



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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TUESDAY, JULY 23RD, 2024

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE AND WELCOME TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLIMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE'LL BEGIN TODAY'S MEETING WITH OUR COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]: THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL INHABITED AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH, AND CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS AND DESCENDANTS, PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING, AS THEY CONTINUE THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE, SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE, AND MULTI-GENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT DEMONSTRATES OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH, HEALING, AND RECONCILIATION, AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES, CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO



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1 GROWING AND SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND
2 LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING, IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER,
3 THE FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELIÑO
4 TONGVA INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELEÑO/TONGVA
5 SAN GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELEÑO BAND OF
6 MISSION INDIANS - KIZH NATION, SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION
7 INDIANS, SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. TO LEARN MORE
8 ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PLEASE VISIT
9 OUR WEBSITE.

10
11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THE INVOCATION TODAY WILL BE LED
12 BY PASTOR SONJA PEAY, PRAISE SANCTUARY MINISTRIES FROM THE 2ND
13 DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE
14 LED BY THOMAS DIAZ, FORMER E4 SPECIALIST, UNITED STATES ARMY
15 FROM THE 3RD DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND.

16
17 **PASTOR SONJA PEAY:** GOOD MORNING. IF YOU WOULD BOW YOUR HEADS,
18 I PRAY UNTO THE FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST WHOM THE WHOLE
19 FAMILY IS IN HEAVEN AND IN EARTH, HIS NAME THAT HE WOULD GRANT
20 UNTO YOU ACCORDING TO HIS RICHES AND GLORY TO BE STRENGTHENED
21 WITH MIGHT THROUGH HIS SPIRIT IN THE INNER MAN, THAT CHRIST
22 MAY DWELL IN THE HEARTS THROUGH FAITH, THAT YOU BEING ROOTED
23 AND GROUNDED IN LOVE MAY BE ABLE TO COMPREHEND WITH ALL SAINTS
24 WHAT IS THE WIDTH AND THE LENGTH AND THE DEPTH AND THE HEIGHT
25 TO KNOW THE LOVE OF CHRIST WHICH PASSETH KNOWLEDGE THAT YOU



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1 MAY BE FILLED WITH ALL THE FULLNESS OF GOD NOW UNTO HIM WHO IS
2 ABLE TO DO EXCEEDINGLY ABUNDANTLY ABOVE ALL THAT WE COULD ASK
3 OR THINK ACCORDING TO THE POWER THAT WORKS IN US TO HIM BE
4 GLORY IN THE CHURCH BY CHRIST JESUS TO ALL GENERATIONS FOREVER
5 AND EVER AMEN.

6
7 **TOMAS DIAZ:** PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. READY BEGIN.
8 I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
9 AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION
10 UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL NOW
13 TURN IT TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR A PRESENTATION.

14
15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
16 GOOD MORNING, LOS ANGELES. PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING PASTOR
17 SONJA PEAY TO TODAY'S BOARD MEETING. SHE CURRENTLY SERVES AS
18 THE EXECUTIVE PASTOR AND DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AT PRAISE
19 SANCTUARY MINISTRIES WHICH HER FATHER JOSEPH PEAY FOUNDED IN
20 1989. SHE AND HER CONGREGATION TURNED THEIR CHURCH INTO A HUB
21 FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DURING COVID BY PROVIDING MEALS,
22 SERVICES, AND CONNECTING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS TO
23 COUNTY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. SHE'S IN THE PROCESS OF EVOLVING
24 SPACE TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED
25 HOUSELESSNESS. PASTOR SONJA IS WORKING WITH MY TEAM ON THE



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1 SECOND DISTRICT'S FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION PILOT INTERIM
2 HOUSING PROJECT. THAT'S A MOUTHFUL. WHERE SHE HAS RECRUITED
3 COLLEAGUES TO BE PART OF THIS COHORT, LEARNING TOGETHER AND
4 WORKING COLLABORATIVELY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPTIONS AND
5 LEVERAGE LAND OWNED BY FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN
6 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. IN
7 ADDITION TO HER TIRELESS COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY, SHE'S
8 WORKED IN SALES AND MARKETING IN THE BANKING INDUSTRY FOR OVER
9 2 DECADES. SHE IS THE PROUD MOTHER OF 2 SONS, TIMOTHY AND
10 JUNIUS. PASTOR SONJA, PLEASE ACCEPT OUR HEARTFELT GRATITUDE
11 FOR YOUR COMMITMENT, FOR YOUR GIFT OF PARTNERSHIP IN HELPING
12 US TRY TO SUPPORT OUR HOUSELESS FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS
13 IN THE SECOND DISTRICT AND ACROSS LA COUNTY, AND FOR YOUR
14 TIMELY INVOCATION AT THIS MORNING'S MEETING. THANK YOU SO
15 MUCH.

16
17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND NOW I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
18 TOMAS DIAZ FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TODAY.
19 TOMAS SERVED IN THE ARMY FROM 2008 THROUGH 2016, INCLUDING
20 SERVING IN AFGHANISTAN. HIS HIGHEST RANK DURING HIS TIME IN
21 THE ARMY WAS SPECIALIST E-4. WHILE SERVING, TOMAS RECEIVED
22 SEVERAL COMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL,
23 ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, AND NATO NON-ARTICLE 5 MEDAL. WHILE IN
24 AFGHANISTAN, HE CONDUCTED OVER 400 INTERROGATIONS AND ANSWERED
25 INTELLIGENCE GAPS PERTAINING TO HIGH VALUE TARGETS. TOMAS



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1 GRADUATED FROM CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE IN 2013 WITH A BACHELOR'S
2 DEGREE IN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT. WE NEED THAT. AND IN 2017
3 HE CO-FOUNDED THE CSUN VETERANS ALUMNI CHAPTER AND IS
4 CURRENTLY THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT. HE ALSO VOLUNTEERS AS A
5 STUDENT VETERAN MENTOR. HE FURTHER CONTINUED HIS EDUCATION AND
6 IN 2023 GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE WITH AN MBA.
7 AND IN 2024, HE JOINED THE COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S
8 DISBURSEMENT UNIT. SO, WE ARE INCREDIBLY GLAD TO HAVE YOU AS
9 PART OF OUR COUNTY FAMILY. WHEN TOMAS ISN'T WORKING, HE ENJOYS
10 HIKING AND RECENTLY SUMMITED MOUNT BALDY DURING THE CLIMB FOR
11 HEROES EVENT. CONGRATULATIONS. AND I'M HAPPY TO HAVE TOMAS
12 HERE TODAY WITH US TO HAVE HIM AS A THIRD DISTRICT RESIDENT.
13 AND OF COURSE, AS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY MEMBER HERE AT
14 THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY WAYS
15 THAT YOU SERVE.

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** NOW IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A SWEET AND
18 SOCIAL PET, I HAVE THE PERFECT PUPPY FOR YOU. THIS IS A NINE-
19 WEEK-OLD, SIX-POUND CHIHUAHUA MIX WHO IS LOOKING FOR A FOREVER
20 HOME. IF YOU WANT TO ADOPT HER, HER NAME IS NALA, AND YOU CAN
21 CALL THE DOWNEY ANIMAL CARE CENTER AT 562-940-6898, OR YOU CAN
22 DROP BY ANY ONE OF OUR ANIMAL CARE CENTERS ON MONDAY THROUGH
23 SATURDAY FROM 11 A.M. TO 5 P.M. TO MEET ALL OF THE AMAZING
24 PETS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. DO YOU WANT TO SAY HI? NOPE. SO, THIS
25 IS NALA AND ACTUALLY NALA'S SISTER GOT ADOPTED PRETTY QUICKLY



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1 SO I'M HOPING THAT NALA WILL FIND A FOREVER HOME. NOW, I WANNA
2 DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN AND INTRODUCE YOU TO A DOG
3 FROM OUR PALMDALE SHELTER. IT MAY BE SWELTERING IN THE
4 ANTELOPE VALLEY, BUT HE IS ONE COOL DOG. MEET GLACIER, A TWO-
5 YEAR-OLD GERMAN SHEPHERD, AND SHE WILL ABSOLUTELY MELT YOUR
6 HEART. TO BRING HER HOME, CALL THE PALMDALE CENTER AT 661-575-
7 2888. AND I ALSO WANT TO SHARE AN IMPORTANT RESOURCE FOR PET
8 OWNERS. OUR COUNTY BELIEVES THAT UNEXPECTED COSTS SHOULDN'T BE
9 A BARRIER TO YOU KEEPING YOUR PET. THE LA COUNTY ANIMAL CARE
10 FOUNDATION HAS CARE VOUCHERS AVAILABLE FOR UP TO \$300 FOR
11 VETERINARY CARE, PET FOOD, TRAINING, TEMPORARY BOARDING FOR
12 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, AND OTHER CHALLENGES. YOU
13 CAN CALL 562-519-0339, I KNOW BABY, OR EMAIL
14 ACCESSTOCARE@ANIMALKARE.LACOUNTY.GOV TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY FOR
15 A VOUCHER. NOW HOW COULD YOU SAY NO TO THAT, RIGHT? OH, I
16 KNOW, BABY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NALA, SO BEAUTIFUL.
19 WITH THAT, WE WILL MOVE ON TO TODAY'S AGENDA. EXECUTIVE
20 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
23 BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2. CONSENT CALENDAR,
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 TO 19. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR
25 HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR



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1 HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 9, THIS INCLUDES
2 A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
3 10, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO,
4 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
5 AGENDA. ON ITEM 11, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON
6 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 12, SUPERVISOR BARGER
7 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 13, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
8 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 30,
9 2024, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 14,
10 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
11 AGENDA. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE
12 HELD. ON ITEM 16, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUEST THIS ITEM BE HELD.
13 ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
14 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 18, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUEST
15 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDED A REVISION AS
16 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 19, THIS
17 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
18 ON PAGE 26, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 20 THROUGH 77. ON
19 ITEM 44, THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
20 BE CONTINUED 2 WEEKS TO AUGUST 6, 2024, AS INDICATED ON THE
21 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 59, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS
22 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
23 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
24 AGENDA. ON PAGE 60, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 78 TO
25 80. ON ITEM 80, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE



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1 HELD. ON PAGE 62, SEPARATE MATTERS ITEM 81. THAT COMPLETES THE
2 READING OF THE AGENDA. MADAM CHAIR, THE REQUEST FOR
3 CONTINUANCES THROUGH 81 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN,
6 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS THAT
7 WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE PLAY THE CODE OF
8 CONDUCT.

9
10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN MAY
11 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
12 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF
13 CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH
14 IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING.
15 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN
16 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH
17 PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE
18 BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC
19 COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE
20 BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING
21 RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR
22 TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO
23 THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS
24 LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.
25 PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A



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1 DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL
2 OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING
3 PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR
4 OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF,
5 STAFF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE
6 RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND
7 BOARD MEMBERS, AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE
8 DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON
9 ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO
10 BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU
11 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
12 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN
13 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER
14 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** TODAY WE'LL BEGIN WITH ITEM 80,
17 FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 18, 3, 8, 10, AND 12, THEN ITEMS 15 AND 16,
18 FOLLOWED BY THE REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD AND
19 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
20 PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT WAS PROVIDED ON OUR
21 AGENDA AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO
24 PARTICIPATE REMOTELY AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE CALL
25 877-226-8163 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 1336503 MEMBERS



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1 OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING REMOTELY AND IN THE BOARDROOM, YOU
2 WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE
3 MEETING. YOU WILL RECEIVE 1 MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
4 ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, AND UP TO A TOTAL OF 3 MINUTES ON
5 ALL REMAINING ITEMS, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR A TOTAL OF
6 6 MINUTES FOR THIS MEETING. PLEASE NOTE, ONCE YOUR TIME HAS
7 EXPIRED, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE
8 MONITOR YOUR TIME AND THE ITEMS YOU ARE SIGNING UP FOR, AS
9 YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE CALLED ONCE YOUR TIME HAS ELAPSED. FOR
10 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, WHEN THE BOARD
11 MOVES TO THE ITEM YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, PROMPTLY PRESS 1, THEN
12 0 TO BE MOVED FROM THE LISTENING CUE TO THE SPEAKING CUE.
13 REMEMBER TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR DEVICE AS SOON AS THE
14 MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU OR THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. YOU WILL NEED
15 TO PRESS 1 THEN 0 FOR EACH ITEM YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK. TO
16 ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-PERSON AND TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, WE
17 WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE 2 SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE
18 PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME
19 DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE
20 BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH
21 THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO. WE WILL BEGIN BY CALLING
22 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD WE WILL
23 TAKE TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

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25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEM 80 COUNTY



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1 CODE CHARTER AMENDMENT WHICH I HELD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
2 ON THE TELEPHONE PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS
3 ITEM. I BELIEVE OUR COUNTY COUNSEL IS AVAILABLE TO ASK IF
4 THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE DRAFT ORDINANCE THAT'S
5 BEFORE US. AND I WILL BEGIN AND THEN TURN IT TO MY COLLEAGUES.
6 I WANT TO THANK OUR COUNTY COUNSEL FOR THE TREMENDOUS WORK
7 THAT THEY'VE UNDERTAKEN TO BRING FORWARD THE ORDINANCE FOR
8 GOVERNANCE AND ETHICS CHARTER REFORM. WE WANT TO THANK ALSO MY
9 COLLEAGUES FOR OUR THOUGHTFUL DISCUSSION ON JULY 9TH. ALL OF
10 YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE MADE THIS PROCESS STRONGER, AND THIS
11 IS THE VERY BEGINNING OF BUILDING OUR GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE TO
12 CREATE A MORE REPRESENTATIVE, EFFECTIVE, TRANSPARENT, AND
13 ACCOUNTABLE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THERE HAVE BEEN QUESTIONS
14 ABOUT THIS PROCESS FOR THIS PROPOSAL, AND I UNDERSTAND WHAT WE
15 ARE PROPOSING IS FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT, A FUNDAMENTALLY
16 DIFFERENT KIND OF PROCESS PERHAPS THAN WHAT WE MIGHT HAVE
17 ORIGINALLY ENVISIONED. IT IS A GOING FORWARD PROCESS, A
18 PROCESS THAT STARTS WITH THE VOTE OF THE PEOPLE WHO TELL US IF
19 THEY THINK IT'S TIME FOR CHANGE. BY STARTING WITH THE VOTERS,
20 WE ENSURE THAT WE DON'T VENTURE DOWN THE SAME PATH AS OTHER
21 JURISDICTIONS WHICH HAVE LED TO LITTLE REFORM AND RISK ERODING
22 PUBLIC TRUST IN THE PROCESS. WE TOO AT THE COUNTY TRIED TO GO
23 ABOUT REFORM THROUGH A TRADITIONAL PROCESS, CALLING FOR A
24 CONSULTANT TO DO WRITTEN ANALYSIS OF BEST PRACTICES AND
25 RECOMMENDATIONS ON POTENTIAL GOVERNANCE REFORMS TO ENABLE A



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1 MORE TRANSPARENT AND EQUITABLE POLICY DEVELOPMENT PROCESS,
2 AMONG OTHER SCOPES OF WORK. THAT WAS FEBRUARY 28, 2023, AND
3 HERE WE ARE ON JULY 23, 2024, AND AN RFP HAS YET TO BE ISSUED,
4 LET ALONE THE STUDY COMPLETED. WE CAN'T LET THE PERFECT BE THE
5 ENEMY OF THE GOOD. THIS IS WHY INSTEAD OF SPENDING ON
6 CONSULTANTS FOR YEARS TO COME WITH A PROPOSAL THAT SITS ON A
7 SHELF SOMEWHERE, WE ARE PREPARED TO ASK THE VOTERS WHAT THEY
8 THINK AND KNOW WHETHER THEY WANT THIS CHANGE. THE CHARTER
9 CHANGES BEFORE US ARE SIMPLY THE ARCHITECTURE FOR THE
10 STRUCTURAL CHANGE, WE NEED TO BETTER MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR
11 DIVERSE COMMUNITIES. MORE SEATS AT THE TABLE FOR A BOARD THAT
12 REFLECTS THE DIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, DISTINCT
13 EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE POWERS WITH AN ENTIRELY NEW POSITION
14 OF AN ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR
15 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BOARD'S POLICY ACTIONS, AND AN
16 INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION AND COMMON SENSE REFORMS THAT
17 ARE ESSENTIAL TO SAFEGUARD AGAINST CORRUPTION. THE SPECIFICS
18 OF HOW WE ACHIEVE THESE CHANGES MUST BE INFORMED BY YOU, THE
19 PUBLIC. IF APPROVED BY VOTERS, A MULTI-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION
20 EFFORT WILL KICK OFF LED BY THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE,
21 WHICH WILL BE INFORMED BY AND COMPRISED OF OUR COUNTY
22 WORKFORCE, MEMBERS OF OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE
23 COUNTY, GOVERNANCE EXPERTS, AND ACADEMICS TO NAME A FEW. THIS
24 PROPOSAL REMINDS OUR COMMUNITIES THAT THEY HOLD TRUE THE POWER
25 TO SHAPE A MORE RESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT. IT SHOWS OUR YOUNG



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1 PEOPLE THAT GOVERNMENT CAN WORK FOR THEM, AND ONLY THEY HAVE
2 THE POWER TO CHANGE IT. TOO MUCH IS ON THE LINE, AND WE DON'T
3 WANT TO LOSE A GENERATION WHO HAS NEARLY LOST ALL THEIR FAITH
4 IN GOVERNMENT. THERE ARE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION, AND THAT'S A
5 HEALTHY PART OF OUR DEMOCRACY. ULTIMATELY, WE NEED TO TAKE
6 GOVERNANCE REFORM TO THE PEOPLE TO EMBARK ON A PROCESS OF
7 CHANGE. ONLY THEY HOLD THE POWER TO ANSWER, WHETHER THEY WANT
8 A COUNTY GOVERNMENT THAT ADAPTS TO KEEP UP WITH THE TIMES OR A
9 GOVERNMENT FROM 1912 WHEN THERE WERE MORE COWS THAN PEOPLE. WE
10 ARE INTENTIONALLY NOT PREDETERMINING WHAT THIS IS. THIS IDEA
11 IS UNCOMFORTABLE TO SOME PEOPLE AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. AND I
12 TRUST THE VOTERS. IT'S TIME TO PUT CHANGE IN THEIR HANDS. THEY
13 HOLD THE GREATEST POWER TO RESHAPE HOW THE COUNTY SERVES OUR
14 MOST VULNERABLE, SERVES OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, AND
15 DELIVERS THE SERVICES ON WHICH SO MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS RELY.
16 CHANGE CAN BE UNCOMFORTABLE AND IT CAN BE MESSY, BUT THERE'S
17 NO QUESTION THAT THE TIME FOR CHANGE IS NOW. THIS ALL WOMEN
18 BOARD CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE HISTORY BY MAKING GOVERNMENT WORK
19 FOR THE PEOPLE EVEN BETTER. WHEN PEOPLE ASK HOW WOMEN LEAD
20 DIFFERENTLY, WE DO SO BY TRUSTING THE VOTERS, BY BRINGING
21 ABOUT REAL AND LASTING CHANGE. WE DO SO BY GIVING OUR POWER
22 BACK TO THE PEOPLE. AND I ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE ON THE
23 ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU TODAY, NOT BECAUSE THIS IS PERFECT,
24 BECAUSE IT IS THE FUNDAMENTALLY RIGHT THING TO DO. SUPERVISOR
25 JANICE HAHN.



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1
2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND YEAH, I WANTED
3 TO START OFF MY REMARKS BY THANKING OUR COUNTY COUNSEL TOO,
4 FOR WORKING SO HARD TO TURN THIS ORDINANCE LANGUAGE AROUND SO
5 QUICKLY AND DOING SUCH A THOROUGH JOB. ON TOP OF ALL THE WORK
6 YOU DID CODIFYING HOW THE BOARD EXPANSION WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED
7 ACROSS DIFFERENT ELECTIONS AND SPECIFYING THE POWERS OF THE
8 ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE VERSUS THE BOARD. YOU EVEN WENT
9 THROUGH AND TOOK OUTDATED LANGUAGE THAT REFERRED TO ALL
10 SUPERVISORS AS HIM AND HE. WE TALKED ABOUT THIS GOVERNANCE
11 REFORM PACKAGE VERY, VERY THOROUGHLY AT OUR MEETING 2 WEEKS
12 AGO. BUT I JUST WANTED TO SAY HOW MUCH I SUPPORT; I'VE HEARD
13 FROM PEOPLE ABOUT THIS EFFORT. AND I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT
14 PEOPLE WHO WORK IN GOVERNMENT OR ARE POLICY WONKS, I'M TALKING
15 ABOUT MY NEIGHBORS. PEOPLE WHO I RUN INTO AT THE SUPERMARKET
16 OR STARBUCKS, WHO HAVE HEARD ABOUT THIS PROPOSAL AND AGREE
17 THAT IT'S TIME TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WASN'T
18 EVEN SURE A LOT OF PEOPLE KNEW HOW MANY SUPERVISORS ARE ON THE
19 BOARD TO BEGIN WITH, BUT I THINK THIS IDEA OF REFORMING COUNTY
20 GOVERNMENT HAS REALLY STRUCK A NERVE. AND THEY'RE RECOGNIZING
21 THAT, FOR ONE THING, OUR DISTRICTS ARE FAR TOO LARGE, AND THEY
22 WANT CLOSER, MORE REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT. I'VE HEARD FROM
23 PEOPLE WHO WANT MORE DIVERSE VOICES ON THIS BOARD, AND HOPE
24 THAT AN EXPANDED BOARD WILL MEAN NEW DISTRICTS THAT ARE MORE
25 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER



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1 COMMUNITY. AND WHO KNOWS, MAYBE WE'LL EVEN HAVE ANOTHER MAN
2 ONE DAY ON THE BOARD. THIS IS BIGGER THAN JUST EXPANDING THE
3 BOARD. IT'S A PACKAGE THAT REPRESENTS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT
4 REFORMS FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SINCE 1912. IT INCLUDES A
5 PERMANENT INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION TO COMBAT CORRUPTION
6 AND RESTORE PUBLIC TRUST. IT CREATES CHECKS AND BALANCES BY
7 DIVIDING THE POWER BETWEEN THE BOARD AND A NEW ELECTED COUNTY
8 EXECUTIVE. IT ESTABLISHES A DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND
9 MANAGEMENT AND IMPROVES TRANSPARENCY AROUND OUR BUDGET
10 PROCESS. AND IT LAYS OUT A PLAN TO REVIEW THE CHARTER EVERY 10
11 YEARS AND SEE IF THERE ARE ANY NEW CHANGES THAT ARE NEEDED TO
12 MAKE IT EVEN BETTER. THESE ARE BIG CHANGES FOR THE COUNTY OF
13 LOS ANGELES, BUT THEY'RE NOT RADICAL, AND PEOPLE I TALK TO ARE
14 TELLING ME THAT THEY'RE LONG OVERDUE. I LOVE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY. IT'S AN HONOR TO GO TO WORK EVERY DAY WITH PEOPLE WHO
16 ARE SO COMMITTED TO HELPING OUR RESIDENTS AND STRENGTHENING
17 OUR COMMUNITIES, BUT I THINK WE CAN MAKE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 EVEN BETTER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

21
22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU AND I TOO LOVE LA COUNTY AND AS
23 SOMEONE WHO ALSO TALKS TO MY NEIGHBORS. THEY ALL AGREE ABOUT
24 THE EXPANSION BUT THE DEVIL'S IN THE DETAILS AND SOMETHING
25 THIS SIGNIFICANT AND HISTORIC SHOULDN'T BE ENTERED WITH THE



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1 COMMENT OF, IT'S NOT PERFECT. WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO OUR
2 VOTERS TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN WE DO THIS, WE DO IT RIGHT,
3 ESPECIALLY WHETHER IT BE THE SIZE OR EVEN THE SCOPE OF HOW
4 THIS IS ROLLED OUT. SO, I DO AGREE. WE ALL WANT WHAT'S BEST
5 FOR OUR ELECTORATE. I HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOU, FESIA, AND I
6 DON'T MEAN TO PUT YOU IN THE SPOT, IT IS PUTTING YOU ON THE
7 SPOT, BUT I THINK WE HAVE TO ASK THIS QUESTION, AND IT IS THE
8 ORDINANCE STATES, AND I QUOTE, SUCH IMPLEMENTATION COSTS ARE
9 FUNDED WITH EXISTING COUNTY FUNDING SOURCES AND RESULT IN NO
10 ADDITIONAL COST TO OR TAXES IMPOSED ON TAXPAYERS WITH ANY
11 IMPLEMENTATION COST TO BE OFFSET BY COST SAVINGS AS DETERMINED
12 THROUGH THE ANNUAL COUNTY BUDGETING PROCESS AND IN
13 COORDINATION WITH THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. I UNDERSTAND THAT
14 THESE WOULD BE DECISIONS FOR THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNTY
15 EXECUTIVE, BUT I WANT TO ASK HYPOTHETICALLY ABOUT THE ABILITY
16 TO OFFSET THE PROPOSED NEWLY CREATED ELECTED OFFICIALS AND
17 THEIR OFFICES THROUGH COST SAVINGS. CAN YOU PROVIDE SOME
18 CLARITY AS TO WHAT COST SAVINGS WOULD MEAN? AND WOULD IT BE
19 ONE TIME OR ONGOING FUNDING, SOMETHING THAT WE ALWAYS STRUGGLE
20 WITH WHEN WE BRING IN MOTIONS THAT IT'S ONGOING? AND IN
21 UTILIZING COST SAVINGS, WOULD IT IN ANY WAY LIMIT THE ABILITY
22 OF A DEPARTMENT TO FILL UNFILLED VACANT POSITIONS? THAT'S A
23 MOUTHFUL, I KNOW, BUT --

24
25 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** ALL RIGHT. TAKE THIS IN STEPS. THANK YOU,



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1 SUPERVISOR. SO, LET ME TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT COST SAVINGS.
2 COST SAVINGS IS A TERM THAT WE THROW AROUND A LOT IN THE
3 COUNTY AND USUALLY WHEN YOU HEAR OUR OFFICE TALK ABOUT COST
4 SAVINGS, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT MONEY THAT IS LEFT OVER AT THE
5 END OF THE BUDGET YEAR. SO, YOU HAVE A DEPARTMENT, THE BOARD
6 APPROVES A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF FUNDING FOR THEM TO USE, AND FOR
7 A NUMBER OF REASONS, THEY DON'T USE ALL THE MONEY. PROJECTS
8 MIGHT BE IN BETWEEN FISCAL YEARS OR THEY MIGHT BE INCOMPLETE.
9 SO, YOU HAVE THIS LEFTOVER AMOUNT, AND WE CALL THAT ONE-TIME
10 SAVINGS. THERE ARE OTHER TYPES OF SAVINGS THAT ARE ONGOING IN
11 NATURE AND HERE IS AN EXAMPLE. AS PART OF THE BUDGET FOR EACH
12 DEPARTMENT, THEY HAVE A BUDGET TO PURCHASE WHAT WE CALL
13 SERVICES AND SUPPLIES. IT'S LIKE CONSULTANTS, PENCIL PINS,
14 OFFICE SPACE, ET CETERA. AND THERE ARE TIMES WHERE THAT
15 PORTION OF THEIR BUDGET IS CONTINUALLY AND PERPETUALLY
16 UNDERSPENT. SO, EVERY YEAR THEY COME IN WITH THE SAVINGS. AND
17 SO, ONE OF THE THINGS YOU COULD DO IS YOU COULD TAKE SOME OF
18 THAT SAVINGS FROM THAT UNDERSPIN THAT WE KNOW HAPPENS EVERY
19 YEAR AND YOU CAN CONVERT THAT TO ONGOING SAVINGS, IF THAT
20 MAKES SENSE. OKAY. AND THEN ON THE ISSUE, SO THERE ARE
21 DIFFERENT TYPES OF COST SAVINGS, THAT'S THE SHORT ANSWER. AND
22 THEN IN TERMS OF PLACING LIMITATIONS ON THE ABILITY TO FILL
23 VACANCIES, DEPENDING ON HOW MUCH FUNDING WE WOULD NEED TO COME
24 UP WITH TO ESTABLISH THESE NEW ORGANIZATIONAL ENTITIES. SO,
25 THE FIRST THING THAT I WOULD RECOMMEND IS THAT, IS THERE AN



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1 EXISTING FUNCTION IN THE COUNTY ALREADY? I'M SORRY, IS THERE
2 AN EXISTING UNIT IN THE COUNTY ALREADY THAT'S PERFORMING THAT
3 FUNCTION? AND THEN IF THAT DOESN'T RESULT IN ENOUGH SAVINGS,
4 THEN YOU LOOK AT WHAT ARE THE ACTUAL SAVINGS IN THE
5 ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS WHERE THESE NEW FUNCTIONS MIGHT BE
6 HANDLED. AND THEN IF THAT DOESN'T YIELD ENOUGH ONGOING
7 SAVINGS, THEN WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT IS SOME SORT OF COUNTY-
8 WIDE APPROACH. HOW CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL SAVINGS? AND ONE OF
9 THE THINGS THAT WE COULD DO IS WE COULD CREATE THE SAVINGS. WE
10 COULD HOLD POSITIONS, REQUIRE DEPARTMENTS TO HOLD POSITIONS
11 VACANT. WE CAN SWEEP THE POSITIONS, PUT THEM IN LIKE A
12 CENTRALIZED POT UNTIL WE NEED IT. AND SO, THE ANSWER TO THE
13 QUESTION IS YES. IF WE TOLD DEPARTMENTS THAT WE NEED TO COME
14 UP WITH X AMOUNT OF DOLLARS AND WE NEED YOU TO HOLD Y NUMBER
15 OF POSITIONS VACANT, THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO FILL THOSE
16 POSITIONS BECAUSE WE WOULD LIKELY SWEEP THEM IF IT CAME TO
17 THAT.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. I MEAN, I THINK THAT IT'S
20 IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THE BUDGET AND FISCAL IMPACTS OF THE
21 DECISION BEING MADE, ESPECIALLY WHEN I LOOK AT THE LANGUAGE
22 THAT WAS PRESENTED IN THIS ORDINANCE. DAWYN, I HAVE A QUESTION
23 FOR YOU. SB 1439 REQUIRES THAT ANY QUALIFYING CAMPAIGN
24 CONTRIBUTIONS EITHER BE RETURNED OR THE SUPERVISOR MUST
25 PUBLICLY ANNOUNCE THE CONFLICT AND RECUSE HIM OR HERSELF FROM



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1 A VOTE. CURRENTLY WHEN THAT HAPPENS, THE BOARD'S BUSINESS IS
2 CONDUCTED BASED ON THE VOTES OF THE OTHER SUPERVISORS. HOW
3 WILL AN ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF THE
4 OFFICE WHEN THEY HAVE A QUALIFIED CONTRIBUTION THAT CANNOT BE
5 RETURNED OR A RECUSAL IS IN ORDER?

6
7 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THE QUESTION.
8 SO, FIRST, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT UNDER THE FPPC
9 REGULATION, EVEN THOUGH OUR CURRENT CEO IS NOT AN ELECTED
10 OFFICIAL, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER A CEO OF A COUNTY IS ELECTED
11 OR APPOINTED, THE LEVINE ACT APPLIES. SO, THE LEVINE ACT
12 APPLIES NOW TO OUR CURRENT CEO. AND THAT'S BECAUSE ALL
13 DELEGATED DECISIONS MADE BY THE CEO ARE DECISIONS MADE BY THE
14 COUNTY. THEREFORE, THE LEVINE ACT APPLIES. HOWEVER, IF WE'RE
15 TALKING ABOUT AN ELECTED A COUNTY EXECUTIVE, SECTION 11.22
16 WOULD ALLOW THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO DELEGATE ANY POWERS GIVEN
17 TO THEM BY THE CHARTER. IF THE COUNTY ELECTIVE HAS A CONFLICT,
18 THEN THAT COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAY HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO DELEGATE
19 THE DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY OVER TO ANOTHER COUNTY OFFICIAL,
20 DEPENDING ON THE DECISION THAT'S AT ISSUE. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN I
21 SAY DEPENDING ON THE DECISION THAT'S AT ISSUE, FOR EXAMPLE,
22 UNDER THE CHARTER, THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE IS PROHIBITED FROM
23 DELEGATING POWERS TO APPOINT OR REMOVE, POWERS TO VETO OR
24 APPROVE ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS. THOSE COULD NOT BE
25 DELEGATED.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** WHO WOULD AN ELECTED DELEGATE THEIR
3 AUTHORITY AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OVER TO?

4

5 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** WELL PRESUMABLY TO-

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** COUNTY COUNSEL OR --

8

9 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** NO, I WOULD ASSUME SOMEONE WITHIN THEIR
10 UNIT, WITHIN THEIR STRUCTURAL UNIT, LIKE THE CEO NOW. IF OUR
11 CURRENT CEO UNDER THE LEVINE ACT HAD TO RECUSE HERSELF FROM A
12 DECISION-MAKING PROCESS, SHE HAS A WHOLE DEPARTMENT THAT SHE
13 WOULD DELEGATE.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, IF I'M CONFLICTED ON SOMETHING, CAN I
16 HAVE MY CHIEF OF STAFF, ANNA, COME UP HERE AND SIT AND VOTE
17 FOR ME?

18

19 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** NO, NOT YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AS AN ELECTED, I DIDN'T THINK YOU COULD.

22

23 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** WELL, AS AN ELECTED ON THE BOARD, YOU
24 RECUSE YOURSELF AND THERE'S STILL A QUORUM OF THE BODY THAT
25 CAN MAKE THAT DECISION. IF THAT DECISION BY THE BODY HAS BEEN



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1 DELEGATED TO THE COUNTY ELECTED, THEN THE EXECUTIVE AND THE
2 COUNTY EXECUTIVE WOULD DELEGATE.

3
4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** WHO'S AN ELECTED?

5
6 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** WHO'S AN ELECTED, BUT NOT A PART OF A BODY.
7 THEY WOULD DELEGATE TO SOMEONE WITHIN THEIR STRUCTURAL UNIT.
8 THEY'RE NOT VOTING, CORRECT?

9
10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** YEAH. AND FESIA, SEND ME AN INVITATION TO
11 YOUR FUNDRAISER. I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE ANY. SO, I DON'T THINK
12 THAT IT WOULD, I MEAN, UNDER THE LEVINE ACT, I SERIOUSLY DOUBT
13 THAT I DON'T KNOW, HAVE YOU EXCUSED YOURSELF FROM ANYTHING?
14 THE ANSWER IS NO. YEAH.

15
16 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YEAH. BUT THERE WAS...

17
18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** WELL, YOU SAID THAT THIS CURRENT
19 STRUCTURE WITH CEO, IT WOULD FALL UNDER THE LEVINE NAME.

20
21 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** WELL, YES, THE LEVINE ACT DOES SPECIFICALLY
22 STATE THAT IT APPLIES TO A CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. RIGHT. IT
23 DOESN'T MATTER WHETHER THEY'RE ELECTED OR NOT. OR APPOINTED.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. IN THE PAST 2 WEEKS SINCE



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1 PROPOSED GOVERNANCE REFORM WAS LAUNCHED, I HAVE HAD MANY KEY
2 STAKEHOLDERS, COUNTY PARTNERS, AND THOUGHT LEADERS REACH OUT
3 TO ME TO DISCUSS THIS INITIATIVE AND TO OFFER THOUGHTFUL
4 FEEDBACK AND INSIGHTS. THERE ARE CERTAINLY MANY ELEMENTS THE
5 PROPOSED ORDINANCE THAT MAKE PERFECT SENSE AND HELP ENSURE
6 GOOD GOVERNMENT, SUCH AS ETHICS REFORM. AS WE WILL DISCUSS
7 WHEN THAT ITEM COMES UP TODAY, CREATING AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS
8 COMMISSION AND AN OFFICE OF ETHICS COMPLIANCE IS SOMETHING
9 THAT THIS BOARD HAS THE POWER TO INITIATE NOW AND TO DO SO
10 WITH A SENSE OF URGENCY WITHOUT NEEDING TO WAIT UNTIL
11 NOVEMBER. HOWEVER, THERE ARE OTHER ELEMENTS OF THIS PROPOSAL
12 THAT MAY NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR
13 RESPECTIVE LOCAL COMMUNITIES, KEY STAKEHOLDERS, OR OUR COUNTY
14 WORKFORCE. FOR EXAMPLE, IN DISCUSSING THE ORDINANCE LANGUAGE
15 TO UTILIZE COST SAVINGS TO PLAY FOR THE EXPANDED GOVERNMENT
16 STRUCTURE, I AM CONCERNED THAT IT WILL IMPACT VACANT POSITIONS
17 AND LIMITED DEPARTMENTS' ABILITY IN THE FUTURE TO FULFILL
18 THEIR VACANCIES, SIMILAR TO HOW WE'VE SEEN THE CITY OF LA
19 HANDLE ITS RECENT BUDGET DEFICIT. THE MOTION AUTHORS ARE
20 SPEAKING OF URGENCY AND THE NEED TO PUSH FORWARD WITH REFORM
21 NOW INSTEAD OF I DO AGREE WITH YOU, CHAIR HORVATH, IT DID TAKE
22 TOO LONG. ABSOLUTELY. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD HAVE A
23 SENSE OF URGENCY TO MAKE SURE WE DO IT RIGHT AND WE GET ALL
24 THE FACTS. YET THE SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES IN THE PROPONENT
25 ORDINANCE TAKE EFFECT IN 4 AND 8 YEARS, RESPECTFULLY. IF WE



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1 ARE WAITING 4 YEARS, I AM UNCLEAR AS TO WHY THIS BOARD IS NOW
2 NOT DOING ITS DUE DILIGENCE TO COMPLETE THE CONSULTANT REPORT
3 THAT WE UNANIMOUSLY AS A BOARD APPROVED, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE
4 THAT WOULD MEAN WE CAN PULL TOGETHER A THOUGHTFUL AND GET
5 THOUGHTFUL INPUT FROM A VARIETY OF COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS, SUCH
6 AS OUR CITIES, TOWN COUNCILS, LABOR PARTNERS, COMMUNITY-BASED
7 ORGANIZATIONS, AND OTHERS. FURTHERMORE, IT WOULD ENABLE US TO
8 EMBRACE A MORE PUBLIC AND ACCOUNTABLE PROCESS OF COLLECTING
9 AND GATHERING FEEDBACK. AS I MENTIONED WHEN WE FIRST DISCUSSED
10 THIS ISSUE, I REMAIN CONCERNED ABOUT THE COMMUNITIES IN MY
11 NORTH COUNTY, NAMELY THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND SANTA CREE VALLEY
12 THAT QUITE FRANKLY HAVE CHALLENGES UNIQUE TO THEIR REGION AND
13 WHO CAN BE WRITTEN OFF BY A COUNTY-WIDE ELECTED EXECUTIVE AND
14 A MAJORITY WITHIN THE 9 SUPERVISORS. I BELIEVE THIS IS NOT
15 EQUAL REPRESENTATION. IT IS CLEAR IN THE CONVERSATIONS THAT
16 I'VE HAD REGARDING THE PROPOSED GOVERNANCE REFORM THAT THE
17 MOST CONCERNING ELEMENT OF THIS PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS THE
18 ELECTED COUNTYWIDE CHIEF EXECUTIVE. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT
19 FOR THE ELECTED COUNTYWIDE EXECUTIVE TO HAVE THE NECESSARY
20 SKILLS OR JOB QUALIFICATIONS TO EFFECTIVELY ALLOCATE A HIGHLY
21 COMPLEX AND REGULATED MUNICIPAL BUDGET. LET'S CONSIDER, FOR
22 EXAMPLE, WHAT COULD HAPPEN WHEN THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNTY
23 REPLACES A BUDGET TEAM EACH TIME THEY TAKE OFFICE. WILL WE IN
24 THE PUBLIC SUFFER THE LOSS OF CRITICAL INSTITUTIONAL KNOWLEDGE
25 ABOUT OUR FISCAL POLICIES? WILL THAT IMPACT HAVE A NEGATIVE



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1 EFFECT ON LABOR NEGOTIATIONS THAT MAY BE UNDERWAY? WILL STAFF
2 FEEL EMPOWERED TO PROVIDE HONEST FORECAST OF THE BUDGET, EVEN
3 IF NOT POLITICALLY FAVORABLE? THE COUNTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE
4 OFFICE, WHICH WAS FORMERLY KNOWN AS A CAO, CHIEF
5 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, WAS ENVISIONED TO BE NONPARTISAN AND
6 UNBIASED IN RUNNING THE DAILY OPERATIONS OF THE COUNTY AND TO
7 DO SO IN A WAY THAT REFLECTS THE NEEDS OF THE LOCAL
8 COMMUNITIES REPRESENTED BY EACH DISTRICT. THE PROPOSED
9 ORDINANCE CLEARLY GIVES THE MAJORITY OF POWER AND DISCRETION
10 TO AN ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE WHO WITHOUT TERM LIMITS MAY NOT
11 OPERATE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THE
12 COUNTY. FOR THIS REASON, I WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THAT THE
13 ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE BE STRICKEN FROM THE ORDINANCE. I'VE
14 ALWAYS BEEN OPEN TO EVALUATING THE SIZE OF THE BOARD BASED ON
15 FACTS, WHICH IS WHY, AGAIN, I SUPPORTED DOING A STUDY TO MAKE
16 SURE THAT WHEN WE DID SOMETHING THIS SIGNIFICANT, THAT WE DID
17 IT RIGHT. SO, I WOULD LIKE TO READ IN THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT.
18 I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT COUNTY
19 COUNSEL TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE AND NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO
20 STRIKE THE CREATION OF AN ELECTED CEO AND THE DIRECTOR OF
21 BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT AND ANY ASSOCIATED IMPACTS FROM THIS
22 OMISSION. I APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS TO MAKE THE COUNTY BECOME
23 MORE ACCESSIBLE AND NIMBLE AND TO BE MORE EFFECTIVELY AND MORE
24 EFFECTIVELY SERVE OUR RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS.
25 HOWEVER, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT A POLITICIZED CHIEF EXECUTIVE



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1 WILL BE BETTER FOR THIS COUNTY OR FOR MY CONSTITUENTS. THANK
2 YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION ON THE AMENDMENT.

