKS STANDARDS,
- 8 BY A PRIVATE, LICENSED ENGINEER, TO ANALYZE THE POTENTIAL
- 9 IMPACTS OF STORM RUNOFF FROM THE PROJECT. THE HYDROLOGY STUDY
- 10 WAS THEN SUBMITTED TO PUBLIC WORKS AND WAS REVIEWED BY A
- 11 LICENSED ENGINEER AT PUBLIC WORKS, WHICH DETERMINED THAT THE
- 12 STUDY APPROPRIATELY ADDRESSED THE PROJECT DRAINAGE CONDITIONS,
- 13 AND THE PROPER MITIGATION MEASURES ARE IN PLACE TO ENSURE THAT
- 14 THE POST-PROJECT RUNOFF CONDITIONS ARE NOT MADE WORSE THAN THE
- 15 PRE-PROJECT RUNOFF CONDITIONS.

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17 SUP. BARGER: SO YOU'RE COMFORTABLE WITH "AS APPROVED"?

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19 ART VANDER VIS: YES.

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21 SUP. BARGER: AND YOU LOOKED AT WHAT WAS SUBMITTED BY THE--

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23 ART VANDER VIS: YES.



- 1 SUP. BARGER: OKAY. THERE WERE OTHER CONCERNS HIGHLIGHTED THAT
- 2 SPOKE ABOUT THE INGRESS AND EGRESS, ESPECIALLY DURING
- 3 CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT. WERE THESE IMPACTS ANALYZED, AND
- 4 WERE MITIGATION MEASURES INCLUDED, TO ENSURE THAT CONSTRUCTION
- 5 IMPACTS ARE ADDRESSED BY THE DEVELOPER IN THE CIRCULATION
- 6 PLAN?

- 8 ART VANDER VIS: YES. THE IMPACTS WERE ANALYZED, AND MITIGATION
- 9 MEASURES ARE TO BE IMPLEMENTED PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF
- 10 GRADING PERMITS. AND AT THAT TIME, THEY REQUIRE A CONSTRUCTION
- 11 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN TO BE SUBMITTED TO AND APPROVED BY
- 12 PUBLIC WORKS. THE PLAN WILL IDENTIFY STREET CLOSURES, DETOUR
- 13 PLAN, HAUL ROUTES, CONSTRUCTION PARKING, AND STAGING AREAS.
- 14 THE PLAN WILL FORMALIZE HOW CONSTRUCTION WILL BE CARRIED OUT,
- 15 AND IDENTIFY SPECIFIC ACTIONS THAT WILL BE REQUIRED TO REDUCE
- 16 IMPACTS TO THE COMMUNITY.

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- 18 SUP. BARGER: AND ARE THEY REQUIRED TO DO OUTREACH TO CASTAIC
- 19 TOWN COUNCIL, IN THE VAL VERDE COMMUNITY, AS PROJECTS MOVE
- 20 FORWARD?

- 22 AMY BODEK: SO, C.E.Q.A. DOES REQUIRE ITS OWN LEVEL OF
- 23 COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND PARTICIPATION. WE HAVE ASKED THE
- 24 DEVELOPER, ON OCCASIONS, TO MEET WITH THE LOCAL CONSTITUENCY,



- 1 AND I BELIEVE THAT HAS BEEN DONE, BUT THAT'S REALLY A QUESTION
- 2 FOR THE DEVELOPER.

- 4 SUP. BARGER: WELL, I KNOW THAT THE CASTAIC TOWN COUNCIL DID
- 5 NOT TAKE A POSITION ON THIS, AND I THINK THAT THEY HAVE GONE
- 6 OUT AND MET WITH THE TOWN COUNCIL. BUT I'M TALKING MOVING
- 7 FORWARD, AS IT RELATES TO CONSTRUCTION. I GUESS I WOULD ASK
- 8 THAT THAT OUTREACH CONTINUE.

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- 10 AMY BODEK: WE ALSO AGREE. WE BELIEVE THAT THE DEVELOPER SHOULD
- 11 DO CONTINUOUS OUTREACH. DURING CONSTRUCTION, THOUGH, THERE IS
- 12 THE ABILITY FOR ANY COMPLAINTS TO BE RECEIVED, BY BOTH THE
- 13 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
- 14 PLANNING, AND THEN THOSE ACTUALLY GET ADDRESSED DURING THE
- 15 CONSTRUCTION PROCESS.

- 17 SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. AND THEN, LYNNE, I APOLOGIZE IF YOU
- 18 SAID THIS TODAY, BUT I KNOW YOU TALKED TO [INAUDIBLE] IN MY
- 19 OFFICE. A NUMBER OF CONSTITUENTS, INCLUDING LYNNE PLAMBECK--
- 20 AND THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE RAISED THIS CONCERN--
- 21 SUBMITTED CORRESPONDENCE AND WAS CONCERNED THAT IT WAS NOT
- 22 BEING POSTED. SO, MY QUESTION TO CELIA, OR NOW JEFF, BECAUSE
- 23 CELIA IS ON THE PHONE: WHAT ARE THE PROCEDURES FOR ENSURING
- 24 INFORMATION IS POSTED IN A TIMELY MANNER? BECAUSE THIS IS NOT



- 1 THE FIRST TIME THAT YOU'VE BROUGHT IT UP. AND SO, HOW DO WE
- 2 POST CORRESPONDENCE?

- 4 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SO, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT NOW
- 5 COMPLETE AN ONLINE FORM. WHEN IT IS SUBMITTED, THE E.O.
- 6 RETRIEVES IT AND IT'S POSTED ONLINE. AND THAT IS DONE
- 7 PERIODICALLY, AND POSTED ONLINE ON THURSDAYS, UNTIL THE BOARD
- 8 MEETING ENDS, AND THE LAST CALL IS AT 4:00 P.M., SO-- AND THEN
- 9 WE DO HAVE SOME E-MAILS THAT COME THROUGH THEIR E-MAIL
- 10 CORRESPONDENCE, AND THAT'S A DIFFERENT PROCESS. THAT'S A
- 11 LITTLE BIT MORE DELAY, AND WE'RE TAKING A LOOK AT HOW WE CAN
- 12 STREAMLINE THAT PROCESS.

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- 14 SUP. BARGER: OKAY, BECAUSE I THINK THAT IF THEY GO THROUGH THE
- 15 APPROPRIATE PROCESS, NOT THE E-MAIL, IS THAT IN REAL TIME, OR
- 16 IS THAT DONE ONCE A DAY, OR--

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18 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: IT'S DONE LIKE 3 TIMES A DAY, SUPERVISOR.

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- 20 SUP. BARGER: OKAY, BUT BY THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS THAT DAY, IF
- 21 SOMETHING IS SUBMITTED, IT IS POSTED?

- 23 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: BY 4 O'CLOCK. AND WE'RE PROBABLY GOING TO
- 24 PUSH THE TIME FRAME TO PROBABLY 6 O'CLOCK, AND INTO THE
- 25 WEEKENDS, TOO, SO IT ALLOWS REAL TIME.



- 2 SUP. BARGER: OKAY, YEAH. AND I WOULD ASK THAT WE LOOK AT THAT,
- 3 BECAUSE AGAIN, I KNOW THAT IT'S NOT HER FIRST TIME BRINGING
- 4 THAT UP. AND SO, WE WILL FOLLOW UP ON THAT. OKAY. ALL RIGHT.
- 5 WELL, I APPRECIATE YOU ALL RESPONDING TO THE QUESTIONS I HAVE,
- 6 AND I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE A MOTION ON THIS ITEM. WE HAVE
- 7 HEARD TESTIMONY FROM THE DEVELOPER, AS WELL AS COUNTY STAFF
- 8 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. BUILDING MORE HOUSING IS ONE OF THE
- 9 TOOLS AT OUR DISPOSAL TO ADDRESS THE ONGOING HOUSING SHORTAGE
- 10 PLAGUING THE COUNTY. WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO DO MORE TO ADDRESS
- 11 AFFORDABILITY, AND I WOULD EVEN SAY, NOT EVEN JUST LOW-INCOME
- 12 HOUSING, BUT WORKFORCE HOUSING, SOMETHING THAT I'M GOING TO BE
- 13 PUSHING, BECAUSE WE ALWAYS ARE FOCUSED ON THE AFFORDABLE, LOW
- 14 INCOME, BUT WE ARE NOT EVEN ABLE TO PROVIDE FOR WORKFORCE,
- 15 WHICH IS REALLY THE GREASE ON THE WHEELS OF THE COUNTY. WE
- 16 NEED TO CONTINUE TO DO MORE TO ADDRESS AFFORDABILITY, FOR
- 17 SURE. WHILE THIS PROJECT IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE INCLUSIONARY
- 18 HOUSING ORDINANCE, I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT THEY ARE MAKING
- 19 DONATIONS TO TWO COMMUNITY PARTNERS THAT ARE WORKING ON
- 20 ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY:
- 21 TWO ORGANIZATIONS WHICH TRULY ARE STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE AND
- 22 ADDRESSING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. AS DIRECTOR BODEK
- 23 NOTED, THE CONCERNS RELATED TO THE ONGOING INCIDENT AT THE
- 24 LANDFILL MAY BE TEMPORARY, AND I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO BE
- 25 PUTTING UP FLARES. HOWEVER, WE STILL NEED TO TAKE MEASURES TO