3
4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

5
6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WANT TO
7 COMMEND YOU AND I WANT TO THANK ALSO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR
8 ACTUALLY TAKING ON, I THINK, A TREMENDOUS CHALLENGE THAT WE
9 HERE IN THE COUNTY HAVE BEEN FACED WITH FOR MANY DECADES. AND
10 AS SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN REPRESENTING A LARGE SEGMENT OF THE
11 LATINO POPULATION NOW FOR THE PAST 9 1/2 YEARS, I CAN'T TELL
12 YOU HOW MANY TIMES I'VE HEARD IN DISCUSSIONS WHEN IS THE BOARD
13 GOING TO EXPAND, WHEN ARE WE GOING TO HAVE MORE ADEQUATE
14 REPRESENTATION. AND WE'VE HEARD MANY OF THOSE VOICES IN THE
15 LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, MAGNIFIED, BUT EVEN MORE, MORE SO NOW
16 BECAUSE WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH AN
17 ORDINANCE THAT I BELIEVE IS GOING TO BE TRANSFORMATIONAL. YES,
18 DEMOCRACY IS MESSY. YES, PEOPLE ARE FEARFUL. BUT WE HERE ARE
19 ELECTED TO DO SOMETHING THAT WE'RE ENTRUSTED WITH, AND THAT IS
20 TO LISTEN TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. AND MY CONSTITUENTS HAVE BEEN
21 CONTACTING ME AND SAYING THANK YOU FOR TAKING ON A BOLD STEP.
22 THANK YOU FOR REALIZING THAT THE BOARD HAS TO CHANGE AND THAT
23 THE WAY WE DO BUSINESS NEEDS TO BE MORE TRANSPARENT AND ALSO
24 NEEDS TO REQUIRE THAT WE REALLY PRIORITIZE THE VOICES OF OUR
25 VARIOUS 10,000,000 INDIVIDUALS THAT WE REPRESENT. I SAID



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1 EARLIER I REPRESENT A VERY LARGE SWATH OF LATINOS. LATINOS NOW
2 MAKE UP CLOSE TO 50% OF LA COUNTY. THERE'S ONLY ONE VOICE
3 HERE, LATINA. AND IT'S BEEN LIKE THAT SINCE MY PREDECESSOR,
4 GLORIA MOLINA, WHO ALSO ADVOCATED EXPANSION OF THE BOARD. AT
5 THAT TIME, IT WAS A DIFFERENT ERA. THE VOTERS DIDN'T APPROVE
6 IT. BUT I WOULD SAY THAT NOW IS THE TIME WE'RE SEEING THAT
7 MORE PEOPLE ARE COMING FORWARD AND WANTING TO SEE CHANGE, AND
8 THEY WANNA SEE IT REFLECTED ON THIS BOARD, AND ALSO IN OUR
9 POLICIES. SO, I DO BELIEVE THAT PUTTING THIS ORDINANCE FORWARD
10 IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO. AND IT HAS THOSE SAFEGUARDS AND
11 PROVISIONS. I TOO BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE MORE
12 REPRESENTATION IN THE FORM OF OTHER DEMOGRAPHIC KEY GROUPS
13 THAT HAVE ALSO NOT HAD A VOICE AT THIS TABLE, AND THAT IS THE
14 AAPI COMMUNITY. I AND MY DISTRICT REPRESENT CLOSE TO 25
15 PERCENT, AND THEY MAKE UP DIFFERENT PERCENTAGES ACROSS THE 5,
16 THE 4 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. THEY HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR
17 REPRESENTATION. JUST THIS LAST WEEK, I ATTENDED A PRESSER WITH
18 MY COLLEAGUES AND WITH MANY INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING THE AAPI
19 COMMUNITY, ELECTED OFFICIALS, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,
20 CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR THIS
21 CHANGE. LAST TIME THAT WE DID REDISTRICTING HERE, AS YOU KNOW,
22 2 YEARS AGO, THE COMMISSION, THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION CAME
23 OUT AND SAID ONE OF THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE THAT WE
24 EXPAND THE BOARD AND THAT THERE BE MORE DIVERSITY. AND THAT
25 DIVERSITY TODAY MAY LOOK DIFFERENT. WE'RE FEMALES, BUT IT



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1 HASN'T CHANGED THAT ALL. AND I WOULD SAY THAT IT'S TIME FOR
2 THAT TO HAPPEN. AND WE SHOULD TAKE THAT AND EMBRACE IT BECAUSE
3 DEMOCRACY IS HARD, CAN BE MESSY, BUT I THINK THE BIGGEST
4 BARRIER THAT WE FACE, PERSONALLY SPEAKING, IS WHEN THERE'S
5 FEAR. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE AFRAID, THINKING
6 THAT THEY'RE GOING TO LOSE POWER, THINKING THAT THEY'RE GOING
7 TO LOSE SOME KIND OF POSITION, OR THAT NOW ALL OF A SUDDEN
8 THINGS AREN'T THE WAY THEY LOOKED BEFORE. I HAVE BEEN IN THAT
9 SITUATION IN MANY, MANY OCCASIONS IN MY OWN POLITICAL CAREER.
10 BUT GUESS WHAT? YOU STEP UP TO THE CHALLENGE. AND I HAVE TO
11 SAY I AM VERY HAPPY WITH THE RESPONSE THAT OUR CEO GAVE WHEN
12 ASKED THE QUESTION ABOUT COST SAVINGS, BECAUSE IT'S TRUE. WE
13 HAVE ON THIS BOARD BEEN ABLE TO DO MANY THINGS WHEN WE FACED
14 CRISIS. AND ALL I HAVE TO DO IS LOOK BACK AT COVID. WHEN WE
15 ASKED OUR DEPARTMENTS TO PULL BACK BECAUSE WE WERE NOT SEEING
16 REVENUE COMING IN, WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS COMING OUR WAY,
17 EXCEPT A TSUNAMI OF MAGNITUDE. AND I RECALL WHEN WE MADE TOUGH
18 DECISIONS TO ASK OUR DEPARTMENTS TO PULL BACK ON AT LEAST 8%
19 OF THEIR BUDGETS, AND WE MADE A PROMISE THAT NOBODY WAS GOING
20 TO BE LAID OFF. SO, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DO ACROBATS, SO TO
21 SPEAK HERE, IN MANY WAYS, CHANGE THE DIRECTION, BUT ALSO
22 PRIORITIZE WHAT OUR INITIAL CONCERNS ARE, AND THAT IS TO BE
23 THE SAFETY NET FOR OUR CONSTITUENTS, TO MAKE SURE WE DO IT
24 WITH RESPECT AND DUE DILIGENCE, CHECKS AND BALANCES, AND
25 EVERYBODY PULLING TOGETHER. AND I'M HAPPY THAT WE CAN LOOK AT



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1 RESOURCES, AS YOU STATED, CEO, THAT COST SAVINGS, FOR EXAMPLE,
2 POSITIONS THAT ARE NOT FILLED. I BET IF WE GO THROUGH ALL OUR
3 DEPARTMENTS, WE'RE GOING TO FIND THAT. AND THERE ARE SOME
4 DEPARTMENTS WHO WILL NEED THOSE POSITIONS TO BE FILLED BECAUSE
5 THERE MAY BE A PRIORITY OR SOMETHING THAT HAS TO HAPPEN. CASE
6 IN POINT, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MAY BE ONE EXAMPLE. BUT I KNOW
7 THERE ARE OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT CAN DO THEIR DUE DILIGENCE
8 NOW AND START LOOKING THROUGH THEIR BOOKS AND ACQUIRING AND
9 LOOKING WITH A KEEN EYE WHERE SAVINGS CAN BE OBTAINED. I THINK
10 THAT'S POSSIBLE. I THINK LOOKING AT OUR COMMISSIONS, WE HAVE
11 FAR TOO MANY, OVER 100 COMMISSIONS. I COULDN'T NAME THEM ALL.
12 WHAT DO THEY DO? ARE THEY ACTUALLY PRODUCTIVE? AND DO WE HAVE
13 STAFF THERE THAT ARE PROVIDING OR NOT PROVIDING SERVICES
14 ADEQUATELY? WHERE CAN WE SAVE MONEY? THE OTHER PART I WOULD
15 SAY IS THAT FOR OUR UNIONS WHO I KNOW ARE IN THE HOUSE, WE
16 DEFINITELY WANNA HEAR FROM YOU. THIS IS A WORK IN PROGRESS.
17 WHATEVER WE DO, THIS ISN'T GOING TO BE DECIDED COMPLETELY AND
18 CEMENTED. WE'RE STILL GOING TO HAVE TIME TO GO THROUGH THIS.
19 THIS IS AN INCREMENTAL PHASE, AN ORDINANCE THAT WILL TAKE MORE
20 THAN 6 YEARS TO COMPLETE. AND IF WE DON'T AGREE OR THE FUTURE
21 BOARD HERE DOESN'T AGREE, I'M SURE THEY CAN TAKE IT RIGHT BACK
22 TO THE VOTERS AND MAKE THOSE CHANGES. TODAY WE HAVE A PROPOSAL
23 TO CREATE AN ETHICS COMMISSION. I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THAT.
24 WHEN WE WERE FACED WITH A CRISIS ON THIS BOARD HERE BECAUSE
25 ONE MEMBER CREATED A SITUATION. WHAT DID WE SAY? WE WANTED OUR



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1 COUNTY COUNSEL TO CREATE POSITIONS AND POLICIES SO THAT WE
2 COULD HAVE THOSE PROTECTIONS FOR ALL OF US, FOR THE COUNTY,
3 FOR LEGAL PROTECTIONS, BUT ALSO FOR OUR EMPLOYEES AND
4 EVERYBODY ELSE MOVING FORWARD. SO, I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT WE CAN
5 MOVE QUICKLY ON A DIME, BECAUSE I HAVE SEEN IT HAPPEN IN THE 9
6 ½ YEARS. AND THAT SAYS SOMETHING ABOUT THE COUNTY, THAT WE ARE
7 FLEXIBLE, THAT WE ARE ABLE TO MEET THE CHALLENGES. AND I WOULD
8 SAY RIGHT NOW FOR ME, I KNOW THAT THIS IS, YOU KNOW, I'M THE
9 ONE THAT'S GOING TO BE LEAVING. I WON'T EVEN BE IMPACTED BY
10 THESE POTENTIAL CHANGES IF THE VOTERS AGREE AND IF THIS MOVES
11 FORWARD. I'M GOING TO BE OUT IN DECEMBER OF 26. BUT I WILL BE
12 WATCHING. AND I KNOW THAT THIS COUNTY IS RIGHT NOW IN A
13 SITUATION WHERE PEOPLE ARE ASKING US TO LISTEN TO THEIR
14 VOICES. AND I SEE SOME YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE. I SEE
15 SOME VERY DIVERSE FACES. THEY CAME OUT AT THE PRESSER THAT WAS
16 HELD. THEY CAME OUT, I THINK, AT THE ORIGINAL PRESS CONFERENCE
17 THAT OUR CHAIRWOMAN HAD ALONG WITH JANICE HAHN. AND I WAS
18 QUITE SURPRISED AND IMPRESSED TO SEE SO MANY ELECTED
19 OFFICIALS, NOT JUST FROM ONE PARTICULAR GROUP, BUT FROM MANY
20 STANDING IN UNITY SAYING, YOU ALL ARE DOING THE RIGHT THING.
21 AND I HAVE TO SAY, FOR ME AT LEAST, THAT'S WHERE MY HEART IS.
22 I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN A PROPONENT OF EXPANDING PROTECTIONS FOR
23 UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS AND EXPANDING THEIR RIGHTS. AND I SAID
24 THAT THE LAST TIME WE TALKED ABOUT THIS, AND IT STARTED FOR ME
25 AT RIO HONDO COLLEGE, WHERE WE HAD TO BREAK UP DISTRICT



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1 ELECTIONS AND PEOPLE WERE GOING TO GO TO COURT. AND THAT HAS
2 BEEN HAPPENING ACROSS OUR COUNTY FOR A LONG TIME BECAUSE
3 PEOPLE WANT REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AND THEY WANT IT TO LOOK
4 LIKE THEM. AND THAT'S THE PLACE THAT I'M IN RIGHT NOW. AND IF
5 THESE ARE THE REFORMS THAT I THINK WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH,
6 THEN I AM WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORTIVE OF THAT. AND CONTINUE TO
7 WANT TO HAVE DIALOGUE WITH OUR COMMUNITY AND ALSO WITH OUR
8 EMPLOYEES AND WITH OUR UNION FRIENDS AND ALL OTHER POLITICAL
9 LEADERS THAT ALSO LOOK TO THE COUNTY. WHEN WE SET A PRECEDENT
10 OR EXAMPLE, OTHER CITIES FOLLOW. THERE ARE MANY CITIES THAT
11 ARE GOING THROUGH THIS RIGHT NOW IN OTHER COUNTIES, ORANGE
12 COUNTY, WHO DOESN'T HAVE PROBLEMS? DEMOCRACY IS MESSY. AND WE
13 HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT. BUT WE'RE ELECTED HERE AND ENTRUSTED TO
14 DO SOME PRETTY PHENOMENAL THINGS. SOMETIMES WE GET IT RIGHT
15 AND SOMETIMES WE DON'T, BUT WHEN WE DON'T, WE MAKE
16 CORRECTIONS. WE HAVE PLANS. AND THAT'S WHERE I'M COMING FROM.
17 SO, I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION, THIS ORDINANCE, AND
18 LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING MORE DISCUSSIONS WITH EVERYONE,
19 INCLUDING MY COLLEAGUES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

22
23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I
24 THINK WE'VE HEARD A LOT OF, WHEN YOU CALL THOSE, KIND OF, NOT
25 A PROVERB, BUT KIND OF PITHY STATEMENTS THAT SUMMARIZE, AND SO



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SUPERVISORS

1 I'LL DO ONE TOO. IT'S AN AFRICAN PROVERB, IF YOU WANNA GO
2 FAST, GO ALONE. IF YOU WANNA GO FAR, GO TOGETHER. AND SO AS
3 ELECTED OFFICIALS, WE HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO DO THE HARD
4 WORK. THAT'S WHAT PEOPLE VOTE ON US, VOTE FOR US TO DO. AND
5 SO, WE CAN SUMMARIZE IT AT THIS HIGH LEVEL, AND THEN WE HAVE A
6 RESPONSIBILITY TO BREAK IT DOWN AND GO DEEP INTO THE DETAILS.
7 DEMOCRACY IS MESSY, AND WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE IT AS
8 CLEAR AND FAIR AND HONEST AS WE CAN. I HAVE TO SAY THAT I HAVE
9 A GROWING CONCERN THAT AS WE CONTINUE TO DEBATE THIS ISSUE, WE
10 CONTINUE TO CONFLATE MULTIPLE ISSUES. AND I WILL CONTINUE TO
11 SAY THAT WITHOUT STUDY, PLANNING, AND MODEL MAPS, WE WON'T
12 HAVE THE INFORMATION WE NEED ABOUT HOW TO APPROPRIATELY
13 BALANCE VOTING RIGHTS OF COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. WE ALL KNOW
14 THROUGH REDISTRICTING IT GETS VERY STICKY. THERE HAVE BEEN
15 LAWSUITS FOR DECADES FROM GROUPS REPRESENTING UNDERREPRESENTED
16 GROUPS AND WE KNOW THE CLIMATE IN OUR CURRENT COUNTRY AROUND
17 RACE AND CLASS AND PEOPLE WITH DIFFERENCE AND GIVEN THAT WE
18 HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE IF WE'RE GOING TO EXPAND
19 THE BOARD THAT WE EXPAND IT ENOUGH BASED ON STUDY PLANNING AND
20 MODEL MAPS TO REALLY AUTHENTICALLY GUARANTEE WHAT WE SAY IS
21 IMPORTANT TO US ALL, WHICH IS TRUE, DIVERSE REPRESENTATION. I
22 SUPPORT THAT. I THINK BASED ON WHAT I'VE READ IN THE DRAFT
23 LANGUAGE THAT THERE ARE A COUPLE OF ELEMENTS IN THE ORDINANCE
24 THAT DOES PREDETERMINE WHAT THE CHANGES WILL BE. IF THE
25 ORDINANCE LANGUAGE SIMPLY SAID TO THE VOTERS, DO YOU AGREE



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SUPERVISORS

1 EXPANDING THE BOARD? WE WOULD BE EMPOWERING THEM TO MAKE A
2 DECISION LATER. THAT'S NOT WHAT IT SAYS. IT SAYS EXPAND THE
3 BOARD TO 9. IT SAYS AN ELECTED CEO, SO IT'S NOT AS OPEN-ENDED
4 AS IT'S BEING SUGGESTED. I AGREE, THERE ARE A WHOLE BUNCH OF
5 COMMISSIONS, AND I THINK THAT WE SHOULD HAVE AN ANALYSIS DONE.
6 PERHAPS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE COULD DO AN ANALYSIS, AND PERHAPS
7 WE SHOULD EXERT SOME DISCIPLINE AND BEFORE WE INTRODUCE
8 ANOTHER MOTION TO CREATE A NEW COMMISSION, WE SHOULD WAIT TO
9 DO THE ANALYSIS OF THE EXISTING COMMISSIONS. WE JUST SEATED A
10 BRAND NEW COMMISSION AND HIRED A BRAND NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.
11 AND SO PERHAPS WE SHOULD DO THE ANALYSIS FIRST BEFORE WE START
12 PROPOSING TO ELIMINATE. HAS THE STUDY TAKEN TOO LONG?
13 ABSOLUTELY. I WOULD ASK THAT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE PROVIDE THE
14 BOARD WITH AN UPDATE ON WHY THE PROCESS TOOK SO LONG. AND I
15 WILL KNOW BETTER GOING FUTURE WHEN I AUTHOR A MOTION THAT ASKS
16 FOR AN RFP PROCESS, THAT I WILL PUT IN THE MOTION AND I EXPECT
17 IT TO BE DONE BY 18 MONTHS OR 2 YEARS. MAYBE THAT'S THE WAY WE
18 NEED TO GOVERN BECAUSE I DON'T THINK ANY OF US KNEW IT WAS
19 GONNA TAKE THIS LONG AND SO AGAIN, FIRST STEP, I'D LIKE A
20 REPORT AT SOME POINT FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE SO EVERYONE HAS
21 THE FACTS ABOUT HOW WE GOT TO WHERE WE ARE TODAY, WHAT FELL
22 THROUGH THE CRACKS AND WHY. I WILL MAKE SURE IN THE FUTURE
23 THAT I WILL PUT A DATE CERTAIN. BUT WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE
24 RFP, RFS, AND ALL THE DIFFERENT PROCESSES. IT WAS STATED, I
25 TOO SUPPORT ETHICS COMMISSION, IT WAS STATED THAT THERE WAS AN



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1 ISSUE WITH THE BOARD MEMBER HERE. AND A RESULT OF THAT ISSUE,
2 THIS BOARD, THE YEAR I WAS ELECTED, ASKED FOR AN EVALUATION
3 AND A REVIEW ON THE COUNTY CONTRACTING PROCESS. SO, WE WOULD
4 UNDERSTAND THE GAPS AND AREAS OF VULNERABILITY AROUND
5 CONTRACTING. THAT APPEARED TO ME IN 2020 TO BE AN URGENT ISSUE
6 GIVEN WHAT THE BOARD WAS EXPERIENCING. WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN THAT
7 REPORT BACK YET. SO, IF WE'RE GONNA TALK ABOUT OUR INTERNAL
8 BUREAUCRACY TAKING TOO LONG, THAT IS TRUE, AND WE NEED TO
9 ADDRESS THAT AS OPPOSED TO CIRCUMVENTING THE PROCESS. ASKING
10 FOR THE REPORT WAS IMPORTANT TO SOMEONE ON THIS BOARD. THAT'S
11 HOW IT GOT INTO THAT MOTION IN THE FIRST PLACE. IT WAS NEVER
12 COMMUNICATED TO ME THAT THERE WAS AN EXPECTATION THAT WOULD BE
13 DONE BY A DATE CERTAIN. AGAIN, WE ALL MAY HAVE HAD
14 EXPECTATIONS THAT WASN'T COMMUNICATED. ON A MITCHELL MOTION,
15 GO FORWARD. IF THERE'S AN EXPECTATION ABOUT TIME FRAME, IT'LL
16 BE IN THERE. I HAVE LEARNED A VALUABLE LESSON. I HOPE OTHERS
17 WILL CONSIDER THAT AS WELL. AND WE AS A BOARD NEED TO PERHAPS
18 LOOK AT THE LIST OF ALL OUTSTANDING RFPS AND REPORT BACKS THAT
19 HELP INFORM OF ISSUES THAT WE IDENTIFY AS OF CRITICAL
20 IMPORTANCE. AGAIN, THE REPORT ON THE CONTRACTING PROCESS WAS
21 IMPORTANT IN 2020, IT'S 2024, AND WE DON'T HAVE IT. I ALSO
22 APPRECIATE THE LENGTHY CONVERSATION WE HAD AT LAST BOARD
23 MEETING. I DON'T KNOW THAT MANY OF THE QUESTIONS I POSED WERE
24 ANSWERED, AND SO MADAM CHAIR, I DO HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS
25 OF COUNTY COUNSEL THAT I THINK ARE IMPORTANT TO ELEVATE. YES,



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1 THANK YOU TO COUNTY COUNSEL. THAT WAS AN ARDUOUS TASK TO LOOK
2 AT THE 2000 LANGUAGE, THE LANGUAGE PASSED BY THE MAJORITY OF
3 THE BOARD LAST, SO I PUT TOGETHER, NOT I, DON'T LIE, HOLLY, MY
4 STAFF, PUT TOGETHER A SIDE-BY-SIDE TO HELP ME TRY TO NAVIGATE
5 THROUGH REAL IMPORTANT LEVEL OF SPECIFICITY, WHICH IS MY
6 RESPONSIBILITY AS A VOTING MEMBER, AS AN ELECTED MEMBER OF
7 THIS BOARD. SO, IF I MAY, POSE TO COUNTY COUNSEL A COUPLE OF
8 QUESTIONS. I'M GONNA START WITH SECTION 10.4 IN THE DRAFT
9 CHARTER AMENDMENT. AND THE AMENDMENT NOTES THAT THE BOARD WILL
10 STILL HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE CERTAIN BOARD ORDERS SPECIFIED IN
11 THE CHARTER. AND SINCE MANY OF OUR MOTIONS ARE ACTS OF EITHER
12 EXECUTIVE OR ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY, RATHER THAN
13 LEGISLATIVE, CAN YOU REMIND ME OF THE MAJOR POWERS THAT THE
14 BOARD CURRENTLY EXERCISES BY BOARD ORDER THAT WOULD THEN BE
15 TRANSFERRED TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND WHICH WE WOULD RETAIN.
16 THE LANGUAGE IN 10.4 SAYS, EXCEPT WHERE THE BOARD IS
17 AUTHORIZED BY THIS CHARTER TO ACT ON SPECIFIC MATTERS BY BOARD
18 ORDER. SO, I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT MEANS.

19
20 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO, CAN YOU GET CLOSER TO THE
23 MIC, PLEASE?

24
25 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** THANK YOU. SO, 10.4 RESERVES TO YOUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 BOARD, THE ABILITY OR THE AUTHORITY TO ENACT ORDINANCES AND
2 ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND BOARD ORDERS, WHICH WOULD BE EITHER
3 BOARD MOTIONS OR APPROVAL OF BOARD LETTERS THAT COME BEFORE
4 YOUR BOARD. IT IS TRUE THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND EXECUTIVE
5 FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD ARE NOW TRANSFERRED TO THE ELECTED
6 COUNTY EXECUTIVE. SO, SOME DIRECTIONS TO DEPARTMENTS,
7 APPROVALS OF CONTRACTS, WHICH MAY BE BY BOARD ORDER WITH THE
8 CONCURRENCE OF THE BOARD, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE ELECTED
9 COUNTY EXECUTIVE WOULD BE THINGS THAT COULD BE DONE BY BOARD
10 ORDER.

11
12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, REPEAT THE, I'M SORRY, CONTRACTS,
13 REPEAT IT ONE MORE TIME, I APOLOGIZE.

14
15 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** CONTRACTS? CONTRACTS ARE AUTHORIZED BY
16 BOARD ORDER SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE.
17 OTHER BOARD ORDERS THAT YOUR BOARD MAY PROPOSE WOULD BE REPORT
18 BACKS FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, BOARD ORDERS RELATED TO
19 LEGISLATIVE MATTERS OR QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS, BUT GENERALLY
20 SPEAKING, THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENTS IS LEFT TO THE
21 COUNTY EXECUTIVE, EXCEPT FOR FISCAL MATTERS, BUDGET, ET
22 CETERA.

23
24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO THAT WOULD EXTEND WAY BEYOND THE
25 CURRENT DELEGATED AUTHORITY, THAT BECAUSE IT'S DELEGATED, WE



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SUPERVISORS

1 AS A BOARD COULD TAKE BACK INTO OUR OWN POWER. SO, IT EXTENDS
2 WAY BEYOND THE CURRENT DELEGATED AUTHORITY AFFORDED THE CEO.

3
4 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** YES, BUT YOUR BOARD HAS THE ABILITY
5 THROUGH ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL
6 DIRECTION TO THE BOARD OFFICES, OR I'M SORRY, TO THE
7 DEPARTMENTS, THEIR FUNCTIONS, THEIR SERVICES, ET CETERA. THE
8 DAY-TO-DAY ADMINISTRATION FALLS TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE.

9
10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, WHEN I THINK ABOUT, AS I'VE SAID
11 BEFORE, I'VE STOPPED COUNTING RECENTLY, BUT THERE WAS A POINT
12 IN TIME THIS YEAR THAT I HAD VOTED ON 6,500 MOTIONS SINCE
13 JOINING THE BOARD. A GOOD NUMBER OF THEM ARE DIRECTIVES TO
14 DEPARTMENT HEADS. WE ARE DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT HEAD. I
15 THINK THERE'S ONE TODAY THAT GIVES A DIRECTIVE TO DEPARTMENT
16 HEAD, TO PROBATION DEPARTMENT. SO, AM I UNDERSTANDING YOU TO
17 SAY THAT THOSE WOULD ALL GO THROUGH THE ELECTED COUNTY
18 EXECUTIVE, THAT WOULD NO LONGER BE OUR RESPONSIBILITY?

19
20 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** SUPERVISOR, YES, IF THIS IS APPROVED BY
21 THE VOTERS THE WAY IT IS CURRENTLY STRUCTURED, THAT WOULD BE
22 THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. CURRENTLY,
23 YOUR BOARD HAS DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

24
25 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WE'VE KIND OF GONE BACK AND FORTH IN



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SUPERVISORS

1 MY MULTIPLE BRIEFINGS AND MY STAFF'S MULTIPLE BRIEFINGS WITH
2 COUNTY COUNSEL. YOU DIDN'T MENTION THAT THE CEO HAS VETO
3 AUTHORITY OVER ANY BOARD MOTION. IS THAT ACCURATE?

4
5 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** SUPERVISOR, THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE WOULD
6 HAVE VETO AUTHORITY OVER ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, BUT NOT
7 BOARD ORDERS. THERE IS, I THINK, ONE SITUATION WHICH WOULD BE
8 THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY WHERE THE CONCURRENCE OF THE COUNTY
9 EXECUTIVE IS REQUIRED FOR A BOARD ORDER.

10
11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND, BUT WHAT ABOUT VETO POWER OF THE
12 CEO ON BOARD RESOLUTIONS AND ACTIONS?

13
14 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** BOARD ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ARE WHAT
15 THE CEO, THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, WOULD HAVE VETO AUTHORITY OVER.

16
17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, I'VE HAD TO CREATE A LITTLE
18 DICTIONARY FOR MYSELF TO UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A
19 MOTION, An ORDER, A RESOLUTION, AND AN ACTION. AND HOW NOW
20 IT'S DIFFERENT. THE ELECTED CEO WOULD HAVE VETO POWER OVER
21 SOME, WE WOULD RETAIN IT, I'LL CONTINUE TO TRY TO WORK THROUGH
22 THAT. WITH REGARD TO COUNSEL PROVIDED BY COUNTY COUNSEL, IN
23 SOME JURISDICTIONS THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES HAVE
24 THEIR OWN RESPECTIVE COUNCIL. SO HOW WILL COUNTY COUNSEL
25 MANAGE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS IN REPRESENTING BOTH THE BOARD AND



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1 THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE? AND THAT'S FROM SECTION 21 IN THE DRAFT
2 CHARTER AMENDMENT.

3
4 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** SUPERVISOR, THE COUNTY COUNSEL UNDER THE
5 CHARTER REPRESENTS THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THEY REPRESENT
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALL COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND
7 ALL APPOINTED OFFICERS. WE DO THAT NOW, WE WOULD DO THAT IF
8 THIS ORDINANCE PASSES AND IF IT'S PRESENTED TO THE VOTERS AND
9 PASSES BY THE VOTERS. UNDER CERTAIN SITUATIONS FOR PARTICULAR
10 ELECTED OFFICERS BY STATUTE, I THINK IT'S THE AUDITOR-
11 CONTROLLER, THE ASSESSOR, AND THE SHERIFF, THERE'S A PROVISION
12 IN STATUTE THAT IF THEY HAVE A PARTICULAR CONFLICT OF
13 INTEREST, THEY CAN GET SEPARATE COUNSEL BY PETITIONING THE
14 COURT. THEY'RE THE ONLY 3 THAT HAVE THAT EXEMPTION, OR
15 EXCEPTION I SHOULD SAY, OR ABILITY TO GO TO THE COURT TO GET
16 PRIVATE COUNSEL. OTHERWISE, WE NAVIGATE AS WE DO NOW. THERE
17 ARE OFTEN TIMES WHERE DEPARTMENTS FEEL DIFFERENTLY THAN THE
18 BOARD. WE NAVIGATE AND WE REPRESENT THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE AS
19 REPRESENTED BY THEIR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THE APPOINTED
20 OFFICERS THAT IMPLEMENT THE POLICIES THAT HAVE BEEN SET BY THE
21 BOARD.

22
23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WELL, I APPRECIATE YOU SHARING THE
24 EXEMPTION FROM THOSE...



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1 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** FOR THOSE 3.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THOSE 3. WOULD THIS COUNTYWIDE
4 ELECTIVE BE EXEMPTED ALSO? BECAUSE WHEN WE JUST HEARD ABOUT
5 THE INTERESTING, DELICATE POWER DYNAMIC BETWEEN THEIR
6 AUTHORITY AND AUTONOMY, AND OUR, THE BOARD'S AUTHORITY AND
7 LESS AUTONOMY, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT'S DIFFERENT THAN WHAT YOU
8 DO NOW BETWEEN AN APPOINTED DEPARTMENT HEAD. SO, SHOULD THAT
9 NOT BE CONSIDERED ALSO FOR THIS ELECTED COUNTYWIDE EXECUTIVE
10 FOR ALL THE REASONS YOU OUTLINED FOR THOSE WHO ARE CURRENTLY
11 EXEMPTED?

12

13 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** IT CERTAINLY COULD BE CONSIDERED. THAT
14 WOULD BE A STATUTORY CHANGE. THERE ARE OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS
15 THAT DON'T, THE DA DOESN'T HAVE THAT. AND THAT SPECIFIC
16 STATUTE WAS RECENTLY AMENDED TO, I BELIEVE, ADD THE AUDITOR-
17 CONTROLLER WAS ASSESSOR AND THE SHERIFF. SO, IF THERE WAS A
18 DESIRE TO CONSIDER THAT, THAT WOULD REQUIRE LEGISLATIVE CHANGE
19 OF THAT PARTICULAR STATUTE.

20

21 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** RELATED TO THE POWER OF THE GOVERNANCE
22 REFORM TASK FORCE, SINCE THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE
23 RECOMMENDATIONS MUST BE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD, IS THERE
24 ANYTHING THAT THE DRAFT CHARTER AMENDMENT SECTION 11.74
25 EMPOWERS THE TASK FORCE TO DO THAT THE BOARD CAN'T ALREADY DO



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SUPERVISORS

1 ON ITS OWN?

2

3 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** SUPERVISOR, THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK
4 FORCE IS ADVISORY TO YOUR BOARD, SO THEY WOULD BE MAKING
5 RECOMMENDATIONS TO YOUR BOARD. AND ULTIMATELY, YOUR BOARD
6 WOULD HAVE TO MAKE THE DECISIONS. RIGHT.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, OKAY. SO, IT STILL COMES BACK TO
9 US TO BE TRUE TO THE WORDS WE COMMUNICATE ABOUT WANTING TO BE
10 TRANSPARENT AND TO, IT'S ONE THING TO APPOINT A TASK FORCE TO
11 HAVE THEM DO THE WORK, THEN WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THEN
12 ACT ON IT. SOME EITHER THROUGH PERHAPS FUTURE ORDINANCES AND
13 CHARTER CHANGES OR JUST THROUGH ACTIONS THE BOARD CAN TAKE.

14

15 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16

17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, GREAT. SO I WAS GONNA ASK, BUT I
18 DON'T THINK THIS IS REALLY FAIR TO ASK OF COUNTY COUNSEL. MY
19 QUESTION WAS GONNA BE HAVE WE DONE AN ANALYSIS AS TO HOW TO
20 DRAFT ANY CHARTER REFORM TO ENSURE GREATER REPRESENTATION FOR
21 OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, BUT THAT REALLY ISN'T A TASK
22 FOR COUNTY COUNSEL, SO I WILL NOT ASK THAT OF YOU. SO, HAVE WE
23 DONE A LEGAL ANALYSIS AS TO WHETHER AN AT-LARGE ELECTED COUNTY
24 EXECUTIVE WHO HAS ULTIMATE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE OR
25 VETO BOARD POLICY DECISIONS COMPLIES WITH THE CALIFORNIA



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1 VOTING RIGHTS ACT? MY CONCERN WOULD BE IF THERE'S BEEN ANY
2 ANALYSIS TO SEE IF THERE WOULD BE EVIDENCE OF...

3

4 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** WE HAVE NOT DONE THAT ANALYSIS BUT THE
5 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AS WRITTEN DOESN'T HAVE THE LEGISLATIVE
6 AUTHORITY.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AS WRITTEN
9 HAS WHAT AUTHORITY?

10

11 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THEY HAVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY AND
12 OVERSIGHT OVER THE DEPARTMENTS AND THE DEPARTMENTS.

13

14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND THE COUNTY BUDGET.

15

16 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** AND THE COUNTY BUDGET.

17

18 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND OVERSIGHT IN HIRING AND FIRING
19 RESPONSIBILITY OVER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.

20

21 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** YES, WITH CONCURRENCE OF THE BOARD.

22

23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
24 I'VE GOT ABOUT 10 MORE, BUT I'M NOT GONNA WALK THROUGH THEM
25 BECAUSE I THINK IT'S A LEVEL OF DETAIL THAT MIGHT NOT BE



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1 RELEVANT TO THE BROADER COMMUNITY. BUT LET ME JUST SAY THAT I
2 WILL SAY AGAIN THAT I BELIEVE EXPANDING THE BOARD AND
3 INCREASING EQUITABLE REPRESENTATION IS ONE CRITICAL ELEMENT,
4 IT'S A CRITICAL PIECE OF A BROADER PUZZLE TO IMPROVE OUR
5 GOVERNANCE MODEL. AND IN THEORY, EXPANDING THE BOARD ALLOWS
6 SUPERVISORS TO BE MORE RESPONSIVE TO OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY'S
7 NEEDS. AND IF WE'RE GONNA BE MORE RESPONSIVE, IT WORRIES ME
8 DEEPLY IF WE THINK THAT WE CAN PAY FOR THE EXPANSION WITH
9 EXISTING FUNDS. IF WE CUT THE DISTRICTS IN HALF, DOES THAT
10 MEAN WE CUT OUR STAFFS IN HALF? I DON'T KNOW THAT ANGELENOS,
11 PARTICULARLY THOSE IN UNINCORPORATED, WHO CALL OUR OFFICES
12 DAILY, 40% OF THE CALLS THAT CAME TO MY OFFICE LAST MONTH WERE
13 LEGITIMATE COMPLAINTS ABOUT DPSS. I DON'T KNOW IF HALF THE
14 STAFF OR HALF THE POPULATION HAS A MORE APPROPRIATE BALANCE TO
15 RESPOND TO THOSE INQUIRIES ANY FASTER. SO THAT'S A DEEP
16 CONCERN. I'M STILL UNCLEAR AS TO HOW THIS MOTION SETTLED ON 9
17 SUPERVISORS, GIVEN THAT WE HAVE NOT YET HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO
18 RECEIVE A DATA-INFORMED RECOMMENDATION ON THE NUMBER OF
19 REPRESENTATIVES FOR OUR 10+ MILLION POPULATION. I APPRECIATE
20 THAT THERE WAS A PERSPECTIVE AND BELIEFS IN PAST YEARS. I ALSO
21 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT THIS HAS COME BEFORE THE VOTERS
22 SEVERAL TIMES. AND IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD, PERHAPS IF WE
23 WENT TO THE VOTERS AND WERE TRANSPARENT ABOUT HOW WE LANDED ON
24 A NUMBER AND HOW WE WOULD PAY FOR IT, WE COULD INFORM VOTERS
25 ABOUT WHAT WE THINK BASED ON DATA IS ACTUALLY BEST AND EMPOWER



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1 THEM TO MAKE THE FINAL DECISION. WE'VE NOT YET HAD A FULL
2 ANALYSIS OF DIFFERENT SCENARIOS BASED ON CURRENT POPULATION
3 AND DEMOGRAPHICS AND HOW TO INCREASE REPRESENTATION FOR
4 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND MAJORITY MINORITY COMMUNITIES AND
5 WHAT THAT COULD LOOK LIKE WITH 9, 11, OR EVEN MORE. NOR DO WE
6 HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE INCREASED SEATS WITHOUT AN
7 INCREASED COST WILL IMPACT RESOURCES TO DISTRICTS, BOARD
8 OFFICES, STAFFING CAPACITY, AND THUS CONSTITUENT ACCESS TO
9 THESE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES BE IT 5, 9, 11, WHATEVER THE
10 NUMBER. AGAIN, I BELIEVE THAT EXPANDING THE BOARD IS PART OF
11 THE SOLUTION, BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT EXPANSION ALONE WILL
12 SOLVE SOME OF THE GREATEST CHALLENGES WITH LA COUNTY'S
13 GOVERNANCE MODEL. WE HAVE A TWO-PART QUESTION AND ISSUE. IT'S
14 BOTH WHO GOVERNS AND HOW WE GOVERN. AGAIN, WE'VE NOT YET
15 PERFORMED AN ANALYSIS AS TO WHETHER AN ELECTED COUNTY
16 EXECUTIVE WHO HAS APPROVAL AND VETO AUTHORITY OVER THE BOARD
17 OF SUPERVISORS COMPLIES WITH THE CALIFORNIA VOTING RIGHTS ACT
18 AND WHETHER THERE COULD BE RACIALLY POLARIZED VOTING AT THE
19 COUNTY LEVEL. EFFECTIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEPENDS ON A BALANCE
20 OF THE POWERS OF POLICY MAKING AND POLICY IMPLEMENTATION. WITH
21 AN ELECTED CEO, BASED ON WHAT I'VE SEEN THUS FAR AND THE
22 RELATIVELY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME WE'VE HAD, TO SEE THE LANGUAGE
23 DIGESTED, ASK QUESTIONS, I HAVE CONCERNS THAT THE SPECIFIC
24 NEEDS OF OUR UNIQUE CONSTITUENCIES WON'T BE APPROPRIATELY
25 ELEVATED. AND IT'S UNCLEAR THAT THE BOARD WOULD BE ABLE TO



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1 DIRECT THE CEO TO ALLOCATE RESOURCES, IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS, OR
2 TO RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH OPTIONS FOR FUNDING BOARD PRIORITY
3 PROGRAMS. THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL COMPARISONS TO WHAT IS
4 PROPOSED IN THE ORDINANCE AS A GOVERNANCE MODEL AND BEEN
5 COMPARED TO A GOVERNOR OR A MAYOR. AND AT THE STATE LEVEL,
6 WHICH I'VE HAD A LITTLE BIT OF EXPERIENCE, YOU KNOW, THE
7 GOVERNOR PROPOSES A BUDGET TO THE LEGISLATURE. THE LEGISLATURE
8 THEN PASSES IT, GOES BACK TO THE GOVERNOR WHO HAS LINE ITEM
9 VETO AUTHORITY. BUT THE LEGISLATURE, THE ELECTED BODY ALSO HAS
10 THE OPPORTUNITY THROUGH BILLS THEY BRING FORWARD TO GO TO
11 APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE TO BE PUT ON THE SUSPENSE FILE AND
12 ULTIMATELY HAS A POT OF MONEY THAT THEY CAN THEN ALLOCATE AND
13 PRIORITIZE. IT'S NOT CLEAR TO ME THAT THIS, THAT'S HOW THIS
14 SYSTEM WOULD ACTUALLY WORK. I DO FAVOR GREATER TRANSPARENCY
15 WITH RESPECT TO HOW THE COUNTY'S BUDGET IS DEVELOPED IN
16 COORDINATION WITH OUR CONSTITUENTS, AND I DON'T KNOW THAT AN
17 ELECTED CEO IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS, NOR
18 HAS THERE BEEN A RECENT REVIEW ROOTED IN EQUITABLE
19 REPRESENTATION THAT AN ELECTED CEO WOULD ACCOMPLISH THAT
20 OBJECTIVE. AS I'VE STATED PREVIOUSLY, THE POTENTIAL REFORMERS
21 PRESENTED IN THIS DRAFT CHARTER AMENDMENT WILL NOT NECESSARILY
22 ACHIEVE THE GOAL OF ADVANCING TRANSPARENCY AND MORE EQUITABLE
23 OUTCOMES FOR OUR CONSTITUENTS WITHOUT REFORMS ON HOW WE
24 GOVERN. SO AGAIN, I THINK IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE UNDERSTAND HOW
25 THE GOVERNANCE CHANGES BEFORE US MIGHT IMPROVE REPRESENTATION



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1 AND DELIVERY OF PUBLIC SERVICES TO COUNTY RESIDENTS, AND THE
2 SIGNIFICANCE OF THESE CHANGES DEMANDS ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS AND
3 GENUINE, THOROUGH PUBLIC INPUT. I UNFORTUNATELY STILL HAVE
4 OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS, INCLUDING WHAT TRADE-OFFS WILL NEED TO
5 BE MADE TO MAINTAIN BUDGET NEUTRALITY. WHETHER 9 IS STILL AN
6 APPROPRIATE EXPANSION TARGET, GIVEN THAT THE COUNTY'S
7 POPULATION HAS EXPANDED EXPONENTIALLY IN THE LAST SEVERAL
8 DECADES, AND WHAT GUARD RAILS WOULD BE IN PLACE TO PROTECT
9 AGAINST POTENTIAL CONFLICTS FOR THE COUNTYWIDE EXECUTIVE. THE
10 REFORMS BEFORE US DO FEEL RUSHED, AND I THINK WHILE THERE IS
11 CONCERN THAT THE CONSULTANT RFP PROCESS TOOK TOO LONG, THE
12 RESPONSE TO THAT OF BRINGING FORWARD A MOTION AND ORDINANCE
13 BASED ON POLLING AND NOT BROADER RESEARCH OR DATA ISN'T THE
14 APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO THAT FRUSTRATION. IT FEELS TO ME LIKE
15 VOTING YES TODAY ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE WOULD BE LIKE
16 KNOWINGLY ALLOCATING A \$1,000,000 OF SALARIES TO SEVERAL NEW
17 ELECTED OFFICIALS WITH PERHAPS TENS OF MILLIONS FOR STAFF
18 WHILE PAYING FOR IT WITH COUNTY SERVICES. LIKE IN KAMET
19 RESOLUTION, STREET CLEANING, THE DELAYED CLOSURE OF MEN'S
20 CENTRAL JAIL, ADDITIONAL BIDS FOR OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION, OR
21 HELP FOR OUR SMALL AND MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES. I APPRECIATE
22 THAT THERE ARE AREAS OF THE BUDGET WHERE WE COULD SCORE ONE-
23 TIME SAVINGS, SALARY SAVINGS. I THINK THE SHERIFF WAS USED AS
24 AN EXAMPLE FOR SALARY SAVINGS. WELL, I'M GLAD THE SHERIFF
25 FILLED THOSE 22 POSITIONS FOR, WHAT'S IT CALLED, THE STREET



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SUPERVISORS

1 PROGRAM, WHAT IS IT? HELP ME. FOR PARKING ENFORCEMENT. THOSE
2 WERE 22 VACANCIES THAT COUNTYWIDE, WE NEEDED THOSE POSITIONS
3 FILLED. GLAD HE FILLED THEM. DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH HAS A
4 PRETTY HIGH VACANCY RATE. WE NEED THEM TO FILL THOSE
5 POSITIONS. AND WHEN WE SCORE SAVINGS FROM SALARY SAVINGS,
6 THAT'S ONE TIME. THE REFORMS THAT WE NEED AND I WOULD SUPPORT
7 ARE ONGOING FUNDING. AND WE KNOW THAT THANKS TO COVID, WE HAD
8 A FLUSH OF FEDERAL DOLLARS THAT CAME THROUGH AND HELPED US
9 NAVIGATE OUR WAY THROUGH COVID. AND THEY ARE NOW GONE. AND IN
10 FACT, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT IF WE
11 DON'T SPEND THEM, THEY'LL COME GET THEM. SO, SEPARATING ONE-
12 TIME FUNDING FROM ONGOING FUNDING AND ONGOING FUNDING NEEDS IS
13 AN IMPORTANT CONVERSATION IN OUR BUDGET PROCESS. AND SO, I
14 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR ALLOWING ME TO CONTINUE TO ELEVATE
15 THESE QUESTIONS AND EXPRESS AND CLARIFY MY POSITION ON BOARD
16 EXPANSION AND CLARIFY, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THE NEED TO NOT
17 ONLY TALK ABOUT OUR NUMBERS AND WHO REPRESENTS WHO, BUT HOW WE
18 ENGAGE IN THE GOVERNANCE PROCESS AS WELL. THAT IS OUR
19 RESPONSIBILITY AND WHAT COUNTY RESIDENTS RELY ON TO MAKE SURE
20 THAT THE SERVICES THEY NEED AND EXPECT AND ARE ENTITLED TO
21 FROM THE COUNTY ARE AVAILABLE. I'LL MAKE ONE LAST POINT, MADAM
22 CHAIR. WITH REGARD TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS. WE ARE IN THE
23 PROCESS NOW OF KIND OF IMPLEMENTING A BUDGET RESILIENCY
24 PROCESS, BECAUSE I BEGAN TO HAVE CONCERNS WHEN I SAW US
25 PASSING MOTIONS BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE BUDGET PROCESS,



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SUPERVISORS

1 WE PASSED A BUDGET AND ADDITIONAL MOTIONS WERE COMING. AND SO,
2 WE WENT THROUGH THIS PROCESS AND BEGAN TO COLLECT THE DATA.
3 CEOS BEGAN TO COLLECT THE DATA. AND WHAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED THUS
4 FAR, THERE ARE 60 AND COUNTING, THAT WAS AS OF I THINK A
5 CUTOFF DATE IN APRIL, MOTIONS PASSED BY THIS BOARD AND
6 PREVIOUS BOARD THAT HAVE CREATED NEW LAW, THE COUNTY, WITH A
7 PRICE TAG OF PROBABLY OVER \$320-SOME-ODD MILLION THAT HAVE NOT
8 BEEN FUNDED. IT'S NOT BECAUSE THOSE IDEAS WEREN'T WORTHY, WE
9 PASSED THEM, AND IT'S OUR EXPECTATION, I'M SURE, AND THE
10 PUBLIC'S EXPECTATION, THEY SEE WE DO PRESS EVENTS, PRESS
11 RELEASES, THIS IS THE NEW LAW, THEY THINK IT'S A DONE DEAL,
12 AND WE'VE NOT FUNDED IT. WE HAVE TOUGH DECISIONS TO MAKE EVERY
13 YEAR AROUND BUDGET PRIORITIES. THEN WE HAVE THE CHART, I'M
14 SORRY MADAM CEO, I LIKE TO WHIP IT OUT FOR YOU AND I DON'T
15 HAVE IT HERE HANDY, WITH THE UNANTICIPATED EXPENSES. LAYER
16 THAT ON TOP OF THE 60 AND COUNTING MOTIONS THAT WE HAVE NOT
17 FUNDED IN A BUDGET, \$300-SOME-ODD MILLION. THAT ISN'T BECAUSE
18 YOU DEEMED THOSE ISSUES WEREN'T WORTHY, IT'S BECAUSE THEY
19 COULDN'T BE FUNDED. SO, TO BE CLEAR, WE WOULD BE ADDING THIS
20 LAYER ON TOP OF THOSE 60 MOTIONS, THE UNANTICIPATED FINANCE
21 ISSUES THAT ARE FOREVER PRESSING IN YOUR MIND AND SHOULD BE
22 OURS. I THINK THAT COMPLICATES THIS CONVERSATION EVEN FURTHER.
23 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24
25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I KNOW THAT I HAVE



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SUPERVISORS

1 SOME POINTS FOR CLARIFICATION, BUT I MOST IMPORTANTLY WANNA
2 HEAR FROM THE MANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
3 SPEAK. SO, I'D LIKE TO TURN TO THEM IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT FIRST.
4 SO, WITH THAT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF
5 THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL AINDY LOVE, ADELE ANDRADE-STADLER,
8 ANDREA MACK, ANDREA MCPHERSON, BYRON JOSE, KOBE NGUYEN, COOKIE
9 LOMEL, DEREK SU, DEREK STEELE, EMMA TOM, FARRAH SUE, JOE
10 FARRAGHER, KELVIN SALZ, KRISTEN NIMMERS, AND LUPITA MARTINEZ.
11 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY
12 WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

13

14 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JEANETTE ELLIS ROYSTON.
15 PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. YES, WE CAN.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JEANETTE ELLIS-ROYSTIN
23 AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION 80 TO EXPAND 5 SUPERVISORS TO 9
24 SUPERVISORS DEPENDING ON THE DECISION TO BETTER SERVE AND TO
25 BETTER SERVE ALL OF THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,



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SUPERVISORS

1 ESPECIALLY THOSE RESIDENTS THAT HAVE BEEN SOMEWHAT OVERLOOKED
2 BECAUSE OF THE CAPACITY OR LACK OF CAPACITY. SO, I'M LOOKING
3 FORWARD FOR MOTION 80 TO MOVE FORWARD ON BEHALF OF THE LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY. I'D LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT JUST 1 OR 2 OF
5 SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL'S CONCERN. ONE OF THEM IS WHO WILL
6 GOVERN?

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
9 SPEAKER PLEASE.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANDREW CHAO. PLEASE UNMUTE
12 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. THIS IS ANDREW CHAO. I'M A
15 COUNCIL MEMBER WITH THE CITY OF DIAMOND BAR. I'M CALLING TODAY
16 TO SUPPORT ITEM 80 TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
17 YOU'D LIKE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AS YOU'RE WELL AWARE LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY IS THE NATION'S LARGEST COUNTY WITH OVER 4,000
19 SQUARE MILES AND NEARLY 10,000,000 RESIDENTS. AND THE NEEDS OF
20 DIAMOND BAR, FOR EXAMPLE, ON THE EASTERN END OF THE COUNTY IS
21 VERY DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF DOWNTOWN LA, OBVIOUSLY. SO, WITH
22 THE POPULATION, AS THE POPULATION GROWS AND DIVERSIFIES, WE
23 MUST INNOVATE AND REEVALUATE HOW WE CAN BEST MEET RESIDENT
24 CHANGING NEEDS ENSURE THAT WE'RE DELIVERING THE SUPPORT THEY
25 NEED AS AN INCLUSIVE TRANSPARENT AND EQUITABLE COMMUNITY. SO,



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SUPERVISORS

1 WITH THAT I'M CALLING TO SUPPORT ITEM 80. THANK YOU.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ACHELI CABARABAS. PLEASE
6 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. BUENOS DIAS. MY
9 NAME IS SOCHILKO BARUBIAS. I'M WITH THE LABOR COUNCIL FOR
10 LATIN AMERICAN ADVANCEMENT AND I'M IN SUPPORT OF MOTION 80.
11 AND I JUST WANT TO SAY, YOU KNOW, I SUPPORT NM80 TO SUSPEND
12 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ELECT A COUNTY EXECUTIVE. THANK
13 YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK AND LET'S CONTINUE TO BE, YOU GUYS
14 CONTINUE BEING THE CHAMPIONS THANK YOU

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LENA MIRA. PLEASE UNMUTE TO
19 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME OH

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN GO AHEAD

24

25 **SPEAKER:** OKAY GOOD MORNING HI BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS



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SUPERVISORS

1 LINA AMIDA. I'M WITH THE LATINO ROUNDTABLE WHICH IS A
2 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVING THE SAN GABRIEL AND POMONA
3 VALLEY. I SUPPORT ITEM 80 TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
4 AND ELECT THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. LOS ANGELES IS THE NATION'S
5 LARGEST COUNTY AND AS THE LARGEST COUNTY THE POPULATION GROWS
6 AND DIVERSIFIES WE MUST ALSO BE INNOVATIVE AND RE-EVALUATE HOW
7 BEST WE CAN SERVE OUR RESIDENTS' CHANGING NEEDS. THIS IS
8 ESPECIALLY CRITICAL FOR RESIDENTS WHO DESERVE EQUAL
9 REPRESENTATION AND CAN HAVE CONFIDENCE IN OUR COUNTY TO
10 REPRESENT THEM PROPERLY. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THEIR DIVERSE
11 VOICES ARE AMPLIFIED SO THEY ARE GIVEN THE REPRESENTATION THEY
12 DESERVE IN THE DECISIONS WE MAKE AS A COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY
13 MUCH.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTINE LEE. PLEASE
18 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO MADAM CHAIR TO SUPERVISOR
21 SOLIS FOR BRINGING UP THE MOTION MY NAME IS CHRISTINE LEE AND
22 I'M THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR AT THE ASIAN YOUTH CENTER LOCATED IN
23 SAN GABRIEL WHERE FOR 35 YEARS WE'VE BEEN SERVING LOW-INCOME
24 IMMIGRANT AND AT-RISK YOUTH IN THE SGV AS WELL AS THE ANTELOPE
25 VALLEY COVERING ALMOST HALF OF LA COUNTY. GIVEN THE WHITE



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SUPERVISORS

1 CLOTH OF THE COUNTY THAT WE SERVE I AM CALLING IN TO SUPPORT
2 ITEM 80 TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ELECT A COUNTY
3 EXECUTIVE AND JUST WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE SUPERVISORS,
4 ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR RECOGNIZING AND REPRESENTING
5 OUR COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY THE ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC
6 ISLANDER COMMUNITY, WHICH IS THE LARGEST ASIAN AMERICAN
7 COMMUNITY IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, LARGER THAN 42 STATES
8 COMBINED. SO, WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE SUPERVISOR AND HER
9 STAFF'S EFFORTS IN TRYING TO EXPAND REPRESENTATION AND ACCESS
10 FOR HISTORICALLY UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES AND PARTICULARLY
11 FOR OUR YOUTH, CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND EQUITABLE ACCESS IS
12 IMPORTANT AND CAN BE INSPIRING FOR THEM TO SEE THAT THERE IS
13 INCREASED MORE LOCAL ACCESS IN TERMS OF THEIR REPRESENTATION.

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15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
17 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HENRY LO. PLEASE UNMUTE AND
22 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HENRY LO, COUNCIL MEMBER
25 FOR CITY OF MONTEREY PARK. FIRST, I JUST WANNA THANK THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR
2 STANDING WITH US LAST YEAR DURING OUR MASS SHOOTING, AND WE'RE
3 NOW ASKING FOR YOU TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY AGAIN BY PASSING
4 ITEM 80. LA IS A DIVERSE COMMUNITY. IT'S TIME THAT WE HAVE A
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT REFLECT THE DIVERSITY OF THIS
6 COUNTY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BRIAN CALDERON. PLEASE
11 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. MAY I BEGIN?

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** BRIAN, GO AHEAD.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** YES. YEAH, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS BRIAN CALDERON
16 TABATABAI. I AM THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST COVINA AND I
17 SUPPORT ITEM 80 TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ALEXA
18 COUNTY EXECUTIVE. OUR CITY, WHICH IS IN SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 1
19 ON EASTERN LA COUNTY, HAS A VERY DIVERSE COMMUNITY. I'M A
20 MEMBER OF THE LATINO AND AAPI COMMUNITY AND THE NEED FOR
21 EXPANSION AND DIVERSITY OF VOICE AND VIEWPOINT FROM URBAN AREA
22 TO THE SUBURBS IS NEEDED AND THAT'S WHY I SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER
23 80 TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS THOMAS WONG. PLEASE UNMUTE
3 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS THOMAS WONG. I'M THE MAYOR
6 OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK JUST CALLING IN TO THANK YOU
7 SUPERVISOR, COUNTY CHAIR, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND ALSO SUPERVISOR
8 HORVATH FOR LEADING THIS EFFORT AND APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR
9 SOLIS FOR YOUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT THIS. I'M CALLING IN TO
10 SUPPORT I-M-80 LONG OVERDUE FOR GOVERNANCE REFORM FOR LA
11 COUNTY AND HOPE THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD QUICKLY TO ADDRESS
12 THIS GOVERNANCE REFORM IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANKS SO
13 MUCH.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROSS WEISTROFFER. YOU MAY
18 PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
19 BEGIN, SIR.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. RALPH WEISTRAUFER, THIRD DISTRICT RESIDENT
22 MEMBER OF THE FAIR REP. LA COALITION SPEAKING AS AN
23 INDIVIDUAL. GOVERNING HAPPENS IN THE DETAILS, AND THIS MEASURE
24 TEXT STILL DOES NOT HAVE CLEAR DETAILS ABOUT HOW THE ETHICS
25 COMMISSION IS SUPPOSED TO OPERATE. WE HAVE TO THINK AHEAD. THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 MOMENT THIS BODY TRIES TO ENFORCE ETHICS, IT WILL COME UNDER
2 IMMENSE PRESSURE, AS IT HAS IN THE CITY OF L.A. SO IT REALLY
3 DOES MATTER WHETHER OR NOT ITS POWERS AND INDEPENDENCE ARE
4 SPELLED OUT IN THE CHARTER NOW. WILL ITS BUDGET BE PROTECTED
5 FROM GETTING CUT? IF IT TRIES TO PENALIZE CONDUCT, WILL TOWERS
6 BE CHALLENGED? WILL ITS COMMISSIONERS BE REMOVED WITHOUT JUST
7 CAUSE? THESE DETAILS CANNOT BE LEFT TO AN UNDEFINED ADVISORY
8 TASK FORCE. IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE TIME FOR THIS. PLEASE
9 HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING TO FLESH OUT BASIC KEY PROTECTIONS FOR
10 THE POWERS AND INDEPENDENCE OF THE PROPOSED ETHICS COMMISSION
11 TO MAKE SURE THAT VOTERS KNOW THEIR VOTE FOR ETHICS REFORM
12 ISN'T JUST A VOTE FOR THIS BOARD TO EVENTUALLY REGULATE
13 ITSELF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS MIKE FEINSTEIN. PLEASE UNMUTE
18 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M A FORMER SANTA MONICA MAYOR REPRESENTING THE
21 COUNTY GREEN PARTY. OUR POSITIONS AT THE BOARD WOULD IDEALLY
22 BE EXPANDED TO 13 MEMBERS. OUR LOW END OF AN ACCEPTABLE
23 INCREASE IS 9. AND THAT BROADER AND DEEPER REPRESENTATION WILL
24 BE BEST ACHIEVED BY ELECTING ALL SEATS BY RANK CHOICE VOTING.
25 YOUR NEXT PHASE ON CHARTER REVIEW SHOULD INCLUDE A FULL



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SUPERVISORS

1 EVALUATION OF THE ADVANTAGES OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING IN A
2 SINGLE GENERAL ELECTION COMPARED TO THE OUTDATED AND OFTEN
3 PROBLEMATIC TWO-ROUND CONTINGENT RUNOFF SYSTEM WE USE TODAY.
4 SINCE THE ORDINANCE WAS ESTABLISHED WITH CHARTER REVIEW
5 COMMISSION, WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THE BOARD GIVE DIRECTION NOW
6 TO THE COUNTY REGISTRAR OR VOTERS TO PREPARE A REPORT ON
7 OPTIONS TO IMPLEMENT RIGHT CHOICE VOTING FOR BOARD ELECTIONS
8 SO THAT INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE WHEN THE CHARTER REVIEW
9 COMMISSION IS CONVENED. THANK YOU.

10
11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MODERATOR.

12
13 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

14
15 **SPEAKER:** YES, THANK YOU CHAIR HORVATH, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS.
16 MY NAME IS ADELE ANDRADE ESTELAR. I AM THE COUNCILWOMAN FOR
17 THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA, FIRST LATINA EVER ELECTED AS MAYOR AND
18 COUNCILWOMAN TO THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA IN 2018. I'M NOT SO PROUD
19 OF THAT BECAUSE IT TOOK A REALLY LONG TIME FOR THAT TO
20 ACTUALLY HAPPEN. BUT I SIT COMFORTABLY IN THAT SEAT NOW. I'M
21 HERE TO SUPPORT ITEM 80. I'M AN ADVISOR TO BOTH THE ALHAMBRA
22 LATINO ASSOCIATION, EXCUSE ME, AND THE ASIAN YOUTH CENTER,
23 WHICH IS AN AMAZING CBO THAT ACTUALLY UTILIZES THE DPS
24 SUPPORTED PROGRAMS THAT THE COUNTY IS USING TO REACH OUR
25 RESIDENTS. WE NEED MORE HANDS-ON DECK. I SUPPORT MORE HANDS-ON



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SUPERVISORS

1 DECK. 10,000,000, BUT YOU'RE NOT EVEN TALKING ABOUT THOSE THAT
2 ARE LIVING IN THE SHADOWS, WHO ARE AFRAID TO COME OUT BUT THAT
3 NEED YOUR SERVICES. YOU NEED TO EXPAND THE BOARD TO BE ABLE TO
4 REACH. I'M ALSO CHAIRWOMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE
5 COMMISSION. COME VISIT US, COME SEE US AT A GLANCE. HOW MUCH
6 WE'RE NOT DOING.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ANDREA MCPHERSON. I'M PRETTY SURE
11 YOU GUYS KNOW ME, FORMER CHAIR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
12 HEALTH SERVICE AREA LEADERSHIP TEAM, SERVICE AREA 5, AND
13 FORMER CHAIR WITH LA CARE. I AGREE WITH ITEM 80, ALLOWING THE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO GROW FROM 5 TO 9. WITH THESE
15 PROVISIONS, THEY NEED MORE DIVERSITY TO BEGIN HAVING MORE
16 EQUITABLE SOCIETY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HOW? IT COULD BE DONE
17 BY HAVING A LOW INCOME PERSON WITHIN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
18 MAYBE A DISABLED PERSON, A SENIOR, LGBTQ, ASIAN, INDIGENOUS,
19 AND OR VA. WE NEED THE BOARD TO ADAPT TO A MORE, TO THE MORE
20 UNDERSERVED SOCIETY AND SHOW ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE COUNTY
21 EMPLOYEES. OF COURSE, THAT WOULD BE GREAT AS WELL BECAUSE WE
22 DO NEED ACCOUNTABILITY OVERALL IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
23 THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.



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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS KOBY AND I'M A
3 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 2. YOUNG FOLKS TODAY ARE VERY PASSIONATE
4 ADVOCATES ON CAMPUS, IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND BEYOND. BUT WHEN
5 IT COMES TO ELECTION DAY, ONLY 15% OF US SHOW UP. IT'S BECAUSE
6 WE FEEL LIKE OUR GOVERNMENT BODIES AREN'T ACTUALLY ACCOUNTABLE
7 TO OUR NEEDS AND OUR INTERESTS. BY DECREASING THE SIZE OF OUR
8 BOARD DISTRICTS, WE ALLOW FOR BETTER REPRESENTATION AND
9 IMPROVE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE SUPERVISORS AND THE PEOPLE
10 THAT THEY ARE ELECTED TO REPRESENT. AS A YOUNG PERSON, BUT
11 ALSO AS AN ASIAN AMERICAN, I KNOW THAT THE LONG AND
12 ILLUSTRIOUS HISTORY OF THE LA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS
13 NEVER INCLUDED THE VOICES OF PEOPLE LIKE ME. AND I HOPE THAT
14 WE CAN LIVE IN A FUTURE WITH A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHERE MY
15 COMMUNITIES CAN HAVE A SEAT AND A VOICE AT THE TABLE. I
16 SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM 80.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS EMMA
21 TOM AND I'M A RISING JUNIOR AT POMONA COLLEGE AND I AM IN FULL
22 SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 80. I WANTED TO START BY
23 THANKING SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR PUTTING
24 THIS MOTION FORWARD AND CONTINUING TO ADVOCATE FOR MORE
25 REPRESENTATION ON THE COUNTY LEVEL THROUGH BOARD EXPANSION.



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SUPERVISORS

1 HISTORY IS SURELY BEING MADE AND I WANT TO COMMEND THE BOARD
2 FOR THEIR OPENNESS TO CHANGE. CHANGE NOT ONLY THROUGH
3 INCREASED REPRESENTATION, BUT ALSO IN TERMS OF COMMUNICATION
4 AND ACCOUNTABILITY. SMALLER DISTRICTS WILL ALLOW FOR INCREASED
5 ENGAGEMENT AND STRONGER BRIDGES BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
6 THEIR CONSTITUENTS. THIS MOTION IS A CATALYST THAT WILL
7 HOPEFULLY LEAD TO MORE OPEN SPACES FOR COMMUNITIES TO EXPRESS
8 THEIR DESIRES AND CONCERNS. DIVERSITY IS INNOVATION. AND I
9 BELIEVE ALL THE VOICES SPEAKING UP TODAY ARE PROOF OF THE
10 INTRICATE FABRIC OF DIVERSITY THAT SHAPES LA'S UNIQUE AND
11 REMARKABLE DIVERSITY. I WANT TO AGAIN EMPHASIZE MY SUPPORT FOR
12 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 80. THIS IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP IN THE LONG
13 JOURNEY TO ENACT SYSTEMIC CHANGE. THANK YOU.

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
18 MY NAME IS COOKIE LAMEL. I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICERS UNION, AFSCME LOCAL 685. I AM
20 HERE TODAY TO SPEAK TO THE ISSUE OF POLITICIZING THE COUNTY
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICE. LOCAL 685 DOES INDEED SUPPORT THE PROMISE OF
22 IMPROVED TRANSPARENCY AT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HOWEVER,
23 WE DO NOT SUPPORT MAKING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR OF
24 BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT POSITIONS SUBJECT TO POLITICS. MANAGING
25 A BUDGET OF \$43,000,000,000 PLUS DOLLARS AND A WORKFORCE OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 116,000 DEDICATED PEOPLE AND OVERSEEING SERVICES TO 10,000,000
2 RESIDENTS AND MILLIONS OF VISITORS IS A JOB FOR A CAREER
3 PROFESSIONAL AND NOT A POLITICIAN. THANK YOU.

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

6
7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. BYRON JOSE, SD2
8 CONSTITUENT. THE TRANS-LATINA COALITION, AS THE LEADER IN
9 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STAKEHOLDER AND A TRUSTED MESSENGER, CALL
10 FOR BUDGET TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ENGAGE IN THE
11 COMMUNITY IN THIS PROCESS. GIVEN OUR COALITION BUILDING WORK,
12 AND AS A PARTNER WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE LOOK
13 FORWARD TO REFORM IN A PROCESS THAT IS NOT ONLY INCLUSIVE BUT
14 CENTERED THE VOICES OF TRADITIONALLY MARGINALIZED AND EXCLUDED
15 COMMUNITIES. ONE OF THE CURRENT COMMUNITY ACTS BEING
16 CIRCULATED PERFECTLY SUMMARIZES THE POSITION IN WHICH
17 COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE BEING PLACED IN, WHICH IS CHOICES PUT IN
18 FRONT OF US THAT CAUSE MORE DIVISION THAN SOLIDARITY. WHILE
19 SOME OFFICES OR OFFICE ARE CALLING ON STAKEHOLDERS TO OPPOSE
20 OTHER AGENDA ITEMS IN TODAY'S AGENDA, TOC WILL CONTINUE TO
21 WORK TO ADDRESS CHARTER REFORM THAT WORKS TOWARDS A BOARD THAT
22 IS TRULY REFLECTIVE OF THE POPULATION, THE FULLY-FUNDED FUNDS
23 MEASURE J, AND IT TRULY INVENTS US A CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST.

24
25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.



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2 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, MY NAME IS DEREK SCHERR. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF
3 THE ASSOCIATION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFFS AS THE
4 CHAIR OF THE COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS AND A PROUD MEMBER OF
5 THE LOS ANGELES FEDERATION OF LABOR. BECAUSE THIS MOTION HAS
6 BEEN RUSHED, WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GO THROUGH OUR
7 DEMOCRATIC PROCESS WITHIN THE UNION MOVEMENT TO PROPERLY
8 ANALYZE THE VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF THIS. AND SO, I DON'T SPEAK
9 WITH THE FULL AUTHORITY OF THE 35,000 MEMBERS OF THE COALITION
10 OF COUNTY UNIONS AND CERTAINLY NOT ON BEHALF OF THE 880,000
11 MEMBERS OF THE L.A. FEDERATION OF LABOR. OUR PARTICULAR
12 CONCERN IS TO POLITICIZE THE OFFICE OF THE CEO. I'VE HAD THE
13 OPPORTUNITY OVER MY 10 YEARS WORKING WITH ALADS TO WORK WITH 3
14 CEOS. NOT ALWAYS WITH GREAT HAPPINESS AND PLEASURE. IT'S A
15 COMPLEX AND DIFFICULT JOB. TO MAKE THAT POSITION ELECTED AND
16 LOOKING TO THE OUTSIDE IN THAT WAY WOULD BE AN UNIMAGINABLE
17 BURDEN FOR AN ALREADY OVERWORKED POSITION. FINALLY, THE IDEA
18 THAT ALL THIS THESE CHANGES --

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** LA COUNTY HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT STRIDES IN GOVERNANCE
23 WITH A STRONG FOCUS ON RACIAL EQUITY AND INCLUSIVITY. MEASURE
24 J, HAVING THE J-COD AND RD OFFICES IN EXISTENCE, THE
25 ORGANIZING THAT IT TOOK IN ORDER TO DO THAT. THESE INITIATIVES



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SUPERVISORS

1 DEMONSTRATE THAT WITH GOOD GOVERNANCE CENTERED ON THE VALUES
2 OF MULTIRACIAL DEMOCRACY, SOLIDARITY, AND INCLUSIVITY,
3 SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS CAN BE MADE IN ADDRESSING SYSTEMIC
4 INEQUITIES AND PROMOTING COMMUNITY WELLNESS. THE PROBLEM IS
5 THAT THIS PROCESS, THE WAY THAT IT WAS PUT TOGETHER IN THE
6 PACKAGE DOES NOT EVEN PUT THEMSELVES IN A POSTURE OF EVEN
7 BEING CENTERED IN THAT TYPE OF SPACE AND ENERGY. INSTEAD, IT
8 BASICALLY CREATES DIVISION. IT HAS PUT US IN CONVERSATIONS
9 WITH EACH OTHER LATELY WHERE WE'RE TRYING TO BE AT ODDS. EVEN
10 THE PROCESS OF GETTING SEATED TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK TODAY, THERE
11 WAS AN ORDER, BUT THIS ORDER WAS ACTUALLY PUT SOME OF THE SOME
12 OF THE FOLKS FROM THE DIFFERENT DISTRICTS FROM THE PEOPLE WHO
13 ARE FOR THIS ASPECT TO ACTUALLY BE SPOKEN BEFORE THE ORDER WAS
14 - -

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16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH THANK YOU AND
17 WE WILL WORK WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
18 LIST REFLECTS HOW WE CALL UP SPEAKERS. THANK YOU FOR ELEVATING
19 THAT FOR US. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR HAVING THIS
22 CONVERSATION AND FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD. MY NAME IS
23 ANDREA MACK AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF CENTER FOR ASIAN
24 AMERICANS UNITED FOR SELF-EMPIREMENT, ALSO KNOWN AS CAHD, AND
25 A LIFELONG DISTRICT 1 RESIDENT. I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 CHARTER REFORM THAT WILL EXPAND THE SUPERVISOR SEAT WITH
2 2,000,000 RESIDENTS PER DISTRICT. IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR
3 SUPERVISORS TO REPRESENT AND ADDRESS THE DIVERSE NEED OF EVERY
4 SINGLE COMMUNITY AND EVERY SINGLE DISTRICT. GROWING UP IN LA
5 AS AN ASIAN AMERICAN MYSELF, MANY OF MY API FAMILY, FRIENDS,
6 AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE SHARED A SENTIMENT THAT THE NEEDS
7 OF THE COMMUNITY HAVE OFTEN BEEN LEFT OUT OF THE CONVERSATION.
8 I BELIEVE EXPANSION WILL CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR
9 REPRESENTATION, AND I'M EXCITED ABOUT THE CONVERSATIONS AROUND
10 TRANSPARENCY, CREATING TASK FORCES, COMMISSION, ET CETERA, AND
11 SUPER EXCITED TO BE PART OF THAT CONVERSATION. CAUSE IS
12 LOOKING FORWARD TO FUTURE MEETINGS THAT WILL INVITE
13 COLLABORATION AND FEEDBACK FROM ALL VOICES, FROM ALL
14 COMMUNITIES, TO CREATE AN EVEN MORE DIVERSE LA COUNTY. THAT
15 SAID, I'M IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS FARAH, AND I'M
20 ALSO SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF CAUSE AND IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM
21 80. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE THOUGHTFUL
22 CONVERSATION AND BRINGING UP ALL THE WAYS WE CAN CONTINUE TO
23 BUILD OUT THIS CHARTER REFORM. I DO THINK THAT THERE ARE
24 CONTINUED CONVERSATIONS WE NEED TO HAVE. AS A SUPPORTER OF
25 AGENDA ITEM 80, I DO BELIEVE THAT THE EXPANSION OF THE BOARD



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SUPERVISORS

1 OF SUPERVISORS IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TO BRINGING EVEN MORE
2 DIVERSITY TO THE TABLE, CREATING A MORE REPRESENTATIVE
3 GOVERNING BODY OF LA COUNTY. THIS EXPANSION WILL INCREASE THE
4 DEMOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY OF THE BOARD IN TERMS OF AGE, ETHNICITY,
5 HOUSING STATUS, EXPERIENCE, AND THUS, ALLOWING FOR MORE
6 INNOVATION TO ADDRESS ISSUES AND CONSTITUENT SATISFACTION. LA
7 COUNTY IS CONSTANTLY AT THE FOREFRONT OF WHAT DEMOCRACY AND
8 AUTHENTIC GOVERNING CAN LOOK LIKE AND I BELIEVE AS THESE
9 MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS CONTINUE, I BELIEVE AS WELL AS MANY
10 OTHER CONSTITUENTS WOULD WANT TO BE INCLUDED AND CONTINUE TO
11 LEARN FROM EACH OTHER SO WE CAN CREATE A CHARTER REFORM THAT
12 HONORS US ALL. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GONNA GO BACK TO
15 SPEAKERS ON THE PHONE MODERATOR. PLEASE GO AHEAD

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17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL MARK ANTHONY JOHNSON, ON YAMA OBA KAYA
18 ,PETE WHITE, RED CHIEF HUNT, REGINA MARTIN, ROB KWAN, RON
19 COLLINS, SHENGXIAO YU, AND STANLEY THERMIDOR, PLEASE COME
20 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE
21 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ZEMERA PENA. PLEASE UNMUTE,
24 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ZEMERA PENA AND I'M WITH THE SPANISH
2 ORGANIZED FOR POLITICAL EQUALITY, HOPE, A NON-PROFIT
3 ORGANIZATION ENSURING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PARITY FOR
4 LATINAS. WE SUPPORT ITEM 80 TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
5 AND ELECT A COUNTY EXECUTIVE, WITH LA COUNTY BEING THE
6 NATION'S LARGEST COUNTY AND NEARLY 10,000,000 DIVERSE
7 RESIDENTS COLLECTIVELY SPEAKING OVER 200 LANGUAGES WE KNOW
8 THAT AS OUR POPULATION GROWS AND BECOMES MORE DIVERSE WE MUST
9 INNOVATE AND REEVALUATE HOW WE CAN BEST MEET RESIDENTS
10 CHANGING NEEDS TO ENSURE WE DELIVER COUNTY SERVICES AS
11 INCLUSIVELY, TRANSPARENTLY, AND EQUITABLY AS POSSIBLE. THIS IS
12 ESPECIALLY CRITICAL FOR RESIDENTS IN COMMUNITIES WHO HAVE
13 HISTORICALLY BEEN LEFT OUT OF THESE CONVERSATIONS AND WHO
14 DESERVE EQUAL REPRESENTATION AND CONFIDENCE IN OUR COUNTY'S
15 COMMITMENT TO DELIVER IT. WE BELIEVE THIS IS CRITICALLY
16 IMPORTANT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19
20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KENNETH TANG. PLEASE UNMUTE
21 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

24
25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. OKAY, MY NAME IS KEN TANG AND I AM A SCHOOL
3 BOARD MEMBER IN THE ALHAMBRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. AND I'M
4 CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 80. WE SERVE THE ALHAMBRA AREA,
5 MONTEREY PARK, SOUTH ST. GABRIEL, AND ROSEMEAD AREA, AND OUR
6 STUDENT POPULATION ARE PREDOMINANTLY HISPANIC AND ASIANS, VERY
7 DIVERSE POPULATION, AND SO THIS IS ACTUALLY A VERY, VERY
8 IMPORTANT ITEMS FOR US AS I SPEAK TO ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF OUR
9 STUDENTS WHO DON'T HAVE A VOICE IN THIS. AND SO, I URGE THAT
10 THIS ITEM BE PASSED AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR A SUPPORT ON
11 THIS THANK YOU

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRIS MARION. PLEASE UNMUTE
16 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, I'M CHRIS MARION AND I LIVE IN MONTEREY PARK.
19 I SUPPORT THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I
20 BELIEVE THAT THE GOALS OF IMPROVED REPRESENTATION WILL BE BEST
21 ACHIEVED BY ELECTING THE BOARD MEMBERS AND A POTENTIAL COUNTY
22 EXECUTIVE WITH RANKED CHOICE VOTING INSTEAD OF PLURALITY
23 VOTING. THIS WILL ENCOURAGE BOTH CANDIDATES AND ELECTED
24 OFFICIALS TO BE MORE ACCOUNTABLE AND RESPONSIVE TO THEIR
25 CONSTITUENTS' NEEDS BY INCENTIVIZING THEM TO GET VOTES FROM



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 ALL OF THOSE THEY REPRESENT, NOT JUST ENOUGH TO WIN A
2 PLURALITY. PLEASE ENSURE THAT THIS ONGOING REFORM PROCESS
3 ALLOWS FOR A FULL EVALUATION OF THE ADVANTAGES OF RANKED
4 CHOICE VOTING IN A SINGLE GENERAL ELECTION, INCLUDING COST
5 SAVINGS AND MORE INCLUSIVE REPRESENTATION COMPARED TO THE 2
6 ELECTION CONTINGENT RUNOFF SYSTEM USED TODAY. THANK YOU.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC. PLEASE UNMUTE AND
11 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVIN AND I JUST THINK THAT
14 THIS IS TOO MUCH CONFUSION HAD TO BE PUSHED THROUGH SO QUICKLY
15 I THINK THE NUMBER OF 9 IS NOT CLEAR I UNDERSTAND THE SUPREME
16 COURT HAS 9 BUT I DON'T SEE HOW ANYBODY'S DONE AN ANALYSIS TO
17 ESTABLISH AND I WANT TO UNDERSTAND YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT
18 THERE ARE 4 DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE THIRD DISTRICT THERE ARE
19 40 EMPLOYEES THAT'S 10 PER OFFICE THAT'S LIKE 4 SUPERVISORS
20 AND IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 THE REASON WE HAVE SERVICE PROBLEMS
21 IS BECAUSE WE HAVE SERVICE PROBLEMS. HOW WOULD IT HELP WITH
22 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, ACCESSORY MESS, TO HAVE 9
23 SUPERVISORS? AND AN ELECTED CEO IS ABSOLUTELY A WEIRD
24 CONFLICT. I MEAN, I DON'T WANT TO NEED TO BE A TROUBLEMAKER.
25 THIS NEEDS TO BE, YOU KNOW, RETHOUGHT. WE DON'T WANT TO SCREW



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SUPERVISORS

1 IT UP. AND IF IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN FOR ANOTHER 4 YEARS,
2 WHY NOT GET IT RIGHT? WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO EXTEND. IT'S A
3 NOBLE IDEA. AND NOTE HOW A HUGE POLITICAL ACTION GROUP IS THE
4 1 WHO'S DOING ALL THIS CALLING IN. THIS IS TOTALLY
5 INAPPROPRIATE IN THE HEAT OF SUMMER. I RECOMMEND THAT WE THROW
6 THIS BACK AND LET'S GET A LIFE FOR GOD'S SAKE. THERE'S SO MANY
7 THINGS WE CAN DO NOW WITHOUT HIRING AN ETHICS COMMISSION. --

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
10 SPEAKER PLEASE.

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12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS OMAR GONZALEZ. PLEASE
13 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MY NAME IS OMAR
16 GONZALEZ AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE LA AREA CHAMBER OF
17 COMMERCE REPRESENTING A DIVERSE RANGE OF BUSINESSES AND
18 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. WE APPRECIATE
19 THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE PROPOSED GOVERNANCE REFORM
20 PACKAGE AS THE CHAMBER FIRMLY SUPPORTS GOOD GOVERNANCE THAT
21 AMPLIFIES THE VOICES OF OUR RESIDENTS AND UPHOLDS TRANSPARENCY
22 AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN OUR COUNTY'S LEADERSHIP. WE ACKNOWLEDGE
23 THE COMPLEXITY OF PROPOSING A NEW GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE AND
24 COMMEND THE BOARD'S EFFORTS TO ENHANCE ETHICAL OVERSIGHT AND
25 OPERATIONAL TRANSPARENCY. EXPANDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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SUPERVISORS

1 FROM 5 TO 9 AFTER THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS IS A SIGNIFICANT
2 CHANGE AND WE URGE THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE DATA
3 AND ANALYSIS TO SUPPORT THIS EXPANSION TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC
4 ENGAGEMENT ARE ESSENTIAL, ESPECIALLY IF THE NOVEMBER ELECTION
5 APPROACHING WE BELIEVE THAT INFORMED AND ACTIVE PUBLIC
6 PARTICIPATION WILL ENABLE THE BOARD TO FULLY UNDERSTAND THE
7 POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF THESE PROPOSALS. THE CHAMBER LOOKS
8 FORWARD TO EVALUATING THE DATA, RESEARCH, AND PUBLIC INPUT AS
9 THESE GOVERNANCE PERFORM INITIATIVES DEVELOP AND PROGRESS.
10 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

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12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
15 PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. I GUESS WE STILL HAVE MORNING. I
19 AM IN FAVOR OF ITEM 80. FOR ONE THING, I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO
20 PUSH THE EXTENSION OF THE BOARD FOR MANY YEARS SO I'M GLAD TO
21 SEE IT COMING. I THINK TO HAVE DEFINITELY AN EXECUTIVE PERSON
22 ON THE BOARD WOULD BE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. I HOPE THAT YOU
23 LOOK AT ALL THE FACETS OF THE EXPANSION OR NOT. ANYWAY, THANK
24 YOU FOR YOUR VISIT TO ME. HAVE A GOOD DAY.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SONJA BRANDT. PLEASE UNMUTE
4 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY TO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF LA COUNTY
7 AND A MEMBER OF THE LA COUNTY ACTIVIST GROUP HANGOUT DO GOOD.
8 I SUPPORT ITEM 80. EXPANDING THE BOARD FROM 5 TO 9 WILL ALLOW
9 MORE DIVERSE VOICES REFLECTIVE OF THE MAKEUP OF LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY TO SHAPE COUNTY POLICY. MOVING FROM AN APPOINTED CEO TO
11 AN ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE WOULD GIVE THE PUBLIC A SAY IN WHO
12 CONTROLS THE COUNTY'S \$45,600,000,000 BUDGET. FINALLY, WE DID
13 NOT ELECT YOU TO ENGAGE IN ANALYSIS PARALYSIS IS WHAT I HEARD
14 TODAY. WE ELECTED YOU TO FIX PROBLEMS AND MAKE DECISIONS.
15 THANK YOU.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

18

19 **MODERATOR:** NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANTHONY ALVAREZ. PLEASE UNMUTE
20 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD MORNING. I SUPPORT THIS MOTION. I DO NOT
23 THINK ABOUT THE CEO BEING POLITICIZED. IT SHOULD BE SEPARATE.
24 BUT I SUPPORT THIS MOTION BECAUSE WE NEED MORE LATINX
25 REPRESENTATION IN THE COUNTY I KNOW MITCHELL MADE A GOOD POINT



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SUPERVISORS

1 WHEN SHE TALKED ABOUT WHERE THE MONEY WILL COME FROM AND AS
2 FAR AS THE STATISTICS OR THE INFORMATION, BUT I DON'T REMEMBER
3 STATISTICS BEING PRESENTED WHEN JUNETEENTH WAS GIVEN A
4 HOLIDAY. WE NEED MORE REPRESENTATION AND THIS WILL ALLOW THE
5 AX TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THAT. I MEAN, WE HAD BLACK PRESIDENT, WE
6 HAD OUR MOST BLACK DEMOCRATIC PERSON, AND WE NEED MORE BALANCE
7 IN THE COUNTY. AND SO, WE DO NEED THIS FOR THE LATINX
8 COMMUNITY.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HELEN EIGENBERG. PLEASE
13 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS HELEN EIGENBERG AND I LIVE IN DISTRICT
16 NUMBER 3 I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF HANG UP DO GOOD AND I WANT TO
17 THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND MITCHELL I'M SORRY HORVATH AND
18 HAHN AND SOLIS FOR PUTTING THIS FORWARD AND HAVING THE COURAGE
19 AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND BARGER FOR THE
20 HARD QUESTIONS. YOU KNOW, I DRIVE ALL OVER LA COUNTY BECAUSE I
21 TEACH SEX ED IN THE LAUSD, AND I SEE THE HUGE DISPARITIES IN
22 RESOURCES IN OUR BEAUTIFUL COUNTY. WE NEED MORE DIVERSITY, WE
23 NEED BETTER REPRESENTATION. IT DISHEARTENS ME WHEN I KEEP
24 HEARING WHETHER IT'S THE CITY LEVEL OR THE COUNTY LEVEL THAT
25 WE NEED MORE COMMISSIONS AND WE NEED MORE ANALYSIS THAT JUST



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SUPERVISORS

1 PARALYZES US WE ARE SMART PEOPLE YOU ARE ALL SMART ON THIS
2 BOARD WE NEED TO DO THIS YOU CAN FIGURE IT OUT AND IT'S JUST
3 REALLY REALLY IMPORTANT WE HAVE DONE GOOD THINGS IN THE COUNTY
4 AND WE CAN DO BETTER. SO PLEASE PASS ITEM 80. I'M IN STRONG
5 SUPPORT OF IT. THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SPEAK.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTIAN GREEN. PLEASE
10 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS
13 CHRISTIAN GREEN. I AM FROM ST. GEORGE OF HOPE WHERE WE SERVE
14 ALL OF LA COUNTY AS WELL AS A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER IN THE
15 ANTELOPE VALLEY. I STAND HERE BEFORE YOU OR WE'RE ON THE PHONE
16 REALLY TO VOICE MY CONCERNS IN OPPOSITION OF ITEM NUMBER 80
17 ABOUT THE PROPOSED CHANGES. I AM IN AGREEMENT WITH MY
18 SUPERVISOR FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND SHE
19 IS RIGHT ABOUT STRIKING THE ELECTION OF THE CEO OFFICE. AND I
20 THINK THAT THERE IS A YES ON EXPANSION. AND, YOU KNOW, ON
21 EXPANSION, THE FEW COLLEAGUES BEFORE US SAID YES ON EXPANSION,
22 SO WE NEED TO BE LOOKING AT THE LANGUAGE. AND THEN WE HAVE TO
23 ASK THE QUESTION OF WHY ONLY 9. AND THEN WITH ELECTED
24 OFFICIALS, THIS WILL BECOME A BIAS AND MORE SO MORE
25 POLITICIZED AND LIKE HORVATH SAID, IT'S NOT PERFECT, BUT IT'S



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1 A START, BUT HOWEVER THE PEOPLE DESERVE MORE. DEMOCRACY IS
2 HARD AND MESSY, BUT IT ALSO IS SUBJECTIVE. AND NONE OF US HAVE
3 GIVEN BLACK FOLKS REPARATIONS AND UNTIL BLACK FOLKS GET THAT,
4 WE NEED TO STOP USING THIS ARGUMENT ABOUT DIVERSITY, EQUITY,
5 INCLUSION. NO RESEARCH HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT
6 HOW THE BUDGET WILL BE DIVIDED.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON,
13 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LUPITA
16 MARTINEZ, POLICY ADVOCATE WITH CHIRLA AND CONSTITUENT OF THE
17 4TH DISTRICT. THE COALITION FOR HUMAN IMMIGRANT RIGHTS IS A
18 MEMBER-LED ORGANIZATION, AND OUR MISSION IS TO CREATE A JUST
19 SOCIETY, FULLY INCLUSIVE OF IMMIGRANTS. AT CHIRLA, CIVIC
20 ENGAGEMENT IS A FUNDAMENTAL IN OUR MISSION TO ORGANIZE AND
21 MOBILIZE COMMUNITIES TO HARNESS IMMIGRANT POLITICAL POWER. FOR
22 YEARS, CHIRLA, ALONGSIDE PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS, HAVE WORKED
23 TIRELESSLY TO ENSURE THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IS INCLUDED AND
24 REPRESENTED ADEQUATELY IN COUNTY POLICIES, INITIATIVES AND
25 PROGRAMS. ANGELENO IMMIGRANT DESERVE REPRESENTATION THAT



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1 PROPORTIONALLY REPRESENTS THEIR PRESIDENT IMPACT IN LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY. IN FACT, IMMIGRANTS AS WE KNOW ACCOUNT FOR 1/3
3 OF THE POPULATION IN LA COUNTY. AS WE SUPPORT A CHARTER
4 REFORM, CHIRLA ALSO REQUESTS THAT IMMIGRANT AND VULNERABLE
5 COMMUNITIES BE INCLUDED IN THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS DUE TO
6 OUR INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS AND LIVED EXPERIENCES. THANK YOU
7 SO MUCH.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HEY, WHAT'S UP Y'ALL? MY NAME IS ZAYAN DE LOVE. I'M
12 WITH SANCTUARY OF HOPE AND ALSO WITH GIFTED ARTS AND ACTIVISM.
13 I WANNA SAY FIRST THANK YOU TO KATHRYN BARGER AND TO HOLLY
14 MITCHELL. I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU GUYS HAVE ELEVATED TODAY. I
15 THINK THAT IT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT WE TAKE TIME TODAY TO
16 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE'S A FEW SYSTEMS IN PLACE THAT HAVE BEEN
17 HARMING A LOT OF BLACK PEOPLE. AND IN ORDER FOR US TO BE ABLE
18 TO MAKE REAL CHANGE AND NOT JUST HAVE A CHECKED BOX THAT SAYS
19 WHAT DIVERSITY LOOKS LIKE, WE WANT TO MAKE IT EQUITABLE AND
20 SUSTAINABLE AND THE WAY THAT WE DO THAT IS BY MAGNIFYING AND
21 PULLING BACK LAYERS INSIDE OF THE DETAILS OF EVERYTHING SO
22 THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT BY THE TIME SOMETHING IS IMPLEMENTED,
23 IT DOES NOT HARM THESE COMMUNITIES EVEN FURTHER. ONCE
24 SOMETHING IS IN WHAT WE DON'T HAVE THE LUXURY OF DOING IS THE
25 TIME THAT IT TOOK OR UNDOING THE HARM THAT IS GOING TO BE IN



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SUPERVISORS

1 PLACE WHEN THESE THINGS ACTUALLY TAKE PLACE. THANK YOU, GUYS,
2 SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME TODAY.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. KRISTEN NEMERS HERE ON BEHALF OF THE
7 CALIFORNIA BLACK POWER NETWORK. WE ARE A COALITION OF 44 BLACK
8 LED AND BLACK SERVING ORGANIZATIONS WORKING IN COALITION TO
9 DISMANTLE ANTI-BLACK RACISM AND CHANGE THE CONDITIONS OF OUR
10 COMMUNITIES. FOR YEARS WE HAVE WORKED TO SUPPORT DEMOCRACY
11 REFORMS THAT MAKE OUR GOVERNMENT MORE TRANSPARENT, ACCESSIBLE
12 AND ACCOUNTABLE TO THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY. AND WHILE WE
13 ARE IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNANCE REFORM, THE POTENTIAL EXPANSION
14 AND REPRESENTATION OF ALL OUR COMMUNITIES. THIS DECISION HAS
15 COME AND WAS DONE WITHOUT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND A RUSHED
16 PROCESS THAT HAS INCLUDED NO CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF THE COST OF
17 IMPLEMENTING THESE REFORMS, NO CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF HOW 3
18 EXECUTIVE POSITIONS AND THE MOVEMENT OF THE ARDI OFFICE UNDER
19 THE EXECUTIVE MIGHT IMPACT REPRESENTATION AND EQUITABLE
20 CONSIDERATION OF OUR COMMUNITIES, AND NO CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF
21 HOW THE NUMBER OF SEATS WERE CHOSEN. MUCH OF THE CONVERSATION
22 HAS REVOLVED AROUND EXPANSION, BUT THERE IS MORE TO THIS
23 PACKAGE THAN NEEDS TO BE CONSIDERED, AND THERE SHOULD BE A
24 PAUSE IN MOVING THIS FORWARD TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE ENGAGING IN
25 A THOUGHTFUL AND ANALYTICAL PROCESS THAT IS INTENTIONAL ABOUT



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SUPERVISORS

1 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. --

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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5 **SPEAKER:** I'M REVEREND KELVIN SALVES, REPRESENTING SANCTUARY OF
6 HOPE AS WELL AS A COLLEGE FOR BLACK LIVES. I'M A BLACK
7 IMMIGRANT RESIDING IN SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 2. ANY INITIATIVE
8 THAT ATTEMPTS TO ADVANCE INTEGRITY AND EQUITY, TRANSPARENCY
9 AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN COUNTY GOVERNANCE IS WELCOMED.