- 1 PROTECT FUTURE RESIDENTS. AND THERE IS NO QUESTION IN MY MIND
- 2 THAT, WHILE IT'S HAPPENING AT CHIQUITA, IN TALKING TO
- 3 A.Q.M.D., THERE IS CONCERN THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THIS ISSUE
- 4 AT OTHER LANDFILLS, GIVEN HOW MUCH RAIN WE HAD LAST YEAR,
- 5 WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE REASONS WHY CHIOUITA FLARED UP.
- 6 I'VE ALSO HEARD ABOUT CONCERNS RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS
- 7 ON CIRCULATION AND TRAFFIC PATTERNS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY,
- 8 ESPECIALLY THE NEED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE NOTICE OF IMPACTS. ON
- 9 THE CHIQUITA, THE ISSUE, AS IT RELATES TO FUTURE RESIDENTS,
- 10 INCLUDES NOTIFICATION TO FUTURE HOMEOWNERS, AS WELL AS
- 11 REQUIRING ADDITIONAL AIR FILTRATION IN THESE HOMES, SOMETHING
- 12 THAT I DO APPRECIATE THE BUILDER RECOGNIZING. SO, I THEREFORE
- 13 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DENY THE APPEAL, CERTIFY
- 14 THE FINAL E.I.R., ALONG WITH THE REQUIRED FINDINGS OF FACT AND
- 15 STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, AND ADOPT THE
- 16 MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE PROJECT,
- 17 PURSUANT TO STATE AND LOCAL C.E.Q.A. GUIDELINES; AFFIRM THE
- 18 COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF PROJECT NO. 032505, INCLUDING VESTING
- 19 TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 060257, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 03-
- 20 250, OAK TREE PERMIT NUMBER 2007-0007, AND HIGHWAY REALIGNMENT
- 21 NUMBER P-289, SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS,
- 22 WITH THE ADDITIONAL OF THE FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS
- 23 OF APPROVAL: A) THE DEVELOPER SHALL PROVIDE DISCLOSURES AND
- 24 NOTIFY ALL FUTURE PROPERTY OWNERS OF THEIR PROXIMITY TO THE
- 25 EXISTING LANDFILL, TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR; B) THE



- 1 DEVELOPER SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE WHEN THERE WILL BE AN IMPACT TO
- 2 INGRESS/EGRESS TO THE COMMUNITY, TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE
- 3 DIRECTOR; AND C) THE DEVELOPER SHALL ENSURE THAT H.E.P.A. 11
- 4 OR GREATER FILTERS ARE INSTALLED ON THE CENTRAL H.V.A.C.
- 5 SYSTEM OF ALL HOUSING UNITS, TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE
- 6 DIRECTOR. AND THEN NUMBER 4: ADOPT THE PROJECT FINDINGS AND
- 7 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, AS REVISED. THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION,
- 8 MADAM CHAIR.

- 10 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. BUT BEFORE WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 11 VOTE, I BELIEVE THERE WAS ONE MORE PERSON IN PUBLIC THAT HAD
- 12 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. GO AHEAD.

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14 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING.

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16 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING.

- 18 SPEAKER: THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK. THANK YOU,
- 19 SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR WELL REPRESENTING THE CITIZENS OF VAL
- 20 VERDE, OF WHICH I AM ONE. I HAVE LIVED THERE FOR 5 YEARS, AND
- 21 I WANT TO SPEAK SPECIFICALLY AT THIS POINT, BECAUSE I'M GOING
- 22 TO SAY CLEARLY THAT WHAT WAS REPORTED TODAY, WITH REGARD TO
- 23 THE LANDFILL ODORS BEING ABATED, IS NOT ONLY INACCURATE, IT IS
- 24 INCORRECT. NOT ONLY HAS IT NOT ABATED, THE TOXIC ODORS ARE
- 25 LITERALLY INCREASING, BOTH IN INTENSITY AND FREQUENCY, DAILY,

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- 1 NIGHTLY. I CANNOT LEAVE MY WINDOWS OPEN ANYMORE BECAUSE OF THE
- 2 ODORS, THE SMELL, THE PRESUMED TOXICITY. SO, RELATED TO
- 3 ENCOURAGING H.V.A.C. TO BE INCREASED, THAT'S GREAT. WHEN I GO
- 4 IN MY HOUSE, IF I HAVE A REALLY GOOD H.V.A.C. SYSTEM-- WHICH,
- 5 APPARENTLY, AT THIS POINT, I DON'T HAVE A GOOD ENOUGH ONE--
- 6 BUT STEPPING OUTSIDE OF MY HOUSE DOESN'T REALLY HELP.

8 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU.

- 10 SUP. BARGER: MADAM CHAIR, I'M GOING TO HAVE SOMEONE COME OVER.
- 11 HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR THE FUNDING TO UPGRADE?
- 13 SPEAKER: MY HUSBAND IS WORKING ON IT.
- 15 SUP. BARGER: OKAY, I'M GOING TO HAVE SOMEONE COME OVER AND
- 16 TALK TO YOU. AND TO THAT POINT ON THE MITIGATION, WE ARE
- 17 MONITORING IT, AND I WILL SAY THAT THE E.P.A. JUST APPROVED,
- 18 LIKE TWO WEEKS AGO, THE ABILITY OF THEM TO PUT UP FLARES. AND
- 19 SO I GUESS I WOULD LIKE TO GET A STATUS ON WHERE CHIQUITA IS
- 20 ON THAT, BECAUSE THEY THINK THAT'S GOING TO HELP DISSIPATE
- 21 SOME OF THE ODORS.
- 23 AMY BODEK: IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT-- SO, PUBLIC WORKS DID
- 24 PERMIT THE FLARE, AS WELL. THEY ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION, AND IT
- 25 IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY WILL BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF



- 1 THIS MONTH. THIS IS AS OF THURSDAY, WHEN I WAS PHYSICALLY ON
- 2 THE SITE. AND JUST TO CORRECT THE RECORD, I DID NOT SAY THAT
- 3 THE ODOR ABATED AT ALL. SO, I DO NOT WANT IT TO BE PERCEIVED
- 4 THAT WE ARE MINIMIZING THIS AT ALL. IT IS A LEGITIMATE ISSUE.

- 6 SUP. BARGER: YEAH, NO. ABSOLUTELY. AND I JUST WANT TO VALIDATE
- 7 THAT, AND THAT'S WHY WE SET UP THE COMMUNITY FUND. AND
- 8 [INAUDIBLE] IS TALKING TO YOU, AND WE'RE GOING TO MAKE SURE
- 9 THAT WE GET YOU THE ASSISTANCE THAT YOU NEED.

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11 SPEAKER: THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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13 SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU.

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- 15 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, EVERYBODY. ITEM 5 IS NOW
- 16 BEFORE US, AS AMENDED. AND I BELIEVE YOU ALL HAVE THE
- 17 AMENDMENT AND THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER PASSED OUT. IF
- 18 THERE ARE NO OTHER-- WELL, FIRST, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO
- 19 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. SO, NOW ITEM
- 20 5, AS AMENDED-- AND WE HAVE IT-- IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
- 21 SUPERVISOR BARGER; I'LL SECOND IT. TO APPROVE THE ITEM,
- 22 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

- 24 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 5, AS AMENDED, IS BEFORE YOU.
- 25 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?



SUP. SOLIS: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? SUP. MITCHELL: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH? SUP. HORVATH: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER? SUP. BARGER: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN? SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-0.



- 1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM 6. FOR
- 2 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN
- 3 ZERO NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 6. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
- 4 PLEASE READ IN THE SHORT TITLE.

- 6 SPEAKER: ITEM 6 IS A HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY
- 7 CODE, TITLE 12 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, TITLE 21 -
- 8 SUBDIVISIONS, AND TITLE 22 PLANNING AND ZONING, TO REVISE
- 9 AND IMPLEMENT NEW FEES CHARGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
- 10 PLANNING IN CONNECTION WITH THE REVIEW AND PROCESSING OF
- 11 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS
- 12 PROVIDED, AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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- 14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, AND WE HAVE AMY BODEK STILL WITH US.
- 15 SHE'S STILL THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AND SHE'S STILL
- 16 AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. I SEE SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AND THEN
- 17 SUPERVISOR SOLIS ON THE QUEUE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

- 19 SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WANT TO THANK THE
- 20 DEPARTMENT FOR BRINGING FORWARD A COMPREHENSIVE UPDATE TO OUR
- 21 COUNTY'S PLANNING- AND DEVELOPMENT-RELATED FEES. IT'S
- 22 IMPORTANT WE PERIODICALLY REVIEW THESE, SO WE'RE ACHIEVING
- 23 ACCURATE COST RECOVERY. AND I AM SUPPORTIVE OF MOST OF THE
- 24 UPDATED FEES, BUT I HAVE CONCERNS WITH THE NONAPPLICANT
- 25 APPEAL FEES. CURRENTLY, THERE ARE SEPARATE FEES FOR THE



- 1 APPLICANT APPEALS AND NONAPPLICANT APPEALS, AND THE FEES FOR
- 2 THE NONAPPLICANT APPEALS ARE ABOUT 10 TIMES LESS THAN THE
- 3 APPLICANT APPEAL FEES, AND THIS ITEM IS PROPOSING TO COMBINE
- 4 THEM AND SET THE RATES AS MUCH HIGHER AMOUNTS. SO, CAN YOU
- 5 EXPLAIN WHY YOU'RE PROPOSING TO COMBINE THE TWO FEES AND
- 6 CHARGE THE HIGHER RATE?

- 8 AMY BODEK: CERTAINLY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS, FOR
- 9 THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THIS. THE LAST TIME THE DEPARTMENT
- 10 UPDATED THE FEES WAS IN 2010, SO WE'RE SLIGHTLY OVERDUE. AND
- 11 WE ARE, ALLEGEDLY, A FULL-COST RECOVERY DEPARTMENT. BUT WE
- 12 ARE, IN REALITY, NOT A FULL-COST RECOVERY DEPARTMENT, AND WE
- 13 RELY VERY HEAVILY ON NET COUNTY COSTS FOR A SIGNIFICANT
- 14 PORTION OF OUR BUDGET: APPROXIMATELY 78% OF OUR BUDGET. SO,
- 15 FOR US TO IMPLEMENT FEES THAT ACTUALLY MEET OUR SERVICE NEEDS
- 16 WOULD BE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE. THIS PROJECT WAS TO UPDATE OUR
- 17 FEES, REALLY, TO SEE IF WE CAN CONSOLIDATE FEES, ELIMINATE
- 18 CERTAIN FEES, AND THEN ADD FEES THAT MATCH NEW FUNCTIONS THAT
- 19 WE WERE GIVEN IN TITLE 22. AND SO THIS WHOLESALE FEE SCHEDULE
- 20 LOOKS AT A TIME AND MATERIALS BASIS FOR HOW WE ACTUALLY DO
- 21 EVERY SINGLE TYPE OF PERMIT APPLICATION, INCLUDING APPEALS TO
- 22 THE BOARD, APPEALS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, ET CETERA. SO,
- 23 THIS COMPREHENSIVE FEE ANALYSIS WAS REVIEWED EXTENSIVELY--
- 24 ACTUALLY, TWICE-- BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER OF THE COUNTY, AND
- 25 IT REFLECTS OUR BEST EFFORTS TO GET FULL COST RECOVERY FOR



- 1 CERTAIN FUNCTIONS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE, HOWEVER, THAT THERE IS AN
- 2 INEQUITY BETWEEN AN APPLICANT AND AN APPELLANT, AS IT RELATES
- 3 TO FEES. THE SAME ISSUE WAS ADDRESSED BY THE BOARD IN 2010,
- 4 AND AT THAT TIME, THE BOARD ASKED US TO ALSO REDUCE THE FEES
- 5 FOR NONAPPLICANT APPEALS. SO WE PRESENT TO YOU OUR BEST
- 6 EFFORTS, FROM A FISCAL PERSPECTIVE, AND THEN WE GET YOUR INPUT
- 7 ON WHAT YOU FEEL IS MOST EQUITABLE. SO, I DO UNDERSTAND THE
- 8 CONCERNS ABOUT THE NONAPPLICANT FEES.

- 10 SUP. HORVATH: YEAH, I APPRECIATE YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THAT.
- 11 I OBVIOUSLY BELIEVE COST RECOVERY, AS BEST AS POSSIBLE, IS
- 12 IMPORTANT. BUT IN THIS CASE, SETTING A NONAPPLICANT APPEAL FEE
- 13 AT OVER \$10,000 WILL BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE ABILITY OF OUR
- 14 RESIDENTS TO BE ABLE TO APPEAL PROJECTS THAT THEY HAVE
- 15 CONCERNS WITH, AND HAVE THEIR VOICES BE HEARD, WHICH IS WHY I
- 16 THINK WE SHOULD HAVE A SEPARATE APPEAL FEE FOR APPLICANTS
- 17 VERSUS NONAPPLICANTS, AND THAT THE NONAPPLICANT APPEAL FEE
- 18 SHOULD REMAIN AT THAT LOWER RATE. AND I HAVE A READ-IN MOTION
- 19 TO ADDRESS THAT, TO READ IN WHEN YOU'RE READY, MADAM CHAIR.

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- 21 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WELL, SINCE YOU HAVE THE FLOOR, WHY DON'T
- 22 YOU READ IT IN NOW?

- 24 SUP. HORVATH: ALL RIGHT, I WILL DO THAT NOW. "IT'S IMPORTANT
- 25 THAT RESIDENTS, NEIGHBORS, AND COMMUNITY GROUPS ARE ABLE TO



- 1 VOICE CONCERNS ABOUT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN THEIR
- 2 COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING APPEALING THOSE PROJECTS TO THE
- 3 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, LANDMARK COMMISSION, AND BOARD
- 4 OF SUPERVISORS, IF NECESSARY. CURRENTLY, THE COUNTY'S PLANNING
- 5 AND DEVELOPMENT FEE SCHEDULE INCLUDES SEPARATE APPLICANT AND
- 6 NONAPPLICANT APPEAL FEES, WITH THE NONAPPLICANT FEES BEING
- 7 SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER THAN THE APPLICANT FEES. THE COUNTY'S
- 8 REVISED PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT FEE SCHEDULE COMBINES
- 9 APPLICANT AND NONAPPLICANT APPEAL FEES, AND INCREASES THE
- 10 COSTS. INCREASING THE NONAPPLICANT APPEAL FEE TO THE SAME COST
- 11 AS THE APPLICANT APPEAL FEE WILL BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE ABILITY
- 12 OF OUR RESIDENTS TO APPEAL A PROJECT THEY MAY HAVE CONCERNS
- 13 WITH, AND HAVE THEIR VOICES BE HEARD. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT
- 14 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FIND THAT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS
- 15 BEING ADOPTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING EXPENSES, AND IS
- 16 THEREFORE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA
- 17 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, C.E.Q.A., PURSUANT TO PUBLIC
- 18 RESOURCES CODE 21080-(B)(8), AND SECTION 15273 OF TITLE 14 OF
- 19 THE STATE C.E.O.A. GUIDELINES; 2) REVISE THE PROPOSED FEE
- 20 SCHEDULES IN SECTION 722.250.010 TO RETAIN THE CURRENT
- 21 NONAPPLICANT APPEAL FEES AT THE CURRENT RATES FOR THE REGIONAL
- 22 PLANNING COMMISSION, LANDMARK COMMISSION, AND BOARD OF
- 23 SUPERVISORS, AND CREATE A NONAPPLICANT FEE FOR A CALIFORNIA
- 24 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT APPEAL, A C.E.Q.A. APPEAL, AT THE
- 25 RATE OF \$1,052; AND 3) APPROVE THE ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLES,



- 1 12, 21, AND 22 OF THE COUNTY CODE, APPROVING THE REVISED AND
- 2 NEW FEES TO BE CHARGED BY REGIONAL PLANNING, IN CONNECTION
- 3 WITH THE REVIEW AND PROCESSING OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS SUBJECT
- 4 TO THE REVISION TO SECTION 22.250.010, SO THAT THE NEW HIGH
- 5 APPEAL FEES ONLY APPLY TO THE APPLICANTS. THANK YOU, MADAM
- 6 CHAIR.

- 8 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AND I SEE THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE A SECOND
- 9 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER ON HERE.

- 11 SUP. BARGER: YEAH. AND I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR HORVATH ON THE
- 12 ISSUE, AND THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION.
- 13 WHILE I APPRECIATE THE NEED TO RECOVER FEES-- AND I HAD NO
- 14 IDEA IT WAS 78% NET COUNTY COSTS-- FEE INCREASES OF THIS SIZE
- 15 AND SCALE CAN BE VERY IMPACTFUL. AND WE JUST HEARD AN APPEAL
- 16 THAT I'M SURE WOULD HAVE BEEN COST-PROHIBITIVE, AND SOME
- 17 PEOPLE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO APPEAL. AND I THINK THAT'S
- 18 KIND OF OUR ROLE, IS TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO HAVE THE FINAL SAY
- 19 HERE AT THIS BOARD. THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING RELIES
- 20 HEAVILY ON COST RECOVERY, AND SO I APPRECIATE THE NEED TO
- 21 OFFSET ACTUAL COST. IN ADDITION, THERE NEEDS TO BE AN
- 22 APPROPRIATE FEE IN PLACE FOR APPEALS, TO ENSURE THAT APPEALS
- 23 ARE NOT MISUSED, SOMETHING WE DID ON THE ASSESSMENT APPEALS,
- 24 WHERE WE WERE GETTING INDIVIDUALS THAT WERE FILING THOUSANDS
- 25 OF APPEALS. WHEN WE STARTED TO CHARGE, THAT WENT DOWN TO,



- 1 REALLY, THE LEGITIMATE ONES. I DO THINK, THOUGH, THAT WE NEED
- 2 TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS AN EQUITABLE WAY OF DOING THIS. I'VE
- 3 HEARD FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS -- AND I KNOW WE'VE ALL GOTTEN
- 4 LETTERS-- NONPROFITS, AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WHO HAVE
- 5 CONCERNS THAT SUCH AN INCREASE WOULD LIMIT THEIR ABILITY TO
- 6 SEEK RELIEF FROM OUR BOARD. THEREFORE, I SUPPORT KEEPING THE
- 7 CURRENT FEES FOR APPELLANTS IN PLACE, TO ENSURE THAT OUR
- 8 CONSTITUENTS HAVE THE ABILITY TO BRING THESE MATTERS BEFORE
- 9 US. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