10 UNFORTUNATELY, ITEM 80 IS FUNDAMENTALLY FLAWED IN SEVERAL
11 AREAS AMONG OTHERS, NOT BACKED BY EMPIRICAL EVIDENCE, LACK OF
12 DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION OF COUNTY CONSTITUENTS, LACK OF
13 COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS ON FINANCIAL IMPACT. HENCE, I HAVE DEEP
14 CONCERNS ABOUT ITEM 80 IN ITS CURRENT FORM AND THEREFORE DO
15 NOT SUPPORT IT. WE DO NOT SEEK NOR EXPECT PERFECTION WITH THIS
16 LEGISLATION. WE DO SEEK, WHAT WE DO SEEK IS INCLUSION OF THE
17 PEOPLE RESIDING IN LA COUNTY. WHAT WE DO EXPECT IS THE POWER
18 OF PARTICIPATION BY THE PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY. AND SO, I AM
19 OPPOSED TO IT AND LOOKING FORWARD TO ONGOING WORK WITH IT,
20 THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** PETE WHITE, LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK.
25 L.A. CAN'T OPPOSE THE PROPOSED EXPANSION BALLOT MEASURE, NOT



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 BECAUSE THE BLACK COMMUNITY DOES NOT BELIEVE IN AND FIGHT FOR
2 A REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AND AGREE IN CONCEPT ON EXPANSION
3 AS A PATHWAYS TOWARDS DIRECT DEMOCRACY. WE OPPOSE BECAUSE THIS
4 PROPOSAL DOES NOT CHECK OFF ANY OF THE BASIC BOXES. WHY 9
5 DISTRICTS? HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? WHY THE RUSH TO DIVIDE
6 COMMUNITIES? WHY AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE PROPOSAL BEING
7 FLAWED BUT PROMISES TO FIX LATER? 6 YEARS TO FINISH? BRING IT
8 BACK TO THE VOTERS? YOU CAN'T MAKE A BAD BALLOT INITIATIVE
9 BETTER. NO COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES KNOWS BETTER THE IMPACT OF
10 FAILED OR DELIBERATE POLICY. RACIAL COVENANTS, REDLINING,
11 DEINDUSTRIALIZATION, THE WAR ON DRUGS, HOMELESSNESS, ORGANIZED
12 ABANDONMENT. IN OUR COMMUNITY, WE MUST GET IT RIGHT THE FIRST
13 TIME, BECAUSE SECOND CHANCES ARE NONEXISTENT AND DELETERIOUS
14 IMPACTS ARE DEADLY. THEY'RE NOT LIKE US. THANK YOU.

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RON COLLINS. I'M WITH THE
19 LOS ANGELES BLACK WORKER CENTER AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN
20 OPPOSITION OF THE CURRENT MOTION FOR A CHARTER AMENDMENT. TO
21 BE CLEAR, WE DO SUPPORT A POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF THE BOARD, BUT
22 NOT WITHOUT THE DUE DILIGENCE OF A TRUE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
23 PROCESS AND ADEQUATE STUDY. IN THE PAST FEW YEARS, BLACK
24 WORKERS HAVE SEEN WHAT CAN HAPPEN WHEN THERE IS NOT ENOUGH
25 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNMENT, PARTICULARLY



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 WHEN IT COMES TO THE ISSUE OF REDISTRICTING, AND WE NEED OUR
2 COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO DO BETTER. TRANSPARENT DEMOCRACY ISN'T
3 JUST ABOUT LETTING PEOPLE KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IN GOVERNMENT,
4 BUT ALSO ALLOWING FOLKS AN HONEST OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE
5 IN POLITICAL DECISIONS THAT IMPACT US. AT THE LA BLACK WORKERS
6 CENTER, WE ENVISION A WORLD WHERE BLACK WORKERS THRIVE IN AN
7 EQUITABLE ECONOMY. AND WE CANNOT, AND THAT CANNOT BE DONE WHEN
8 OUR COMMUNITIES ARE NOT FULLY INCLUDED IN DECISIONS THAT
9 DEEPLY IMPACT US. WE STAND WITH THE CALIFORNIA BLACK POWER
10 NETWORK, LACAN, AND OTHER BLACK LED ORGANIZATIONS DEMANDING
11 REAL ASSESSMENT TO THIS AMENDMENT. INSTEAD, WE URGE THE BOARD
12 TO WORK WITH ORGANIZATIONS --

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** GREETINGS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M ONYEA MOBIAKIYA
17 WITH BLACK WOMEN FOR WELLNESS AND BLACK WOMEN FOR WELLNESS
18 ACTION PROJECT, REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS, PROUDLY
19 BASED HERE IN LA, RIGHT IN LIMERICK PARK, WHERE DUE TO NEARLY
20 3 DECADES OF WORK TO ADVOCATE FOR THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF
21 BLACK WOMEN AND GIRLS, WE HAVE DEVELOPED DEEP ROOTS AND BUILT
22 FAMILY IN THIS CULTURAL HUB OF BLACK LA. TODAY, WE'RE HERE TO
23 EXPRESS DEEP CONCERN FOR THIS PROPOSED MOTION. WHILE WE
24 ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT THE COUNTY IS IN NEED OF GOVERNANCE
25 REFORM, THIS PROPOSAL LACKS THE NECESSARY COMMUNITY



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SUPERVISORS

1 INVOLVEMENT AND PLANNING TO BENEFIT ALL ANGELENOS. IT FEELS
2 RUSHED AND WHILE POTENTIALLY TRANSFORMATIVE, WE'RE RISKING
3 SIGNIFICANT CHANGES WITHOUT THE NECESSARY DATA TO SUPPORT OUR
4 CONFIDENCE THAT A MONUMENTAL CHANGE LIKE THIS LIKELY WILL NOT
5 RESULT IN UNINTENDED HARMS OR CONSEQUENCES TO OUR COMMUNITIES.
6 TO BE SURE WE'RE NOT OPPOSED TO REFORM, THE PROCESS IS WHAT
7 RAISES CONCERNS. OUR COMMUNITY HAS ENDURED DECADES OF SYSTEMIC
8 CHALLENGES FROM ACCESS TO ADEQUATE HEALTHCARE, HEALTHY FOOD.
9 WE UNDERSTAND URGENCY, BUT NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR
10 COMMUNITIES. WE CALL ON THE SUPERVISORS TO PAUSE THIS EFFORT -
11 -

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.
14

15 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MARK ANTHONY CLAYTON
16 JOHNSON, DIGNITY AND POWER NOW. I CAN'T THINK OF A TIME IN THE
17 LAST 22 YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN COMING DOWN HERE WHERE THE
18 QUESTION OF EXPANSION WASN'T ACTUALLY A GOOD QUESTION. BUT
19 WHEN WE CONFUSE EXPANSION WITH THE ABILITY OF PEOPLE TO
20 ACTUALLY MEET THEIR NEEDS, WE RUN INTO SERIOUS TROUBLE. AND I
21 THINK THE QUESTION BEFORE US NOW IN THE CONVERSATION THAT
22 WE'RE SEEING HERE IS THAT THERE IS A CONFLATION OF
23 REPRESENTATION AND POLITICAL POWER. WE CANNOT TURN TO OUR
24 COMMUNITIES AND REALLY SAY THAT JUST BECAUSE WE ARE EXPANDING
25 THE BOARD TO 9 THAT THAT TRANSLATES INTO PEOPLE'S INCREASED



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SUPERVISORS

1 ABILITY TO MEET THEIR NEEDS. WHEN WE WERE FIGHTING FOR
2 OVERSIGHT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WE HAD A NUMBER IN MIND
3 ABOUT THE COMMISSION SIZE. WE HAD STAFFING NUMBERS. WE HAD
4 IDEAS AROUND LEGAL INFRASTRUCTURE, AND WE PUT IT BEFORE THE
5 COMMUNITY THROUGH TOWN HALLS, THROUGH CONVERSATIONS, THROUGH
6 DEBATES FOR OVER A YEAR. AND I BELIEVE WHERE WE LANDED WAS THE
7 RIGHT PLACE. WE DON'T SEE THAT LEVEL OF RIGOR IN THIS
8 PRESENTATION. AND WE ASK YOU, THAT IS WHAT'S NECESSARY BEFORE
9 YOU VOTE TODAY.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12
13 **SPEAKER:** HI. ROB KWAN WITH UNRIG LA. I LIVE IN DISTRICT 1. AND
14 2 WEEKS AGO, I BIT MY TONGUE ON THE VAGUE PROMISES OF AN
15 INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION BECAUSE I HAD FAITH THAT THE
16 MOVERS WOULD COME BACK WITH SOME LANGUAGE THAT HAD SOME
17 MINIMAL GUARDRAILS. THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE OF THE PERFECT BEING
18 THE ENEMY OF THE GOOD IF IT AIN'T ACTUALLY GOOD. TO SAY THESE
19 ARE HALF-BAKED REFORMS IS ACTUALLY A GROSS OVERSTATEMENT. THIS
20 MIGHT BE THE LEAST INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION EVER
21 IMAGINED. TELLING VOTERS OTHERWISE WOULD BE DEEPLY MISLEADING.
22 THERE IS NOTHING IN HERE TO ENSURE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE
23 SELECTION OR REMOVAL PROCESS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OR THE
24 COMPLIANCE OFFICER. THE SECTION 1118 ACTUALLY MAKES IT SEEM
25 LIKE THE EXECUTIVE, THE ELECTED OFFICIAL WOULD APPOINT THEM.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 THERE'S 0 INFORMATION ON THE BASIC ESSENTIALS OF HOW TO ISSUE
2 FINES. I SPENT 6 YEARS WORKING ON THIS ISSUE AT THE CITY OF
3 LA, STUDYING OUR ETHICS COMMISSION AND THOSE ACROSS THE
4 COUNTRY. THIS FEELS LIKE CHEAP SWEETENER THROWN IN TO PUNCH UP
5 YOUR OTHER REFORMS AND THAT 50 CENT TAX YOU WANT A GREEN
6 LIGHT. YOU MAY SAY THOSE DETAILS WOULD BE HANDLED BY A FANCY
7 TASK FORCE, BUT VOTERS ARE NOT APPROVING THOSE ISSUES.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT
10 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MEMBERS. MY NAME IS STANLEY
13 THERMIDOR. I WORK WITH THE NEW WAY OF LIFE REENTRY PROJECT,
14 AND I AM A MEMBER OF ALL OF US IN LOS ANGELES LONG BEACH
15 CHAPTER. I WORK IN DISTRICT 2, AND I LIVE IN DISTRICT 3. SO,
16 FOR ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF NOW, WE'VE BEEN WORKING IN
17 CONJUNCTION WITH A LOT OF ORGANIZATION ON GOVERNANCE REFORM ON
18 THE LA CITY COUNCIL AND WE HAVE ACHIEVED BALLOT INITIATIVE TO
19 PROVIDE THAT. BUT THAT HAS BEEN A YEAR AND A HALF PROCESS OF
20 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AS WELL AS COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION WHICH
21 HAS CONTRIBUTED TO A TRULY DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. SO, WHILE WE
22 AGREE THAT REFORM IS NECESSARY AND WE APPLAUD THE PROACTIVE
23 ASPECT OF THIS MOTION, WE FEEL THAT THE LACK OF COMMUNITY
24 ENGAGEMENT AS WELL AS THE RUSH OF THE PROCESS GIVES US
25 SUPPORT. THANK YOU.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GONNA GO BACK TO
3 SPEAKERS ON THE PHONE. MODERATOR, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
6 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 80. IF YOU HAVE
7 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
8 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER
9 PLEASE?

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11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTINE HARRIS. PLEASE
12 UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13
14 **SPEAKER:** AND I'M A RESIDENT OF CANOGA PARK AND I SUPPORT ITEM
15 80. I AM HAPPY THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE SERIOUSLY
16 LOOKING AT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF ITS MEMBERS. I BELIEVE
17 THAT THE POINT OF DOING THIS IS TO PROVIDE BETTER
18 REPRESENTATION OF THE CONSTITUENTS OF LA COUNTY. AND THAT'S
19 WHY THAT IN ADDITION TO EXPANDING THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHOULD
20 ALSO PUT FORTH A MEASURE TO DO A FULL EVALUATION OF THE
21 ADVANTAGES OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING TO ELECT THE ADDITIONAL
22 MEMBERS RATHER THAN CONTINUING TO USE THE TWO-ROUND CONTINGENT
23 RUNOFF SYSTEM. THIS MOVEMENT TOWARD THE CHARTER AMENDMENT IS A
24 GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO GIVE
25 DIRECTION TO LA COUNTY REGISTRAR DEAN LOGAN TO COME BACK WITH



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 A REPORT ON HOW THE COUNTY COULD IMPLEMENT RANKED-CHOICE
2 VOTING FOR COUNTY ELECTIONS AND ELECTIONS RUN BY THE COUNTY ON
3 BEHALF OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT. CITIES AND STATES THAT HAVE
4 ALREADY IMPLEMENTED RANKED-CHOICE VOTING, SUCH AS ALASKA, HAVE
5 FOUND THAT RANKED-CHOICE VOTING ULTIMATELY SAVES TAXPAYERS A
6 TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY, WILL DRAMATICALLY REDUCE NEGATIVE
7 CAMPAIGNING DURING CAMPAIGNS AND ELIMINATE THE SPOILER EFFECT
8 IN ELECTIONS --

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
11 SPEAKER PLEASE.

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KAREN WATERS. PLEASE UNMUTE
14 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK MY NAME IS KAREN WATERS I AM A LOCAL
18 LEADER HERE IN THE COMMUNITY AND I SUPPORT ITEM 80. I WOULD
19 LIKE TO CALL TO MIND TO YOUR MIND THE DISENFRANCHISEMENT WHICH
20 OCCURS WITH ETHICS VIOLATIONS AND WITH LIMITED TIME TO SPEAK I
21 JUST WANTED TO EMPHASIZE THAT AND ALSO COMMEND SUPERVISOR HAHN
22 FOR MAKING THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BRUCE FAMILY TO RECEIVE
23 THEIR PROPERTY BACK THAT WAS AN EXAMPLE OF REPARATIONS. SO,
24 THANK YOU FOR THIS, AND I APPLAUD THIS MOTION AND APPROVE
25 AGENDA ITEM 8.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JESSE FRAGOSO. PLEASE
5 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JESSE FRAGOSO AND I AM A BOYLE
8 HEIGHTS BASED ARTIST. BEING INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY HAS MADE
9 ME BELIEVE CHILDREN AND YOUTH ARE A KEY TO THE FUTURE. NOW I'M
10 CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 80 AND WOULD LIKE TO URGE FOR NEW
11 RESOURCES REGARDING THE ARTS AND CULTURE CREATED IN BOYLE
12 HEIGHTS FOR FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY AND ALSO UPCOMING
13 ARTISTS. THANK YOU.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHRIES. PLEASE UNMUTE
18 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, ROY HUMPHRIES. ROWLAND HEIGHTS. SUPERVISOR
21 HORVATH NOTES THAT THIS ALL-WOMAN BOARD WAS THE ONLY FORCE
22 CAPABLE OF CURING THE MORAL DEPRIVATION OF THIS BODY POLITIC.
23 HOW HYPOCRITICAL. WHAT HAPPENED TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND
24 INCLUSION? GREAT JOB, SUPERVISOR BARGER. SUPERVISOR SOLIS
25 THROWS IN THE RACE CARD ONCE AGAIN. THANK YOU. CEO NOTES THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 CONTINUED ROBBING PETER TO PAY PAUL. THANK YOU FOR THAT. FROM
2 THE DA MEETING THIS WEEKEND, THE DA, WE NEED TO MODERNIZE THE
3 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, INCLUDE JAILS TO BRING BACK LAW AND
4 ORDER. SHOW ME THE MONEY. INCREASE THE BOARD TO 9 WHY NOT 19,
5 SHOW ME THE MONEY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL CAN DO THE MATH, BUT
6 OUR ASIAN BROTHERS AND SISTERS SPEAKING, JUST BRUSH THE MATH
7 ASIDE, WHICH IS MIND-BOGGLING TO ME. NOW LET'S GET ON TO
8 BREASTFEEDING. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **MODERATOR:** ALL RIGHT, OUR PARTICIPANT IS LILA MURPHY. PLEASE
13 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LILA I'M A RESIDENT IN DISTRICT 5
16 AND I'M CALLING THIS JUSTICE LA COALITION. WHILE I ALWAYS
17 SUPPORT A MORE REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT MENTAL BODY, I AGREE
18 WITH SEVERAL OF THE CONCERNS VOICED BY SUPERVISORS MITCHELL
19 AND BARGER TODAY AS WELL AS MANY COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THIS
20 CHARTER AMENDMENT HAS BEEN PRESENTED AS ENTIRELY COST NEUTRAL,
21 BUT WE ALL KNOW THAT IT'S HIGHLY UNLIKELY. IT IS CRITICAL THAT
22 CFCI AND OTHER CARE-FIRST FUNDING ARE NOT DECREASED TO
23 ACCOMMODATE THE BOARD RESTRUCTURING. HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH
24 CARE, AND OTHER COUNTY SERVICES ARE CRUCIAL FOR LA RESIDENTS.
25 ALL TOO OFTEN, SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES ARE THE FIRST TO BE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 IMPACTED BY COUNTY BUDGET CUTS. THIS CHARTER AMENDMENT MUST
2 NOT TAKE TAXPAYER FUNDS FROM THE SERVICES ANGELENOS TRULY WANT
3 AND NEED. WE NEED PRELIMINARY FISCAL ANALYSIS BECAUSE THE
4 BOARD CHANGES ARE GOING TO COST COUNTY MONEY SO WE NEED TO
5 MAKE SURE THAT THE MOST CRUCIAL COUNTY SERVICES WON'T BE
6 IMPACTED. THANK YOU.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HECTOR PLACENTIA. PLEASE
11 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HOLA, BUENOS DIAS. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. EL
14 CONTRERAS PLACENCIA, PRONOUN SAY WE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH
15 PLACENCIA CONSULTING, A SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION FIRM AND THE SAN
16 GABRIEL VALLEY LGBTQ CENTER, SERVING AND ADVOCATING FOR THE
17 115,000 QUEER AND TRANSGENDER RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE SAN
18 GABRIEL VALLEY. WE'RE CALLING IN SUPPORT OF MOTION 80 AS IT
19 ALLOWS FOR INCREASED REPRESENTATION, IMPROVED TRANSPARENCY AND
20 GOVERNANCE TRANSFORMATION. AS THE MOTION ADVANCES, WE'RE ALSO
21 IN SUPPORT OF BUDGET TRANSPARENCY TO UNDERSTAND FINANCIAL
22 IMPACT, COMMUNITY BUY-IN TO ENSURE INFORMED GUIDANCE, AN
23 ASSESSMENT OF INTERNAL GOVERNANCE TO PROVIDE CLARITY OF HOW
24 THE SYSTEMIC TRANSFORMATION WILL EVOLVE. GRACIAS.

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SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MAYA HENDRICKS. PLEASE
4 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS MAYA HENDRIX I AM A RESIDENT
7 OF SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 3 AND A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINED
8 COALITION ALTHOUGH I SUPPORT THE DIFFUSION OF CENTRALIZED
9 POWER AND A POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF THE BOARD AND REFORMS THAT
10 WILL ENHANCE TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC INPUT, THE APPROACH
11 MATTERS SIGNIFICANTLY. WHAT OUR COMMUNITIES DESERVE IS A
12 DELIBERATE CHARTER AMENDMENT CREATED NOT BY PERSONAL
13 PREFERENCES BUT BY A COMPREHENSIVE UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT
14 SERVES THE PUBLIC GREATER GOOD. THIS AMENDMENT SHOULD ENSURE
15 THAT OUR GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE EVOLVES IN A WAY THAT PROMOTES
16 OPENNESS AND INCLUSIVITY, REFLECTING THE DIVERSE NEEDS OF OUR
17 POPULATION. MORE TIME AND MORE RESEARCH IS NEEDED TO
18 UNDERSTAND THE RISK THAT THIS MOTION MAY POSE. THANK YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SUSETTA DABUSCO PLEASE
23 UNMUTE SPEAK DIRECTLY IN YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN GO AHEAD.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SUSETTA DABUSCO AND I LIVE IN THE
5 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF LA VERNE. I SUPPORT ITEM 80. WE NEED
6 MORE REPRESENTATION AND TRANSPARENCY. I KNOW CHANGE IS HARD
7 AND SCARY AND PEOPLE SAY BUT IT'S BEEN THIS WAY FOREVER. TO ME
8 DOING NOTHING IS THE MOST SCARY THING AT ALL. DOING NOTHING
9 DEFINITELY DOES NOTHING AND I APPLAUD PEOPLE FOR TRYING TO
10 CHANGE. WE NEED IT HERE IN LA AND WE NEED MORE REPRESENTATION.
11 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

14

15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PATRICIA MCALLISTER. PLEASE
16 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** YES, PATRICIA MCALLISTER HERE. I OPPOSE ITEM 80. I
19 DON'T THINK WE NEED AN ETHICS COMMITTEE. WE NEED A CONTROLLER.
20 WE DON'T HAVE A CONTROLLER. THE SUPERVISORS ARE CONTROLLERS.
21 THEY'RE HANDLING ALL THE MONEY. WE NEED TO PUT ON THE BALLOT
22 WHERE WE CAN ELECT OUR CONTROLLER. AT THIS TIME, THE
23 SUPERVISORS, THEY APPOINT THE CONTROLLER, SO THE SUPERVISORS
24 ARE IN CHARGE OF THE MONEY. WE ALSO NEED TRANSPARENCY. LEAVING
25 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL OUT OF THE PLANS AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 BOARD, THAT'S AGAINST THE LAW. AND WE NEED TO FILE A GRIEVANCE
2 A PETITION I HAVE UNMUTED CAN YOU HEAR ME?

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE CAN HEAR YOU NOW.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, HI PATRICIA MCALLISTER HERE I OPPOSE ITEM
7 80 I DON'T THINK WE NEED AN EXODUS COMMUNITY AND WE DON'T NEED
8 TO EXPAND THE SUPERVISORS OF THE ETHICS WE NEED TO DEAL MORE
9 WITH YOU SAY WE NEED THIS BECAUSE THERE'S NOT ENOUGH MONEY TO
10 HELP THE PEOPLE THERE IS ENOUGH MONEY TO HELP THE PEOPLE WHAT
11 WE NEED IS A CONTROLLER. WE DON'T HAVE --

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
14 SPEAKER PLEASE.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JACQUELINE PINTO, PLEASE
17 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JACQUELINE AND I'M A
20 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 4 AND A MEMBER OF REIMAGINE LA COALITION.
21 WE ARE CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE POTENTIAL IN THIS
22 MOTION FOR INCREASED VOTER ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY OF
23 THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE. THERE ARE CRITICAL UNKNOWNNS THAT,
24 IF NOT ADDRESSED, COULD EXACERBATE INEQUITIES AND COMPROMISE
25 TRANSPARENCY IN OUR GOVERNANCE. AS A BOARD, YOU SHOULD BE



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SUPERVISORS

1 COMMITTED TO A DATA-INFORMED APPROACH TO ENHANCE OUR COUNTY'S
2 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE. THIS INCLUDES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN
3 INDEPENDENT ENTITY TO THOROUGHLY EVALUATE NOT JUST THE NUMBER
4 OF BOARD SEATS, BUT ALSO HOW POLICIES ARE FORMULATED AND THEIR
5 IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY. BRUSHING TO THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER
6 BYPASSES THIS CRUCIAL PROCESS WHICH IS ESSENTIAL FOR
7 ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSES OF OUR GOVERNANCE CHALLENGES. THANK
8 YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT.

11

12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'RE GONNA GO TO SPEAKERS IN
13 PERSON NEXT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SHEN
16 XIAOYU AND I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN
17 SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 80, CHARTER REFORM. WITH A
18 POPULATION OF CLOSE TO 10,000,000 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, EACH
19 SUPERVISOR REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 2,000,000 PEOPLE. THIS
20 LARGE SIZE OF EACH SUPERVISOR DISTRICT IS NOT ONLY OUT OF
21 ALIGNMENT WITH COUNTY GOVERNMENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, MORE
22 IMPORTANTLY, IT CREATES MANY BARRIERS FOR RESIDENTS' VOICES TO
23 BE HEARD. I SUPPORT THE EXPANSION FROM 5 TO 9 DISTRICTS IN
24 ORDER TO CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS TO AMPLIFY
25 THEIR VOICES, TO HAVE MORE DIVERSE REPRESENTATIONS ON THE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 BOARD. SMALLER DISTRICTS WILL GIVE EACH SUPERVISOR MORE
2 OPPORTUNITIES TO DEEPLY ENGAGE WITH RESIDENTS AND BUILD
3 RELATIONSHIPS. LOS ANGELES HAS HISTORICALLY LED THE COUNTRY IN
4 DIVERSITY AND REPRESENTATION. AND THIS CHARTER REFORM WILL
5 FURTHER THE EFFORTS TO INCREASE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION
6 CREATING MORE SEATS AT THE TABLE THAT REFLECT THE MULTI-
7 FACETEDNESS OF THIS COUNTY. THIS CHARTER REFORM WILL LEAD TO
8 MORE EFFICIENT AND MORE ACCESSIBLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR ALL.
9 THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THE RED CHIEF HUNT. LET'S GET IT ON YOU GUYS. LIKE
14 MARVIN GAYE SAY, LET'S GET IT ON. I'M READY FOR IT. LET'S SEE.
15 I THINK I GOT MY SLOGAN TOGETHER VOTE FOR THE RED CHIEF HUNT.
16 THE COMMONSENSE CHIEF, THE CHIEF THAT YOU KNOW FOR THE SEVENTH
17 DISTRICT, C7 DISTRICT. SO, I'M IN SUPPORT OF THIS. ALL MY
18 VOTERS, YOU GUYS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO SAY MIKE HUNT ON YOUTUBE.
19 MY 1,000,000 VOTERS ON YOUTUBE, PLEASE VOTE FOR THE RED CHIEF
20 HUNT. YOU KNOW, 4 MORE SEATS ADDED TO THIS BOARD IS JUST GREAT
21 AND VERY POSITIVE. THANK YOU GUYS AND I AM THE RED CHIEF HUNT.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M REGINA MARTIN. I LIVE IN DISTRICT 2. I'M WITH



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 BLACK WOMEN FOR WELLNESS. ALTHOUGH REFORM IS IMPORTANT, THE
2 PROPOSAL TO EXPAND THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS
3 RUSHED. THE DECISION TO EXPAND FROM 5 SEATS TO 9 SEATS WAS
4 BASED ON POLLING RESULTS IGNORING THE ACTUAL NEEDS OF LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS. NEXT, THE COSTS ARE UNCLEAR AND
6 HIDDEN. WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE COST OF IMPLEMENTING THE PROPOSED
7 REFORMS, THE RESPONSE THAT IT WILL NOT REQUIRE NEW TAXES
8 HIGHLIGHTS THE LACK OF TRANSPARENCY. LA RESIDENTS NEED
9 ASSURANCE THAT ESSENTIAL COUNTY PROGRAMS WON'T LOSE FUNDING
10 DUE TO THIS HURRIED AND FLAWED PROPOSAL. AND THE NEXT THING
11 THAT IS CONCERNING IS THE UNDERMINING OF SUPERVISOR HOLLY
12 MITCHELL'S LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, A
13 LONGSTANDING ADVOCATE FOR ALL LA COMMUNITIES HAS BEEN LEADING
14 ON THIS ISSUE SINCE 2023, PROPOSING A PACKAGE AIMED AT
15 INSTITUTING THROUGH THOROUGH STUDY, RESEARCH, AND COMMUNITY
16 ENGAGEMENT TO DETERMINE --

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL GO BACK TO
19 SPEAKERS ON THE PHONE.

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ISAAC WINKISH. PLEASE
22 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** IS THAT ISAAC WILF, POTENTIALLY?



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** ISAAC WILF, SORRY THEY HAVE YOU MISSPELLED, I
2 APOLOGIZE SIR. YES, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, GO AHEAD PLEASE.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ISAAC WILF, I LIVE IN
5 NORTH HOLLYWOOD IN DISTRICT 3 AND I SUPPORT ITEM 80 TO ENLARGE
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I BELIEVE THAT THE GOALS OF BETTER
7 REPRESENTATION WOULD BE BEST ACHIEVED BY ELECTING THOSE 9
8 SEATS THROUGH PROPORTIONAL RANK CHOICE VOTING. INSTEAD OF THE
9 OUTDATED 2 ROUND CONTINGENT RUNOFF SYSTEM USED TODAY, RANK
10 CHOICE VOTING WOULD ENSURE THAT A MAJORITY RATHER THAN A
11 PLURALITY OF VOTERS IN EACH DISTRICT SELECTS THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS AND JUST KEEPS THAT ONE ELECTION. PLEASE ENSURE
13 THAT THE REFORM PROCESS INCLUDES THIS. THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS YARAZILA GONZALEZ. PLEASE
18 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. HELLO, MY NAME IS YARZEELEY GONZALEZ AND I'M
25 WITH THE CENTRAL AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER, CARESEN LA. I'M



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SUPERVISORS

1 CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 80 TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS AND ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVES. WE BELIEVE IT'S
3 IMPORTANT THAT DIVERSE VOICES ARE NOT ONLY GIVEN A WIDER
4 PLATFORM BUT ARE ALSO BETTER AMPLIFIED SO THEY ARE GIVEN THE
5 REPRESENTATION THEY DESERVE IN THE DECISIONS WE MAKE TO ENSURE
6 WE DIRECT RESOURCES THAT POSITIVELY IMPACT ALL OF THE COUNTY
7 RESIDENTS. THANK YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LAURA CAHALAN. PLEASE
12 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

15

16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. THANK YOU. HELLO. MY NAME IS LORICA HOLLAND. I
19 AM A RESIDENT OF THE VISARIAL DISTRICT 2, AN ORGANIZER FOR
20 WHITE PEOPLE FOR BLACK LIVES, REIMAGINE LA, AND LA CENSA. I
21 WANNA SAY THAT FOR MANY YEARS, WE'VE CALLED FOR CEO
22 ATONABILITY AND THE CEO TO BE AN ELECTED POSITION, AND ALL OF
23 THE CONCERNS RAISED TODAY AROUND THE QUICKNESS THAT THIS
24 BALLOT MEASURE WAS PROPOSED AND THE LACK OF COMMUNITY
25 ENGAGEMENT ARE VALID. SO WE DO SUPPORT DECENTRALIZING



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SUPERVISORS

1 GOVERNMENT POWER, WE DO SUPPORT EXPANDING THE BOARD, HOWEVER
2 IT WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY HELPFUL TO HAVE MORE COMMUNITY INPUT
3 ON THE FRONT END OF A BALLOT MEASURE LIKE THIS BECAUSE IT WAS
4 A HOLIDAY WEEK WHEN IT WAS COMING UP AND IT WAS DIFFICULT TO
5 ACTUALLY DO THE NECESSARY ANALYSIS AND WE ARE ALSO CONCERNED
6 ABOUT FRAGMENTING VOTING POWER BLOCKS FOR BOTH PROGRESSIVE AND
7 BLACK VOTERS. AND WE WANT TO AFFIRM THAT WE BELIEVE IT'S VERY
8 IMPORTANT TO HAVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FROM BLACK COMMUNITIES
9 FOR BOARD EXPANSION, PARTICULARLY, AND REDISTRICTING. THANK
10 YOU.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CURTIS CLARK. PLEASE UNMUTE
15 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** I STAND WITH HOLLY MITCHELL, AND WHAT Y'ALL NEED TO
18 REALIZE IS THAT WE AS BLACK AMERICANS, WE DON'T HAVE A COUNTRY
19 TO RUN ACROSS THE BORDER TO. AND THE WHITE POWER PLAY BY HAHN
20 AND HORVATH IS UNACCEPTABLE. AND IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO QUIT,
21 AND Y'ALL GOING TO HAVE TO RECKON WITH US. BECAUSE I DON'T SEE
22 ANY IMMIGRANTS, VERY FEW IMMIGRANTS IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS
23 MOVEMENT THAT OUR ANCESTORS HAD FOUGHT. SO, YOU KNOW, AGAIN,
24 WE DON'T HAVE A BORDER TO RUN ACROSS TO GO HOME AS A BLACK
25 AMERICAN. THIS IS OUR COUNTRY AND THIS IS WHERE WE'RE FROM.



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1 AND I STAND WITH HOLLY MITCHELL. AND THE DUE DILIGENCE NEEDS
2 TO BE DONE AND TAKEN PLACE RELATIVE TO THIS MEASURE. AND THE
3 WHITE POWER PLAYS NEED TO STOP. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

6
7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DAVE GELOTTI. PLEASE UNMUTE
8 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9
10 **SPEAKER:** A CONCEPT OF BOARD EXPANSION. MY NAME IS DAVE
11 GELOTTI, PRESIDENT OF LA COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 1014
12 DISTRICT 4 RESIDENT. CONCEPT OF BOARD EXPANSION AND AN ETHICS
13 COMMITTEE CEO AND GOVERNANCE CHANGE IS A CONCEPT THAT APPEARS
14 TO HAVE 5 SUPERVISORS SUPPORT AND LIKELY STAKEHOLDER AND GROUP
15 IN PUBLIC SUPPORT. IF AND ONLY IF WE TOOK THE TIME TO GET THE
16 DETAILS RIGHT AND GET THE SURVEY AND THE REPORT BACK AND A
17 REALISTIC APPROACH TO COST AND BUDGET WILL SUPPORT THE
18 AMENDMENT TO CARVE OUT THE CEO LANGUAGE. IF YOU'RE NOT GOING
19 TO MOVE TO TABLE THIS, IF YOU WERE TO TABLE THIS MUCH LIKE
20 WITH THE COVID AND GET ALL 5 SUPERVISORS ON BOARD IN
21 COLLABORATION, YOU WOULD RESTORE PUBLIC TRUST AND SUPPORT, AND
22 THEREBY GET EVERYBODY ON BOARD WITH THE CONCEPTS THAT YOU'VE
23 PUT FORWARD IN THE MOTION. I ALSO SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF LOCAL
24 1014 SOME ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT AMENDMENTS THAT WE OFFER UP
25 FOR THE ORDINANCE. THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ALICIA MOORE. PLEASE UNMUTE AND
5 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YES, HI, GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE ENTIRE BOARD AND
8 EVERYONE THAT'S ON THIS CALL. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS TIME
9 TO ENCOURAGE EACH AND EVERY INDIVIDUAL. STOP LEADING IN
10 PREJUDICE. STOP LEADING IN BIAS. YOU MUST UNDO THAT FROM THE
11 CONTENT OF YOUR HEART WHEN YOU ARE ATTEMPTING TO SET A
12 PLATFORM OF PEOPLE WITHOUT THE INITIATIVE TO SERVE EVERYONE
13 FOR THE SAME PURPOSE. YOU ARE HEADING FOR A DISASTER. THIS
14 WORLD AND DEMOCRACY IS ALREADY IN A DOWNWARD SPIRAL. HOW DARE
15 YOU SUPPORT THAT? HOW DARE YOU? YOU MUST STAND. AND WHEN YOU
16 STAND, YOU HAVE TO STAND FOR WHAT'S RIGHT FOR ALL PEOPLE. YOUR
17 PREJUDICE NESS IS NOT OKAY. NONE OF US ASKED FOR THIS --

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LESLIE ROJAS. PLEASE DON'T
23 MUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LESLIE ROJAS AND I'M A STUDENT AT



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO EXPRESS
2 MY SUPPORT FOR THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 80, BECAUSE BY REFORMING
3 THE COUNTY CHARTER, WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE A MORE
4 EFFECTIVE, REPRESENTATIVE, AND ACCOUNTABLE GOVERNMENT FOR THE
5 RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES. EXPANDING THE NUMBER OF SUPERVISORS
6 FROM 5 TO 9 WILL ALLOW MORE DIVERSE VOICES REFLECTING THE
7 COMPOSITION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. TO SHAPE COUNTY POLICY,
8 BRING PEOPLE CLOSER TO THEIR ELECTED SUPERVISORS. I BELIEVE IT
9 IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT ALL RESIDENTS FEEL ADEQUATELY
10 REPRESENTED. THANK YOU.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE
15 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

16
17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

18
19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU FOR
20 EVERYBODY FOR SPEAKING ON THIS ISSUE. THERE'S CLEARLY DIVERSE
21 VOICES ON THIS. YOU KNOW ONE OF THE THINGS I JUST WANTED TO
22 CLARIFY I KNOW SUPERVISOR MITCHELL YOU WERE CONCERNED THAT OUR
23 ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION MIGHT BE IMPACTED BY US MOVING RESOURCES
24 AROUND IN THE COUNTY, BUT IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT, I
25 DON'T KNOW, FESIA, IF YOU CAN ANSWER THIS, THAT ENCAMPMENT



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SUPERVISORS

1 RESOLUTION IS PAID FOR OUT OF, IS THAT PART OF MEASURE H
2 DOLLARS?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** WE DO A LITTLE BIT OF BOTH. WE HAVE
5 ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION THAT WE'RE USING SOME OF THE HI DOLLARS,
6 AND THEN WE HAVE ANOTHER PART WITH ENCAMPMENT PROTOCOL WHERE
7 WE CLEAN UP THE ENCAMPMENTS. AND I CAN'T REMEMBER IF THAT'S
8 BEEN IMPLEMENTED OR NOT, BUT THAT'S THE ONE WHERE WE WOULD USE
9 UUT TAXES.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT, BUT MEASURE H ALSO, THAT'S ONE OF OUR
12 RESOURCES FOR ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTIONS.

13

14 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THAT IS CORRECT.

15

16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND TO FOLLOW UP ON THAT, TO
19 CLARIFY, YOU ALSO HIGHLIGHTED UUT, BUT UUT IS DEDICATED TO
20 CERTAIN FUNCTIONS. IT WOULDN'T BE FOR RESTRUCTURING OF
21 GOVERNANCE.

22

23 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** NO, SO LET ME JUST CLARIFY. I THOUGHT THE
24 QUESTION WAS DO WE USE OUR UUT, OUR TAXES FROM OUR
25 UNINCORPORATED AREAS? I'M SORRY.



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO, MY QUESTION WAS, ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION,
3 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE PAY FOR THROUGH OUR MEASURE H
4 DOLLARS.

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6 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** WE, YES. BUT IT IS NOT ONLY LIMITED TO
7 MEASURE H. WE ARE LAUNCHING, IF WE HAVEN'T ALREADY, A MEASURE
8 WHERE WE ARE ACTUALLY CLEANING UP THE ENCAMPMENTS, THE ONES
9 THAT WE CAN'T GET TO RESOLVE, AND WE ARE USING SOME UUT MONEY
10 FOR THAT, BECAUSE WE'RE ONLY DOING THAT IN THE UNINCORPORATED
11 AREAS.

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND WOULD UUT BE A SOURCE, IT'S
16 MY UNDERSTANDING THAT'S A SOURCE OF FUNDING

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** LIKE A RESTRICTED.

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** DEDICATED

21

22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** IT'S RESTRICTED. WE WOULD NOT USE YOU UUT.

23

24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY SO BOTH SOURCES OF FUNDING
25 THEN WOULD BE RESTRICTED TO THOSE



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1

2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** FOR THEIR INTENDED USES

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, OKAY AND THEN FOR COUNTY
5 COUNSEL I WANT TO ADDRESS THE CONCERN THAT WAS RAISED BY
6 REGARDING THE FIRE DISTRICT. DOES THIS LANGUAGE ADDRESS HOW
7 THE FIRE DISTRICT WOULD BE ADDRESSED? I KNOW THAT LOCAL 1014
8 SUBMITTED SOME CONCERNS IN WRITING TO US AND I WANTED TO MAKE
9 SURE THAT THIS DRAFT OF THE ORDINANCE TAKES THAT INTO ACCOUNT,
10 THAT WE HAVE NOT CREATED CONFUSION AROUND THE FIRE DISTRICT AS
11 IT CURRENTLY FUNCTIONS.

12

13 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** I WOULD SAY I DON'T THINK THAT WE'VE
14 CREATED CONFUSION. I BELIEVE THE REQUEST WAS TO HAVE THEM
15 EXEMPT. AND THIS DOES NOT EXEMPT. THEY WANT TO BE EXEMPT LIKE
16 THE CLERK OF THE BOARD, THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST WOULD BE
17 EXEMPT AND THIS DOES NOT EXEMPT THEM. THERE'S NO CONFUSION,
18 THEY'RE JUST NOT EXEMPT.