11 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

- 13 SUP. SOLIS: YES, I JUST WANT TO CHIME IN AND THANK SUPERVISORS
- 14 HORVATH AND BARGER FOR PRESENTING THIS AMENDMENT. I THINK IT
- 15 REALLY SPEAKS TO THE VOICES THAT WE NEED TO HEAR AND
- 16 CONSISTENTLY TALK ABOUT AT THE BOARD, FOR EQUITY AND
- 17 INCLUSION. AND I DID GET A NUMBER OF CALLS, TOO, FROM E.J.
- 18 ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, AS WELL AS C.B.O.S, AND WE'RE FACING
- 19 ISSUES RIGHT NOW IN MY DISTRICT. SO I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT THIS
- 20 TOOL IS, BUT IT CAN'T BE SUCH THAT WE'RE LIMITING PEOPLE
- 21 BECAUSE IT'S PROHIBITIVE -- THE COSTS. AND OUR GROUPS, AS WE
- 22 KNOW, SUFFER. THEY COME TO US SOMETIMES FOR FUNDING, BECAUSE
- 23 THEY DON'T HAVE A LEGITIMATE WAY OF REPRESENTATION, AND THEY
- 24 ASK FOR ASSISTANCE FROM OUR OFFICES. SO, I, TOO, AM VERY MUCH
- 25 IN FAVOR OF THIS, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WILL THEN LOOK AT



- 1 THE APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE APPEAL TO LANDMARK
- 2 COMMISSIONS, APPEAL TO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, AND
- 3 C.E.Q.A. APPEALS. FOR ALL THOSE REASONS, I SUPPORT THIS
- 4 AMENDMENT, AND AM HAPPY TO SUPPORT THE WORK MOVING FORWARD.
- 5 THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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- 9 SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. OUESTION OF MS. BODEK.
- 10 I'M CLEAR THAT THERE IS ALWAYS THIS TENSION BETWEEN
- 11 APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF STAFFING AND STAFF'S CAPACITY TO REALLY
- 12 PROCESS APPLICATIONS IN A TIMELY MANNER, BECAUSE WHEN THEY
- 13 DON'T, THAT'S WHEN PEOPLE TURN TO THEIR ELECTED LEADERSHIP.
- 14 SO, WHAT IMPACT DOES THE PROPOSED FEE SCHEDULE HAVE ON YOUR
- 15 STAFF'S ABILITY TO PROCESS PROPOSALS MORE TIMELY?

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- 17 AMY BODEK: THAT'S AN EXCELLENT QUESTION, AND IT GETS DOWN TO
- 18 BUDGET. IT WILL ACTUALLY ALLOW US TO ASSIGN, POTENTIALLY, MORE
- 19 FUTURE STAFF THAT CAN BE SUPPORTED BY THE FEES THAT WE
- 20 GENERATE. CURRENTLY, WHEN WE ASK FOR STAFF, IT IS A VERY
- 21 DIFFICULT DISCUSSION, BECAUSE WE ARE ASKING FOR STAFF THAT
- 22 CANNOT BE SUPPORTED BY THOSE FEES. THIS IS EXPECTED TO
- 23 GENERATE APPROXIMATELY A MILLION DOLLARS MORE FOR OUR ANNUAL
- 24 BUDGET, WHICH COULD BE USED SPECIFICALLY TO GET MORE STAFF.



- 1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. SO, AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE
- 2 APPROPRIATE FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO CALL THE MEMBERS OF
- 3 THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 6.

- 5 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: WILL LYNNE PLAMBECK AND ROGER PUGLIESE
- 6 PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? AS A FINAL
- 7 REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
- 8 TO ADDRESS ITEM 6, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE
- 9 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
- 10 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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12 MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ADRIANA B. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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- 14 SPEAKER: HELLO. I'M IN SUPPORT OF REDUCING THE NONAPPLICANT
- 15 APPEAL FEES, AS WELL. AND I ALSO WANT TO ADDRESS, SINCE WE'RE
- 16 TALKING ABOUT PLANNING, AND IT'S RELATED TO HOUSING, RIGHT
- 17 NOW, OVER HALF OF PEOPLE IN GAZA, OVER A MILLION PEOPLE, HAVE
- 18 BEEN DISPLACED FROM THEIR HOMES, AND THERE IS NO SIGN OF
- 19 CEASEFIRE.

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- 21 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I'M SORRY. YOU'RE OFF TOPIC NOW. WE'RE ON
- 22 ITEM 6, AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE.

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24 **SPEAKER:** YES, I'M AWARE.



1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO, PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC.

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- 3 SPEAKER: AND IF YOU LET ME SPEAK, AS I HAVE THE FREEDOM OF
- 4 SPEECH, THEN YOU WILL SEE THAT THIS IS TIED TO PLANNING AND
- 5 HOUSING HERE. AND THE FEES THAT ARE CHARGED--

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- 7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
- 8 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 10 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY
- 11 BEGIN.

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- 13 SPEAKER: HI, BOARD. THANK YOU. IF I HAD A CHOICE BETWEEN MORE
- 14 STAFF AND THE ABILITY TO APPEAL, I CHOOSE THE ABILITY TO
- 15 APPEAL.

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17 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 19 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ABEL DACESSA. YOU MAY
- 20 BEGIN.

- 22 SPEAKER: IT'S "ABIGAIL." I JUST WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT I AGREE
- 23 WITH THE AMENDMENT ALLOWING THE PUBLIC THE ABILITY TO APPEAL,
- 24 BY KEEPING THE FEE OBTAINABLE. \$10,000, YOU'LL HEAR FROM NO
- 25 ONE, AND IT WILL BECOME VERY COMMUNIST-RUN. THANK YOU.



- 2 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I SEE WE HAVE SOMEONE IN PERSON.
- 3 LYNNE.

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- 5 LYNNE PLAMBECK: YEAH. LYNNE PLAMBECK, SANTA CLARITA
- 6 ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT. AND THANK YOU,
- 7 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR THAT. WE COULD NOT HAVE MADE THE
- 8 APPEAL TODAY, AND IT'S A BETTER PROJECT AND IT'S SAFER FOR THE
- 9 COMMUNITY BECAUSE WE DID. WE HAVE TO, AS IT IS, GO AROUND AND
- 10 SAY, "PLEASE, CAN YOU DONATE TOWARDS THE APPEAL?" IT'S REALLY
- 11 EXPENSIVE, EVEN AT-- IT WAS \$1,152. I DON'T KNOW WHY. BUT YOU
- 12 DON'T WANT TO CUT OFF THE PUBLIC'S VOICE, BECAUSE, REALLY, WE
- 13 CAN BRING THINGS TO YOU THAT YOU WOULDN'T KNOW, IF YOU DIDN'T
- 14 HEAR FROM THE COMMUNITY. AND THAT'S TRUE FROM THE HEARING TO
- 15 THE COMMISSION LEVEL, AND FROM THE COMMISSION TO HERE. SO,
- 16 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE SUPPORT YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION.

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18 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 20 ROGER PUGLIESE: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS ROGER
- 21 PUGLIESE. I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LAS VIRGENES
- 22 HOMEOWNERS FEDERATION. AND ON BEHALF OF THE LAS VIRGENES
- 23 HOMEOWNERS FEDERATION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS,
- 24 REPRESENTING COMMUNITIES, RURAL VILLAGES, AND STAKEHOLDERS OF
- 25 MORE THAN 50 YEARS, WE RESPECTFULLY ASK YOU TO DENY THE



- 1 REOUEST OF THE INCREASE OF FEES. I COULD GO ON AND ON ABOUT
- 2 WHY. YOU'VE ALREADY DISCUSSED IT YOURSELVES. I WOULD SUPPORT
- 3 SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S AMENDMENT TO THIS AGENDA ITEM, AND SO
- 4 THAT'S WHERE WE STAND. OPPOSE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 6, AND
- 5 DENY THE REQUEST FOR AN INCREASE OF ANY FEES. THANK YOU.

- 7 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS IN
- 8 PERSON? DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS ON THE PHONE?

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10 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR.

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- 12 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE
- 13 PUBLIC HEARING AT THIS TIME AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. SO, WE HAVE
- 14 ITEM 6, AS AMENDED, BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH,
- 15 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE
- 16 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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- 18 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 6, AS AMENDED, IS BEFORE YOU.
- 19 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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21 SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

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- 23 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 24 MITCHELL?



1 SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.
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- 3 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 4 HORVATH?

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- 6 SUP. HORVATH: AYE.
- 8 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR
- 9 BARGER?
- 11 SUP. BARGER: AYE.
- 13 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?
- 15 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.
- 17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-0.
- 19 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, LET'S MOVE ON TO ITEM 7. FOR MEMBERS
- 20 OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO
- 21 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ
- 22 IN THE SHORT TITLE.
- 24 SPEAKER: ITEM 7 IS A HEARING ON PROJECT NO. PRJ2023-003408-
- 25 (ALL DISTRICTS), AN APPLICATION FOR THE UNITED STATES



- 1 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT'S PATHWAYS TO
- 2 REMOVING OBSTACLES TO HOUSING GRANT, TO FUND THE PREPARATION
- 3 AND ADOPTION OF PLANNING DOCUMENTS TO INCREASE THE PRODUCTION
- 4 AND PRESERVATION OF HOUSING FOR UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES
- 5 COUNTY. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
- 6 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

- 8 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, AND WE HAVE AMY BODEK STILL WITH US,
- 9 AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD
- 10 LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, EXECUTIVE
- 11 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED
- 12 UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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- 14 SPEAKER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO
- 15 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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- 17 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I SEE HOLLY MITCHELL. NO PROBLEM. THAT'S
- 18 OKAY.

- 20 SUP. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE THAT. I WAS SLOW, MADAM CHAIR.
- 21 JUST A QUICK QUESTION OF MS. BODEK. THE COUNTY'S 7TH ANNUAL
- 22 AFFORDABLE HOUSING REPORT WAS RELEASED. WE'VE GOT A 4%
- 23 INCREASE IN INVENTORY FOR AFFORDABLE HOMES. GREAT NEWS, EXCEPT
- 24 THAT, AS WE KNOW, WE'RE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS IN ARREAR, IF
- 25 YOU WILL, IN TERMS OF CONSTRUCTION. AND SO CAN YOU SHARE WITH



- 1 US HOW THIS PRO-HOUSING APPLICATION CAN SUPPORT THE COUNTY IN
- 2 ACHIEVING A SYSTEM THAT REALLY WORKS FOR EVERYONE, TO HELP US
- 3 GET ENOUGH HOUSING AND ADDRESS OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION?

- 5 AMY BODEK: CERTAINLY, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. THIS IS
- 6 AN INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE UP TO \$10 MILLION, IF WE
- 7 ARE SUCCESSFUL IN THIS OPPORTUNITY. IT REALLY AUGMENTS WHAT
- 8 THE BOARD HAS ALREADY BEEN DOING SINCE AT LEAST 2018. YOU HAVE
- 9 BEEN INCREDIBLY PROGRESSIVE IN PUTTING TOGETHER AN
- 10 INCLUSIONARY HOUSING ORDINANCE, A NO-NET-LOSS ORDINANCE, AND
- 11 AN INTERIM AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING ORDINANCE. YOU'VE ADOPTED A
- 12 [INAUDIBLE] SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE FOR VERY SMALL, LESS THAN 8-
- 13 UNIT INFILL SITES. YOU HAVE BEEN VERY, VERY AGGRESSIVE IN
- 14 MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE ADDRESSING-- YOU'VE SPONSORED
- 15 LEGISLATION TO ALLOW US TO CREATE A NEW CLASSIFICATION OF
- 16 AFFORDABILITY, CALLED DEEPLY LOW-INCOME, AT 15% A.M.I. SO,
- 17 YOUR AGGRESSIVE STANCE STILL HAS NOT REDUCED THE BARRIERS THAT
- 18 STILL EXIST FOR HOUSING. AND ONE OF THOSE BIGGEST BARRIERS IS
- 19 LACK OF UPDATED INFRASTRUCTURE, PARTICULARLY IN BUILT-OUT
- 20 AREAS. IT'S EASIER TO BUILD MODERN INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE
- 21 FRINGES OF THE BASIN THAN IT IS TO BE IN EAST L.A. OR
- 22 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE. AND SO BECAUSE OF THAT, OUR PRO-HOUSING
- 23 GRANT ACTUALLY FOCUSES ON INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING. AND WE
- 24 BELIEVE THAT IF THIS GRANT IS SUCCESSFUL, AND WE PLAN
- 25 INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATES IN THOSE AREAS THAT CAN SUPPORT



- 1 EXISTING RESIDENTS, AS WELL AS NEW RESIDENTS THAT ARE REQUIRED
- 2 TO BE PLANNED FOR UNDER OUR HOUSING ELEMENT, THAT WE BELIEVE
- 3 THAT THAT WILL BE OF SIGNIFICANT BENEFIT TO ALL THE RESIDENTS
- 4 IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY.

- 6 SUP. MITCHELL: I AGREE WITH YOU, AND I'M GLAD YOU EMPHASIZED
- 7 THE UNINCORPORATED, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF
- 8 REGIONAL PLANNING-- WE FOCUS ON OUR UNINCORPORATED
- 9 COMMUNITIES. HOW ARE YOU COLLABORATING, IF AT ALL, WITH OUR 88
- 10 CITIES?

- 12 AMY BODEK: SO, OUR 88 CITIES, INTERESTINGLY, OUR COUNTY-OWNED
- 13 INFRASTRUCTURE DOES NOT STOP AT THE CITY LINE. AND SO WE DO
- 14 HAVE WATER LINES AND SEWER LINES THAT CROSS JURISDICTIONS, AND
- 15 THAT HAS BECOME EVIDENT IN OUR PLANNING EFFORT, THAT WE NEED
- 16 THAT COMPREHENSIVE NATURE AND THAT COMPREHENSIVE OUTLOOK. SO,
- 17 IF THIS GRANT WERE TO BE AWARDED TO US-- AND THE COMPETITION
- 18 IS A LITTLE BIT STIFF-- WE, BY RIGHT, HAVE TO WORK WITH THOSE
- 19 JURISDICTIONS, IN GENERAL, FROM AN INFRASTRUCTURE PERSPECTIVE.
- 20 BUT ALL OF THE COUNTY'S CITIES ARE ALL UNDER THE SAME HOUSING
- 21 MANDATES, SO IT'S VERY EASY FOR US TO HAVE THOSE
- 22 CONVERSATIONS. I'M PRETTY FAMILIAR WITH A NUMBER OF THOSE
- 23 JURISDICTIONS, AND WE DO HAVE REGULAR MEETINGS WITH THOSE
- 24 JURISDICTIONS THROUGH OUR VARIOUS C.O.G.S, AS WELL AS THROUGH



- 1 S.C.A.G. AND SO WE WOULD ALSO RELY ON THOSE RELATIONSHIPS, AS
- 2 WELL.

4 SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GOOD LUCK.

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6 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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- 8 SUP. SOLIS: YES, I JUST WANTED TO ASK YOU, AMY, IF IN THE
- 9 PLANNING OF THE PREPARATION, IF WE RECEIVE THIS FUNDING, ARE
- 10 WE ALSO LOOKING AT STABILIZING CURRENT HOUSING? SO, FOR
- 11 EXAMPLE, WE HAVE OUR COMMUNITY LAND TRUST PROGRAM. IS THAT
- 12 SOMETHING THAT THIS WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO AUGMENT OR HELP US?

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- 14 AMY BODEK: THIS GRANT DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR THAT. IT'S ACTUALLY
- 15 RELATED TO REDUCING BARRIERS TO NEW CONSTRUCTION. SO, IT WOULD
- 16 NOT FOCUS ON PRESERVATION. BUT WE DO AND WOULD RELY ON OUR
- 17 EXISTING PRESERVATION POLICIES THAT WE HAVE IN PLACE.

- 19 SUP. SOLIS: RIGHT. BECAUSE, I MEAN, TO YOUR POINT EARLIER,
- 20 SOME PLACES THAT I REPRESENT ARE BUILT OUT, AND THERE IS NO
- 21 ROOM TO BUILD NEW. SO, EVEN A.D.U.S OR OTHER MECHANISMS-- AND
- 22 I'M JUST THINKING, WE HAVE GOT TO THINK FORWARD, BECAUSE WE'RE
- 23 NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO RELOCATE PEOPLE THROUGH HOUSING. IF
- 24 THEY LOSE THEIR PROPERTIES OR, SAY, A BIG APARTMENT UNIT, AND
- 25 THERE'S 30 FAMILIES IN THERE, AND IT GETS SOLD, I MEAN, WE



- 1 REALLY WANT TO PRESERVE THOSE PEOPLE STAYING THERE, AND
- 2 HOPEFULLY CREATING HOMEOWNERSHIP FOR THEM. AND WHETHER IT'S
- 3 UPGRADING THE BUILDING, WHICH I THINK MAYBE WE WANT TO TALK TO
- 4 THE FEDS ABOUT SOME OF THAT, AS WELL, BECAUSE I THINK FOR US,
- 5 REALISTICALLY, IN SOME OF OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THAT'S ALL
- 6 WE HAVE.

- 8 AMY BODEK: AGREED. THERE IS DEFINITELY A NEED FOR PRESERVATION
- 9 OF EXISTING UNITS.

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- 11 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WELL, COULD I JUST CLARIFY? SO, THIS GRANT
- 12 MONEY CANNOT BE USED FOR PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING?

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- 14 AMY BODEK: IT'S REALLY RELATED TO REDUCING BARRIERS TO NEW
- 15 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES.

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- 17 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: BECAUSE MY STAFF'S ANALYSIS OF THIS WAS THAT
- 18 IT COULD BE USED FOR PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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- 20 AMY BODEK: OKAY, THAT'S NOT WHAT OUR ANALYSIS WAS, BUT IT VERY
- 21 WELL MAY BE.

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23 SUP. SOLIS: THAT'S WHAT I HAVE.



- 1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THAT'S WHAT YOU HAVE. YOUR STAFF HAS BEEN
- 2 TALKING TO MY STAFF. CAN WE JUST-- YEAH, LET'S DO A DEEPER
- 3 DIVE, BECAUSE I THINK SUPERVISOR SOLIS BRINGS UP A REALLY GOOD
- 4 POINT. AND I THINK THAT'S ONE OF OUR PILLARS IN OUR ADDRESSING
- 5 HOMELESSNESS IN THE COUNTY IS PRESERVING THE AFFORDABLE
- 6 HOUSING THAT WE DO HAVE, WHETHER IT'S MOBILE HOME PARKS,
- 7 BECAUSE I KNOW WE HAVE AN ORDINANCE TO RENT STABILIZATION
- 8 THERE, BECAUSE THAT'S A BIG PART OF ONE OF OUR PILLARS OF
- 9 PREVENTION, IS PRESERVING.