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND IN ORDER TO EXEMPT THEM, DOES
21 THAT NEED TO BE PART OF A CHARTER AMENDMENT?

22

23 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** SO, SUPERVISOR, THEY ARE A SEPARATE LEGAL
24 ENTITY FROM THE COUNTY AND YOUR BOARD IS THE GOVERNING BOARD
25 OF THE FIRE DISTRICT. SO, IF THERE WAS NO PROVISION IN THE



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1 CHARTER AMENDMENT RELATING TO THE SPECIAL DISTRICTS FOR WHICH
2 YOU'RE A GOVERNING BOARD, THEN YOU WOULD BE THE DIRECT
3 APPOINTING AUTHORITY OF THOSE DISTRICTS. BUT THE PROPOSED
4 CHARTER AMENDMENT PROVIDES THAT THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE WILL
5 APPOINT THOSE DEPARTMENT HEADS SUBJECT TO BOARD CONFIRMATION.

6
7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO THAT INCLUDES THE FIRE CHIEF.

8
9 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** YES.

10
11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND I ALSO WANTED TO
12 ADDRESS A COUPLE OF OTHER THINGS THAT WERE RAISED. FIRST OF
13 ALL, I WANNA THANK EVERYBODY WHO CAME OUT AND SPOKE AND I
14 WELCOME THE CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT THAT THIS PROCESS REQUIRES IN
15 ORDER FOR IT TO BE SUCCESSFUL SHOULD THE VOTERS DECIDE THAT
16 THEY'RE READY FOR CHANGE. I APPRECIATE THE CONCERNS THAT WERE
17 RAISED ABOUT CUTTING SERVICES IN PARTICULAR, AND I WANNA BE
18 VERY CLEAR THAT THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT PROPOSE SERVICE CUTS
19 OF ANY KIND. IT PROPOSES RESTRUCTURE AND REALLOCATION WITHIN
20 OUR \$46,000,000,000 BUDGET, NOT IN ADDITION TO OUR
21 \$46,000,000,000 BUDGET, AND THAT IS WHAT'S MEANT BY NO
22 ADDITIONAL COST TO THE TAXPAYER, AND AS YOU HAVE HEARD, SOME
23 OF THOSE SERVICES, THE SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR THOSE SERVICES
24 ARE RESTRICTED, SO THOSE WOULD ALSO NOT BE CONSIDERED. WHAT
25 WILL HAPPEN SHOULD THIS PROPOSAL PASS IS THE GOVERNANCE REFORM



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1 TASK FORCE WILL ENGAGE IN A PUBLIC PROCESS THAT WILL REQUIRE
2 HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC, ALLOW FOR TRANSPARENT VETTING OF
3 COSTS, AND FROM WHERE IN THE BUDGET THEY WOULD BE PAID. AND
4 SO, WHILE THAT PROCESS IS YET TO UNFOLD, IT'S HARD TO
5 DETERMINE EXACTLY WHERE THOSE SOURCES OF FUNDING ARE AT THIS
6 MOMENT. AND I APPRECIATE THAT THAT IS A QUESTION THAT IS ON
7 THE TABLE FOR MANY PEOPLE. BUT WHAT WE ARE SAYING HERE IS THAT
8 THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT REQUIRE CUTTING OF ANY SERVICES. I
9 WANTED TO ADDRESS THE ASSERTION THAT WE ARE POLITICIZING THE
10 EXECUTIVE FUNCTION. AND I THINK THAT'S ONE WAY OF LOOKING AT
11 IT. IF THAT'S HOW YOU LOOK AT DIRECT DEMOCRACY, I THINK THAT
12 IT IS MAKING SURE THAT THIS POSITION, WHICH DRAFTS A
13 \$46,000,000,000 BUDGET, HAS A FIRST BITE AT THE APPLE IN TERMS
14 OF HOW IT IS STRUCTURED, IS ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PUBLIC JUST AS
15 WE ALL ARE IN APPROVING AND WORKING ON THAT BUDGET. AND SO, I
16 APPRECIATE THAT THERE CAN BE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION ON THAT,
17 BUT I DON'T THINK THAT IT MEANS THAT WE ARE DOING SOMETHING
18 POLITICAL IN NATURE. WE'RE DOING SOMETHING THAT IS REFLECTIVE
19 OF HOW GOVERNMENT EXISTS AT LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL LEVEL
20 THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTRY. I WANTED TO CLARIFY ALSO THAT THERE
21 HAVE, WHILE I FULLY SUPPORT ADDITIONAL STUDY, AND I BELIEVE
22 ADDITIONAL STUDY CAN ALWAYS BE HELPFUL SO LONG AS IT DOESN'T
23 BECOME A SOURCE OF INSTITUTIONAL INERTIA, I DID WANT TO
24 CLARIFY THAT THERE ACTUALLY HAVE BEEN DECADES OF STUDY AS WELL
25 AS REPORTS AND EVALUATION. THOSE WERE OUTLINED IN THE ORIGINAL



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1 MOTION. THEY WERE LINKED IN THE ORIGINAL MOTION GOING ALL THE
2 WAY BACK TO 1970, AND AS RECENT AS THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE
3 FIRST EVER INDEPENDENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY CITIZENS
4 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION, WHICH GAVE DIRECT ADVICE. IT WAS AN
5 INDEPENDENT BODY, THE FIRST TIME THAT THERE WAS AN INDEPENDENT
6 BODY TO DRAW THOSE LINES. AND THAT BODY SAID DIRECTLY TO THE
7 BOARD, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHOULD EXPLORE A BALLOT
8 MEASURE AND LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF
9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO, I THINK THIS IS RESPONSIVE TO THAT.
10 I WANNA BE HONEST AND TRANSPARENT IN SAYING THAT THIS PROPOSAL
11 IS NOT PERFECT. I APPRECIATE THAT THAT IS HARD FOR SOME TO
12 ACCEPT. I WOULD ALSO SAY OUR CURRENT FORM IS IMPERFECT AND
13 THAT IS THE NATURE OF ANY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE. TO ME, THE
14 QUESTION IS, DO LA COUNTY VOTERS DESERVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
15 DECIDE? DO THEY DESERVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE ON THIS
16 PROPOSAL, AS HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED THROUGH MANY REPORTS AND
17 STUDY? I THINK THEY DO, AND THAT IS WHAT I SEE BEFORE US
18 TODAY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

19
20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR. FIRST
21 OF ALL I'D LIKE TO SECOND THE AMENDMENT BROUGHT FORWARD BY
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I JUST WANTED TO RESTATE AN EXPECTATION
23 I HAVE OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. I UNDERSTAND THE EXECUTIVE
24 OFFICE IS PUTTING MOTION LANGUAGE TOGETHER. I'M NOT GOING TO
25 BRING FORWARD A MOTION. I'M HOPING THAT ME EXPRESSING THE



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1 DESIRE WOULD BE CLEAR ENOUGH FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO TAKE
2 ACTION AND FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO DETERMINE THE BEST WAY
3 TO GET BACK TO THE BOARD. AND AGAIN, IT WAS TO ASK TO GIVE US
4 AN UPDATE ON WHAT THE PROCESS WAS. SO, ALL BOARD MEMBERS,
5 WHILE WE'VE HAD STAFF INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS, I THINK IT'S
6 IMPORTANT THAT THE BOARD BE CLEAR ABOUT WHAT THE PROCESS WAS,
7 WHAT WENT WRONG, WHAT WENT WELL, AND CLARITY ABOUT WHERE WE
8 ARE IN THE PROCESS. I THINK IT WAS STATED THAT THE RFS HASN'T
9 GONE OUT. I UNDERSTAND SOMETHING DID GO OUT IN JULY 17TH, SO
10 IF THAT COULD BE A PART OF THE PROCESS, BECAUSE THAT ACTION
11 WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD SO THAT WORK IS CONTINUING. THERE ARE
12 OTHER GOVERNANCE ISSUES, HOPEFULLY THAT CAN BE STUDIED THAT
13 PERHAPS CAN COME BACK. SO I'D LIKE THE REPORT FROM THE
14 EXECUTIVE OFFICE BECAUSE THAT IS WHO IS IN CHARGE OF THE
15 PROCESS SO THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING THAT OF THEM. AND BECAUSE THE
16 EXECUTIVE OFFICE IS ALSO IN CHARGE OF THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE
17 COMMISSION, SINCE IT HAS BEEN EXPRESSED MULTIPLE TIMES THAT
18 THERE ARE SO MANY COMMISSIONS, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE
19 DOING. AND I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS KIND OF A NORMAL COURSE OF
20 THE WORK OF THE COUNTY OR THE BOARD, THAT THERE BE SOME KIND
21 OF REVIEW AND UPDATE ON THE WORK AND THE RELEVANCE, I THINK AS
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS SAID, OF THE COMMISSIONS. I WOULD SUGGEST
23 THAT WE ALL PUT A PAUSE, IF WE INTEND TO BRING ANY NEW
24 COMMISSIONS ONLINE, THAT WE PUT A PAUSE ON THAT UNTIL WE GET
25 THE ANALYSIS FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE CURRENT STATUS



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1 OF THE HUNDREDS, PLURAL I THINK, OF COMMISSIONS THAT ARE
2 CURRENTLY OPERATING WITH RESOURCES, WITH STAFF. WE HEARD JUST
3 YESTERDAY THAT THERE ARE 500 SOME-ODD STAFF IN THE EXECUTIVE
4 OFFICE. I DON'T REMEMBER HOW MANY OF THEM ARE ASSIGNED TO
5 COMMISSION SERVICES. SO, IF THOSE 2 THINGS COME OUT OF
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICE, I'D REALLY APPRECIATE IT, AND AGAIN, I
7 SECOND THE AMENDMENT, THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, THERE IS A
10 SECOND ON THE AMENDMENT. SO, I THINK WE START WITH THE
11 AMENDMENT FIRST. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY
12 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** NO.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, NO. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

19

20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

23

24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, NO. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** NO.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, NO. MOTION FAILS 2-3.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO, WE'LL RETURN TO ITEM 80 WHICH
12 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO
13 APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

20

21 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** NO.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, NO. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, YES. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** NO.

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, NO. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 3-

11 2.

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE NOW
14 GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM 18, BALLOT TRANSPARENCY AND
15 CONSISTENCY, PROVIDING VOTERS WITH A FISCAL AND PROGRAMMATIC
16 ANALYSIS ON COUNTY BALLOT MEASURES, WHICH WAS HELD BY
17 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
18 TELEPHONE PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.
19 OSCAR VALDEZ, OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND DEAN LOGAN OUR
20 REGISTRAR RECORDER COUNTY CLERK ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS.
21 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I WILL TURN IT TO YOU.

22

23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. THIS IS OUGHT TO BE
24 INTERESTING. SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I ARE BRINGING THIS MOTION
25 FORWARD TO ADDRESS A SERIOUS VOTER TRANSPARENCY AND EDUCATION



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1 GAP THAT WILL ALIGN US WITH THE BOARD'S EXPRESSED VALUES OF
2 TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC INTEGRITY AND WITH OUR BOARD'S
3 PRACTICES AS WELL AS THE STATE'S BALLOT ANALYSIS PROCESS. LA
4 COUNTY VOTERS RECEIVE INCONSISTENT INFORMATION FOR BALLOT
5 MEASURES ON SAMPLE BALLOTS. STATE BALLOT MEASURES ARE
6 ACCOMPANIED BY A FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON A SAMPLE BALLOT.
7 YET THIS SAME IMPORTANT INFORMATION IS NOT INCLUDED WITH
8 COUNTY-WIDE BALLOT MEASURES, AND I HAVE TO SAY I MISSED THAT
9 SOMEHOW AS A COUNTY VOTER ALL MY ADULT LIFE AND AS AN ELECTED
10 AT THE COUNTY LEVEL UNTIL RECENTLY. IN FACT, THE STATE
11 REQUIRES IN THE ELECTIONS CODE THAT THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST'S
12 OFFICE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE DO SUCH ANALYSES ON
13 STATEWIDE MEASURES AND ALLOWS COUNTIES TO DIRECT THEIR LOCAL
14 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DO THE SAME ANALYSIS. CURRENTLY SUCH
15 COUNTY FISCAL IMPACT INFORMATION IS LEFT UP TO THE OPPONENTS
16 OR PROPONENTS. NO INDEPENDENT FISCAL ANALYSIS. AND MORE OFTEN
17 THAN NOT THEY DO NOT POSSESS THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE COUNTY'S
18 FISCAL STRUCTURE TO ANALYZE THE ACTUAL FISCAL IMPACT OF A
19 PROPOSED MEASURE UNLIKE THOSE ON EITHER SIDE OF THE ISSUE, THE
20 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS THE EXPERIENCE AND OBLIGATION TO
21 PROVIDE OBJECTIVE, FACT-BASED ANALYSIS, NOT A PERSONAL OR
22 POLITICAL OPINION. WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT? WELL, AS WE'VE BEEN
23 DISCUSSING FOR THE LAST SEVERAL HOURS, ELECTIONS MATTER AND
24 CAN HAVE LIFE-CHANGING IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITIES. TRADE-OFFS
25 SOMETIMES ARE MADE. SO, IT IS OUR ROLE AS LEADERS TO ENSURE



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1 VOTERS HAVE ALL OF THE FACTS AND IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS THAT THEY
2 NEED TO MAKE A VOTING DECISION. VOTERS ARE NOT CONSISTENTLY
3 PROVIDED WITH THE ANTICIPATED FINANCIAL COSTS AND PROGRAMMATIC
4 IMPACT OF COUNTYWIDE BALLOT MEASURES. THIS HAS RESULTED IN
5 CONFUSION AND SOMETIMES A LACK OF TRUST IN THE COUNTY'S BUDGET
6 PROCESS OR PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION. IN SOME CASES, THIS LACK OF
7 TRUST HAS RESULTED IN COSTLY LAWSUITS AND PROGRAM
8 IMPLEMENTATION DELAYS. CASE IN POINT, EVERY BUDGET MEETING I
9 PARTICIPATED IN SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE AND SINCE MEASURE J
10 PASSED, THE PUBLIC CONTINUES TO ASK FOR A \$900,000,000
11 ALLOCATION TO THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM
12 BECAUSE THAT'S THE AMOUNT THE ADVOCATES BELIEVE IS REQUIRED
13 UNDER THE MEASURE. BUT I'VE NOT BEEN ABLE TO FIND, AND NEITHER
14 HAS ANYONE BEEN ABLE TO SHOW ME, ANY IMPARTIAL FISCAL ANALYSIS
15 OF MEASURE J THAT CONFIRMED THAT NUMBER. MEASURE J HAS
16 RESULTED IN LAWSUITS AND PUBLIC FRUSTRATION LEADING TO DAMAGED
17 TRUST AND I EXPECT THAT WE WILL HEAR AGAIN AT SUPPLEMENTAL
18 BUDGET ABOUT THE COMMUNITY'S FRUSTRATION THAT THEY HAVE NOT
19 HIT THAT \$900,000,000 FIGURE. BALLOT BOX BUDGETING, AS
20 CHALLENGING AS THAT IS, IS A REALITY THAT THE STATE OF
21 CALIFORNIA AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FACE. THE LEAST WE CAN DO IS
22 ENSURE THAT BALLOT MEASURES INCLUDE AN IMPARTIAL AND COMPETENT
23 FISCAL ANALYSIS OF THE IMPACT ON THE COUNTY'S REVENUES AND
24 EXPENDITURES. WE ALREADY DO THIS FOR OUR MOTIONS THROUGH THE
25 FISCAL RESILIENCE PROCESS. BOARD LETTERS SUBMITTED BY



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1 DEPARTMENTS TO THE BOARD HAVE A FISCAL IMPACT FINANCING
2 SECTION. ADDITIONALLY, OUR CEO ANALYZES THE FISCAL IMPACT OF
3 ALL STATEWIDE MEASURES AS WELL AS STATE AND FEDERAL PIECES OF
4 LEGISLATION, BUT WE DON'T PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION TO VOTERS
5 FOR COUNTYWIDE BALLOT MEASURES, AND THIS MOTION WILL HELP
6 SOLVE THIS GAP AND SHOW OUR CONSTITUENTS THAT WE'VE HEARD FROM
7 THEM AND ARE MAKING THE NECESSARY CHANGES NEEDED TO MAKE
8 GOVERNMENT, INDEED, MORE TRANSPARENT. AS WE ALL KNOW, LA
9 COUNTY IS THE LARGEST COUNTY IN THE COUNTRY, AND WE HAVE
10 ARGUABLY SHOWN FOR THE PAST 2 YEARS THAT WE ARE LEADERS IN
11 GOVERNMENT PROBLEM SOLVING. SO, THIS MOTION ALIGNS WITH OUR
12 CURRENT PRACTICES, STATE LAW, AND WHO WE ARE AS A BOARD.
13 INNOVATIVE, TRANSPARENT, PROBLEM-SOLVING, FORWARD-THINKING,
14 AND ASPIRING TO BE FISCALLY SOUND AND RESPONSIBLE. I URGE AND
15 I VOTE ON THIS VOTER EMPOWERMENT AND PROBLEM-SOLVING MOTION.
16 THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

19
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
21 MITCHELL, FOR INVITING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION WITH YOU. I
22 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT TODAY'S ACTION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION
23 AND RESOURCES TO OUR VOTERS. I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE
24 WAYS THAT THIS BOARD CAN TRULY UPHOLD THE TENETS OF
25 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY THAT WE HAVE SPOKEN OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 FREQUENTLY, ESPECIALLY TODAY. TRUSTING GOVERNMENT AND ELECTED
2 REPRESENTATION IS CRITICAL TO THE CONTINUOUS SUCCESS OF OUR
3 LOCAL DEMOCRACY. EQUALLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO OUR SUCCESS AS
4 WELL TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR ELECTORATE IS WELL INFORMED. WHEN
5 VOTERS HAVE ACCESS TO INFORMATION THAT IS TRANSPARENT, THEY
6 ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE FAITH IN THE PROCESS AND IN THE
7 GOVERNMENTAL BODY SERVING THEIR BEST INTEREST. WE ALSO NEED TO
8 PROVIDE ACCESSIBLE INFORMATION TO OUR COUNTY WORKFORCE,
9 DEPARTMENTS, AND LABOR PARTNERS REGARDING DECISIONS AT HAND
10 THAT WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON OUR REGION. INFORMATION ABOUT THE
11 PURPOSE AND CONSEQUENCE OF EACH COUNTYWIDE BALLOT MEASURE IS
12 KEY. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE VOTERS ARE CONFIDENT THAT THEIR
13 VOICES ARE HEARD AND THAT DECISIONS ARE MADE OPENLY AND
14 FAIRLY. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE PROACTIVE OUTREACH BY THE
15 BOARD WILL ENSURE VOTERS HAVE ACCESS TO ACCURATE INFORMATION
16 ABOUT THE ISSUES THEY ARE VOTING ON, WHICH SUPPORTS INFORMED
17 DECISION MAKING. I LOOK FORWARD TO LAUNCHING THIS PROCESS
18 MOVING FORWARD AND SUPPORTING THIS WORK ON BEHALF OF THE
19 ENTIRE LA COUNTY. SO, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

20
21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

22
23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU. YES,
24 I CERTAINLY AGREE WITH THE COMMENTS FROM BOTH SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR BARGER THAT, YOU KNOW, IT'S IMPORTANT



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1 THAT VOTERS HAVE CLEAR, ACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE
2 MEASURES THEY'RE BEING ASKED TO VOTE ON. AND I THINK IT MAKES
3 SENSE THAT THEY WOULD WANT TO HAVE INFORMATION CERTAINLY ABOUT
4 THE COST. SO, I JUST HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS TO ASK THE 2
5 DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMEN ON THE DAIS. FOR OUR AUDITOR-
6 CONTROLLER, THERE IS A LOT OF DELIBERATE WAYS THAT THE CHARTER
7 REFORM MEASURE WAS DESIGNED TO PUT EMPHASIS ON THE
8 IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE THAT WOULD THEN BEGIN TO TAKE PUBLIC
9 INPUT AND HELP CRAFT SOME OF THE REFORM MEASURES. WHAT WOULD A
10 FISCAL ANALYSIS LOOK LIKE FOR THAT PARTICULAR PIECE OF THIS
11 CHARTER REFORM MEASURE?

12
13 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** WELL, I THINK RIGHT NOW, AND GOOD MORNING,
14 SUPERVISORS. GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. SO, I
15 THINK FOR US, THIS IS OUR FIRST TIME DOING THIS IN LA COUNTY
16 WHERE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS BEEN ASKED TO STEP IN AND DO THIS
17 BASED ON ELECTION CODE 916C. SO, WE ARE DEFINITELY EMBRACING
18 IT. THANK YOU FOR THE TRUST THAT YOU'VE PLACED ON US. BUT ONE
19 OF THE THINGS THAT WE WANNA MAKE SURE THAT WE COMMUNICATE TO
20 EVERYONE IS THAT WE TAKE THESE MATTERS SERIOUSLY. WE'RE GONNA
21 CONTINUE TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE EXECUTING OUR FIDUCIARY
22 RESPONSIBILITY, NOT JUST TO THE BOARD, BUT THE 10,000,000 +
23 RESIDENTS OF LA COUNTY. WE'RE GONNA ENSURE THAT WE PROVIDE
24 OBJECTIVITY, INDEPENDENCE, AND TRANSPARENCY IN OUR PROCESS. WE
25 UNDERSTAND THAT THIS PROCESS IS DEVELOPING. THERE'S A LOT OF



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1 UNKNOWN VARIABLES RIGHT NOW ASSOCIATED WITH THIS.

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO THAT'S KIND OF MY QUESTION. HOW DO YOU DO
4 A FISCAL ANALYSIS ON WHAT YOU JUST SAID?

5

6 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** WELL, WE'RE GONNA BE WORKING WITH KEY
7 STAKEHOLDERS. WE'RE GONNA BE WORKING WITH COUNTY COUNSEL,
8 WE'RE GONNA BE WORKING WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE, WITH BUDGET,
9 WITH THEIR LEDGE COMMITTEE. WE'RE ALSO GONNA BE LOOKING AT
10 REAL ESTATE AND, YOU KNOW, HISTORICAL COSTS. WE'RE GONNA BE
11 WORKING WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ISD, AND REALLY LOOKING AT
12 HISTORICAL DATA AND MAYBE ALSO SOME ANALYSIS ON OTHER AGENCIES
13 THAT HAVE A SIMILAR STRUCTURE AND BASICALLY LOOKING AND
14 COMPARING AND COMING UP WITH AN ESTIMATE BECAUSE WE'RE
15 REQUIRED TO COME UP WITH AN ESTIMATE IT'S NOT AN ACTUAL DOLLAR
16 AMOUNT THAT WE'RE SAYING THAT IT'S GONNA BE IT'S GONNA
17 FLUCTUATE I MEAN YOU HAVE THE REDISTRICTING THAT'S GONNA
18 HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE, THAT'S ALSO GONNA IMPACT OUR ANALYSIS.
19 SO, FOR US, IT HAS TO BE A HIGH LEVEL ESTIMATE ON ALL AREAS.
20 AND RIGHT NOW, IT'S STILL DEVELOPING AND WE'RE DEFINITELY
21 GONNA BE REACHING OUT TO OUR PARTNERS AND REQUESTING DATA FROM
22 THOSE INDIVIDUALS' ESTIMATES, BUT WE'RE GONNA BASICALLY
23 ANALYZE, VALIDATE, AND MAKE SURE THAT THOSE NUMBERS ARE
24 CORRECT AND COME UP WITH OUR OWN ESTIMATE AND PRESENT THAT IN
25 THE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT. SO THIS IS VERY NEW TO US, LIKE I



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1 SAID, IT JUST, WE FOUND OUT LAST WEEK, SO WE'RE BASICALLY
2 SCRAMBLING, BUT WE CAN DEFINITELY ASSURE YOU THAT WE'VE
3 REALLOCATED RESOURCES AND EXPERTS IN OUR TEAM, AND WE'RE GONNA
4 BE LEVERAGING OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNTY TO ENSURE THAT
5 WE MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS.

6
7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, I SEE THAT. SO IT'S ESTIMATE,
8 GUESSTIMATE A LITTLE BIT JUST BECAUSE, AGAIN, YOU'VE NEVER
9 DONE IT BEFORE AND THIS IS HISTORIC, THIS CHARTER REFORM, SO I
10 DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH HISTORY BACKS UP YOUR FISCAL ANALYSIS, BUT
11 THAT'S GOOD TO KNOW. SO WOULD YOU, IF, LET ME ASK FIRST OF
12 ALL, HOW MANY, THIS WILL APPLY TO ANY COUNTY-WIDE BALLOT
13 MEASURE, ACCORDING TO, SO I'M ASSUMING THAT THE FIRE DISTRICT
14 MEASURE WOULD NOT QUALIFY BECAUSE THE ONLY DISTRICT'S NOT
15 COMING. BUT WHAT ABOUT MEASURE A, I DON'T KNOW IF WE'VE GIVEN
16 IT A LETTER YET, BUT OUR HOMELESS MEASURE, DOES THIS APPLY TO
17 THAT? AND IN A FISCAL ANALYSIS, WOULD YOU, FOR INSTANCE, ON
18 THE HOMELESS BALLOT MEASURE, WOULD PART OF YOUR FISCAL
19 ANALYSIS BE TO SAY THAT IT RAISES TAXES AND HOW MUCH MONEY IT
20 WOULD GENERATE?

21
22 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** WELL, I THINK BASED ON THE INFORMATION THAT WE
23 HAVE, IT'S GOING FROM A QUARTER TO A HALF CENT. WE CAN
24 DEFINITELY, YOU KNOW, ESTIMATE THAT AMOUNT.



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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YOU WOULD SAY, WOULD YOU SAY THAT IN YOUR
2 FISCAL ANALYSIS, THAT IT WOULD BE RAISING TAXES?

3
4 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** IT'S AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE. SO, I THINK, AGAIN,
5 RIGHT NOW WE STILL NEED TO DEVELOP THE LANGUAGE IN REGARD TO
6 WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE SAYING IN THE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT.
7 SO, I THINK IT'S STILL A LITTLE FLUID IN REGARDS TO WHERE
8 WE'RE AT RIGHT NOW, BUT WE'LL ENSURE THAT WE PROVIDE YOU KNOW,
9 THE APPROPRIATE --

10
11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO, THE OPPOSITE WOULD BE ON THIS MEASURE,
12 WOULD YOU BE REQUIRED TO SAY IT DOES NOT RAISE TAXES? FOR THE
13 CHARTER REFORM?

14
15 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** I CAN'T SAY THAT RIGHT NOW UNLESS I LOOK AT THE
16 INFORMATION, BUT AGAIN, WE'RE GONNA BE LOOKING AT HISTORICAL.
17 WE'RE GOING FROM A 5 TO 9.

18
19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I GUESS IT'S MORE BROAD SAYING, IS THAT PART
20 OF A FISCAL ANALYSIS ON A SAMPLE BALLOT? IS THAT WHAT THE
21 VOTERS WOULD BE SEEING? WOULD THEY BE SEEING THIS MEASURE
22 RAISES TAXES OR THIS MEASURE DOESN'T RAISE TAXES?

23
24 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** I CAN GIVE THE STATUTORY ANSWER AND WHAT
25 WOULD BE REQUIRED UNDER THE STATUTE IS THAT THE AUDITOR



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1 PREPARE A FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT WHICH ESTIMATES THE AMOUNT
2 OF ANY INCREASE OR DECREASE IN REVENUES, WHICH WOULD INCLUDE
3 TAXES, OR COST TO THE COUNTY IF THE PROPOSED MEASURE IS
4 ADOPTED. THAT'S THE LANGUAGE FROM THE STATUTE THAT YOU WOULD
5 BE REQUIRED.

6

7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO, YOU DON'T THINK THAT NECESSARILY MEANS
8 THE FISCAL ANALYSIS WOULD SAY HOW THE REVENUE IS INCREASED,
9 TAXES OR NO TAXES? JUST ASKING.

10

11 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** ACTUALLY, IF I COULD JUST JUMP IN HERE, I
12 THINK THAT MEASURE A ALREADY SAYS THAT. IT ALREADY SAYS THAT,
13 YOU KNOW, THERE IS A, WHATEVER THE FIGURE IS, THAT HAS SENSE.

14

15 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** THAT IS CORRECT. THE BALLOT QUESTION
16 ITSELF IS REQUIRED TO STATE THE RATE OF THE TAX.

17

18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT, BUT THIS IS THE FISCAL ANALYSIS THAT
19 WILL GO ON THE SAMPLE BALLOT BEFORE THE PROS AND CONS. SO I'M
20 JUST ASKING, WOULD THAT BE A TYPICAL THING YOU'D FIND IN A
21 FISCAL ANALYSIS OF A BALLOT MEASURE?

22

23 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AND WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT SAMPLE, YOU KNOW,
24 FISCAL IMPACT BALLOT MEASURES FROM OTHER COUNTIES. WE DO HAVE
25 SOME SMALLER COUNTIES UP NORTH. WE'RE GONNA BE REACHING OUT TO



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1 THOSE INDIVIDUALS, GETTING A LITTLE BIT MORE GUIDANCE ON THAT.
2 SO AGAIN, WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT WE FOLLOW THESE.

3

4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BUT LIKE YOU SAID, WE'RE SAYING NO NEW TAXES
5 FOR THE CHARTER REFORM, BUT AS TOM FAUGHNAN JUST SAID, THE
6 MEASURE A OR WHATEVER, THE HOMELESS ACTUALLY SAYS IT, THAT IT
7 WILL BE RAISING TAXES. SO, I'M JUST ASKING, IS THAT PART OF
8 THE FISCAL ANALYSIS THAT YOU WOULD BE REQUIRED TO SAY?

9

10 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** I THINK OUR RESPONSIBILITY WOULD BE TO IDENTIFY
11 IF THERE'S ANY ADDITIONAL COST, WHETHER THERE'S ADDITIONAL
12 FUNDING REQUIREMENTS, I THINK THAT WOULD BE A POLICY DECISION
13 FOR THE BOARD AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CEO'S OFFICE TO
14 COME FORTH. BUT I THINK FOR US, WE WOULD HAVE TO DEFINITELY
15 PROVIDE INFORMATION IF WE SEE THAT THERE'S INCREASED COST.

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NOT NECESSARY, CLOSE TAXES.

18

19 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** YEAH, WHERE THE FUNDING'S COMING FROM. AND I
20 THINK IT'S BEEN MENTIONED BEFORE, IT COULD BE A REALLOCATION
21 OF NCC OR SOMETHING. BUT FOR US, IT'S JUST REALLY IDENTIFYING
22 WHAT ADDITIONAL COSTS WE PERCEIVE BASED ON FACTUAL, HISTORICAL
23 EVIDENCE, YOU KNOW, FROM 5 SUPERVISORY DISTRICTS TO 9, I MEAN,
24 THINGS THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT, WE'RE GONNA BE LOOKING AT, YOU
25 KNOW, FIELD OFFICES, YOU KNOW, BUT I THINK THAT'S ALL GONNA BE



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1 SUBJECT TO THE REDISTRICTING. SO, THERE'S A LOT OF UNKNOWN.
2 SO, FOR US, IT'S REALLY PROVIDING AN ESTIMATE AND THERE'S
3 GONNA BE A LOT OF VARIABLES IN THERE AND FUTURE POLICY
4 DECISIONS.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. YEAH, LIKE I WOULDN'T THINK THAT
7 GOING FROM 5 TO 9 WOULD JUST BE INCREASING THE EXACT AMOUNT OF
8 COST THAT EACH SUPERVISOR EXPANDS TODAY BECAUSE IF THE
9 DISTRICTS ARE SMALLER YOUR FIELD OFFICES WOULD BE SMALLER,
10 YOUR STAFF WOULD BE SMALLER.

11

12 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** STAFFING RESOURCES, YES.

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND YOU'RE GONNA FIGURE ALL THAT OUT.

15

16 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** WE'RE GONNA FACTOR IN STAFFING RESOURCES
17 COMPARABLE AGAIN AGAINST OTHER AGENCIES BASED ON POPULATION.

18

19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. SO, TO DEAN, JUST BECAUSE THIS IS A
20 FISCAL ANALYSIS, JUST KIND OF IN MY HEAD DOING A FISCAL
21 ANALYSIS ABOUT THIS FISCAL ANALYSIS. IF THIS WERE TO PASS,
22 EXPLAIN THIS TO AGAIN, I KNOW WE AS CANDIDATES KNOW HOW MUCH
23 MONEY SOMETIMES WE SPEND PUTTING A CANDIDATE STATEMENT ON A
24 BALLOT. HOW WOULD THIS IMPACT OUR MONEY TO PLACE THIS ON A
25 SAMPLE BALLOT.



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2 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** YEAH, THANKS, SUPERVISOR, AND GOOD AFTERNOON.

3 THIS IS SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT THAN THE CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

4 BECAUSE IT'S THE OFFICIAL INFORMATION THAT'S REQUIRED BY LAW

5 TO BE PLACED IN THE SAMPLE BALLOT. AND IT'S PRESCRIBED THE

6 NUMBER OF WORDS FOR EACH OF THESE VARIABLES. SO FOR INSTANCE,

7 CURRENTLY THE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS IS UP TO 500 WORDS. THE

8 STATEMENT IN FAVOR AND IN OPPOSITION HAVE WORD LIMITS AND THE

9 REBUTTALS, ET CETERA, AND THERE'S AN ORDER PLACED IN THAT.

10 WHAT THE CODE ALLOWS FOR IS THE ADDITION OF THE FISCAL

11 STATEMENT, WHICH IS AN ADDITIONAL UP TO 500 WORDS AND A 75

12 WORD DESCRIPTION OF ESSENTIALLY WHAT YES MEANS AND WHAT NO

13 MEANS THAT WOULD BE INSERTED IN THERE. SO, WHILE IT WOULD TAKE

14 UP MORE REAL ESTATE IN THE SAMPLE BALLOT, IT'S OFFICIAL

15 CONTENT, SO IT WOULD TAKE PRECEDENT OVER ANYTHING THAT IS USED

16 TO FILL THE SPACE. SO, FROM A PRINTING STANDPOINT, WE HAVE TO

17 DESIGN THE BOOK IN 4 PAGE INCREMENTS. SO DEPENDING ON, THERE

18 ARE A LOT OF VARIABLES. SO, FOR INSTANCE, THE FULL TEXT OF THE

19 MEASURE, SOMETIMES THEY'RE LONG, SOMETIMES THEY'RE SHORT AND

20 THE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS SOMETIMES USES THE FULL 500 WORDS,

21 SOMETIMES IT'S SHORTER.

22

23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MAYBE YOU CAN GIVE US THE LEAST AMOUNT THAT

24 IT COULD COST AND THE MOST AMOUNT IT COULD COST.

25



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1 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** YEAH, MY ESTIMATE WOULD BE THAT IN MOST CASES,
2 IT WOULD BE NOMINAL AND THAT WE WOULD FIT IT IN AND WE WOULD
3 REDUCE THE NON-OFFICIAL CONTENT. IF WE DID HAVE TO IF IT DID
4 PUSH TO 1 MORE FOUR-PAGE INCREMENT THAT'S A THAT'S A COST OF
5 ESTIMATED COST OF ABOUT \$715,000 DOLLARS BUT THAT'S FOR THE
6 FULL 4 PAGES NOT JUST FOR

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO SOMETIMES THERE'S BLANK PAGES IN THERE.

9

10 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** AND WE USE THOSE BLANK PAGES FOR.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BUT IF YOU RAN OUT OF THOSE AND YOU ACTUALLY
13 HAVE TO HAVE 4 MORE PAGES, IT COULD BE 700?

14

15 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** \$750,000 FOR EACH INCREMENT OF 4 PAGES.

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, OK. THANK YOU FOR THAT. I APPRECIATE
18 BOTH OF THIS AGAIN. IT'S NEW TO OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

19

20 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AND SUPERVISOR MAYBE JUST CLARIFY YOU KNOW THIS
21 BALLOT MEASURE THE FISCAL IMPACT AREA MAY BE SOMETHING NEW FOR
22 OUR OFFICE, BUT FINANCIAL ANALYSIS, FINANCIAL REPORTING, THAT
23 IS NOT NEW TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, THAT'S OUR
24 EXPERTISE, SO.

25



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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT'S WHAT YOU DO, THAT'S WHAT YOU DO.
2 RIGHT, WELL I DO, YOU KNOW, I CERTAINLY THINK THAT THE SPIRIT
3 OF THIS IS RIGHT. I DO WORRY JUST A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE TIME
4 AND MAKING SURE THAT WE DO GIVE VOTERS THE ACCURATE ANALYSIS
5 OF WHAT THE VISCOSA, I THINK IT WILL BE A LITTLE BIT DIFFICULT
6 IN THE TIME YOU HAVE. YES, OKAY.

7

8 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** ONE THING I MIGHT ADD, JUST AGAIN FOR
9 TRANSPARENCY, IS THAT ALL OF THIS INFORMATION IS ALSO SUBJECT
10 TO A 10-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS BEFORE IT GOES TO PRINT. SO,
11 THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ANYONE TO CHALLENGE THE CONTENT
12 BEFORE IT GOES TO PRINT.

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15

16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU. I'M SOMEWHAT INTRIGUED BY
19 OUR AUDITOR. THIS IS GONNA BE YOUR FIRST TIME ACTUALLY DOING
20 THIS KIND OF ANALYSIS. SO JUST LIKE ANYTHING, PEOPLE HAVE
21 PERCEPTIONS, OPINIONS, AND OF COURSE, YOUR SKILLSET'S VERY
22 IMPORTANT HERE. BUT I HAVE TO QUESTION, I GUESS FOR ME, IS
23 WHEN THERE ARE POLICY DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE BY A WARD,
24 THAT'S ONE THING, BUT TO THEN TRY TO COME OUT WITH A FISCAL
25 ANALYSIS ON WHAT THE IMPLICATIONS OF A POLICY IS, HOW DO YOU



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1 GO ABOUT PRESENTING THAT? BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE FOLKS
2 THAT ARE FOR THIS AND FOLKS THAT ARE NOT FOR THIS.

3

4 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** RIGHT.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND I'M JUST TRYING TO GET TO HOW WILL YOUR
7 ANALYSIS, WHAT ARE THE METRICS THERE? WHAT ARE THE, YOU KNOW,
8 CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT THAT PROCESS LOOKS LIKE?

9

10 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AGAIN, I THINK WE'RE GONNA BE LOOKING AT FACTUAL
11 EVIDENCE, YOU KNOW, HISTORICAL EXPENDITURES, YOU KNOW, THE
12 INCREASE FROM 5 TO 9, YOU KNOW, SAME THING WITH, YOU KNOW,
13 ELECTED CEO, ALL THE VARIOUS AREAS IN REGARD TO THE NEW
14 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE AND TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ENOUGH
15 EVIDENTIAL DOCUMENTATION TO SUPPORT OUR FISCAL IMPACTS. SO, WE
16 UNDERSTAND THAT, YOU KNOW, WE JUST CAN'T JUST, YOU KNOW, COME
17 UP WITH A NUMBER. WE DO NEED TO COLLABORATE WITH ALL OF THE
18 VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS HERE BECAUSE THEY ALL SOMEHOW SUPPORT YOU,
19 WHETHER IT'S THROUGH ISD, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, THE CEO'S
20 OFFICE. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAPTURE THOSE DOLLARS.
21 AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO COME UP WITH
22 THE BEST ESTIMATE THERE. AGAIN, RIGHT NOW WE'VE JUST INITIATED
23 THE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. WE'VE STARTED
24 REQUESTING INFORMATION, SO WE'RE BRINGING THE DATA IN. AND,
25 YOU KNOW, WE CAN DEFINITELY PROVIDE UPDATES HOW WE'RE DOING



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1 WITH THE PROCESS. AT THIS POINT, WE DON'T HAVE ANY
2 REQUIREMENTS BASED ON THE MOTION THAT WE NEED TO HAVE THIS
3 VETTED BY THE BOARD OFFICE. MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT WE WERE
4 CREATING IT AND SUBMITTING IT DIRECTLY TO REGISTER A VOTER, SO
5 I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S THE INTENT, IF IT NEEDS TO CHANGE. BUT
6 FOR US, WE ARE GONNA BE OBJECTIVE AND MAKING SURE THAT IT GETS
7 DONE CORRECTLY AND WE'LL HAVE THE SUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION TO
8 SUPPORT THOSE ESTIMATES. BUT RIGHT NOW, IT'S STILL FLUID.
9 WE'RE DEVELOPING OUR PROCESS. WE HAVE SOME IDEAS ON HOW WE'RE
10 GONNA, YOU KNOW, DO THE CALCULATIONS. BUT AGAIN, THIS IS JUST
11 EARLY ON IN THE STAGE AND WE'RE TRYING TO MEET THE DEADLINE
12 WITH REGISTRAR VOTERS TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THAT SUBMITTED TO
13 THEM ON TIME IN ORDER FOR THEM, FOR US TO ADHERE TO THE
14 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF HOW SOON WE HAVE TO PROCESS, BUT AT
15 THE SAME TIME, WE ARE GONNA BE RELIANT ON THE VARIOUS
16 DEPARTMENTS THAT I TALKED ABOUT, CEO, BUDGET, REAL ESTATE,
17 LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, BOARD EXECUTIVE OFFICE, COUNTY COUNSEL,
18 ISD, THEY'RE ALL CRUCIAL TO OUR PROCESS AND TIMELY RESPONSES
19 TO OUR INFORMATION REQUESTS.

20
21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I GUESS JUST, I'M GLAD YOU'RE SAYING THAT WE
22 WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO LOOK AT HOW YOU SET THIS UP AND WHAT
23 YOUR METRICS ARE AND WHERE THERE MAYBE IS COMMONALITY ON OUR
24 OFFICES, JUST AS AN EXAMPLE, AND WHERE THERE ISN'T. BECAUSE I
25 WOULD VENTURE TO SAY NOT ALL OF OUR OFFICES ARE STAFFED IN THE



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1 SAME WAY OR HAVE AS MANY OFFICES. ALL THOSE THINGS VARY AND
2 GEOGRAPHY VARIES BECAUSE SOME OF US REPRESENT LARGER SPANS AND
3 HAVE, YOU KNOW, THAT'S A NECESSITY THERE. SO THAT, YOU KNOW, A
4 LOT OF THAT MIGHT CHANGE IF WE DO GO TO A SMALLER YOU KNOW
5 BOARD I MEAN IF WE IF WE ENLARGE IF WE ENLARGE THE BOARD
6 MEMBERSHIP BUT THEN THE SIZE OF THE DISTRICT BECOMES SMALLER
7 THERE OBVIOUSLY IS IN A NEED TO HAVE ALL OF THAT AND THAT
8 WOULD ALSO MAYBE SAY SOMETHING ABOUT OUR DEPARTMENTS AS WELL.
9 I'LL ADVENTURE TO SAY. SO, I TAKE A LOOK AT THAT AS WELL, AND
10 I JUST REALLY WANT TO TRY TO BETTER UNDERSTAND SUBJECTIVITY
11 AND OBJECTIVITY, BECAUSE THOSE FOR ME ARE VERY CRITICAL. I
12 CERTAINLY DON'T WANNA SEE A CHALLENGE MOVING FORWARD BASED ON
13 AN ANALYSIS THAT COMES OUT THAT ISN'T FAIR. AND IT REALLY CAN
14 BE SKEWED IN ONE MANNER. AND I DON'T, AND I GET IT, WE HAVE TO
15 LOOK AT WHAT THE COST FIGURES ARE. BUT A LOT OF WHAT YOU SAID
16 EARLIER TOO IS PROJECTING. THEIR ESTIMATES, JUST LIKE OUR CEO
17 AND Y'ALL, WHEN YOU'RE PUTTING OUR BUDGETS TOGETHER, YOU MAKE
18 AN ASSUMPTION THIS IS WHERE WE ARE AT A POINT IN TIME AND
19 REVENUES CHANGE IN THAT COURSE AND IT COULD BE BECAUSE OF
20 THINGS THAT ARE OUT OF OUR CONTROL, WE RUN OUT OF ARPA MONEY
21 AS AN EXAMPLE. OR THERE'S A CRISIS, THERE'S A DISASTER. OR
22 THERE'S A FLUSH OF MONEY THAT CAME IN THAT WE DIDN'T ACCOUNT
23 FOR BECAUSE TAX ROLLS OR PAY, YOU KNOW, CAME IN HIGHER. THOSE
24 KINDS OF THINGS ALL HAPPEN. SO, I REALLY HOPE THAT THE PUBLIC
25 KIND OF UNDERSTANDS THAT THIS IS NOT A, HOW COULD I SAY, A



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SUPERVISORS

1 HARD, HARD SCIENCE. THERE'S A LOT OF SUBJECTIVITY HERE. AND
2 THAT'S WHY YOU'RE IN THE POSITION YOU'RE IN. AND THAT'S WHY I
3 KNOW I, AS A BOARD MEMBER, I'M GONNA DEFINITELY WANNA SEE WHAT
4 YOU COME UP WITH.