- 11 AMY BODEK: SO, LET ME PUT THIS IN CONTEXT TO OUR EXISTING
- 12 HOUSING ELEMENT AND THE AREA PLANS THAT WE ARE WORKING ON. SO,
- 13 WHEN WE BRING A NEW AREA PLAN TO YOU, WHETHER IT WAS THE EAST
- 14 SAN GABRIEL AREA PLAN THAT'S COMING FORWARD, OR THE RECENT
- 15 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE T.O.D., WE DO PUT ANTI-DISPLACEMENT
- 16 POLICIES IN THOSE AREA PLANS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS GRANT THAT
- 17 WE FOCUSED ON, SINCE WE'RE DOING ALL OF THAT WORK ALREADY WITH
- 18 THE BOARD'S DIRECTION, IS TO FOCUS ON ITEMS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN
- 19 ADDRESSED BY OUR HOUSING ELEMENT OR BY BOARD DIRECTION. AND
- 20 SO, THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE AREA PLANS THAT INCLUDE
- 21 THE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT PERSPECTIVE, THEN WE ALSO WOULD
- 22 IMPLEMENT THOSE C.I.P.S.

- 24 SUP. SOLIS: I'M SURE THAT IS SEPARATE AND APART FROM THIS
- 25 PARTICULAR PROGRAM.



- 2 AMY BODEK: IT IS SEPARATE AND APART, BUT THEY ARE DIRECTLY
- 3 RELATED. THOSE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT POLICIES ARE MOVING FORWARD,
- 4 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER WE GET THIS GRANT OR NOT.

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6 SUP. SOLIS: AND THEY SHOULD, AS THEY SHOULD.

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- 8 AMY BODEK: C.I.P. PLANNING CANNOT MOVE FORWARD AT THIS POINT
- 9 IN TIME WITHOUT THE GRANT.

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- 11 SUP. SOLIS: SO, I WOULD REQUEST THAT YOU COME BACK AND TELL US
- 12 HOW THIS IS ALL WORKING, BECAUSE I'D REALLY LIKE TO KNOW HOW
- 13 WE ARE DOING WITH PRESERVATION.

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- 15 AMY BODEK: CERTAINLY. WE CAN DEFINITELY DO A REPORT BACK TO
- 16 YOU ON THAT.

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- 18 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO, THE MOTION BEFORE US JUST APPROVES YOUR
- 19 GRANT APPLICATION.

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- 21 AMY BODEK: CORRECT. WE JUST APPROVED THE GRANT APPLICATION,
- 22 BUT WE'RE HAPPY TO DO A REPORT BACK ON OUR ANTI-DISPLACEMENT
- 23 EFFORTS.



- 1 SUP. SOLIS: I THINK THAT'S HELPFUL, BECAUSE WHAT WE'RE ALSO
- 2 FACED WITH IS THAT WE HAVE PEOPLE THAT ARE STILL GOING THROUGH
- 3 EVICTIONS, AND CERTAINLY THAT'S ONE PART OF IT. BUT IF WE CAN
- 4 CREATE INCENTIVES FOR US, AS A COUNTY, TO COME IN AND REALLY
- 5 USE OUR RESOURCES IN A WAY THAT HELPS TO PRESERVE THAT HOUSING
- 6 FOR THOSE TENANTS OR INDIVIDUALS WHO COULD EVENTUALLY OWN
- 7 THEIR HOME, UPGRADE THE FACILITY, AS WELL, RENOVATE, BECAUSE
- 8 SOME OF THESE BUILDINGS, I KNOW, IN EAST L.A., AREAS THAT I
- 9 REPRESENT, ARE 100 YEARS OLD, IF NOT MORE, AND I'M SURE THAT'S
- 10 THE SAME IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, AND POSSIBLY IN
- 11 UNINCORPORATED AREAS.

- 13 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OH, YEAH. WELL, WE DON'T WANT TO MESS UP
- 14 YOUR GRANT APPLICATION, BECAUSE WE WANT TO-- WE NEED-- YES, WE
- 15 NEED IT. BUT IT WOULD BE NICE IF YOU PUT A LITTLE FOOTNOTE ON
- 16 YOUR APPLICATION THAT YOUR BOARD REALLY WANTS TO KNOW IF SOME
- 17 OF THIS MONEY CAN BE USED FOR PRESERVATION.

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19 AMY BODEK: ABSOLUTELY.

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- 21 SUP. MITCHELL: AND JUST A REMINDER TO ALL OF US, AS WE SERVE
- 22 ON L.A.C.A.H.S.A., THAT'S ONE OF THE CORE TENETS OF
- 23 L.A.C.A.H.S.A., IS PRESERVATION, WHICH IS REALLY IMPORTANT
- 24 REGIONALLY, AS WELL.



- 1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: CORRECT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR OF
- 2 L.A.C.A.H.S.A. OKAY, SEEING NO OTHER QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, IT
- 3 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO'VE
- 4 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

- 6 SPEAKER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
- 7 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 7, IF YOU HAVE
- 8 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
- 9 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER,
- 10 PLEASE?

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12 MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ADRIANA B. YOU MAY BEGIN.

- 14 SPEAKER: HI. I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THIS APPLICATION FOR
- 15 HOUSING, AND ESPECIALLY UNDERLYING SOME OF THE COMMENTS THAT
- 16 WERE MADE, AND SOME THAT ARE IN THE REPORT, INCLUDING ANTI-
- 17 DISPLACEMENT. THAT REALLY RESONATES FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE RIGHT
- 18 NOW, IS THE DISPLACEMENT OF PEOPLE. AND ALSO, IN THE EQUITY
- 19 AUDIT IN THE REPORT, IT SAYS, "ALL COMMUNITY-BASED PLANS AND
- 20 SPECIFIC PLANS AND THE ZONING CODE ARE FROM AN ANTI-RACIST AND
- 21 EQUITY LENS. IT WILL SEEK TO REMOVE BARRIERS TO EQUITABLE
- 22 HOUSING PRODUCTION, REMOVE RACIST DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGY,
- 23 AND MAKE PROACTIVE CHANGES TO PROMOTE MORE INCLUSIVE
- 24 COMMUNITIES, AND PREVENT INCOMPATIBLE LAND USES FROM
- 25 AFFECTING--



- 2 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU
- 3 FOR CALLING. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 5 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY
- 6 BEGIN.

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- 8 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES, GOOD MORNING AGAIN, BOARD OF
- 9 SUPERVISORS. I'M TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. IT'S ABOUT
- 10 TIME THAT WE UTILIZE ALL THE MONEY WE CAN TO BUILD HOUSES FOR
- 11 PEOPLE. SO, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR DOING THAT, AND MAKE SURE IT
- 12 DOESN'T GET WASTED. THANK YOU.

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14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 16 MODERATOR: MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE SPEAKERS
- 17 IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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- 19 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. IS THERE ANYONE IN PERSON THAT HAS
- 20 SIGNED UP? SEEING NONE, AND HEARING THAT WE HAVE NO MORE ON
- 21 THE PHONE, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING
- 22 AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 7 IS NOW BEFORE US. MOVED BY
- 23 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. TO APPROVE
- 24 THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.



CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 7 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS? SUP. SOLIS: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? SUP. MITCHELL: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH? SUP. HORVATH: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER? SUP. BARGER: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN? SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE. CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-0.



- 1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, WE'RE NOW GOING TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS
- 2 OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THE CLOSED-
- 3 SESSION ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
- 4 PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT
- 5 ON THESE ITEMS: EITHER CLOSED-SESSION OR GENERAL PUBLIC
- 6 COMMENT. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE
- 7 PUBLIC WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS.

- 9 SPEAKER: WILL SHALYA HODGE, CRAIG JONES, HARRIET ELLIOT,
- 10 JONATHAN GONZALEZ, JOSE MARTINEZ, LYNNE PLAMBECK, MANDY
- 11 O'CONNOR, MARIA GARCIA, NORLAN CLEMENS, RIGOBERTO LOPEZ, AND
- 12 ROGER PUGLIESE PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU?
- 13 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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15 MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ADRIANA B. YOU MAY BEGIN.

- 17 SPEAKER: I WOULD LIKE TO JOIN SENATOR BERNIE SANDERS IN URGING
- 18 THE U.S. TO INSIST RESTRAINT FROM ISRAELI FORCES ATTACKING
- 19 GAZA, AND TO WORK TO SECURE U.N. HUMANITARIAN ACCESS. 42% OF
- 20 GAZA'S HOUSING UNITS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED BY ISRAEL BOMBING. IF
- 21 YOU BELIEVE HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT, YOU, AS ONE OF THE MOST
- 22 POWERFUL GOVERNMENTAL BODIES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, WILL PASS
- 23 A RESOLUTION TO DEMAND CEASEFIRE, AND TO DEMAND THE CONTINUOUS
- 24 ACCESS OF HUMANITARIAN AID, NOT JUST 20 VEHICLES ON ONE DAY OF
- 25 THE WEEK, AND THEN REPEATED BOMBING. WE'RE SEEING VIDEOS OF



- 1 CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN RESCUED UNDER RUBBLE, AND BY GOD'S WILL
- 2 THEY ARE STILL BREATHING, BUT THEY BEING ONLY TAKEN CARE OF IN
- 3 HOSPITALS THAT ARE LITERALLY PRESERVING THE LIFE--

- 5 SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. YOUR TIME HAS
- 6 EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 8 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL HENNESSEY. YOU MAY
- 9 BEGIN. PAUL, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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- 11 SPEAKER: SORRY ABOUT THAT. MY NAME IS PAUL HENNESSEY, GENERAL
- 12 PUBLIC COMMENT, CALLING ON THE BOARD TO BRING BACK MASKS IN
- 13 HEALTHCARE SETTINGS. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY DANGEROUS DECISION,
- 14 TO REMOVE MASKS IN HEALTHCARE. UNPROTECTED BREATH, ESPECIALLY
- 15 BETWEEN STRANGERS, WILL CONTINUE TO BE DANGEROUS, ESPECIALLY
- 16 IN HOSPITAL SETTINGS, WHERE INFECTION IS VERY DANGEROUS,
- 17 ESPECIALLY FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO GO IN AND GET
- 18 TREATMENT. RECENTLY, A STUDY CAME OUT THAT BACTERIAL
- 19 BLOODSTREAM INFECTIONS IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS FROM
- 20 C.O.V.I.D.-19, THAT WERE ACQUIRED IN HOSPITAL SETTINGS, BECAME
- 21 MULTIDRUG-RESISTANT PATHOGENS, AND THOSE WERE FOUND IN 87% OF
- 22 CASES. SO, I DO ENCOURAGE YOU TO BRING BACK MASKS IN
- 23 HEALTHCARE. IT WILL KEEP PATIENTS, AS WELL AS MEDICAL STAFF,
- 24 SAFE AND HEALTHY. THANK YOU.



1 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 3 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JOSEPHINE JOSHUA. YOU MAY
- 4 BEGIN.

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- 6 SPEAKER: HI. GOOD MORNING. THIS HAS BEEN A VERY INFORMATIVE
- 7 ISSUE ABOUT HOUSING, AND I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS WHAT IS
- 8 HAPPENING TO MAKE SMALL LANDLORDS LIKE ME, IN UNINCORPORATED
- 9 AREAS, WHERE I UNDERCHARGE RENT. I HAVE A 4-BEDROOM, 2.5-BATH
- 10 HOME IN QUARTZ HILL THAT I RENT FOR \$3,100 A MONTH. YOU
- 11 PEOPLE, IN YOUR VOTES, [INAUDIBLE], UNLESS I'M CHARGING \$3,170
- 12 PER MONTH, AND THE TENANT DOESN'T PAY ME THE RENT, I CANNOT
- 13 EVICT THAT TENANT UNTIL IT'S \$6,200 PAST DUE IN THE RENT. I
- 14 REALLY THINK YOU NEED TO LOOK AT WHAT YOU HAVE DONE TO SMALL
- 15 LANDLORDS. SMALL LANDLORDS LIKE ME ARE THE BACKBONE OF
- 16 PROVIDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND WHAT
- 17 YOU ARE DOING TO US IS ABSOLUTELY INCOMPREHENSIBLE AND
- 18 ABSOLUTELY NOT ACCEPTABLE.

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20 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR CALLING. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 22 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HEATHER DETWEILER. YOU MAY
- 23 BEGIN.



- 1 SPEAKER: HI. YOU ALL COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT PROTECTING
- 2 PATIENTS AND HEALTHCARE WORKERS BY GETTING MASKS BACK IN
- 3 HEALTHCARE SETTINGS, BUT YOU'RE NOT. I WANT TO KNOW WHY. I
- 4 WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU'RE AGAINST PROTECTING VULNERABLE PEOPLE
- 5 FROM BECOMING DISABLED OR DYING FROM A BIOSAFETY LEVEL 3
- 6 VIRUS, THE THIRD LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN AMERICA RIGHT NOW.
- 7 I WANT TO KNOW WHY, OUT OF THE THREE HEALTH DEPARTMENTS IN
- 8 L.A.-- PASADENA, LONG BEACH, AND LOS ANGELES-- WHY IS L.A. THE
- 9 ONLY ONE NOT REQUIRING MASKS IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS? NOVEMBER
- 10 1ST, THE MASK REQUIREMENT FOR L.A. WILL FINALLY BE HAPPENING,
- 4 MONTHS AFTER THE S.A.R.S. SURGE STARTED, BUT IT'S ONLY FOR
- 12 UNVACCINATED HEALTHCARE WORKERS, WHICH IS RIDICULOUS.
- 13 PASADENA AND LONG BEACH REQUIRE MASKS FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS,
- 14 REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS. YOU CAN STILL CATCH
- 15 S.A.R.S.-2 AND SPREAD IT, EVEN IF YOU'RE VACCINATED, OR IF YOU
- 16 DON'T HAVE SYMPTOMS. STAND UP TO MAKE MASKS IN HEALTHCARE
- 17 SETTINGS IN L.A. A REQUIREMENT, REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION
- 18 STATUS. ALSO, PLEASE CALL FOR A CEASEFIRE IN GAZA. THANK YOU.
- 20 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
- 22 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY
- 23 BEGIN.

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- 1 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES, I AM VERY SURPRISED THAT ALL OF
- 2 THOSE PEOPLE ARE ASKING TO WEAR MASKS, WHEN MOST OF THE NURSES
- 3 FROM KAISER AND OTHER PLACES, WHO ARE ON STRIKE, NONE WEAR
- 4 MASKS. AND I WILL HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU READ THE BOOK OF
- 5 DR. [INAUDIBLE], ABOUT THE EFFICACY OF MASKS. THERE IS NONE. I
- 6 AM JUST GETTING VERY UPSET EVERY WEEK WHEN I HEAR THOSE KINDS
- 7 OF [INAUDIBLE]. THE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO WEAR A MASK CAN. I JUST
- 8 DON'T WANT TO WEAR IT, BECAUSE IT DOES NOT PROTECT AT ALL. SO,
- 9 ANYWAY, I HOPE THAT YOU DON'T LISTEN TO THOSE [INAUDIBLE]
- 10 EVERY WEEK. AND, SUPERVISOR HAHN, I HOPE YOU HAVE RECEIVED MY
- 11 LETTER AND THAT ACTION IS TAKEN, SO WE DON'T HAVE ANY MORE
- 12 DYSFUNCTION OF OUR MEETING. THANK YOU.

14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JULEP THOMAS. YOU MAY

17 BEGIN.

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19 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JULEP THOMAS, AND I AM

- 20 CALLING, URGING L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE COUNTY BOARD
- 21 OF SUPERVISORS TO ADDRESS THE CURRENT C.O.V.I.D. CRISIS AND
- 22 JOIN BOTH PASADENA AND LONG BEACH IN FOLLOWING THE SCIENCE,
- 23 AND BRING BACK THE MASK REOUIREMENT IN THE ESSENTIAL SPACES OF
- 24 HEALTHCARE SETTINGS. HEADING TOWARDS THE WINTER MONTHS NOW,
- 25 ANTICIPATING A FURTHER RISE IN C.O.V.I.D. AND OTHER



- 1 RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS, SUCH AS R.S.V. AND FLU, NOW ESPECIALLY
- 2 IS THE TIME TO ACT TO SAFEGUARD PATIENTS AND HEALTHCARE
- 3 WORKERS WITH A MASK REQUIREMENT. L.A. COUNTY HAS A
- 4 RESPONSIBILITY TO THE SAFETY OF ITS CONSTITUENTS, AND WE
- 5 SHOULD FOLLOW THE LEAD OF PASADENA AND LONG BEACH PUBLIC
- 6 HEALTH, REINSTATING THE MASK REQUIREMENT. C.O.V.I.D. IS A
- 7 PREVENTABLE, AIRBORNE, INFECTIOUS DISEASE CAUSED BY THE
- 8 S.A.R.S.-COV-2 VIRUS. MILD INFECTIONS CAN LEAD TO LONG
- 9 C.O.V.I.D. PEOPLE WITH WEAKENED IMMUNE SYSTEMS ARE MORE
- 10 SUSCEPTIBLE TO COMPLICATIONS, INCLUDING ORGAN DAMAGE, AND
- 11 C.O.V.I.D. INFECTIONS CAN WEAKEN IMMUNE SYSTEMS. STUDIES HAVE
- 12 SHOWN MORE THAN HALF OF C.O.V.I.D. INFECTIONS TO BE
- 13 ASYMPTOMATIC.

- 15 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. YOUR TIME
- 16 HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 18 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY
- 19 BEGIN.

- 21 SPEAKER: HI. I WANT TO URGE THE BOARD TO TAKE STEPS TO AVOID,
- 22 OR HELP AVOID, REAL ESTATE GROUPS AND MANAGEMENT COMPANIES TO
- 23 CONTROL THE HOUSING PRICES AND RENTAL PRICES IN THE COUNTY. I
- 24 CAN HOPE THAT YOU WOULD TAKE CHARGE TO MAKE HOUSING MORE
- 25 AFFORDABLE FOR THE AVERAGE CITIZEN. THANK YOU.



2 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 4 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SHANNON DEGAN. YOU MAY
- 5 BEGIN.

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- 7 SPEAKER: HELLO. MY NAME IS SHANNON DEGAN, AND I AM CALLING TO
- 8 ONCE AGAIN ASK THAT MASKS BE REINSTATED IN HOSPITAL SETTINGS.
- 9 I AM NOT SURE WHAT THE HOLDUP IS FOR L.A. COUNTY. FOUR
- 10 COUNTIES UP NORTH, IN THE BAY AREA, ANNOUNCED A RETURN TO
- 11 MASKING IN HEALTHCARE WEEKS AGO, THAT GO INTO EFFECT ON
- 12 NOVEMBER 1ST, AND IT IS FOR ALL HEALTHCARE WORKERS, VACCINATED
- 13 OR NOT, BECAUSE VACCINATIONS DO NOT PROTECT ANYONE FROM
- 14 TRANSMITTING THE VIRUS FOR C.O.V.I.D. AND I AM JUST-- AT THIS
- 15 POINT, I AM PERPLEXED. I AM NOT BRINGING ANY STATS TODAY. I'M
- 16 NOT BRINGING ANY STATS, BECAUSE IT DOESN'T SEEM TO MATTER. SO,
- 17 SUPERVISORS HAHN, MITCHELL, SOLIS, BARGER, AND HORVATH, WILL
- 18 YOU PLEASE REINSTATE MASKING IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS THIS WEEK?
- 19 THANK YOU.