5

6 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AND AGAIN, THE ELECTION CODE CALLS FOR THE
7 DEVELOPMENT OF AN ESTIMATE. IT'S NOT AN ACTUAL COST, SO THAT'S
8 WHAT WE'RE GONNA BE DOING. AND WITH REGARDS TO HAVING THIS
9 REVIEWED BY THE BOARD, IF THAT'S THE POLICY OF THE BOARD, THEN
10 WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO HAVE IT REVIEWED
11 TIMELY, BECAUSE WE DO HAVE A DEADLINE TO SUBMIT TO REGISTER
12 VOTERS.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
15 MITCHELL.

16

17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS
18 FOR RAISING THOSE QUESTIONS, AND I JUST THINK IT'S IMPORTANT
19 TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WHILE IT MIGHT BE NEW TO LA COUNTY AND OUR
20 AUDITOR, IT'S NOT NEW TO THE STATE AND THE LEDGE ANALYST. AND
21 SO I THINK THAT THERE ARE PLACES AND EXAMPLES, AND AS YOU
22 MENTIONED, OTHER COUNTIES, TO LOOK TO FOR THE PROCESS BY WHICH
23 THE FISCAL ANALYSIS IS DONE OBJECTIVELY IN A NONPARTISAN,
24 UNBIASED WAY. YOU'RE RIGHT, THEY ARE ESTIMATES, BUT I THINK
25 THAT WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE VOTERS



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SUPERVISORS

1 HAVE A CLEAR PICTURE OF ULTIMATE COSTS. TO SUPERVISOR HAHN'S
2 POINT, I THINK THE, AS HAS BEEN COMMUNICATED REPEATEDLY BY THE
3 PROPONENTS OF THE PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEM, IT IS STATED IN THE
4 ORDINANCE LANGUAGE ITSELF THAT THERE ARE NO NEW TAXES. MEASURE
5 A IS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE LANGUAGE ITSELF THAT IT IS A TAX.
6 SO, I DON'T THINK THE FISCAL ANALYSIS WILL BE THE FIRST TIME
7 PEOPLE UNDERSTAND WHETHER IT'S NOT A NEW TAX OR IT IS A TAX,
8 BUT THE FISCAL ANALYSIS WILL BE JUST THAT, A FISCAL ANALYSIS
9 OF THE CONTENT, I THINK, OF THE LANGUAGE. YOU KNOW, AGAIN, FOR
10 ME, MAYBE I'M SLOW. I DIDN'T REALIZE THIS WAS NOT DONE AT THE
11 COUNTY. I GUESS I JUST ALWAYS ASSUMED, BECAUSE IT WAS A
12 PROCESS DONE AT THE STATE LEVEL, THAT IT WAS JUST DONE. BUT I
13 CERTAINLY THINK IT'S AN IMPORTANT THING AS WE CONSISTENTLY AND
14 REPEATEDLY TALK ABOUT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, EMPOWERING VOTERS,
15 TRANSPARENCY, THAT WE DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
16 VOTERS HAVE THE INFORMATION THEY NEED TO MAKE AN INFORMED
17 PERSONAL VOTER CHOICE.

18
19 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** MAYBE ALSO TO CLARIFY, YES, IT IS OUR FIRST TIME
20 FOR THE BALLOT MEASURE FISCAL IMPACT, BUT THE COUNTY TRULY
21 ALREADY HAS A PROCESS WITH THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AND
22 INTERGOVERNMENTAL PROCESS. THEY SOLICIT, THEY COLLECT, THEY
23 ANALYZE FINANCIAL INFORMATION FROM DEPARTMENTS. THIS IS A
24
25 ROUTINE TASK FOR ANY TYPE OF STATE OR FEDERAL LEGISLATION, SO



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SUPERVISORS

1 THAT'S HAPPENING NOW. SO, WE'RE LEVERAGING THAT PROCESS ALSO.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I AGREE, SAID THAT IN MY STATEMENT,
4 WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. THANK YOU,
5 MADAM CHAIR.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, I WANNA THANK BOTH OF
8 YOU, SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND BARGER, FOR BRINGING FORWARD
9 THIS MOTION AND LOOKING AFTER THE INTERESTS OF VOTERS TO
10 ENSURE THAT THEY'RE RECEIVING IMPARTIAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE
11 MEASURES THAT WILL BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT. UNBIASED ANALYSIS
12 REGARDING OUR COUNTY BALLOT MEASURES BEFORE THEM CAN BE A
13 POWERFUL TOOL TO HELP EMPOWER THE ELECTORATE. AND SO, I KNOW
14 WE REALLY ARE COMMITTED TO MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE ACCURATE
15 INFORMATION. SO, WITH THAT IN MIND, I JUST WANNA ASK A FEW
16 QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW THIS WORKS, BECAUSE I THINK I HEARD YOU
17 SAY THE COUNTY HASN'T DONE THIS BEFORE, NOT FOR MEASURE J, NOT
18 FOR THE SHERIFF ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURE. THIS HAS NEVER BEEN
19 DONE FOR A BALLOT MEASURE BEFORE.

20

21 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** CORRECT, BASED ON MY DISCUSSIONS WITH STAFF,
22 YES.

23

24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO WITH THAT IN MIND,
25 STARTING SORT OF FROM THE TOP AS A VOTER, WILL I SEE YOUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 FISCAL ANALYSIS FIRST? HOW WILL IT LOOK IN THE ACTUAL SAMPLE
2 BALLOT ITSELF?

3

4 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** SUPERVISOR, I CAN ANSWER THAT. THE ELECTIONS
5 CODE IS VERY SPECIFIC IN THAT THE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS IS
6 PREPARED BY COUNTY COUNSEL APPEARS FIRST AFTER THE BALLOT
7 QUESTION ITSELF, THE IMPERSONAL ANALYSIS. THEN THE FISCAL
8 IMPACT STATEMENT WOULD COME NEXT. I'M SORRY, THE BRIEF
9 DESCRIPTION OF WHAT YES MEANS AND NO MEANS WOULD COME NEXT,
10 THEN THE FISCAL ANALYSIS, AND THEN AFTER THAT WOULD COME THE
11 STATEMENTS IN FAVOR AND OPPOSITION AND THE REBUTTALS TO THOSE
12 STATEMENTS.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO, WE HAVE IN THE PAST
15 PROVIDED IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS FROM COUNTY COUNSEL.

16

17 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** YES, THAT'S REQUIRED UNDER THE CODE. SO, THE
18 FISCAL NOTE AND THE YES NO EXPLANATION ARE AUTHORIZED OR
19 OPTIONAL AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, BUT THE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS AND
20 THE STATEMENTS PRO AND CON AND THE REBUTTALS ARE REQUIREMENTS
21 ALREADY IN EXISTING LAW.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO I JUST WANNA BE CLEAR,
24 WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS AS PART OF.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** ABSOLUTELY.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YEAH, OKAY, THAT'S GREAT. AND
4 THEN COUNTY COUNSEL, I HEARD IN YOUR DESCRIPTION, I WANNA, YOU
5 READ FROM SOMETHING THAT I WANTED TO MAKE SURE I HEARD
6 CORRECTLY. YOU SAID AS IT RELATED TO FISCAL ANALYSIS,
7 SOMETHING AROUND IMPACTED REVENUE. CAN YOU RESTATE WHAT YOU
8 READ, PLEASE?

9

10 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** YES, I WAS READING, JUST TO BE CLEAR, I WAS
11 READING FROM ELECTIONS CODE 9160 WHERE IT STATES THAT THE
12 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY DIRECT THE AUDITOR TO REVIEW THE
13 MEASURE TO DETERMINE THE EFFECTS OF REVENUE EXPENDITURES ON
14 THE COUNTY, AND IT STATES THAT HE OR SHE, THE AUDITOR, SHALL
15 PREPARE A FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT WHICH ESTIMATES THE AMOUNT
16 OF ANY INCREASE OR DECREASE REVENUES OR COST TO THE COUNTY IF
17 THE PROPOSED MEASURE IS ADOPTED. THAT'S JUST FROM THE STATUTE.

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO, INCREASE OR DECREASE
20 WOULD BE 0 BECAUSE WE'RE ALREADY WRITING THAT INTO THE
21 ORDINANCE FOR THE PREVIOUS MEASURE. AND YOU'RE SAYING THAT
22 THAT NUMBER, WHATEVER THAT NUMBER IS, HAS ALREADY BEEN
23 DETERMINED FOR MEASURE A THAT'S ALREADY BEEN CALCULATED, OR
24 NO?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** SUPERVISOR, THE OFFICIAL ANNUAL AMOUNT HAS
2 NOT BEEN CALCULATED YET. WE'VE BEEN WORKING OFF OF ESTIMATES
3 THAT WE'VE HAD INTERNALLY, YES.

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND CAN I UNDERSTAND MORE
6 ABOUT THE 10-DAY CHALLENGE? CAN YOU WALK ME THROUGH WHAT THAT
7 PROCESS IS? AND THEN I WANT TO GET INTO METHODOLOGY, SO I
8 UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT THE CONTENT.

9
10 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** SURE. AND IF COUNSEL CAN CLEAN UP, IF I MESS
11 ANY OF THAT. BUT ALL OF THAT OFFICIAL INFORMATION THAT WE
12 TALKED ABOUT, THE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS AND THE CANDIDATE STATE,
13 NOT THE CANDIDATE STATE, THE STATEMENTS IN FAVOR AND
14 STATEMENTS IN OPPOSITION, AFTER THEY'RE TURNED INTO US AND
15 FORMATTED AND ARE READY FOR PRINT, THEY ARE AVAILABLE FOR A
16 10-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS. AND THEN ANY MEMBER, ANY VOTER,
17 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, OR BY STATUTE, I CAN ALSO DO THIS. I CAN
18 GO TO SUPERIOR COURT AND SEEK A WRIT TO HAVE THAT REVISED,
19 REVOKED OR CHALLENGED.

20
21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO BY WHEN WOULD, IF WE'RE
22 LOOKING AT THE TIMELINE, BY WHEN WOULD WE EXPECT THERE TO BE
23 SOMETHING TO REVIEW BASED ON IF THIS WERE TO MOVE FORWARD
24 TODAY.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** SO, I BELIEVE THAT THE DEADLINE FOR FILING THE
2 STATEMENTS IS E MINUS 81, WHICH WOULD BE ROUGHLY THE SECOND
3 WEEK OF AUGUST. WE WOULD THEN TURN THAT AROUND QUICKLY IN
4 ORDER TO HAVE THE 10-DAY PERIOD SO THAT BY THE END OF AUGUST,
5 WE WOULD BE READY TO GO TO PRINT, TO HAVE THE BALLOTS READY TO
6 GO OUT IN THE MAIL TO OUR MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** UNDERSTOOD. SO, IT SOUNDS LIKE
9 MAYBE THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST IS WHEN THIS WOULD BE IN QUESTION,
10 THIS 10 DAY REVIEW PERIOD.

11

12 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND SO, WITH THAT I HAVE A FEW
15 QUESTIONS AROUND METHODOLOGY. SINCE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME
16 WE'RE PREPARING A FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE BALLOT, WHAT
17 IS THE METHODOLOGY YOU USE IN ORDER TO PREPARE THAT?

18

19 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AGAIN, LIKE I MENTIONED BEFORE, WE ARE GOING TO
20 BE WORKING WITH DEPARTMENTS TO GATHER ALL THE NECESSARY
21 INFORMATION FROM ALL DEPARTMENTS THAT MAY HAVE AN IMPACT TO
22 THE BOARD, THE CEO'S OFFICE, LOOK AT THE INFORMATION, DO
23 ANALYSIS COMPARED TO OTHER AGENCIES, TRY TO VET THE
24 INFORMATION TO FEEL COMFORTABLE MAKING A RECOMMENDATION ON AN
25 ESTIMATE AND DEVELOPING THE BALLOT STATEMENT, FISCAL IMPACT



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1 STATEMENT. SO AGAIN, WE HAVEN'T DRAFTED ONE YET, SO WE'RE
2 LOOKING AT SOME OF THE EXAMPLES. WE'RE ALSO GONNA BE LOOKING
3 AT GUIDANCE WITH COUNTY COUNSEL TO MAKE SURE THAT THE LANGUAGE
4 IS APPROPRIATE, BUT IN REGARDS TO THE DOLLAR AMOUNT THAT'S
5 GONNA BE INDEPENDENT FROM US, WE'LL BASICALLY BE, YOU KNOW,
6 WE'RE THE ONES THAT ARE GONNA BE BASICALLY VALIDATING THAT
7 NUMBER AND, YOU KNOW, WE ARE GONNA BE RELYING ON SOME OF THE
8 INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENTS, BUT WE'LL TRY TO VALIDATE AS
9 MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO, YOU USED THE WORD INDEPENDENT
12 AND I RECOGNIZE THIS IS SORT OF A TOUGH QUESTION SINCE IN PART
13 WE'RE TALKING IN ONE BALLOT MEASURE POTENTIALLY ABOUT AN
14 ELECTED EXECUTIVE. SO HOW DO YOU MAINTAIN INDEPENDENCE WHEN I
15 THINK I HEARD YOU SAY YOU'RE ALSO GONNA WORK WITH THE CEO'S
16 OFFICE?

17

18 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** THAT'S GATHERING INFORMATION RIGHT NOW. SO, I
19 KNOW THAT'S GONNA BE, YOU KNOW, IMPACTING THEIR AREA, BUT
20 WE'RE ALSO GONNA BE PULLING INFORMATION FROM THE ECAP SYSTEM
21 AND COMPARING IT AGAINST THE DATA THAT'S BEING PROVIDED TO US.
22 BUT WE DO NEED THE SUPPORT FROM THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. I
23 MEAN, WE CAN'T DO IT ON OUR OWN.

24

25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I COMPLETELY AGREE.



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1

2 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** BASICALLY, START EXCLUDING VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS.
3 SO, THIS IS GONNA BE A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH AND YOU KNOW.

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I ALSO KNOW WE TALKED SEPARATELY
6 ABOUT SOME OF THE PROPOSED DUTIES OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION AND
7 THE ENTITIES AROUND ETHICS THAT ARE PROPOSED IN THE ORDINANCE,
8 YOU HAD RAISED THAT SOME OF THOSE DUTIES MIGHT, AND OPERATIONS
9 MAY ALREADY EXIST IN YOUR EXISTING BUDGET. SO, I SUSPECT
10 YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SURFACE THAT AS WELL, THAT THESE ARE
11 EXISTING COSTS THAT ARE ALREADY BEING SPENT ON THESE EFFORTS.

12

13 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** RIGHT, AND SO YES, WE HAVE THE OFFICE OF OUR
14 COUNTY INVESTIGATIONS. WE ALSO PARTICIPATE IN ANOTHER PROCESS
15 WHERE WE EVALUATE OTHER COMPLAINTS FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS. SO, I
16 CAN SEE THAT AS PART OF THE YOU KNOW COMPLIANCE COMMISSION BUT
17 I THINK IT'S REALLY WE NEED TO REALLY VET THIS THINGS ARE
18 GOING TO CHANGE DOWN THE ROAD I THINK THE MOTION IN REGARDS TO
19 YOU KNOW THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE BOARD OFFICES THE ETHICS
20 COMMISSION THE CEO. THIS IS ALL GOING TO HAVE FUTURE YOU KNOW
21 DECISIONS AND THESE ARE UNKNOWN VARIABLES BUT I THINK WE CAN
22 STILL FACTOR THOSE IN TO COME UP WITH AN ESTIMATE.

23

24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YEAH, I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYONE ON
25 THE DAIS DISAGREE WITH THAT, THAT THERE WILL BE FUTURE



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SUPERVISORS

1 IMPACTS. I THINK I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IN TERMS OF
2 ORDER OF OPERATIONS. I ALSO HEARD IN TESTIMONY TODAY AND
3 PRIOR, YOU KNOW, EMPHASIS ON PROCESS, AND AT LEAST ONE OF THE
4 PROPOSED MEASURES ANTICIPATES A PROCESS GOING FORWARD THAT
5 ALLOWS FOR PUBLIC INPUT. AND I WANNA MAKE SURE THAT THE
6 ANALYSIS THAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO DOESN'T RESTRICT THE PROPOSED
7 PUBLIC PROCESS FOR INPUT. SO HOW WILL YOU BE ACCOUNTING FOR
8 INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC AS TO HOW SOME OF THESE DECISIONS MIGHT
9 BE MADE WITH REGARD TO YOUR PROJECTION.

10

11 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AND I'LL ASK CLARIFICATION FROM COUNTY COUNSEL
12 ON THIS ONE BUT AT LEAST FOR THE BULLET THAT WE'RE TALKING
13 ABOUT RIGHT NOW THE FIRST ONE. THIS IS BASICALLY FOR THE
14 BALLOT MEASURE I KNOW THERE'S 2 ADDITIONAL BULLETS FOR IN THE
15 FUTURE. I THINK THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS ALWAYS GOING TO BE
16 RESPONSIBLE FOR DOING THE FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS AND STATEMENT
17 FOR ALL FUTURE BALLOT MEASURES, MAKING SURE THAT WE COORDINATE
18 WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE WITH OTHER AGENCIES. SO --

19

20 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** AND I WOULD JUST CLARIFY. SO, IT DOESN'T
21 REQUIRE PUBLIC INPUT BEFORE HE PREPARES THE FISCAL IMPACT. IT
22 ALLOWS FOR PUBLIC EXAMINATION AFTERWARDS. I JUST DIDN'T KNOW
23 IF THAT WAS --

24

25 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** THANK YOU.



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1

2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I'M CLEAR ABOUT THAT IN TERMS OF
3 THE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT. I'M SAYING THAT THE ORDINANCE AS
4 PROPOSED, SHOULD IT PASS SECOND READING AND GET ON THE BALLOT,
5 REQUIRES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE
6 THAT CONTEMPLATES A PUBLIC PROCESS FOR MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT
7 FROM THE PUBLIC AROUND HOW PUBLIC DOLLARS WOULD BE SPENT.
8 SHOULD THERE BE CHANGES WITHIN COUNTY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE, IT
9 ALLOWS FOR A PUBLIC PROCESS. AND THE PUBLIC MAY HAVE DIFFERENT
10 IDEAS THAN OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, OUR CEO, OR ALL THE
11 RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS WHO MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE CONVERSATION
12 TO PROVIDE THIS ESTIMATE. SO, I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE
13 ARE ACCOUNTING FOR THAT PUBLIC PROCESS IN DEVELOPING A
14 PROJECTION.

15

16 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SUPERVISOR IF I MIGHT BE OF ASSISTANCE, THE
17 MOTION DOES REQUIRE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO CONSULT WITH
18 CEO'S OFFICE AMONG OTHERS. I WANNA JUST MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
19 CLEAR ABOUT ONE THING THAT THE CEO IS NOT PROVIDING NUMBERS. I
20 WILL PUT OUR THUMB ON A SKILLET AT WHERE EXACTLY THIS WOULD
21 LAND. AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THAT THE HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT IS TO
22 DO A PRE-BALLOT ANALYSIS, WHICH WOULD BE A FORECASTED
23 ESTIMATE. AND SO, WHAT WE WOULD WORK WITH AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
24 TO DO IS FIGURE OUT WHAT IS THE BEST ESTIMATE THAT WE COULD
25 COME UP WITH BASED ON THE BEST MODEL. SO LET ME JUST INDULGE



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1 ME FOR A MOMENT.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, PLEASE.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** FORM FOLLOWS FUNCTION. SO, THERE ARE A COUPLE
6 OF THINGS IN THE GOVERNANCE MOTION WHERE THERE ARE OFFICES AND
7 COMMISSIONS. AND SO, ONE OF THE QUESTIONS WOULD BE IS, WHAT IS
8 THE SCALE AND SCOPE OF THEIR WORK? WHAT WILL THE WORKLOAD LOOK
9 LIKE? AND SO ONCE YOU ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS, THEN YOU CAN
10 START TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THESE ARE THE NUMBER OF STAFF THAT
11 WE MIGHT NEED. AND THEN ONCE YOU KNOW THE NUMBER OF STAFF YOU
12 MIGHT NEED, THEN YOU CAN START BUILDING THE BUDGET FOR THAT.
13 THAT'S ONE THING. THE SECOND THING I WOULD SAY IS WE HAVE
14 CURRENTLY SIMILARLY SITUATED BODIES IN THE COUNTY, SO WE DON'T
15 HAVE TO COMPLETELY START FROM SCRATCH IF WE WANT IT TO BE
16 DIRECTIONALLY CORRECT. SO THAT'S ON THE OFFICES. THEN THE
17 GOVERNANCE MOTION ALSO CALLS FOR LIKE SPECIFIC POSITIONS LIKE
18 THE BUDGET, THE BUDGET AND FINANCE DIRECTOR. WE ALSO KNOW, OR
19 WE CAN ACTUALLY ESTIMATE BASED ON SIMILAR POSITIONS IN THE
20 COUNTY, IN ORDER TO ATTRACT A QUALIFIED CANDIDATE THAT'S
21 KNOWLEDGEABLE IN THESE AREAS, IT MIGHT HAVE TO BE AT THIS
22 LEVEL AND IT MIGHT COST THIS AMOUNT. IF WE WERE ABLE TO USE
23 THOSE AS TEMPLATES AND THEN BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT THE FACT THAT
24 THESE ARE ESTIMATES, I DON'T THINK IT WOULD NECESSARILY
25 RESTRICT THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE FROM DOING THE MORE DETAILED



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1 WORK ABOUT SCALE, SCOPE, AND FUNCTION. BUT I THINK WE WOULD
2 HAVE TO BE CLEAR THAT THESE ARE ESTIMATES BASED ON THE
3 INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE NOW, AND THE ESTIMATES ARE IN PART
4 BASED ON SOME OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS THAT ARE SIMILARLY
5 SITUATED IN THE COUNTY. IT MAY BE THAT THE GOVERNANCE REFORM
6 TASK FORCE, YOU KNOW, THEY MIGHT DEPART FROM THE TEMPLATE OR,
7 YOU KNOW, BE BROADER OR NARROWER, BUT AT LEAST WE HAVE A
8 STARTING POINT.

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT'S RIGHT, I AGREE. I'M GLAD
11 FOR THE CLARIFICATION. I THINK THAT ONE VERSION OF HOW THIS
12 COULD PROCEED IS THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE AND ITS
13 PUBLIC STAKEHOLDER PROCESS DETERMINES THAT SOME OF WHAT WAS
14 SUGGESTED HERE TODAY THAT POTENTIALLY OFFICE, BOARD OFFICE
15 SIZES ARE REDUCED, CERTAINLY IT'S POSSIBLE THAT THAT DOESN'T
16 HAPPEN GIVEN THAT THERE'S A PUBLIC PROCESS YET TO COME. SO, I
17 JUST WANNA MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT, YOU KNOW, AN
18 ESTIMATE THAT IS REFLECTIVE OF WHAT IS ACTUALLY, YOU KNOW,
19 WHAT IS ACTUALLY POSSIBLE, AS OPPOSED TO SAYING, YOU KNOW,
20 WE'RE JUST BEING ADDITIVE TO WHAT CURRENTLY EXISTS IN THE
21 COUNTY. I KNOW THAT ALSO IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING ALSO WHEN THE
22 BOARD REORGANIZED THE CEO IN 2015 THERE WAS THERE WAS A
23 \$2,000,000 SAVINGS THAT WAS SORT OF TOUTED AS A SAVINGS
24 OVERNIGHT SIMPLY THROUGH ELIMINATION OF DEPUTY CEOS. SO, ARE
25 THINGS LIKE THAT BEING CONTEMPLATED AS PART OF THIS PROPOSAL?



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1 BECAUSE THAT'S AN ADDITIONAL COST SAVINGS AND I WANNA MAKE
2 SURE I UNDERSTAND WHEN YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT WHAT GOES INTO
3 THOSE PROPOSALS, WHAT YOU'RE CONSIDERING.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, AS YOU STATED THE DCEO POSITIONS NO
6 LONGER EXIST BECAUSE THEY WERE ELIMINATED. WHAT WE WOULD LOOK
7 AT IS AGAIN FORM FOLLOWS FUNCTION AND SO IF THE COUNTY
8 EXECUTIVE IS ACTUALLY GOING TO HAVE DAY-TO-DAY OVERSIGHT OF
9 OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT. THAT DEPARTMENT IS ACTUALLY
10 GOING TO NEED MORE STAFF BECAUSE THE FORMER STRUCTURE THAT WAS
11 IN PLACE THAT POSITIONED AND ENABLED THE CEO'S OFFICE TO SORT
12 OF MANAGE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS NO LONGER EXIST. SO, FROM MY
13 ESTIMATION, IT WOULD NOT BE A REDUCTION IN THE CEO STAFF, IT
14 WOULD ACTUALLY BE AN INCREASE.

15

16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, I THINK THAT'S, YOU KNOW,
17 AS PART OF THE DRAFTING OF THE PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED ORDINANCE,
18 IT WAS MY EXPECTATION THAT THERE WOULD BE A PUBLIC PROCESS
19 GOING FORWARD WHERE MANY OF THESE QUESTIONS WOULD BE DISCUSSED
20 AND VETTED WITH, YOU KNOW, ANALYSIS OF A FISCAL IMPACT. I CAN
21 CERTAINLY APPRECIATE WHY THERE'S A DESIRE FOR ESTIMATES AND I
22 CAN ALSO, I THINK WE CAN ALSO UNDERSTAND TO YOU WHY THERE
23 MIGHT BE CONCERN AROUND ESTIMATES IF IT IMPACTS THE ABILITY
24 FOR THE PUBLIC PROCESS TO TRULY BE, YOU KNOW, A PUBLIC INPUT
25 PROCESS THAT, YOU KNOW, ALLOWS FOR CONSIDERING ALL OF THE



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1 POSSIBILITIES. SO, I WANTED TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ALL
2 WILL BE CONSIDERING AS YOU ARE DEVELOPING THIS METHODOLOGY AND
3 PRESENTING INFORMATION GOING FORWARD. AND DID I HEAR CORRECTLY
4 THAT YOUR ANALYSIS IS COMING BACK TO THE BOARD FOR REVIEW OR
5 IT IS NOT?

6

7 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** IT'S NOT WRITTEN ANYWHERE, SO RIGHT NOW IT'S
8 SUBMITTING DIRECTLY TO REGISTER OF VOTERS.

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

11

12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, I APPRECIATE YOUR LINE OF
13 QUESTIONS, MADAM CHAIR, AND I THINK THE POINTS YOU RAISE IS
14 WHAT COMPLICATED MY FEELINGS ABOUT THE PREVIOUS MOTION,
15 BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS, HOW ARE THE
16 VOTERS TO UNDERSTAND? I APPRECIATE THE DESIRE TO HAVE PUBLIC
17 ENGAGEMENT, BUT IT'S PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AFTER THE MEASURE HAS
18 PASSED. SO, FOR VOTERS TO FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT IT COULD COST,
19 IT IS COMPLICATED. I DON'T THINK THAT WE CAN AFFORD TO NOT
20 THEN AT LEAST GIVE THEM A RANGE. IT IS AN ESTIMATE. AND YOU'RE
21 RIGHT, WE SHOULDN'T SIMPLY BE ADDITIVE. WE SHOULD LOOK AT THE
22 DETAILS TO THE DEGREE THAT THEY ARE THERE AND THE ORDINANCE,
23 UNDERSTANDING THAT SO MUCH OF THAT WORK AND THOSE DECISIONS
24 WILL COME LATER, BUT I DON'T THINK WE CAN EXPECT THE VOTERS TO
25 NOT HAVE SOME SENSE OF RANGE WHEN WE'RE ALREADY ASKING THEM TO



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1 VOTE ON A PROCESS THAT IS NOT, WE DON'T SEE THE END OF THE
2 TUNNEL. WE WANT TO USE THAT AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ENGAGEMENT,
3 ENGAGEMENT TO THE DEGREE THAT IT'S THE SIZE OF THE TASK FORCE,
4 NOT FULL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, IT'S THE TASK FORCE, WHATEVER
5 THAT SIZE WILL BE. BUT I THINK THAT WE CANNOT, EVEN THOUGH ALL
6 OF THOSE IDEAS AREN'T FULLY VETTED, BECAUSE THAT'S THE WORK OF
7 THE TASK FORCE, WE STILL HAVE TO BE ABLE TO GIVE VOTERS A
8 GENERAL IDEA OF WHAT THEIR VOTE WILL MEAN IN TERMS OF COST.
9 THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER
12 COMMENTS, I WOULD CALL, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, JUST LISTENING TO SOME OF THE
15 CONCERNS, AGAIN, I'M NOT SURE WE AGREE THAT THE ELECTED CEO
16 STAFF SHOULD BE INCREASED. I THINK A LOT OF THOSE, I THINK
17 THAT'S YOUR OPINION, AND I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S NECESSARILY
18 WHAT WE ALL FEEL. SO, CAN I MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO THIS MOTION
19 THAT IT DOES COME BACK FOR A REVIEW BEFORE IT GOES TO DEAN
20 LOGAN?

21

22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** REVIEW OR APPROVAL? BECAUSE I CAN'T
23 SUPPORT APPROVAL BECAUSE THAT'S NOT WHAT HAPPENS AT THE STATE
24 LEVEL. THE WHOLE POINT OF IT BEING INDEPENDENT AND OBJECTIVE
25 IS INDEPENDENT AND OBJECTIVE BASED ON WHAT THE AUDITOR-



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1 CONTROLLER DOES.

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT. HOW ABOUT REVIEW?

4

5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THAT'S FINE. IT'S GONNA BE REVIEWED
6 ANYWAY. IT'S GOT A 10-DAY REVIEW PERIOD.

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, THAT'S A CHALLENGE.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, I HAVE NO ISSUE IF IT'S CONCURRENT
11 WITH THE 10 DAYS THAT ARE ALREADY LEGALLY REQUIRED SO IF WE
12 WANT TO DO IT SO THAT YOU --

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO, I THINK IT'S A COME BACK FOR REVIEW NOT
15 APPROVAL BEFORE IT GOES TO DEAN

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** REVIEW AND APPROVAL SO AT THE BOARD LEVEL
18 WE WOULD JUST SIT HERE AND TALK ABOUT IT, BUT WE WOULDN'T TAKE
19 A VOTE ON WHATEVER'S IN IT.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SIMILAR TO WHAT WE DID WITH THE
22 PARKING ENFORCEMENT. WE ASKED TO HAVE IT REVIEWED.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE, BECAUSE I MEAN,
25 FOR ME, IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE OBJECTIVE AND NOT POLITICAL. AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 IF IT'S COMING TO THE REVIEW SO THAT WE VOTE WHETHER IT CAN
2 MOVE FORWARD OR NOT, IT BECOMES POLITICAL AND IT'S NOT
3 UNBIASED OBJECTIVE. THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS GOING TO BASE IT
4 ON STATISTICAL AND DATA THAT HE HAS BEFORE HIM. SO, IF IT'S
5 FOR REVIEW, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM, BUT IF IT'S FOR APPROVAL,
6 I DON'T ACCEPT THAT.

7

8 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** SO, THE STATUTE PERTAINING TO THIS
9 PROVISION IS SILENT, BUT WHAT I WILL SAY IS FOR OUR IMPARTIAL
10 ANALYSIS, WE DO NOT BRING THAT TO THE BOARD. IT'S AN IMPARTIAL
11 ANALYSIS THAT WE SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO THE REGISTRAR RECORDER
12 BECAUSE IT'S AN INDEPENDENT IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS. SO, WE DO NOT
13 SUBMIT OURS TO THE BOARD. SO, I MEAN,

14

15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I MEAN, YEAH, I HEAR YOU. I JUST THINK THIS
16 IS THE FIRST TIME THERE'S A LOT OF AMBIGUITY. I THINK IT'S
17 APPROPRIATE THAT IT WOULD COME BACK FOR REVIEW. SO, I'M MAKING
18 A MOTION IF ANYONE WANTS TO SECOND THAT. NOT FOR APPROVAL BUT
19 FOR REVIEW BEFORE IT GOES TO.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ARE THE MAKERS OF THE MOTION
22 ACCEPTING IT AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT? NO.

23

24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** IT'S NOT FRIENDLY.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO, THERE'S A SECOND.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** YOU'RE PREROGATIVE, BUT NO, IT'S NOT A
4 FRIENDLY.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. I JUST WAS ASKING.

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I CAN SEE THAT ON YOUR FACE. IT AIN'T
9 FRIENDLY. IT AIN'T. I CAN SEE THAT ALL THE WAY FROM OVER HERE.

10

11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** YES, YOU CAN. [LAUGHING]

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO, WITH THAT, ARE
14 THERE ANY OTHER COMMENTS WE WANT TO MAKE BEFORE WE GO TO THE
15 PUBLIC? OKAY, WITH THAT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
16 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL ANDREA MCPHERSON, BYRON JOSE, COOKIE
19 LAMAU, DEREK SUE, DEREK STEELE, DIAMOND CRUZ, JOE FARAGHER,
20 KAREN MACK, KELVIN SALZ, KRISTEN NIMMERS, MARK ANTHONY
21 JOHNSON, MAYA DANIELS, ONYEMA OBIKEA, PETE WHITE, RED CHIEF
22 HUNT, REGINA MARTIN, RON COLLINS, RUTH MAYFIELD, STANLEY
23 THERMIDOR, TERESA VELASCO, AND YVONNE WHEELER, PLEASE COME
24 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR
25 PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS



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1 ITEM 18, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND
2 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY
3 WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE?

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS IRENE CALE. CORRECTION OUR
6 FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ANTHONY ARENAS. PLEASE UNMUTE SPEAK
7 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ANTHONY ADENAS WITH THE JUSTICE LA
10 COALITION BORN AND RAISED IN DISTRICT 3 AND SPEAKING IN FAVOR
11 OF ITEM 18. THE CHARTER AMENDMENT HAS BEEN PRESENTED AS
12 ENTIRELY COST-NEUTRAL BUT AS WE'VE HEARD FROM OTHER COMMUNITY
13 MEMBERS THAT'S HIGHLY UNLIKELY, ANGELINAS DESERVES TO KNOW
14 WHAT THE FISCAL IMPACT OF THE CHANGES WILL BE AND I WANT TO
15 MAKE SURE THAT THE MOST CRUCIAL COUNTY SERVICES WON'T BE
16 IMPACTED. IT'S CRITICAL THAT CFDI AND OTHER CARE FIRST FUNDING
17 ARE NOT DECREASED TO ACCOMMODATE THE BOARD RESTRUCTURING.
18 HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND OTHER BASIC COUNTY SERVICES
19 ARE CRUCIAL FOR LA RESIDENTS AND ALL TOO OFTEN SOCIAL AND
20 HEALTH SERVICES ARE THE FIRST TO BE IMPACTED BY COUNTY BUDGET
21 CUTS. SO, YEAH AGAIN I'M SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF AGENDA ITEM 18.
22 THANK YOU.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MODERATOR, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** NEXT PARTICIPANT IS IRENE KAO. YOU MAY PLEASE
4 UNMUTE YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
5 BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THIS IS IRENE GAO,
8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH COURAGE CALIFORNIA. ONE OF OUR MAIN
9 FOCUSES OF OUR WORK IS PROVIDING VOTERS THE INFORMATION AND
10 TOOLS THEY NEED TO VOTE UP AND DOWN THE BALLOT. I'M SPEAKING
11 IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. WE HAVE, COURAGE CALIFORNIA HAS
12 TAKEN POSITION AND ENGAGED VOTERS ON CITY, COUNTY, AND STATE
13 BALLOT MEASURES AND INCLUDE THEM IN OUR COURAGE VOTER GUIDE.
14 THE LAST COUPLE CYCLES WE'VE INCLUDED LA COUNTY MEASURES A AND
15 ULA IN 2022 AND MEASURE J IN 2020. WE ALSO KNOW FROM OUR
16 POLLING AND OUR VOTER GUIDE WORK THAT VOTERS ARE REALLY HIGHLY
17 MOTIVATED TO VOTE ON BALLOT MEASURES AND WANT MORE INFORMATION
18 AND GUIDANCE TO HELP THEM MAKE CHOICES THAT ALIGN WITH THEIR
19 VALUES AND ALSO FEEL RESPONSIBLE. COURAGE HAS LOBBIED FOR
20 GREATER TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ON STATEWIDE BALLOT
21 MEASURES AND ARE ALSO HERE TO LOBBY ON BEHALF OF THAT AT THE
22 COUNTY LEVEL. WE SUPPORT THIS MOTION FOR PROVIDING VOTERS WITH
23 THE FISCAL AND PROGRAMMATIC ANALYSIS ON LA COUNTY BALLOT
24 MEASURES --

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
2 SPEAKER PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ALICIA MOORE. PLEASE UNMUTE
5 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YES, HI THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE OPPORTUNITY A SECOND
8 TIME AND I'M JUST APPALLED AT THE OPPOSITION THAT'S DISPLAYED
9 ON THIS BOARD THIS SHOULD NOT BE AND I JUST PRAY THAT PEOPLE
10 ARE LEADING WITH THEIR HEARTS FOR A MEASURE THAT BENEFITS ALL
11 THE VOTERS ALIKE. THERE'S NO TIME FOR YOUR OPPOSITION OR YOUR
12 BIASES. STOP THE HATE. IT'S IN YOUR HEART. GET IT OUT. PRAY.
13 REPENT. STOP THAT. IT'S UGLY, JANICE HAHN. WHATEVER YOU'RE
14 IT'S UGLY, GUYS. IF YOU ARE OF A HUMAN RACE THEN YOU SHOULD
15 ACT AS SUCH IF NOT THEN YOU NEED TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING
16 BOARD. I AM SO SORRY YOU GUYS ARE DISGUSTING

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

19

20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JACQUELINE PINTO PLEASE
21 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS JACQUELINE PINTO AND I AM A RESIDENT
24 OF DISTRICT 4 AND A MEMBER OF REIMAGINE LA COALITION. I
25 SUPPORT MANY PRINCIPLES THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS FURTHERING



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1 IN THIS MOTION INCLUDING BUDGET TRANSPARENCY, EXTENDED
2 COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER INPUT IN THE BALLOT MEASURE
3 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND PROVIDING EXPANDED VOTER INFORMATION
4 DURING ELECTIONS. THIS MOTION COULD MAKE THE EQUITABLE
5 IMPLEMENTATION OF CARE VIRTUALLY THE BALLOT MEASURES MORE
6 FEASIBLE BECAUSE IT PROVIDES A PATHWAY FOR VOTERS FOR ORDERS
7 TO SIGNAL DIRECTLY TO COUNTY OFFICIALS WHO WORK ON THE COUNTY
8 BUDGET SUCH AS THE COUNTY CEO. THAT VOTERS APPROVE THE FISCAL
9 IMPLICATIONS OF A PARTICULAR MEASURE. THIS CLARITY COULD
10 FOSTER IMPLEMENTATION MORE DIRECTLY TRUE TO THE LANGUAGE OF A
11 BALLOT MEASURE. WHILE I AM GLAD TO SEE INNOVATIVE AND BOLD
12 POLICY AROUND GOVERNANCE REFORM, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE
13 MORE TIME IN ADVANCE FOR COMMUNITY INPUT AND ANALYSIS FOR
14 MOTIONS LIKE THIS ONE SO THAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE MORE TIME
15 TO REVIEW IMPORTANT POLICY PROPOSALS BEFORE BEING ASKED TO
16 WEIGH IN ON THEM. I AM HOPEFUL TO SEE THIS BOARD IN BRINGING
17 FORTH MOTIONS THAT SPEAK TO THE NEED FOR BUDGET REFORM IN THE
18 COUNTY - -

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
21 SPEAKER PLEASE.

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PATRICIA MCCALLISTER.
24 PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
25 BEGIN.



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SPEAKER:** YES, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** OKAY YES, I'M IN AGREEMENT WITH THIS VALID MEASURE TO
7 EXPLAIN TO THE VOTERS HOW YOU'RE SPENDING THESE REVENUES, GOOD
8 OR BAD. I'M ASHAMED THAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH SAID THAT THE
9 HIRING OF THE 4 SUPERVISORS WON'T COST ANYTHING. SALARIES ARE
10 THE MOST EXPENSIVE PART OF A BUDGET. OKAY, NOW THIS RECKLESS
11 BEHAVIOR OF HER SAYING THAT WON'T COST ANYTHING, THE 4
12 SUPERVISORS, I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL BECAUSE
13 YOU GUYS KEEP HER OUT OF THE LOOP, YOU'RE A RECKLESS SPENDING
14 BECAUSE YOU'RE ACTING LIKE YOU'RE CONTROLLERS. YOU'RE NOT
15 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS. WE NEED ON THAT BALLOT TO ELECT
16 OUR OWN CONTROLLER. AND I HOPE THAT, LIKE THE CITY DID, I HOPE
17 THEY ELECT A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT. ACCOUNTANT, THIS
18 RECKLESS SPENDING BY THESE 4 SUPERVISORS, WE NEED TO STOP IT.
19 PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW WE DON'T HAVE A CERTIFIED PUBLIC
20 ACCOUNTANT THEY ARE HANDLING THE MONEY. IF YOU KNOW WOMEN,
21 THEY DO MORE SPENDING THAN THEY DO BALANCING THE BUDGET OKAY,
22 THAT'S WHAT'S GOING ON AND THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED NEXT
25 **SPEAKER,** PLEASE



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1

2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TIM CROMARTIE, PLEASE
3 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ARE YOU THERE?

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** TIM, YOUR LINE'S OPEN. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** YES, MADAM SPEAKER AND MEMBERS, TIM CROMARTIE WITH
13 THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHIRLEY N. WEBER'S OFFICE. THE
14 SECRETARY DOES NOT HAVE A POSITION ON THIS PROPOSAL, HOWEVER,
15 I HAVE SPOKEN TO THE INITIATIVE AND BALLOT MEASURE COORDINATOR
16 AT THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST'S OFFICE AND I CAN SHARE WITH YOU
17 THAT THE PROPOSAL DOES MIRROR THE STATE PROCESS IN 3 CRITICAL
18 AREAS. 1, IT REQUIRES COMPLETION OF A FISCAL ANALYSIS FOR ALL
19 COUNTYWIDE BALLOT MEASURES. 2, THE DISSEMINATION IN THE FISCAL
20 IMPACT STATEMENT IN ALL REQUIRED LANGUAGES. 3, A YES-NO
21 SUMMARY EXPLAINING TO THE VOTERS WHAT THE IMPACT OF A VOTE UP
22 OR DOWN WILL MEAN AS A PRACTICAL MATTER AND 4. INPUT FROM
23 COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS TO HELP FORM NOT ONLY
24 THE FISCAL BUT ALSO THE PROGRAM ANALYSIS BEHIND IT.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LILA MURPHY. PLEASE UNMUTE AND
4 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HELLO AGAIN, MY NAME IS LILA. I'M A RESIDENT OF
7 DISTRICT 5 AND I'M CALLING FOR THE JUSTICE LA COALITION. ONCE
8 AGAIN, I AGREE WITH SEVERAL OF THE CONCERNS VOICED BY
9 SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND BARGER TODAY, AS WELL AS MANY OTHER
10 COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THE BOARD EXPANSION CHARTER AMENDMENT HAS
11 BEEN PRESENTED AS ENTIRELY COST NEUTRAL BUT WE ALL KNOW THAT
12 IT'S HIGHLY UNLIKELY. IT IS CRITICAL THAT CSCI AND OTHER CARE
13 FIRST FUNDING ARE NOT DECREASED TO ACCOMMODATE THE BOARD
14 RESTRUCTURING OR ANY OTHER FUTURE BALLOT MEASURES. HOUSING,
15 MENTAL HEALTH CARE, AND OTHER COUNTY SERVICES ARE CRUCIAL FOR
16 L.A. RESIDENTS. ALL TOO OFTEN SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES ARE
17 THE FIRST TO BE IMPACTED BY COUNTY BUDGET CUTS. THIS CHARTER
18 AMENDMENT MUST NOT TAKE TAXPAYER FUNDS FROM THE SERVICES
19 ANGELENOS TRULY WANT AND NEED. VOTERS DESERVE TO KNOW HOW THE
20 IMPACT OF ANY BALLOT MEASURE OR WHAT THE IMPACT OF ANY BALLOT
21 MEASURE WILL BE ON CRUCIAL PUBLIC SERVICES. THANK YOU.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24

25 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ZAMARA PENA. PLEASE UNMUTE



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1 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ZAMARA, ARE YOU THERE?