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21 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 23 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE HERE.
- 24 WE ARE HERE DOING THE PEOPLE'S WORK. YOU KNOW MY NAME. I AM
- 25 JONATHAN GONZALEZ. I'M A SAFETY INSPECTOR, SERVING THE GREAT



- 1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, AND HAVE BEEN DOING SO
- 2 FOR SOME SEVEN, EIGHT YEARS NOW. I CAN'T REMEMBER. BUT THERE
- 3 ARE SOME SERIOUS ISSUES THERE, I WANT YOU TO KNOW. I DEAL WITH
- 4 INJURED WORKERS AS A REGULAR PART OF MY JOB, ON A DAILY BASIS,
- 5 AND THERE IS LOTS OF UNNECESSARY, NEEDLESS SUFFERING GOING ON
- 6 AMONG OUR WORKFORCE. MS. BARGER REFERENCED THEM AS THE "GREASE
- 7 ON THE WHEELS, " RIGHT? ABSOLUTELY. ABSOLUTELY. AND MY
- 8 ANALYSIS, AS A SAFETY PROFESSIONAL, IS THAT THIS ALL STEMS
- 9 FROM A LACK OF AUDITING OUR HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRAMS FOR
- 10 CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT. WE DON'T DO IT. WE JUST DON'T DO IT.
- 11 AND AS A RESULT, PEOPLE GET INJURED THE SAME WAY, OVER AND
- 12 OVER AGAIN. AND THIS HAS BEEN MY OBSERVATION AND MY ANALYSIS.
- 13 BUT HUMAN SUFFERING IS UNNECESSARY. WE COULD BE SO MUCH
- 14 BETTER, SO MUCH BETTER, BUT IT'S GOT TO COME FROM THE TOP
- 15 DOWN. ME, WORKING FROM THE BOTTOM UP, IS NOT GOING TO WORK.

17 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 19 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING. MS. SHAYLA HODGE, AND I NEED HELP. HOW
- 20 CAN I MEET WITH ONE OF YOU TO HELP ME WITH THE PUBLIC
- 21 [INAUDIBLE] COUNTY AGENCY IS HOLDING MY COMMUNITY PROPERTY,
- 22 DUE TO FAKE DOCUMENTS. THE L.A. AUDITOR'S OFFICE HAS ALL OF
- 23 THE FAKE DOCUMENTS: THE MAYOR'S CERTIFICATE, THE DEATH
- 24 CERTIFICATE, AND THE OBITUARY. I NEED HELP, REALLY BAD, FOR ME
- 25 AND MY DAUGHTER.

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2 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: DO YOU KNOW WHICH DISTRICT YOU LIVE IN?

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4 SPEAKER: INGLEWOOD-- I MEAN, GARDENA.

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6 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WILL HELP YOU.

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8 SPEAKER: THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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10 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 12 SPEAKER: HELLO, YES. MY NAME IS CRAIG JONES, AND YOU GUYS GOT
- 13 SOME RENEGADES OVER AT THE LAW LIBRARY. I'VE GONE TO THE
- 14 COLLEGE ABOUT 30 YEARS. I AM ABOUT 57 YEARS OLD. I'M OVER 50.
- 15 AND I GOT THIS SIT-DOWN THING RIGHT HERE. IT SAYS I HAVE BEEN
- 16 BANNED. NOTICE OF BANNED, WITHOUT ANY CONSTITUTIONAL
- 17 PERMISSIBILITY FROM THE CALIFORNIA SUPERIOR COURT. I DIDN'T
- 18 HAVE NO HEARING WITH YOU. BUT IT SAYS I WAS BANNED UNTIL
- 19 SATURDAY, OCTOBER THE 21ST OF 2025. IT SAYS 2023. IS THERE ANY
- 20 CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION THAT WOULD RESCIND THIS? DO I HAVE A
- 21 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO HAVE A HEARING BEFORE ANYONE TAKE MY
- 22 DAYS? NOT ONLY THAT, I HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED BY THE LOS ANGELES
- 23 COUNTY LAW LIBRARY. I HAVE A B.A. DEGREE, AND I SPEND A LOT OF
- 24 TIME IN THE LAW LIBRARY. I HAD TO SUE YOU, BUT I RESCINDED IT,
- 25 BASED UPON THE YOUNG PEOPLE THAT WAS IN THERE. I DIDN'T WANT



- 1 TO RUIN THEIR CAREERS, BECAUSE I'M OVER 55. I SAID, "I'M NOT
- 2 GONNA RUIN NOBODY'S CAREER." I FILED 17 APPLICATIONS WITH 2-1-
- 3 1 BEFORE THEY SET UP THE SERVICE TO STOP THE RENEGADES OVER AT
- 4 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LAW LIBRARY. YOU GOT A WHITE DUDE,
- 5 ABOUT 6'1", 6'3", WITH BEADY GLASSES. HE SAID HE RUN THE WHOLE
- 6 INSTITUTION.

8 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR SPEAKING.

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10 SPEAKER: THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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12 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 14 SPEAKER: HARRIET ELLIOT. MY SON WAS SHOT IN 1992, SUPPOSEDLY
- 15 AS A GANG MEMBER. I HAVE TROUBLE WITH THAT STORY, BECAUSE I
- 16 WAS SOBER SEVEN MONTHS, AND I SAW HIS GIRLFRIEND, AND HIS
- 17 GIRLFRIEND'S PARENTS INVITED MY SON TO SLEEP OVER. THIS IS
- 18 VERY NEW TO ME, THAT ANYONE'S PARENTS WOULD DO THAT, BUT THAT
- 19 SHOWS HOW MUCH THEY LOVED HIM. SO, WHY WOULD MY SON HAVE THIS
- 20 INCREDIBLE, UNANTICIPATED DEATH, JUST WHEN I GOT SOBER? WELL,
- 21 IF YOU READ KASHI YOGI, AND HOW HE WAS KILLED IN A SAUDI
- 22 ARABIAN CONSULATE, YOU'LL FIND OUT THAT HE-- ANYWAY, MY FATHER
- 23 IS AS POWERFUL AS YOUR FATHER, BY THE WAY-- GEORGE GAMMON--
- 24 AND HE HAD TO DIE. MY FATHER HAD TO DIE, BECAUSE THIS STORY IS
- 25 SO STRANGE. OKAY? A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE DYING.



- 2 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS. NEXT
- 3 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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- 5 SPEAKER: HELLO. MY NAME IS RIGOBERTO LOPEZ, AND I AM HERE
- 6 BECAUSE I WANT TO ASK FOR A MEETING WITH A SUPERVISOR,
- 7 REGARDING I'M BUILDING HOUSING FOR HOMELESS VETERANS. AND I
- 8 FEEL DISCRIMINATED BY THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE I ASKED
- 9 FOR AN APPEAL, AND I WAS TOLD THAT THERE WAS NO SUCH THING AS
- 10 AN APPEAL TO THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT. AND JUST TODAY, WE HAD
- 11 AN APPEAL HEARING. SO, IF YOU HAVE SOME TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO-
- 12 -

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14 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: DO YOU KNOW WHICH DISTRICT YOU LIVE IN?

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16 SPEAKER: I LIVE IN SANTA CLARITA, SO BARGER.

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- 18 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, SO SUPERVISOR BARGER WILL SEND SOMEONE
- 19 TO SPEAK WITH YOU ABOUT THIS.

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21 SPEAKER: OKAY, THANK YOU.

- 23 SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. NO MORE.
- 24 SO, WE HAVE NO MORE ON THE PHONE OR IN PERSON. OKAY. THAT
- 25 CONCLUDES OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC



1	AND COLLEAGUES, WE ARE GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION NOW.
2	EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.
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4	CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS
5	NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
6	CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE
7	WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION; AND ITEM
8	CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR FESIA DAVENPORT AND
9	DESIGNATED STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
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5	CS-1.	CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED
6	<u>LITIGA</u>	<u>TION</u>
7		(Paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section
8	54956.	9)
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10		Initiation of litigation (one case). (23-3903)
11		No remarkable action was taken
12		No reportable action was taken.
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14 15	CS-2.	CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
16	00 2.	(Government Code Section 54957.6)
17		(Government Gode Godaeri G 166716)
18		Agency designated representatives: Fesia Davenport, Chief
19		Executive Officer, and designated staff.
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21		Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: All
22		individual member unions of the Coalition of County Unions,
23		AFL CIO; Local 721, SEIU; All affiliated member unions of
24		AFSCME Council 36; Association of Deputy District Attorneys;
25		Los Angeles County Association of Environmental Health
26		Specialists; and Los Angeles County Public Defenders. (17-
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1	I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2	6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3	hereby certify:
4	That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5	Angeles County Board of Supervisors October 24, 2023, were
6	thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
7	supervision;
8	That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9	in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10	the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11	me.
12	I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13	related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise
14	interested in the outcome thereof.
15	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st
16	day of November 2023, for the County records to be used only
17	for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts as
18	on file of the office of the reporter.
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