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ZAMARA. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. GO AHEAD,
6 PLEASE.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** HI, THIS IS ZAMARA PENA WITH THE SPANISH ORGANIZED
9 FOR POLITICAL EQUALITY CALLING IN TO OFFER AN OPPOSITION TO
10 ITEM NUMBER 18 AND AGREE WITH SEVERAL OF THE CONCERNS ALREADY
11 OUTLINED BY SEVERAL SUPERVISORS AS WELL AS OTHER COMMUNITY
12 MEMBERS THANK YOU SO MUCH.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC. ERIC, PLEASE UNMUTE
17 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, EVERYBODY LOVES A GOOD
20 TRANSPARENT APPROACH TO THE ELECTION. I KNOW DEAN WILL
21 REMEMBER IT IN JEREMY, MY ENTHUSIASM FOR GETTING CANDIDATE
22 STATEMENTS PRINTED SO THAT PEOPLE COULD HEAR WHAT IT WANTED
23 TO. OF COURSE, IT COSTS TOO MUCH MONEY AS WE CIRCLED BACK ON.
24 THIS IS INTERESTING BECAUSE THIS IS KIND OF TIT FOR TAT. WE'VE
25 GOT TO THE POINT WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHERE, OH, NO,



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1 YOU DIDN'T. HERE, I'M GOING TO COME RIGHT BACK AND BRING UP
2 THE SAME POINTS THAT YOU HAVE TO BRING UP NOW. SO, IT'S
3 INTERESTING. MAYBE WE'LL GET SOMETHING DONE. IT SEEMS TO ME
4 LIKE THIS IS HASTY AND LATE, BUT YOU KNOW, LET'S GET IT. LET'S
5 GET IT IN FRONT OF THE PEOPLE 500 WORDS IS VERY VERY
6 CHALLENGING AND I TOOK NOTE \$700,000 IT'S NOT AN INSUBSTANTIAL
7 AMOUNT OF MONEY AND I DON'T KNOW YOU KNOW, WE I THINK THIS IS
8 SO TRIBAL THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER SUDDENLY BECOMING REARING IS
9 IT YOU KNOW THIS IS ALL ABOUT POWER AND I THINK WE SHOULD
10 STICK WITH 5 MEDIUM-SIZED SUPERVISORS WHO DO A POOR JOB AND
11 SEE IF WE CAN RIGHT THE SHIP.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
14 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15
16 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE
17 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

18
19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE WILL CLOSE VIRTUAL
20 COMMENT AND TURN TO OUR SPEAKERS IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, THANK YOU, DEREK. SURE, I INTRODUCED MYSELF ON
23 THE LAST ROUND, SO I'LL SKIP THAT. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU TO
24 ALL THE COUNTY STAFF AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR ENDURING
25 A LONG PROCESS. THIS IS GOOD GOVERNMENT. THOUGH I THINK WITH



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1 THE MOTION THAT ALREADY PASSED, WE SHOULD HAVE STRETCHED THAT
2 A LITTLE BIT AND HAVE THE DISCUSSION OF THE FINANCES IN FRONT
3 OF THAT. I SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. WE DO NEED TO KNOW
4 WHAT THE COSTS ARE. I'M CONFUSED THOUGH ABOUT ONE THING. I
5 HEAR THE TERM COST NEUTRAL. I DON'T THINK THAT THAT'S ACTUALLY
6 ACCURATE AND I'M LOOKING TO MY ACCOUNTING FRIENDS HERE. I
7 THINK THIS IS ACTUALLY TAX NEUTRAL. IN OTHER WORDS, THERE'LL
8 BE NO NEW REVENUE GENERATED BY THE COUNTY TO FUND IT, BUT
9 THERE'S BEEN NO EXPRESSION OR GUARANTEE THAT THIS IS COST
10 NEUTRAL. AND I WANT TO BE SURE THAT I UNDERSTAND THAT
11 CORRECTLY AS A POTENTIAL VOTER ON IT. AND SO I LOOK FORWARD TO
12 THE REPORT FROM THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ANDREA MCPHERSON AND I SUPPORT THIS
17 MEASURE, BUT LET'S ADDRESS THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM. EVERYONE
18 DOESN'T HAVE INTERNET OR KNOWLEDGE OF THIS NEW HYBRID WORLD WE
19 LIVE IN. I'M SURE EVERYONE KNOWS SOMEONE WHO HAS A DISABILITY
20 OR A SENIOR WHO MAY NOT HAVE THE EDUCATION ABOUT THIS NEW
21 VIRTUAL WORLD WE LIVE IN. SO, WE NEED DATA FROM THOSE WHO MAY
22 NOT HAVE ACCESS TO ALL THE ELECTION INFORMATION AND WHAT
23 AFFECTS THEM THE MOST. AND SO, WE NEED TO EITHER MAIL OUT
24 DIFFERENT INFORMATION FOR THE SENIORS AND DIFFERENT THINGS
25 LIKE THAT, OR WE CAN USE OUR VOLUNTEERS, OUR STAKEHOLDERS. OUR



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1 STAKEHOLDERS LIKE THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE
2 MEETINGS, WE HAVE EVENTS, WE HAVE A BUDGET, AND WE CAN HAVE AN
3 IPAD AND SPEAK TO EVERYONE DIRECTLY AND MAKE IT SO THAT WE CAN
4 GET INFORMATION NECESSARY TO HAVE DATA IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO
5 COMMUNICATE WITH PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE THE DATA.

6
7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT
8 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9
10 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MAI DANIELS,
11 PRONOUNS THEY THEM, WITH TRANSATINA COALITION, REIMAGINE LA,
12 AND IMMIGRANTS RLA. I SPEAK FOR MYSELF WHEN I SAY THAT ANY
13 MOVEMENT TOWARDS FULL TRANSPARENCY OF BALLOT MEASURES AND THE
14 FISCAL COST IS A MOVEMENT IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION TOWARDS
15 WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC AND UNDERSTANDING HOW THE BUDGETING
16 SYSTEM WORKS IN LOS ANGELES. I AM EXCITED ABOUT THE MANY
17 PROPOSED CHANGES PUT FORWARD MOVING TOWARDS BUDGET
18 TRANSPARENCY. I HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU ARE WORKING EQUALLY AS
19 HARD TOWARDS THE ACTUAL IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURES AS WELL.
20 THERE ARE MEASURES VOTED ON AND APPROVED YEARS AGO THAT STILL
21 HAVE NOT MOVED ALLOCATED FUNDS TOWARDS THEIR INTENDED PLACES.
22 I CAN ONLY HOPE THAT IN IMPLEMENTING NEW HELPFUL WAYS TO BE
23 TRANSPARENT, THAT THE MOVEMENT OF FUNDS IS GOING TOWARDS THE
24 BETTERMENT OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY THROUGH MEASURES LIKE
25 MEASURE J AND THE TRANSPARENCY DOES NOT JUST END AT THE VOTING



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1 OF BALLOT MEASURES. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS DIAMOND AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE
6 TRANS-LATINA COALITION. IN ORDER FOR OUR DEMOCRACY TO THRIVE,
7 IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE VOTING PROCESS IS TRANSPARENT AND
8 TRUSTWORTHY FOR ALL CITIZENS. AS VOTERS, IT IS OUR RIGHT TO
9 HAVE ACCESS TO THE ACCURATE AND UNBIASED INFORMATION ABOUT
10 CANDIDATES AND THEIR POLICIES. TRANSPARENCY IN THE VOTER
11 BALLOTS ENSURE THAT OUR VOICES ARE HEARD AND THAT OUR VOTES
12 TRULY ACCOUNT. IT IS CRUCIAL FOR GOVERNOR FOR GOVERNMENT
13 OFFICIALS AND ELECTED ELECTION AUTHORITIES TO UPHOLD
14 TRANSPARENCY IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE VOTING PROCESS, FROM THE
15 COUNTING OF THE BALLOTS TO THE DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN
16 FINANCES. AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS, LET US DEMAND AND SUPPORT A
17 TRANSPARENT VOTING SYSTEM TO ENSURE FAIR AND JUST ELECTIONS.
18 OUR DEMOCRACY DEPENDS ON IT. THANK YOU AND HAVE A NICE DAY.

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. BYRON JOSE WITH
23 THE TRANS-LATINO COALITION. SO, LOS PADRINOS MEN'S CENTRAL
24 JAIL AND ALL THE OTHER COUNTY COUNSEL SYSTEMS ARE STILL
25 STANDING. WE SPENT, YOU AS THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE SPENT A



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1 GOOD PART OF OUR DAY. AND WE'RE MORE THAN HAPPY TO BE PART OF
2 THIS PROCESS ENGAGED, BUT AGAIN, HOW ARE WE PRIORITIZING OUR
3 TIME AND OUR RESOURCES, AND ASKING THE COMMUNITY TO BE HERE
4 FOR THAT. AND THERE'S A CEO, AND THEN THERE'S GONNA BE A
5 DIRECTOR OF BUDGET, SO AGAIN, WHAT ARE THE FINANCIAL
6 IMPLICATIONS OF THOSE POSITIONS, AND IF THAT'S JUST GOING TO
7 BE A REBRANDING OF WHAT THE CEO'S CURRENT ROLE IS IN THE
8 BUDGET PROCESS NOT BEING TRANSPARENT. SPEAKING OF FINANCIAL
9 IMPACT AND TRANSPARENCY, LET'S DIRECT THE CEO TO BLOW UP HER
10 PRIORITY MOUNTAIN PROCESS, OR AT THE VERY LEAST, STOP CARRYING
11 THE SHERIFF AND ALL THE CARCERAL SYSTEMS TO THE TOP OF THAT
12 LIST. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR SHARING YOUR
13 EXPERIENCE AS A STATE LEGISLATOR IN TERMS OF AT LEAST IN THIS
14 PROCESS, BUT ALSO HOW CAN WE REIMAGINE WHAT CO-GOVERNANCE AND
15 TRUE TRANSPARENCY CAN LOOK LIKE IT IN LA COUNTY. THANK YOU,
16 CHAIR, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND ALL THE WORK. THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** DEREK STEELE HERE IN THE CAPACITY OF SEVERAL
21 DIFFERENT COALITIONS AND SPACES. AMBIGUITY, CONFUSING, MOVING
22 TOO FAST. I'M A LITTLE PERPLEXED BY ALL OF THIS BECAUSE WE
23 PUSH FORWARD ON A MAYBE THAT IS THAT HAS A LOT OF AMBIGUITY
24 IT'S CONFUSING AND MOVING TOO FAST BUT THEN WE WANT TO PAUSE
25 WHEN IT HAS WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING THAT'S



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SUPERVISORS

1 STRAIGHTFORWARD HAS PRECEDENCE IT OFFERS TRANSPARENCY AND ALSO
2 GIVES COMMUNITY THE INFO AND THE VOICE THAT WE NEED. I SUPPORT
3 ITEM 18. I THINK IF WE'RE LOOKING AT ALL THE THINGS THAT ARE
4 HAPPENING IN A GLOBAL SPHERE AS FAR AS BEING HERE IN AMERICA,
5 PRESIDENT BIDEN SHOWED HOW TO SET AGENDAS ASIDE AND FOCUS ON
6 WHAT IS BEST FOR THE PEOPLE. I THINK LEADERSHIP HERE SHOULD
7 TAKE HEED BECAUSE SOLIDARITY, INCLUSIVITY, AND COLLECTIVE WORK
8 IS CRITICAL. AND THAT IS NOT WHAT IS LEADING THE WAY. AND SO,
9 WE NEED TO HAVE A DIFFERENT TYPE OF CONVERSATION SO THE
10 COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN BE INVOLVED IN THESE PROCESSES. THANK
11 YOU.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14
15 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RON COLLINS. I'M WITH THE
16 LOS ANGELES BLACK WORKERS CENTER AND I'D LIKE TO SPEAK IN
17 SUPPORT OF ITEM 18. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS
18 MITCHELL AND BARGER FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE. THE
19 ABILITY TO HAVE AN INDEPENDENT FISCAL ANALYSIS ALLOWS VOTERS
20 TO HAVE A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WE ARE VOTING FOR. WE
21 TALKED A LOT ABOUT TRANSPARENCY AND THIS RECOMMENDATION IS A
22 PRIME EXAMPLE OF HOW THIS BOARD CAN WALK THE TALK. A WELL-
23 INFORMED ELECTORATE IS THE KEY TO SUCCESSFUL DEMOCRACY, AND
24 THIS MEASURE WOULD SERVE TO KEEP VOTERS INFORMED IN AN
25 OBJECTIVE WAY. THE HEART OF THE MATTER IS WHETHER OR NOT YOU



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1 BELIEVE THAT WE AS VOTERS SHOULD HAVE AN INDEPENDENT FISCAL
2 ANALYSIS OF BALLOT MEASURES. REGARDLESS OF HOW MUCH TIME IT
3 TAKES OR HOW MUCH IT MAY COST, THIS IS WHAT VOTERS DESERVE.
4 HOW CAN THIS BOARD TALK ABOUT TRANSPARENCY AND THEN DO
5 ANYTHING BUT APPROVE A MEASURE THAT WILL CREATE A CLEAR
6 MECHANISM FOR VOTERS TO UNDERSTAND FISCAL IMPACTS OF A PIECE
7 OF LEGISLATION? THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** PETE WHITE, LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK IN
12 SUPPORT OF ITEM 18. YOU KNOW, IT'S INTERESTING THAT NOW
13 THERE'S A LOT OF CONCERN AROUND ANALYSIS, COSTS, AND TIMING,
14 BUT NOT ON ITEM 80. POLITICS AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY SHOULD
15 NOT RESEMBLE A GAME OF 3 CARD MOLLY OR WHACK-A-MOLE. YOU SPEAK
16 OF TRANSPARENCY, BUT FIGHT TO KEEP THE PURSE STRINGS HIDDEN
17 FROM A PUBLIC EAGER TO RENDER DECISIONS BASED ON FACTS. LA CAN
18 WORKED HARD TO PASS MEASURE H, MEASURE J, AND WILL DO THE SAME
19 FOR MEASURE A. KNOWING WHAT WE KNOW FROM THOSE EXPERIENCES,
20 MULTI-YEAR LONG CAMPAIGNS AND EVEN LONGER IMPLEMENTATION, HOW
21 WE WISH THERE WERE CLEAR LANGUAGE AROUND FISCAL IMPACT AND
22 ACCOUNTABILITY FROM THE START. NEGOTIATING IN THE DARK WILL
23 ALWAYS UNDERMINE THE ABILITY OF UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES TO
24 SECURE RESOURCES THEY NEED. IT EXTINGUISHES REAL INPUT AND
25 ENGAGEMENT EVEN BEFORE IT BEGINS. IF WE REALLY SUPPORT



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SUPERVISORS

1 ENGAGEMENT AND TRANSPARENCY OF ALL ANGELENOS, A YES VOTE
2 SHOULD BE EASY. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS TERESA
7 VELASCO AND I'M AN SEIU LOCAL 721 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER AND A
8 PROUD 6 YEAR COUNTY EMPLOYEE. I AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF OUR
9 EXECUTIVE BOARD LEADERSHIP WITH 55,000 REPRESENTED COUNTY
10 EMPLOYEES IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 18. BALLOT TRANSPARENCY AND
11 CONSISTENCY PROVIDES VOTERS WITH FISCAL AND PROBLEMATIC
12 ANALYSIS ON COUNTY BALLOT MEASURES. WITH SO MANY EYES ON
13 ELECTIONS ACROSS THE STATE AND THE COUNTRY, IT IS IMPERATIVE
14 WE SUSTAIN THE TRUST OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONSTITUENTS IN THE
15 DECISION MAKING PROCESS. THE SERVICE WE PROVIDE, ACTIONS THAT
16 CAN BE TAKEN BY THE COUNTY THAT ARE ON THE BALLOT EVERY CYCLE.
17 WITH TRANSPARENCY AT THE FOREFRONT OF OUR PROCESSES, RESIDENTS
18 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN BE CONFIDENT IN MAKING AN INFORMED
19 DECISION FOR THEIR FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE,
22 MADAM PRESIDENT.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
25 MY NAME IS YVONNE WHEELER AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS



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1 ANGELES COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR, REPRESENTING OVER 800, 000
2 UNION MEMBERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. TODAY I'M VOICING OUR
3 SUPPORT FOR ITEM 18, THE BALLOT TRANSPARENCY AND CONSISTENCY.
4 WE KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE THAT A WELL-INFORMED AND EDUCATED
5 PUBLIC CREATES AN ARMY OF VOTERS WHO UNDERSTAND THE POWER OF
6 THEIR DECISIONS AND THE INITIATIVE PROCESS. THIS MOTION
7 ENCOURAGES TRANSPARENCY THROUGH ANALYSIS OF WHAT IS BEING
8 PROPOSED TO OUR COLLECTIVE VOICES AS BOTH A WORKFORCE AND THE
9 COMMUNITY. IN A TIME WHERE ELECTIONS HAVE SIGNIFICANT
10 CONSEQUENCES, IT IS IN MY SINCEREST HOPE THAT WE CONTINUE TO
11 LEAD THE NATION BY EXAMPLE. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT ITEM 18.
12 THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS RUTH MAYFIELD. I'M WITH BLACK WOMEN
17 FOR WELLNESS AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF BLACK WOMEN FOR WELLNESS
18 THAT WE LOCATED IN LA MERK PARK. WE'VE BEEN OVER THERE FOR
19 DECADES AND WE ADVOCATE FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF BLACK
20 WOMEN AND YOUNG BLACK GIRLS AND THAT BLACK WOMEN FOR WELLNESS
21 WE UNDERSTAND FIRSTHAND THE IMPORTANCE OF TRANSPARENCY AND
22 DIRECT DEMOCRACY. OUR COMMUNITY HAS ENDURED DECADES OF
23 CHALLENGES FROM ACCESS TO ADEQUATE HEALTHCARE, HEALTHY FOOD
24 AND HOUSING TO OVER POLICY, POLICY, MASS INCARCERATION,
25 EFFORTS TO PUSH US OUT OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THROUGH ALL THESE



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SUPERVISORS

1 STRUGGLES, WE HAVE NEVER WAITED. WE PASSIVELY FOR CHANGE, WE
2 HAVE ORGANIZED, BUILT COMMUNITY POWER AND SECURE VICTORIES
3 THAT MOVE US TOWARD MORE INCLUSIVE LAW SAMPLING. WHILE WE
4 BELIEVE THAT A REFORM PACKAGE IS NEEDED AND THAT VOTERS SHOULD
5 HAVE A SAY IN WHAT REFORM LOOKS LIKE, WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT WE
6 SHOULD HAVE A FULL UNDERSTANDING OF THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
7 ANY BALLOT MEASURE WE ARE ASKED TO VOTE ON. WITH THAT IN MIND
8 - -

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10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.
11 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS REGINA MARTIN. I'M WITH BLACK WOMEN
14 FOR WELLNESS. I LIVE IN DISTRICT 2. I'VE CANVASSED IN THE
15 COMMUNITY AND I CONTINUE TO DO OUTREACH ALL OVER LA COUNTY.
16 MAJORITY OF VOTERS ARE ALWAYS CONCERNED ABOUT UNDERSTANDING
17 STATE PROPOSITIONS AND LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES. PEOPLE USUALLY
18 MAKE THE SAME COMMENT. MAIN CONCERN IS THIS. ARE MY TAXES
19 GOING TO GO UP AS A RESULT OF THIS MEASURE ON MY BALLOT?
20 THEREFORE, MOST VOTERS ARE IN FAVOR OF FISCAL TRANSPARENCY.
21 FISCAL TRANSPARENCY FROM A NEUTRAL, NONPARTISAN SOURCE
22 ASSOCIATED WITH A BALLOT MEASURE WOULD CLARIFY THE COST OF A
23 MEASURE AND CREATE AN INFORMED VOTER. THE COST OF A BALLOT
24 MEASURE CLEARLY STATED IN THE SAMPLE BALLOT WOULD REALLY CLEAR
25 UP CONFUSION FOR FOLKS TRYING TO UNDERSTAND HOW AN INDIVIDUAL



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1 IS PERSONALLY FINANCIALLY IMPACTED WHEN VOTING FOR OR AGAINST
2 A MEASURE ON THEIR BALLOT. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK.

3
4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5
6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE MEMBERS. MY NAME IS STANLEY
7 THERMIDOR. I AM THE POLICY AND ADVOCACY STRATEGIST WITH A NEW
8 WAY OF LIFE, AND I AM A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES LONG BEACH
9 CHAPTER OF ALL OF US AND NONE. I SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. GOOD
10 GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS BEST WHEN THERE IS TRANSPARENCY AND GOOD
11 ANALYSIS. PROVIDING VOTERS WITH AS MUCH INFORMATION AS
12 POSSIBLE PRODUCES THE BEST RESULTS. OTHERWISE, VOTERS CAN VOTE
13 FOR SOMETHING WITHOUT REALLY UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT IT WILL
14 HAVE ON THIS COMMUNITY. I ALSO AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
15 CHAIR HORVATH'S POINT THAT ANY ANALYSIS SHOULD NOT ONLY
16 INCLUDE COST BUT COST SAVING AS WELL. THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** RED CHIEF HUNT, LET'S NOT TRIP, LET'S TIE OUR SHOE.
21 LET ME GET AN AYE VOTE ON THIS ONE. WE KNOW THE RESPONSIBILITY
22 OF THE VOTERS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. I TOO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
23 AN AYE VOTE ON THIS. VOTE RED CHIEF HUNT. THANK YOU AND LET'S
24 GET AN AYE VOTE ON THIS. THANK YOU, RED CHIEF HUNT ANGELS.



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
2 SPEAKERS? OKAY, SEEING NONE, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WILL TURN IT
3 TO YOU.

4

5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** MADAM CHAIR, I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHY I
6 HAD MY NAME UP THERE. SORRY TO SAY, ALTHOUGH I HAD A
7 CONVERSATION WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND I THINK WE HAVE LANDED
8 ON SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED A MORE FRIENDLY
9 AMENDMENT. YOU WANT ME TO TALK ABOUT WHAT WE TALKED ABOUT OR
10 WOULD YOU LIKE TO TALK ABOUT IT? SO, AND I'M GONNA MAKE SURE
11 YOU'RE OKAY WITH THIS. THAT THE LANGUAGE BE PROVIDED TO THE
12 BOARD BEFORE IT GOES TO THE REGISTRAR. THE LANGUAGE BE
13 PROVIDED TO THE BOARD BEFORE IT GOES TO THE REGISTRAR.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY AND YOU'RE GOOD WITH THAT IS
16 THE SECOND ARE GOOD WITH THAT YOU ALL ARE GOOD WITH THAT. WE
17 ARE OKAY, SO WAS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANTED TO CLARIFY?

18

19 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I JUST WANTED TO SAY, AS WE WERE
20 HAVING THE CONVERSATION, THERE'S REALLY NOTHING DIFFERENT
21 BETWEEN AN INDEPENDENT LEGAL ANALYSIS AND THE INDEPENDENT
22 FISCAL ANALYSIS. WE HEARD FROM COUNTY COUNSEL THAT THE
23 INDEPENDENT LEGAL ANALYSIS DOESN'T COME TO US. AND WE HAVE
24 CONFIDENCE IN THE CAPACITY OF COUNTY COUNSEL TO DO A LEGAL
25 ANALYSIS AND WE HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THE CAPACITY OF THE



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1 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DO A FISCAL ANALYSIS. SO, I JUST WANTED
2 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE CLEAR THAT FROM MY PERSPECTIVE THEY
3 ARE DIFFERENT. ONE DOES NOT COME TO US, BUT THIS ONE WILL BE
4 PROVIDED TO US BEFORE IT GOES TO THE REGISTRAR.

5
6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND I THINK THAT THEY HOPEFULLY
7 ON AN ONGOING BASIS WILL BE COME THE SAME AS YOU ARE
8 SUGGESTING BUT RIGHT NOW THEY ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE WE'VE
9 NEVER HAD THE FISCAL ANALYSIS BEFORE SO I THINK HAVING IT
10 PROVIDED TO THE BOARD TO UNDERSTAND HOW IT WILL APPEAR IS
11 HELPFUL BUT I APPRECIATE THAT IT IS NOT A REVIEW. AND I JUST
12 WANTED TO ADDRESS A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT CAME UP IN PUBLIC
13 COMMENT FOR CLARIFICATION. SO, THERE WAS SUGGESTION AROUND
14 MAKING SURE THAT CFCI FUNDING, FOR EXAMPLE, WAS NOT IMPACTED,
15 BUT I KNOW THAT YOU ARE WORKING WITHIN A 500-WORD ANALYSIS. SO
16 HOW WILL YOU BE DETERMINING WHAT MAKES OR DOESN'T THAT 500-
17 WORD CUT IN ORDER FOR PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IMPACT LOOKS
18 LIKE? WILL THINGS LIKE CFCI BE SPELLED OUT IN YOUR ANALYSIS?

19
20 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE
21 INTO CONSIDERATION. AGAIN, WE'RE GOING TO LOOK AT SOME OF THE
22 EXAMPLES AND AGAIN, BASED ON THE IMPACT THAT THIS IS HAVING ON
23 OUR BALLOT MEASURE, WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S SUFFICIENT
24 LANGUAGE IN THERE AND IF WE NEED TO CLARIFY SOMETHING, WE'LL
25 SPELL IT OUT IN ORDER TO GET THAT REFLECTED ON THAT STATEMENT.



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1 BUT AGAIN, IT'S NEW TO US SO IN REGARDS TO DEVELOPING THAT
2 STATEMENT, BUT WE'LL DEFINITELY GET THAT DONE.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MADAM CEO.

5

6 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** AND IN COLLABORATION WITH THE AUDITOR-
7 CONTROLLER, I THINK THERE'S 2 VERY IMPORTANT THINGS HERE. ONE
8 IS THE WHAT AND THE OTHER IS THE HOW. SO, THE WHAT IS THE
9 FISCAL ANALYSIS. THIS IS WHAT THIS MEASURE WILL DO AND THESE
10 ARE THE COSTS AND REVENUE EXPENDITURES, THE HOW AT SOME POINT
11 IS GOING TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD ON A PUBLIC AGENDA WHERE,
12 YOU KNOW, FOLKS ARE ABLE TO COME IN AND LET THE BOARD KNOW
13 THEIR, YOU KNOW, DESIRES AND INTERESTS RELATED TO ANY TYPE OF
14 PLANNING IN TERMS OF HOW WE WOULD OFFSET THE COSTS.

15

16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** GREAT. I ALSO WANTED TO
17 ACKNOWLEDGE I AGREE THAT WE SHOULD BE TAKING A LOOK AT
18 GOVERNANCE AS A WHOLE. I KNOW THAT THAT WAS THE MOTION FROM
19 THE BEGINNING OF LAST YEAR AND THAT WORK WILL BE ONGOING. ONE
20 OF THE THINGS THAT IS INCLUDED IN THIS PROPOSED CHARTER
21 AMENDMENT IS SOMETHING THAT IS LIKE THE STATE PROCESS OF THE
22 IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS THAT THAT OFFICE WOULD BE CREATED IN
23 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE LEGISLATIVE
24 ANALYST'S OFFICE, SO I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IS PART
25 OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO ADD THAT TO OUR



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1 STRUCTURE, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THAT WAS BENEFICIAL FOR YOU
2 IN THE STATE, AND MAYBE IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL HERE. I HAVE 2
3 QUESTIONS. IT WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD. SO, DOES THAT
4 MEAN IT WILL BE BASED ON THE TIMING FOR WHEN YOU HAVE TO
5 SUBMIT? I'VE BEEN HEARING SORT OF THROUGH CONVERSATIONS THAT
6 THAT MEANS POTENTIALLY IT WOULD BE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD AS A
7 RECEIVE AND FILE ON OUR AUGUST 13TH AGENDA? IS THAT YOUR
8 UNDERSTANDING OR EXPECTATION?

9

10 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** WE CAN DO THAT OR WE CAN PROVIDE IT TO THE BOARD
11 VIA, I'LL DEFER TO COUNTY COUNSEL VIA EMAIL TO THE VARIOUS
12 BOARD OFFICES BEFORE WE RELEASE IT OVER TO A REGISTRAR VOTER.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I SUSPECT THERE'S, OKAY. AND SO,
15 IT WILL BE PROVIDED TO US BY EMAIL. WE CAN DO THAT. OKAY, AND
16 I JUST WANNA MAKE SURE WE UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS. WE DON'T
17 WANT IT ON A PUBLIC AGENDA FOR TRANSPARENT OKAY AND THE
18 MEASURE AND IT WILL INCLUDE ANALYSIS FOR BOTH FOR ALL MEASURES
19 IN THE COUNTY THAT WILL BE DECIDED BY THAT POINT.

20

21 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** CORRECT. COUNTY WIDE MEASURES.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY AND THEN SHOULD THERE BE
24 DISAGREEMENT WITH WHAT IS INCLUDED? WHAT IS THE CURE PROCESS?

25



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1 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THAT WOULD BE THE 10-DAY PUBLIC INSPECTION
2 PERIOD, I WOULD IMAGINE. THAT WOULD BE THE ONLY OPPORTUNITY.

3
4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** CAN YOU WALK ME THROUGH WHAT THAT
5 MEANS? LIKE FOR EXAMPLE, WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE?

6
7 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** SO, THE 10-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD, AFTER WE
8 RECEIVE IT, ALL THE MATERIALS WE TRANSLATED INTO THE REQUIRED
9 LANGUAGES WE FORMAT IT SO IT LOOKS LIKE IT WILL LOOK IN THE
10 ACTUAL BOOK AND THEN THAT'S WHAT'S AVAILABLE DURING THE 10 DAY
11 PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD. AND THEN ANYONE HAS THE OPPORTUNITY AT
12 THAT POINT TO SEEK A WRIT IF THEY WANT TO CHALLENGE THE
13 CONTENT AT THAT POINT. SO, THE REMEDY IS TO GO TO SUPERIOR
14 COURT.

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO IT'S A LEGAL CHALLENGE.
17 IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE REMEDIED HERE BY THE BOARD OR
18 WITHIN A BOARD PROCESS IT HAS TO GO TO THE COURT.

19
20 **DEAN C. LOGAN:** THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING. OKAY, I JUST, THIS IS
21 THE FIRST TIME WE'RE DOING THIS, SO I'M JUST TRYING TO BE
22 CLEAR ABOUT WHAT PEOPLE'S OPTIONS ARE AS THIS MOVES FORWARD.
23 OKAY, SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS,

24
25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** FIRST, THE AMENDMENT WAS ACCEPTED



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1 AS FRIENDLY, SO WE'RE NOW TALKING ABOUT A MOTION OF ON ITEM 18
2 AS AMENDED, WHICH IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE
4 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

11

12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

15

16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

23

24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-
2 0.

3
4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU TO
5 EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT ITEM. WE ARE NOW
6 MOVING ON TO ITEM 3, GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION
7 INITIATIVE, WHICH I HELD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
8 TELEPHONE. PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.
9 SINCE DECEMBER 5TH OF LAST YEAR, I HAVE WORKED TO ELEVATE
10 GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN THE COUNTY AS OUR FOCUS
11 HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN ON INTERVENTION. THIS IS THE THIRD IN A
12 SERIES OF MOTIONS I'VE BROUGHT BEFORE THIS BOARD TO SPOTLIGHT
13 THE ISSUE AND ENSURE THAT AS A COUNTY WE'RE COLLECTIVELY DOING
14 EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN TO PREVENT GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE. LAST
15 DECEMBER I ALSO CREATED THE GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION
16 POLICY DEPUTIES MEETING TO HAVE A FORUM THAT WOULD BRING
17 TOGETHER OUR DEPARTMENTS, THE BOARD, AND COMMUNITY
18 STAKEHOLDERS TO SHAPE THE COUNTY'S ROLE IN THE PREVENTION
19 SPACE. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD DEPUTIES, OUR COUNTY STAFF,
20 AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THESE MEETINGS AND
21 DISCUSSIONS OVER THE PAST 6 MONTHS. THE RESULTS OF THIS WORK
22 CAN BE FOUND IN THE RECENTLY RELEASED CEO REPORT, WHICH MAKES
23 RECOMMENDATIONS TO FORMALIZE THE WORK DONE ON GENDER-BASED
24 VIOLENCE PREVENTION THIS PAST YEAR BY ADOPTING THOSE
25 RECOMMENDATIONS. THE CEO, THROUGH STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND



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1 COMMUNITY OUTREACH WITH FEEDBACK FROM THE DEPUTIES HAS PUT
2 FORWARD THE FOLLOWING DEFINITION OF GENDER BASED VIOLENCE FOR
3 THE COUNTY. VIOLENT ACTS OR A PATTERN OF ACTS OF ASSAULT,
4 THREATS, HUMILIATION AND INTIMIDATION OR OTHER ABUSES THAT ARE
5 USED TO HARM, PUNISH, OR FRIGHTEN DUE TO A PERSON'S IDENTIFIED
6 OR PERCEIVED GENDER OR SEXUAL IDENTITY. GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
7 INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, PSYCHOLOGICAL, EMOTIONAL, AND
8 OR FINANCIAL ABUSE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, INTIMATE PARTNER
9 VIOLENCE, GENDERED CYBER ABUSES, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, SEXUAL
10 ASSAULT AND EXPLOITATION, TRAFFICKING, HOMOPHOBIC AND
11 TRANSPHOBIC ABUSES. IT IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE THAT ALL
12 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT GENDER-
13 BASED VIOLENCE IS AS WE FOCUS OUR EFFORTS ON PREVENTION. THIS
14 DEFINITION WILL SERVE AS A FOCAL POINT TO ADDRESS THESE
15 CHALLENGES THROUGH A PRIMARY PREVENTION LENS. ALTHOUGH SOME
16 PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE, THERE IS CERTAINLY MORE WORK THAT
17 NEEDS TO BE DONE. WE NEED TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE GAPS IN
18 GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION SERVICES THAT CURRENTLY EXIST
19 THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY DELIVERY SYSTEM. ADDITIONALLY, WE NEED
20 COMPREHENSIVE, COLLABORATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT LEVERAGE
21 EXISTING SERVICES IN VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO MOVE THIS
22 WORK FORWARD AND TRULY HELP PREVENT GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
23 THROUGH EVERY INTERSECTION IN OUR COUNTY. WHILE THIS IMPORTANT
24 WORK WILL BE LED BY PUBLIC HEALTH'S OFFICE OF VIOLENCE
25 PREVENTION, IT IS THE EXPECTATION THAT ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS



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1 COLLABORATE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
2 COMPREHENSIVE GAP ANALYSIS AS WELL AS RECOMMENDATIONS.
3 COMMUNITY AND LIVED EXPERIENCE PERSPECTIVES ARE CRITICAL FOR
4 THIS WORK AND MUST BE INCORPORATED EVERY STEP OF THE WAY.
5 PEOPLE ARE HURTING AND WE MUST DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO BREAK
6 DOWN SILOS AND COLLECTIVELY COME TOGETHER TO PREVENT GENDER-
7 BASED VIOLENCE FROM OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M
8 PLEASED THAT 2 POSITIONS FOR WORK ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
9 WERE FUNDED IN THE FINAL CHANGES BUDGET. AND I WOULD ASK THAT
10 WE LOOK AT ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT FOR GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND
11 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN OUR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. FOR FAR TOO
12 LONG, THIS WORK HAS EITHER BEEN UNFUNDED, UNDERFUNDED, OR
13 IGNORED. GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE SURVIVORS AND OUR PROVIDERS WHO
14 SERVE THEM DESERVE MORE. AND AS WE EMBARK ON THIS NEXT PHASE
15 OF WORK, I LOOK FORWARD TO THE UNPRECEDENTED COLLABORATION
16 BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS THAT WILL HAVE NOT ONLY IN SUPPORTING THE
17 OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION'S WORK ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE,
18 BUT DOING ALL WE CAN TO LEVERAGE RESOURCES SO WE CAN HELP
19 EXISTING SURVIVORS AND TO ENSURE IF WE DO OUR JOB RIGHT, THERE
20 WILL BE NO NEED FOR GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN THE
21 FUTURE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR
24 INTRODUCING THIS MOTION. I THINK IT'S INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT
25 THAT THE WORK TO ADDRESS GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE CONTINUES TO BE



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1 UPLIFTED AND ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY. GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
2 COMES IN SO MANY FORMS, WHETHER IT'S PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL, OR
3 PSYCHOLOGICAL, IT CAN BE EXTREMELY HARMFUL AND DEMEANING TO
4 PERSON'S SENSE OF SELF-WORTH. AND JUST AS IMPORTANT THAT WE
5 EMPHASIZE PREVENTION TO IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS UNHEALTHY OR
6 UNSAFE BEHAVIORS BEFORE THEY EVEN OCCUR. THAT INCLUDES
7 ESPECIALLY TEACHING OUR YOUTH AND ENGAGING WITH PARENTS ABOUT
8 WHAT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS LOOK LIKE. AND I'M ALSO GLAD TO SEE
9 THAT THE DIRECTIVES INCLUDE INTERDEPARTMENTAL COLLABORATION SO
10 THAT WE'RE REALLY TAPPING INTO ALL THE AVAILABLE COUNTY
11 RESOURCES AND SERVICES. THE MOTION TODAY GOES HAND IN HAND
12 WITH THE MOTION I INTRODUCED EARLIER THIS MONTH WITH YOU MADAM
13 CHAIR AS CO-AUTHOR REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
14 COUNTY'S GENDER IMPACT ASSESSMENT WHICH DIRECTED THE COUNTY TO
15 CREATE A PLAN TO PRIORITIZE GENDER EQUITY AND HEALTH CARE
16 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT VIOLENCE PREVENTION AMONG OTHER FOCUS AREAS
17 IN ALL OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENT AND SERVICES. I WAS ALSO GLAD
18 TO SEE THE INCLUSION OF THE LGBTQ PLUS COMMISSION IN THE
19 DIRECTIVES. THEIR INSIGHTS AS YOU KNOW ARE VITAL BECAUSE WE
20 KNOW MEMBERS FROM THAT COMMUNITY CONTINUE TO BE SOME OF THE
21 MOST VULNERABLE TO GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND HARASSMENT. FOR
22 THIS EFFORT TO BE EFFECTIVE AND MEANINGFUL, THE COUNTY NEEDS
23 TO STRIVE TO PROVIDE SERVICES OR PARTNER WITH SERVICE
24 PROVIDERS OUT IN THE COMMUNITY THAT ARE CULTURALLY COMPETENT
25 AND INCLUDE THE VOICES OF INDIVIDUALS WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE.



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1 WE ALSO NEED TO ENSURE THAT ANY COMMUNITY MEETINGS, LISTENING
2 SESSIONS, AND SURVEYS ARE LANGUAGE ACCESSIBLE TO INCORPORATE
3 THE DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES OF THE MANY IMMIGRANT AND ENGLISH
4 LANGUAGE LEARNERS IN THAT CONVERSATION. AND FOR ALL THOSE
5 REASONS, I SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING ON
6 THIS AGAIN WITH YOU. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

9

10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR AUTHORIZING
11 THE MOTION. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE NEW DEFINITION. I
12 THINK IT'S INCLUSIVE OF NEW WAYS OF ABUSE, CYBER ABUSE,
13 TRANSPHOBIC AND HOMOPHOBIC ABUSE. AND SO, IT ACKNOWLEDGES
14 PSYCHOLOGICAL ABUSE THAT SO MANY SURVIVORS HAVE ALSO ENDURED.
15 THE NEW DEFINITION FOR AT-RISK POPULATIONS DEMONSTRATES THE
16 INITIATIVE AND DEDICATION TO PREVENTION AS WELL AS THE HEALING
17 OF THE CURRENT VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS, I SHOULD PREFER TO REFER
18 TO THEM. I APPRECIATE THE WORK OF THE OFFICE OF VIOLENCE
19 PREVENTION AND THE WORK THAT THE GROUP DID TO REALLY EXPAND
20 AND BRING THE DEFINITION CURRENT AND RELEVANT. I LOOK FORWARD
21 TO SUPPORTING THE MOTION.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH



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1 FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. I THINK IT'S ANOTHER STEP IN
2 SHOWING OUR COMMUNITIES THAT THE COUNTY IS STRONGLY COMMITTED
3 TOWARDS ADDRESSING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND GETTING TO THE
4 ROOT OF THE ISSUE BY FOCUSING ON PREVENTION. IT'S IMPORTANT
5 THAT THIS BOARD CONTINUES TO IDENTIFY AND SUPPORT OUR MOST
6 VULNERABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND ADDRESS VIOLENCE IN A MORE
7 UPSTREAM WAY TO PREVENT DANGEROUS AND VIOLENT SITUATIONS.
8 ANCHORING THE GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION WORK IN THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION
10 AND CREATING AN ONGOING POLICY CLUSTER MEETING WILL HELP BREAK
11 DOWN THE BARRIERS TO FOCUS ON ALIGNMENT, BEST PRACTICES, AND
12 SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THAT FOCUS ON PREVENTING GENDER-BASED
13 VIOLENCE. I THINK IT'S GOOD TO KNOW THAT I DON'T THINK THE
14 COUNTY WILL BE SUCCESSFUL UNLESS WE DO MORE FOR THE COUNTY'S
15 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS. AS MUCH
16 FOCUS AS THERE IS ON PREVENTION WITH THIS WORK, IT WILL BE
17 CRITICAL TO CONTINUE ELEVATING THE WORK THAT OUR PROVIDERS ARE
18 DOING DAILY. I WANT TO THANK THE WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATIVE
19 FOR THEIR WORK IN PROVIDING RECOMMENDATIONS AND FOR GETTING US
20 TO THIS POINT. THERE'S MUCH WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO
21 BETTER UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS,
22 COMMUNITY PROVIDERS, AND HOW THE COUNTY CAN FOCUS ON GENDER-
23 BASED VIOLENCE. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING WHAT WE CAN
24 ACCOMPLISH IN THIS SPACE, THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
2 PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO
3 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, PLEASE COME FORWARD
6 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ANDREA MCPHERSON, BYRON JOSE, AND
7 RED CHIEF HUNT, PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.
8 AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU
9 WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM NUMBER 3, IF YOU HAVE NOT
10 ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE
11 SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, WHEN WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
12 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ERIC. PLEASE UNMUTE AND
15 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE CAN BARELY HEAR YOU.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. NOW IT'LL BE BETTER FOR A SECOND. I'LL TRY TO
22 SAY THANK YOU FOR THIS ONE. YOU KNOW, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO
23 TRY TO DO WHAT WE CAN. BUT I THOUGHT THE OFFICE OF VIOLENCE,
24 YOU KNOW, VIOLENCE PREVENTION WAS COVERED THIS. IS THIS A NEW
25 GROUP? ANYWAY, I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE WANT TO, THERE ARE SOME



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1 SPECIFIC AREAS WHERE WE CAN BE VERY EFFECTIVE AT PREVENTING.
2 BUT I THINK PUTTING THIS KIND OF AN ITEM RIGHT AFTER AN ITEM
3 WHERE EVERYBODY'S VERY ANGRY, IT'S AN INTERESTING STRATEGY.
4 BUT I THINK IT KIND OF MUZZLES US FROM OUR MOST POINTED
5 CRITICISMS BECAUSE IT'S PRETTY ANNOYING. SO, THANK YOU FOR THE
6 GOOD WORK ON THE STICKING UP VICTIMS.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DEACON MCLEAN. PLEASE UNMUTE
11 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** HELLO EVERYONE, MY NAME IS DEACON MCLEAN. I'M ALSO
18 COMMISSIONER FOR DISTRICT 4, SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN. I JUST
19 WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION PERTAINING TO
20 ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE PARKS AND INCLUSIVE ESPECIALLY ON THIS
21 MONTH HONORING DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH THIS HAS BEEN LONG
22 OVERDUE AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU
23 SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN WE'RE HEARING OUR VOICES WHEN WE
24 BROUGHT THIS TO YOUR ATTENTION. THANK YOU AND I JUST PRAY AND
25 ASK THAT THIS MOTION BE SUPPORTIVE TO MAKE LIKE I SAID THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 PARKS MORE INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBILITY FOR FAMILY MEMBERS AND
2 KIDS WITH DISABILITIES ESPECIALLY SO THEY'LL BE ABLE TO PLAY
3 WITH THEIR COUNTERPARTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6
7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
8 PLEASE UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9
10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE, ARE YOU THERE?
11 GENEVIEVE? OK, WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12
13 **MODERATOR:** THE LINE IS OPEN. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ALICIA
14 MOORE. PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
15 MAY BEGIN.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** HI, YES, THANK YOU. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU
18 TO EVERYONE JUST FOR ALL THAT YOU DO, ALL YOUR ENDEAVORS YOU
19 DO IN A POSITIVE WAY. ALSO, SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL, I THANK
20 YOU JUST FOR ALL THE FIGHT ALONG WITH, YOU KNOW, THE
21 COMPASSION AND EVERYTHING THAT YOU ALL HOLD WHEN YOU HOLD IT
22 IN A SINCERE MANNER AND WHEN IT'S HELD FROM A BROADER
23 PERSPECTIVE ON THE LEVEL OF EVERYONE SO I JUST APPRECIATE WHAT
24 YOU DO IN HONESTY AND IN TRUTH OKAY SO JUST THANK YOU.



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE
4 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON,
7 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** YES, MY NAME IS ANDREA MCPHERSON. YOU GUYS KNOW ME
10 ALREADY AT THIS POINT, BUT I AGREE WITH THIS MOTION IN HOPES
11 THAT LA COUNTY SEXUAL ASSAULT COUNCIL ALLOWS VICTIMS IN OPEN
12 FORUM TO SPEAK AND RESPOND TO ALL INQUIRIES TO BETTER THE
13 COMMUNITY OF THOSE NEGATIVELY AFFECTED BY SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND
14 FROM A MORE PERSONAL STANDPOINT, OF COURSE. AS A VICTIM, I
15 SURVIVED. I AM WILLING TO GIVE NECESSARY INFORMATION TO HELP
16 OTHER VICTIMS IN COORDINATION WITH THE SEXUAL ASSAULT COUNCIL.
17 I'LL SPEAK ABOUT DIFFERENT THINGS THAT HAPPENED TO ME AND HOW
18 STRONG I STAYED FROM THE DIFFERENT THINGS THAT I WAS AFFECTED
19 BY, BUT STILL YET I'M HERE. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT
20 YOU HAVE PEOPLE FROM A PERSONABLE PERSPECTIVE. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR STORY.
23 NEXT SPEAKER.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, THE RED CHIEF HUNT. THANK YOU, THE RED



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1 CHIEF HUNT. I SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. I SUPPORT PEACE AT ALL
2 LEVELS FOR ANYBODY AND FOR EVERYBODY. PEACE IS VERY IMPORTANT
3 THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE SAFE. SO, I LIKE TO HAVE AN
4 AYE VOTE ON THIS. THANK YOU, RED CHIEF HUNT.

5
6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER
7 SPEAKERS, SO I'LL TURN IT BACK TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

8
9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** MADAM CHAIR, I JUST WANTED TO COMMENT.
10 PERHAPS IT'S DIFFICULT WITH PEOPLE WHO AREN'T IN THE HEARING
11 ROOM WHO ARE ONLY LISTENING TO US ONLINE. THE 5 OF US ARE
12 CONSUMMATE PROFESSIONALS. WE CAN AGREE AND WE CAN DISAGREE ON
13 POLICY AND PRACTICE AND IT'S NOT ABOUT ANGER. I DON'T KNOW IF
14 PEOPLE ASSUMED WHEN THE BOARD WAS ALL MALE THAT WHEN THEY HAD
15 POLICY DIFFERENCES THAT THEY WERE ANGRY. THIS IS NOT ABOUT
16 ANGER. AGAIN, WE MANAGE THE WORK OF THE COUNTY AND WE GET THE
17 WORK DONE IN A COLLABORATIVE FASHION SO I JUST FELT IT WAS
18 IMPORTANT TO ELEVATE THAT STATEMENT.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, ITEM 3 IS
21 BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO
22 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?
25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

4

5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

16

17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-
20 0.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 8,

23 ADDRESSING ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION AT LOS ANGELES COUNTY

24 PARKS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN.

25 FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND



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1 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. WE'RE ON ITEM 8.

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANTED TO START
4 OFF MY COMMENTS BY THANKING SOMEONE WHO WAS HERE IN THE
5 BOARDROOM ALL DAY, BUT JUST BECAUSE OF THE TIME HE HAD TO
6 LEAVE. AND THAT'S CARLOS BENAVIDES, WHO IS MY COMMISSIONER ON
7 DISABILITIES. AND WHAT A GREAT ADVOCATE HE IS AND HOW THIS
8 SORT OF, THIS MOTION KIND OF CAME ABOUT BECAUSE OF HIM, BUT
9 ALSO JUST A SHOUT OUT TO ALL OF OUR COMMISSIONERS ON
10 DISABILITIES AND MINE ARE CARLOS AND RAY PIZARRO AND DEACON
11 MCLEAN, WHO ALL OF THEM BROUGHT THIS ISSUE TO ME AND WORKED
12 WITH NORMA GARCIA, OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR. AND YOU
13 KNOW, IT WAS ACTUALLY, CARLOS HAS BEEN TALKING TO ME A LOT AS
14 MY COMMISSIONER THAT REALLY FEELS LIKE WE PROBABLY NEED TO DO
15 A LITTLE BIT BETTER KIND OF ON ALL OF OUR FACILITIES, MAKING
16 SURE THEY'RE ACCESSIBLE. HE'S EVEN VOLUNTEERED TO, YOU KNOW,
17 GO IN HIS WHEELCHAIR AND ACTUALLY TRY OUT DIFFERENT ENTRANCES
18 AND EXITS OF ALL OUR FACILITIES. BUT A PARTICULARLY, YOU KNOW,
19 INCIDENT HAPPENED WITH HIM. WE WERE OPENING A PICKLEBALL COURT
20 IN CERRITOS AND JUST THE LAYOUT OF WHERE THE HANDICAP PARKING
21 WAS, HOW FAR HE WOULD HAVE HAD TO GO TO FIND A RAMP TO JUST
22 EVEN GET UP ONTO THE SIDEWALK AND INTO THE PARK. AND HE,
23 INSTEAD OF TAKING THE LONG ROUTE THAT HE WAS, WE WERE
24 INTENDING FOR PEOPLE IN WHEELCHAIRS FOR A GO, HE SAW A LITTLE,
25 YOU KNOW, INGRESS, LIKE ALMOST A LITTLE DRIVEWAY THAT HE



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1 THOUGHT HE WOULD JUST CUT IT BECAUSE HE WAS LATE FOR THE
2 PROGRAM AND HE'D ALREADY BEEN DRIVING AROUND IN HIS VAN TRYING
3 TO FIND PARKING. AND THE INCLINE OF THAT LITTLE DRIVEWAY ONTO
4 THE SIDE, IT WAS SO STEEP HE LITERALLY ALMOST TIPPED OVER
5 BACKWARDS IN HIS WHEELCHAIR. AND IT WAS THAT, AMONG ALL THE
6 OTHER THINGS THAT HE TALKS TO ME ABOUT, THAT HE'S LIKE, YOU
7 KNOW, REALLY, WE NEED TO WORK WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
8 WORKS, WE NEED TO WORK WITH YOUR PARKS, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE
9 THAT JUST SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS PARKING YOUR CAR AND TRYING
10 TO ENTER A PARK CAN BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT AND MAYBE EVEN
11 DANGEROUS FOR SOMEBODY IN A WHEELCHAIR. SO, I THINK IT'S NOT
12 ENOUGH THAT WE SIMPLY COMPLY WITH ADA GUIDELINES AND
13 REGULATIONS, BECAUSE I THINK WE COULD HAVE SAID THAT PARKING
14 LOT AND WHERE WE INTENDED PEOPLE TO ENTER THE PARK, COMPLIED,
15 BUT IT WASN'T REALLY REALISTIC OR PRACTICAL FOR CARLOS TO DO
16 THAT. SO, THIS MOTION BEFORE US TODAY DIRECTS OUR DEPARTMENT
17 OF PARKS AND RECREATION IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 AGING AND DISABILITIES AND THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES TO
19 DEVELOP UNIVERSAL DESIGN GUIDELINES, WHICH WILL INCLUDE DESIGN
20 RECOMMENDATIONS TO SUPPORT OUR DISABLED COMMUNITY. THESE
21 GUIDELINES WILL BE USED FOR FUTURE PARK RENOVATIONS AND NEW
22 PARK PROJECTS GOING FORWARD. AND IT'S JUST ALWAYS A GOOD
23 REMINDER THAT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES FACE CHALLENGES WHEN
24 ACCESSING PARKS DUE TO SOCIAL AND STRUCTURAL BARRIERS. AND
25 THERE ARE WAYS TO MAKE OUR PARKS EASIER FOR SOMEONE IN A



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1 WHEELCHAIR, FOR EXAMPLE, TO ENJOY PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND
2 GATHERING SPACES. AND ANOTHER CHALLENGE HE BROUGHT UP, AND
3 AGAIN, YOU KNOW, SOMETIMES THIS IS THE THINKING THAT WE DON'T
4 ALWAYS IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZE, BUT HE SAID, FOR INSTANCE,
5 PICNIC BENCHES AT OUR PARKS, FOR SOMEONE IN A WHEELCHAIR,
6 THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO SIT AT A PICNIC TABLE. AND SO MAYBE GOING
7 FORWARD, WE DESIGN PICNIC TABLES THAT ACTUALLY HAVE A SPACE AT
8 THE TABLE FOR SOMEONE IN A WHEELCHAIR. SO, THESE ARE NOT
9 RADICAL, BUT THEY ARE INNOVATIVE AND CREATIVE, AND I THINK
10 IT'S TIME FOR US TO LOOK AT THAT WHEN WE DESIGN OUR PARKS. AND
11 I RECOGNIZE THAT TO CREATE MEANINGFUL AND LASTING CHANGE WHEN
12 IT COMES TO INCLUDING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, IT'S IMPORTANT
13 TO INVOLVE THE PEOPLE WITH THE LIVED EXPERIENCE IN PROGRAM
14 PLANNING, IMPLEMENTATION, AND EVALUATION. SO, THIS PROMOTION
15 CREATES A PARKS ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE COMPRISED AGAIN OF
16 MEMBERS OF OUR COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES TO WORK WITH OUR
17 DEPARTMENTS OF PARK AND RECREATION AND AGING AND DISABILITY TO
18 DEVELOP THE GUIDELINES AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OUR FUTURE
19 PROJECTS. OUR COUNTY PARKS I THINK WE WOULD ALL AGREE ARE OUR
20 OPEN SPACES ARE THE HEART OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THEY BRING
21 PEOPLE TOGETHER, THEY PROMOTE HEALTH AND WELLBEING AND PROVIDE
22 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES. OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS IS
23 CELEBRATING THEIR 80TH ANNIVERSARY. I KNOW WE ALL INCLUDED A
24 LITTLE ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE TO THEIR VIDEO. IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD
25 TIME TO SEE THE ENTIRE VIDEO, IT'S ACTUALLY REALLY INSPIRING



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1 ABOUT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, THE INCREDIBLE PARKS AND OPEN
2 SPACE THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY. AND SO,
3 I KNOW OUR DEPARTMENT IS COMMITTED TO BEING INCLUSIVE AND
4 IMPROVING THE WAY WE SERVE PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. AND I
5 HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THEY WILL WORK HARD TO IMPLEMENT THE NEW
6 DESIGNS THAT THIS TASK FORCE RECOMMENDS. YOU KNOW, WE CREATED
7 THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITY TO PROVIDE SERVICES AND
8 SUPPORT TO OUR AGING ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. IT
9 WILL BE IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO HAVE, IT WILL BE IMPORTANT TO
10 THEM FOR THEM TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS. AGAIN, THANK YOU
11 TO ALL OF OUR COMMISSIONERS. AND I LIKE DOING MOTIONS THAT
12 SPECIFICALLY TASK OUR COMMISSIONS. I KNOW WE'RE TALKING A LOT
13 ABOUT REVIEWING COMMISSIONS, WHICH ONES ARE HELPFUL AND WHICH
14 ONES AREN'T, BUT I DO LIKE IT WHEN WE ASK OUR COMMISSIONS WHO
15 ARE THERE FOR A SPECIFIC REASON TO ADVISE US TO BE A PART OF
16 SOMETHING AS IMPORTANT AS THIS GOING FORWARD. THANK YOU, MADAM
17 CHAIR.

18
19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER.

20
21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME
22 CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION. THIS MOTION IS A BIG STEP TOWARD
23 INCREASING THE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES AND RECREATIONAL
24 OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED TO OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH
25 DISABILITIES AT OUR PARKS. THE NEED FOR PARKS AND PUBLIC



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1 SPACES THAT CAN ACCOMMODATE A RANGE OF MOBILITY AND SENSORY
2 CAPABILITIES SPANS ALL AGES AND TOUCHES ALL COMMUNITIES. BY
3 DEVELOPING AND ADOPTING THE UNIVERSAL DESIGN GUIDELINES, WE
4 WILL INCREASE OPPORTUNITIES AND PROMOTE INCLUSIVITY. INVESTING
5 IN UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE RECREATION IS CRITICAL TO NARROW THE
6 PLAY EQUITY GAP FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES AND
7 DO IT RIGHT WE NEED TO EXPAND WELL BEYOND ADA I WANT TO GIVE
8 YOU AN EXAMPLE MEASURE A FUNDING IS SOMETHING THAT I TAPPED
9 INTO AND WAS PROUD TO PRESENT BURBANK WITH \$40,000 TO PURCHASE
10 BRAND NEW WHEELCHAIRS FOR RUGBY AND BASKETBALL PLAYERS AS WELL
11 AS ALL TERRAIN WHEELCHAIRS TO INCREASE ACCESS TO CITY TRAILS.
12 AND YOU'LL SEE UP ON THE SCREEN, I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN PUT IT
13 UP, WE DID THIS. BUT ONE OF THE THINGS WE FOUND OUT IS THAT
14 MEASURE H FUNDS WERE NOT, THESE WHEELCHAIR WERE NOT ELIGIBLE
15 FOR THAT BECAUSE OF THE WAY THE LANGUAGE IS WRITTEN. SO, NORMA
16 ACTUALLY TOOK IT UPON HERSELF TO WORK, I THINK, WITH COUNTY
17 COUNSEL TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE THAT ALLOWS THE PURCHASE OF THESE
18 IN ORDER TO LET THEM PLAY RUGBY AND BASKETBALL IN THE
19 GYMNASIUMS. SO, I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND HOW POWERFUL THIS IS AND
20 HOW, FOR LACK OF A BETTER TERM, LIBERATING IT IS FOR THE
21 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE GETTING OUT THERE AND PLAYING AND TO
22 WATCH THE FAMILIES IS TRULY INSPIRATIONAL. SO, I THINK IT IS
23 IMPORTANT FOR THIS BOARD TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENTS AT OUR PARKS
24 THAT DIRECTLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELLBEING OF RESIDENTS, NOT
25 ONLY WITH DISABILITIES, BUT ACROSS THE BOARD, AND OLDER ADULTS



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1 FACING ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES. TOGETHER, I REALLY DO BELIEVE WE
2 CAN FOSTER INCLUSIVE AND UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE RECREATION IN
3 ALL OF OUR LA COUNTY PARKS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** REALLY BEAUTIFUL. THANK YOU,
6 SUPERVISOR BARGER. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

7
8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU CONCUR AGREE WITH EVERYTHING
9 THAT MY COLLEAGUE SAID I JUST HIT ME AS I LISTEN TO YOU
10 SUPERVISOR HAHN IN TERMS OF TALKING ABOUT THE PARK BENCHES,
11 THOSE TRADITIONAL CEMENT PARK BENCHES THAT ARE CONNECTED. I
12 HAD AN EXPERIENCE AT OUR JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION AT VICTORIA
13 PARK IN CARSON, WHERE I COULD SEE A SENIOR HESITANT AS SHE WAS
14 GETTING OUT OF HER CAR, WALKING OVER, SO I JUST WENT OVER,
15 COMMUNITY ACTIVIST IN CARSON, ANNA CAIN, AND SHE SAID THE
16 PROBLEM WITH THOSE BENCHES THAT ARE THERE TOO LOW. AND I'M
17 AFRAID IF I SIT ON THEM, I CAN'T GET UP. SO, I'M GLAD THAT WE
18 HAVE OUR AGING AND DISABILITY DEPARTMENT TOGETHER AND THAT IT
19 WILL BE A DUAL LENS IN THIS REDESIGN TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
20 CREATE ACCESSIBLE SPACES FOR OUR AGING AND DIFFERENTLY ABLED
21 CONSTITUENTS, BUT THAT JUST STRUCK ME THAT THAT WAS HER FEAR,
22 AND SHE WAS CONSIDERING NOT COMING TO THE EVENT. SO, WHEN I
23 COMMITTED TO HER THAT I WOULD BE THERE TO HELP HER, AND IF I
24 WAS BUSY, SOMEBODY WOULD BE, SHE CAME AND WAS PROBABLY ONE OF
25 THE LAST TO LEAVE, BECAUSE SHE HAD A LEVEL OF CONFIDENCE THAT



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1 SHE DIDN'T HAVE OTHERWISE. SO, THANK YOU FOR THE MOTION. I'LL
2 BE LOOKING FORWARD TO SUPPORTING IT.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
5 PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
6 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
9 FORWARD? BYRON JOSE AND RED CHIEF HUNT, PLEASE COME FORWARD
10 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR
11 PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS
12 ITEM NUMBER 8, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1
13 AND 0 NOW. YOU'LL BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR,
14 WHEN YOU HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS CARLOS BENAVIDES. PLEASE
17 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CARLOS BENAVIDES.
20 FIRST, I'D LIKE TO SAY I SUPPORT THIS WHOLEHEARTEDLY. IT'S
21 SOMETHING THAT'S REALLY NEEDED. ACCESSIBLE PARKS ARE NECESSARY
22 TO HELP PROMOTE BETTER HEALTH FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.
23 BEING ABLE TO GO TO THE PARK AND WALK IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT
24 WILL IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES OR
25 WITHOUT. INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES ARE ON A FIXED INCOME.



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1 THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO JOIN THE GYM, BUT THEY CAN BENEFIT FROM
2 BEING ABLE TO WALK AROUND THE LOCAL PUBLIC PARKS PROVIDED THAT
3 THEIR SAFETY IS NOT COMPROMISED. HAVING THE ABILITY TO
4 FREQUENT A PUBLIC PARK WITH A SAFE PATH OF TRAVEL WITH REST
5 LOCATIONS WILL ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO DO THE SAME AND IMPROVE THE
6 QUALITY OF THEIR LIFE AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN,
7 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR CONTINUING TO
8 SUPPORT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND ALL OUR SENIORS. THANK
9 YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIEGO CEVALLOS. PLEASE
14 UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR HORVATH, DISTINGUISHED
17 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MITCHELL, HAHN, BARGER. MY NAME IS DIEGO
18 CEVALLOS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE
19 CITY OF BURBANK, HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 8. THIS
20 MOTION MARKS A SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS
21 WE ALL COME TOGETHER TO EMBRACE ACCESS, DIVERSITY AND
22 INCLUSION. ACCESS TO ADAPTIVE SPORTS PROVIDE A MEANINGFUL
23 PLATFORM FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TO SHOWCASE THEIR
24 TALENTS, DETERMINATION, AND RESILIENCE. ENGAGING IN SPORTS
25 INVOLVES CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH, MUSCLE STRENGTH, AND LEADS TO



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1 IMPROVED OVERALL HEALTH OUTCOMES. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR
2 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND BARGER FOR THEIR VISION, THEIR LEADERSHIP,
3 AND THEIR SUPPORT FOR ADAPTIVE AND INCLUSIVE SPORTS THROUGHOUT
4 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

5
6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

7
8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KATHERINE BERGMAN. PLEASE
9 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10
11 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS CAITLIN BERGMAN AND I'M REPRESENTING
12 THE ADAPTIVE RUGBY TEAM THAT PLAYS OUT OF BURBANK AT
13 MCCAINBRIDGE PARK. I'M SPEAKING ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ADAPTIVE
14 SPORTS, PARTICULARLY RUGBY AND THE INCREDIBLE SUPPORT WE'VE
15 RECEIVED FROM THE CITY OF BURBANK PARKS AND RECS DEPARTMENT.
16 THROUGH THE GENEROUS PARTNERSHIP WE HAVE ACCESS TO FREE GYMS
17 AND VITAL EQUIPMENT INCLUDING NEW CHAIRS RECENTLY DONATED. THE
18 SUPPORT IS CRUCIAL IN BRINGING OUR TEAM BACK TOGETHER FOR
19 THOSE ESPECIALLY TRAVELING LONG DISTANCES FROM PLACES LIKE
20 RIVERSIDE. MORE THAN JUST A SPORT, RUGBY SERVES AS A SOCIAL
21 EVENT HELPING INDIVIDUALS RECONNECT WITH THE COMMUNITY, FIND
22 SUPPORT, AND WORK ON THE REHABILITATION. WE ARE PROUD TO
23 INCLUDE FEMALE ATHLETES PROMOTING DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION. GYM
24 TIME IS SCARCE AND INVALUABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH
25 DISABILITIES. OFTEN GYMS HAVE NO AC AND ARE HIGHLY NEEDED FOR



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1 INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND THE COST OF GYM SPACE CAN
2 MAKE FINDING THE RIGHT LOCATION DIFFICULT. THE HIGH COST OF
3 EQUIPMENT AS WELL CREATES BARRIERS, BUT THIS PARTNERSHIP
4 ALLOWS FOR EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE AND NEWLY INJURED
5 INDIVIDUALS TO TRY RUGBY WITHOUT THE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF
6 BUYING SPECIALIZED CHAIRS AS WELL.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** EVERY SUNDAY WE GET TO GATHER EMPLOYEES.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ARMANDO ORNELAS. PLEASE
15 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ARMANDO?

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ARMANDO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, GO AHEAD.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ARMANDO ORNELAS. I COACH,



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1 MANAGE 4 POWER WHEELCHAIR SOCCER TEAMS IN THE GREATER LOS
2 ANGELES AREA. CURRENTLY, WE'RE USING ONE GYM, THE CAMBRIDGE
3 RECREATION CENTER IN BURBANK, WHICH PRACTICES ON SUNDAYS. SOME
4 OF THESE INDIVIDUALS TRAVEL OVER 60 MILES TO PARTICIPATE. SO,
5 TO HAVE DIFFERENT GYM LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE SOUTHLAND, WE
6 CAN REACH MORE INDIVIDUALS TO EXPERIENCE THE ADAPTED SPORTS.
7 TO GET OFF THE SIDELINES AND PLAY COMPETITIVE SPORTS IS LIFE
8 CHANGING. GIVE THEM AN OUTLET AND SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD
9 TO. HELP BUILD SELF-CONFIDENCE, IMPROVE SELF-ESTEEM, GAIN
10 INDEPENDENCE. EVERYONE DESERVES THE CHANCE TO PLAY. AS IN ALL
11 SPORTS, WIN, LOSE, OR DRAW, THE THRILL AND JOY IS IN PLAYING
12 THE GAME. WE CAN PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES. JUST THINK OF THE
13 POSSIBILITIES. THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DEACON MCCAIN. PLEASE
18 UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** DEACON? DEACON MCCAIN, ARE YOU
21 THERE? OKAY, MODERATOR, PLEASE GO TO THE NEXT CALLER.

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANN DAVID. PLEASE UNMUTE
24 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ANN, ARE YOU THERE? ANN? OKAY,
2 WE'LL GO TO OUR NEXT CALLER PLEASE.

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY, OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GLENN GRIGOS.
5 PLEASE UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6
7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO SUPERVISORS, IT'S A PLEASURE TO TALK TO YOU
8 THIS AFTERNOON ABOUT ITEM 8. I'M A RESIDENT OF BURBANK AND I'M
9 ON THE BURBANK ADVISORY COUNCIL OF DISABILITIES. I WAS IN AN
10 ACCIDENT IN 1973 AT 15 YEARS OLD. I'VE BEEN IN A WHEELCHAIR
11 FOR 51 YEARS NOW. AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE ADAPTIVE SPORTS
12 PROGRAMS THAT ARE BEING GENERATED IN THE UNIVERSAL DESIGN IN
13 THE PARKS IS SOMETHING THAT'S VERY HEALTHY AND INCLUSIVE FOR
14 THE DISABLED COMMUNITY. IT SUPPORTS FAMILIES, IT SUPPORTS THE
15 COMMUNITY, AND IT SUPPORTS OUR HEALTH. AND I'M SO HAPPY TO SEE
16 YOU ALL DOING THIS, AND ESPECIALLY TO SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR
17 RECENTLY HELPING US AT BURBANK. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND
18 ALL. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RAY PIZARRO. PLEASE UNMUTE
23 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24
25 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR BRINGING



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1 THIS ITEM TO THE MEETING TODAY. MY NAME IS RAY PIZARRO, I'M IN
2 THE COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES. IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT
3 ITEM TO LOOK FORWARD TO AND IMPLEMENTING FOR AGING POPULATION,
4 OUR DISABLED AND OTHER DISABILITIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. I THINK
5 WE SHOULD DEFINITELY WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO RENOVATING OUR
6 PARKS IS IMPLEMENTING OUR UNIVERSAL DESIGN TO BE ABLE TO ENJOY
7 OUR FAMILIES, FRIENDS, THE GREAT OUTDOORS AND BECOME PART OF
8 OUR COMMUNITY. THANKS AGAIN FOR BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD.
9 LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL YOU GUYS AND BEING ACTIVE
10 IN OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR PARKS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE
15 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

16
17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WITH THAT, ITEM 8 IS BEFORE
18 US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO
19 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?



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1

2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5
17 TO 0.

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO
20 ITEM 10, ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PROGRAMMING AT LOS PADRINOS
21 JUVENILE HALL, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR MEMBERS
22 OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO
23 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR HAHN, I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANKS, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES, IT'S BEEN



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1 JUST OVER A YEAR SINCE WE REOPENED LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HALL
2 AFTER THE BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, BSCC,
3 DECIDED THAT OUR OTHER 2 HALLS WERE UNSUITABLE FOR THE
4 PLACEMENT OF YOUTH. AND LAST YEAR, OUR PROBATION DEPARTMENT
5 AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ISD WORKED EXTRA HARD TO
6 REOPEN A FACILITY THAT HAD BEEN CLOSED FOR YEARS AND WAS NEVER
7 SUPPOSED TO REOPEN AGAIN. AND I KNOW EVEN MY OFFICE HAD OTHER
8 PLANS FOR THAT FACILITY AND YET WITH AN ALL HANDS ON DECK
9 EFFORT, IT WAS REOPENED AS A JUVENILE HALL WITHIN JUST A FEW
10 WEEKS. BUT I'VE ALWAYS SAID THAT THE PROBLEMS THAT FORCED US
11 TO SHUT DOWN OUR OTHER 2 HALLS, WE'RE NOT GONNA DISAPPEAR WHEN
12 WE REOPEN LOS PADRINOS, BECAUSE THE PROBLEMS AREN'T
13 NECESSARILY RELATED TO THE FACILITIES THEMSELVES, BUT TO
14 SYSTEMIC ISSUES IN OUR PROBATION DEPARTMENT. ONE YEAR IN WE'VE
15 NOW SEEN THIS REALITY. THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS CONTINUED
16 TO FACE CHALLENGES WITH MEETING MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AND
17 STANDARDS AT LOS PADRINOS. AT THE END OF LAST MONTH THAT BSCC
18 FOUND PROBATION OUT OF COMPLIANCE IN PROGRAM DELIVERY AT LOS
19 PADRINOS. NOW WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? IT MEANS THAT THE YOUTH
20 ACTIVITIES THAT WERE SCHEDULED TO HAPPEN DID NOT ALWAYS HAPPEN
21 WHEN AND WHERE THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO. IN FACT, THE BSCC LOOKED
22 AT CAMERA FOOTAGE AND SAW THAT MANY PROGRAMS WERE NOT ACTUALLY
23 OCCURRING IN THE UNITS WHEN THEY WERE SCHEDULED TO BE ON THE
24 CALENDAR. AND WHEN PROGRAMS DID OCCUR, THEY WERE SHORTER THAN
25 WHAT WAS SCHEDULED AND WHAT WAS DOCUMENTED. THE BSCC WAS NOT



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1 THE FIRST ONE TO POINT OUT THE DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN THE
2 PROGRAMMING CALENDAR AND THE REALITY. FOR A FEW MONTHS, OUR
3 PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,
4 AND VARIOUS BOARD OFFICES HAVE BROUGHT THIS TO THE ATTENTION
5 OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. IT'S CLEAR THAT THE SYSTEM IN
6 PLACE FOR SCHEDULING, MONITORING, AND DOCUMENTING PROGRAMS AND
7 ACTIVITIES AT LOS PADRINOS IS NOT WORKING. IT'S PAST TIME THAT
8 WE TAKE A REAL LOOK AT THE SYSTEMS WE HAVE IN PLACE TO MAKE
9 SURE THAT CALENDAR PROGRAMS ARE HAPPENING AND THAT THEY ARE
10 HAPPENING WHEN AND WHERE THEY SHOULD AND THAT THEY ARE BEING
11 DOCUMENTED PROPERLY. THIS MOTION DIRECTS OUR AUDITOR-
12 CONTROLLER TO EVALUATE THE PROBATION PROCESSES FOR OVERSEEING,
13 MONITORING, AND REPORTING ON CALENDAR YOUTH PROGRAMS AND TO
14 PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT TO IMPROVE THESE
15 SYSTEMS. IT THEN DIRECTS THEM TO RETURN IN 4 MONTHS TO SEE THE
16 CHANGE THAT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE AND WHAT IMPACT THEY'VE
17 HAD. THE MOTION ALSO DIRECTS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO INCLUDE
18 THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER PARTNERS IN THE
19 EVALUATION PROCESS BECAUSE THEY ALSO HAVE AN ON-THE-GROUND
20 VIEW AND UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT'S HAPPENING. IT'S MY HOPE THAT
21 THIS MOTION WILL HELP US UNDERSTAND THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM
22 AND ADDRESS IT HEAD-ON BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT AT STAKE HERE.
23 THE VSCC IS REQUIRING PROBATION TO SUBMIT A CORRECTIVE ACTION
24 PLAN EXPLAINING HOW THEY'RE GOING TO QUICKLY FIX THE PROBLEM
25 IN ORDER TO COME BACK INTO COMPLIANCE. THIS MOTION TODAY IS



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1 IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT WILL MAKE SURE THAT WE AS A COUNTY HAVE
2 OUR OWN INTERNAL PROCESS IN PLACE TO ADDRESS THE HEART OF THE
3 ISSUE TO STAY IN COMPLIANCE AND THAT OUR INTERNAL PROCESSES
4 INCLUDE OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND PARTNERS, NOT JUST THE PROBATION
5 DEPARTMENT. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR BOTH COLLABORATION AND
6 ACCOUNTABILITY. THIS WILL NOT ONLY ENSURE PROBATION STAYS IN
7 COMPLIANCE WITH BSCC, BUT IT WILL ALSO MAKE SURE THAT THE
8 YOUTH IN OUR CARE ARE PROVIDED WITH THE CONSISTENCY AND THE
9 STRUCTURE THAT THEY NEED TO THRIVE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
10 HORVATH FOR BEING MY CO-AUTHOR, AND I WILL TURN IT BACK TO
11 YOU.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I APPRECIATE
14 YOU BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD AND INCLUDING ME IN IT. WE
15 KNOW PROBATION HAS MADE A TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO BOTH GET INTO
16 COMPLIANCE WITH BSCC MANDATES, BUT ALSO TO SIGNIFICANTLY AND
17 PERMANENTLY CHANGE THE CULTURE OF AN ORGANIZATION THAT HAS
18 OFTEN FAILED TO FOCUS ON CARING FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN
19 CUSTODY. WE HAVE TO BE CLEAR THAT WHILE BSCC COMPLIANCE IS
20 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT, IT IS THE FLOOR AND NOT THE CEILING. IN
21 THIS CONTEXT, OUR GOAL AND FOCUS MUST BE TO CARE FOR THE YOUNG
22 PEOPLE WHO ARE IN OUR CARE. WE NEED TO PROVIDE SUPPORTIVE
23 CARE-FIRST PROGRAMMING SO OUR YOUTH LEAVE OUR FACILITIES IN A
24 BETTER PLACE THAN WHEN THEY ARRIVED. AND IN EVALUATING
25 PROBATION'S PROCESS, WE'LL NOT ONLY LEARN WHAT ISN'T WORKING,



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1 BUT ENSURE THAT PROBATION IMPLEMENTS BEST PRACTICES FOR
2 PROVIDING, MAINTAINING, MONITORING, AND REPORTING ON PROGRAMS
3 FOR YOUTH IN OUR CARE MOVING FORWARD. I KNOW THERE WAS A
4 MOTION AT OUR LAST MEETING AS WELL TO LOOK AT PROGRAMMING
5 HOLISTICALLY. AND I THINK THIS KIND OF FOCUSED ACCOUNTABILITY
6 ON LOS PADRINOS IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT FOR REFORM TO TRULY
7 TAKE PLACE, IMPLEMENTATION AND OVERSIGHT ARE KEY. AND THROUGH
8 EFFORTS SUCH AS THOSE IN MOTION, THE COUNTY CAN CONTINUE TO
9 REIMAGINE YOUTH JUSTICE AND RECOMMIT OUR PROMISE TO OUR SYSTEM
10 INVOLVED YOUNG PEOPLE SHOWING THEM WE ARE DEDICATED TO A CARE-
11 FIRST MODEL TO BETTER OUTCOMES FOR THEM AND FOR CARING FOR
12 THEM RIGHT NOW BECAUSE THEY DESERVE IT. SEEING NO OTHER
13 SPEAKERS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE
14 PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
17 FORWARD? BYRON JOSE, EDUARDO MUNDO, GERARDO GOMEZ, RED CHIEF
18 HUNT, ROLANDO OVIEDO, SARAH CONGORA, AND SAUL CAMPOS, PLEASE
19 COME FORWARD AND THE STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL
20 REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
21 TO ADDRESS ITEM 10, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE
22 PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
23 MODERATOR, WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER PLEASE.

24
25 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS MELINDA KAKANI. PLEASE



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1 UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HI, IT'S ACTUALLY MELINDA KAKANI. I'M WITH CHILDREN'S
4 DEFENSE FUND CALIFORNIA, AND I'M ALSO AN APPOINTEE TO THE
5 PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND I'M
6 SPEAKING IN MY CAPACITY AS THE DIRECTOR OF YOUTH JUSTICE AT
7 CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND. I HAVE TO START BY SAYING THAT THE
8 SKY WILL NOT FALL IF YOU GIVE THE PUBLIC 2 MINUTES TO SPEAK,
9 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, SILENCING THE PEOPLE YOU RELY ON TO
10 MAINTAIN YOUR POSITION OF POWER IS KIND OF DISGUSTING. MOVING
11 RIGHT ALONG, GIVEN MY LIMITED TIME, EVERY SINGLE DAY AT LP
12 QUALIFIES AS DISGUSTING AND A COMPLETE REJECTION OF THE
13 HUMANITY OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. THE HOPE IS THAT NO ONE PERSON
14 HAS TO SPEND A DAY THERE AND MY SINCERE HOPE IS THAT YOU ALL
15 DECIDE TO FOCUS ON BUILDING AND STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITIES
16 INSTEAD OF TRYING TO FIX THIS FUNDAMENTALLY FLAWED SHIP.
17 HOWEVER, IN THE INTERIM ANYTHING THAT BRINGS ABOUT
18 ACCOUNTABILITY FEELS marginally BETTER THAN NOTHING. IN THE
19 CHALLENGES YOU SPEAK OF SUPERVISOR HAHN GO WELL BEYOND
20 PROGRAMMING THERE'S A CULTURE OF DISHONESTY. THIS IS THE FIRST
21 TIME CAMERA FOOTAGE DOESN'T ALIGN WITH WHAT PROBATION
22 DOCUMENTS BSEC OIG DOJ AND THE POC HAVE BEEN WEARING BEARING
23 WITNESS TO THIS CULTURE OF FRAUD --

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1
2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LILA MURPHY, PLEASE UNMUTE
3 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** HELLO AGAIN, MY NAME IS LEILA AND I'M SPEAKING WITH
6 THE JUSTICE LA COALITION. JUSTICE LA STANDS IN FULL SUPPORT OF
7 ANY MOTION WHICH WORKS TO SUPPORT OUR YOUTH IMPACTED BY THE
8 JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM, MOVING RESOURCES AWAY FROM THE
9 HARMFUL CARCERAL SYSTEM AND INTO COMMUNITY CARE. IN LA COUNTY,
10 THOUGH, ALMOST \$400 MILLION IS POURED INTO YOUTH INCARCERATION
11 EVERY YEAR. TIME AND TIME AGAIN, AS YOU'VE ALL MENTIONED, THE
12 PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS PROVEN INCAPABLE OF PROVIDING FOR AND
13 PROTECTING OUR YOUTH IN CUSTODY. IN 2023, WE LOST MULTIPLE
14 COMMUNITY MEMBERS INSIDE YOUTH DETENTION CENTERS BECAUSE OF
15 THE ENDEMIC CULTURE OF MISTREATMENT AND NEGLECT. CHILDREN
16 DYING IN THE CUSTODY OF LA COUNTY IS SIMPLY UNCONSCIONABLE AND
17 YET IT IS A REALITY. IF WE REALLY WANT TO SUPPORT INCARCERATED
18 YOUTH, WE HAVE TO DECARCERATE YOUTH. SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH
19 THROUGH COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMMING AND CARE IN THE COMMUNITY IS
20 URGENT AND ESSENTIAL. IT'S TIME TO MOVE FUNDING FOR SYSTEM-
21 IMPACTED YOUTH WHERE WE KNOW IT IS ACTUALLY NEEDED. COMMUNITY-
22 BASED HOUSING, EDUCATION, AND MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH CARE.
23 WE CANNOT AFFORD TO GIVE THE BLOATED PROBATION DEPARTMENT ANY
24 MORE OF OUR DOLLARS --



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE.

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4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIANE TERRY, PLEASE UNMUTE
5 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DIANE TERRY AND I AM A COMMISSIONER
8 ON THE LA COUNTY PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. I'M CALLING
9 TO SHARE MY SUPPORT FOR THIS MOTION. RESEARCH TELLS US THAT
10 YOUNG PEOPLE DO BETTER WHEN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO TRAUMA-
11 INFORMED RELATIONAL PROGRAMS THAT ALLOW THEM TO SEE A
12 DIFFERENT FUTURE FOR THEMSELVES. AS COMMISSIONERS, WE VISIT LP
13 REGULARLY AND WE HEAR YOUTH TELL US THEY DESPERATELY WANT
14 PROGRAMMING BUT NONE ARE AVAILABLE. WE HEAR STAFF DESCRIBE HOW
15 THEY ARE CREATIVELY IMPLEMENTING THEIR OWN PROGRAMMING BECAUSE
16 THERE'S A VOID. WE SEE LARGE NUMBERS OF YOUTH PILED UP IN DAY
17 ROOMS SAYING THEY'RE BORED, AND WE HEAR FROM PROVIDERS WHO
18 CAN'T GET INTO THE FACILITIES DUE TO UNCLEAR PROTOCOLS AND
19 COMMUNICATION CHANNELS. THEN WE WONDER WHY YOUTH ARE FIGHTING,
20 UPSET, USING SUBSTANCES, OR ARE DISENGAGED, AND WHY STAFF FEEL
21 DEFEATED. PROBATION LEADERSHIP TELLS US THEY HAVE A VISION FOR
22 WHAT PROGRAMMING SHOULD LOOK LIKE. WE HAVE YET TO SEE HOW OR
23 WHEN THEY WILL IMPLEMENT THAT VISION. A WORKING ACCURATE
24 CALENDAR IS THE BARE MINIMUM START. AN INTERNAL PLAN IS NEEDED
25 TO UNDERSTAND HOW THE DEPARTMENT WILL SUSTAIN COMPLIANCE.



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1
2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

3
4 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO
5 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

6
7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON.
8 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

9
10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND BOARD. MY
11 NAME IS RONALDO VILLEDA. I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOOPS
12 FOR JUSTICE. I'M HERE TODAY TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
13 WORK AND ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS TO FURTHER OUR
14 VISION FOR YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED. COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS
15 ARE ESSENTIAL TO HELP YOUTH IN OUR CARE REACH THEIR FULL
16 POTENTIAL. AND THE LAST HEARING SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOUR MESSAGE
17 TO THE YOUTH IN OUR PROGRAM EMPOWERED THEM AND OTHER UNITS.
18 THEY HAVE SINCE CREATED A YOUTH COMMISSION THAT IS FOCUSED ON
19 UPLIFTING THEIR VOICES TO INFLUENCE THE DECISIONS THAT IMPACT
20 THEM DAILY. DESPITE THEIR CIRCUMSTANCES, THEY UNDERSTAND THE
21 IMPORTANCE OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, AND THEY WANTED TO SEND YOU
22 ANOTHER POSTER TO LET YOU KNOW SOME OF THE PROGRAMS THAT THEY
23 WOULD LIKE. THIS IS FROM THE BOYS IN R1 AND R2. THEY WOULD
24 LIKE FRESHER FOOD, MORE REENTRY PROGRAMS, TRADE PROGRAMS, MORE
25 MUSIC PROGRAMS, COMMUNITY SUPPORT, SAFETY NETS FOR OUR



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1 FAMILIES, VISITS WITH OUR FRIENDS BECAUSE SOMETIMES THOSE ARE
2 OUR ONLY FAMILY MEMBERS. AND LASTLY, THEY WOULD LIKE TO HUG
3 THEIR MOTHERS. THANK YOU.

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT
6 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7
8 **SPEAKER:** HARD TO FOLLOW. HONORABLE CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, THANK
9 YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION. MY NAME IS EDUARDO MUNDO.
10 I AM CURRENTLY THE CHAIR OF THE PLC. I HOPE THIS IS THE FIRST
11 AND ONLY TIME I STAND BEFORE YOU AND MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT
12 RELATED TO AN ISSUE THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED BY THE
13 PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. WE ARE HERE BECAUSE THE CHIEF
14 AND HIS TEAM CONTINUOUSLY FAIL TO WORK WITH THE COMMISSION
15 THAT WAS BROUGHT INTO EXISTENCE BY THIS BODY TO PROVIDE
16 OBJECTIVE AND ROBUST OVERSIGHT. AND ANALYSIS OF THEIR
17 OPERATIONS AS WE MOVE TOWARD REALIZING YOUTH JUSTICE RE-
18 IMAGINE. ALTHOUGH THE CHIEF RECENTLY COULD NOT SPEAK TO THE
19 VERACITY OF A COMMISSIONER'S REPORT TO SUPERVISOR HAHN, I CAN
20 ASSURE YOU THAT I AS A COMMISSIONER WILL IN THE FUTURE, PLEASE
21 - -

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

24
25 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD, MY NAME IS DR. SARAH GONGORA



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1 AND I'M A PROJECT DIRECTOR WITH THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT
2 COMMISSION. THANK YOU SO MUCH TO SUPERVISORS HAHN AND HORVATH
3 FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD AND SIMPLY FOR BELIEVING IN
4 THE IMPORTANCE OF PROVIDING PROGRAMMING OPPORTUNITIES TO OUR
5 YOUNG PEOPLE IN LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HALL. THE POC HAS BEEN
6 TRACKING THE PROGRAMS AND CALENDARS OF LOS PADRINOS REALLY
7 CLOSELY SINCE OCTOBER 2023 WHEN WE FOUND THAT IMPORTANT
8 PROGRAMMING LIKE SUBSTANCE ABUSE WAS NOT BEING DELIVERED AS
9 ACCORDING TO THE CALENDARS. PROGRAMMING OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDE
10 OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO ON A DAILY
11 BASIS. IT'S NOT JUST FOR KEEPING THEM BUSY. THEY'RE AN
12 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE TO ENVISION A DIFFERENT PATH
13 FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR JUST A COUPLE HOURS A WEEK TO SIT WITH
14 A CARING ADULT WHO CAN HELP THEM ENVISION A DIFFERENT FUTURE.
15 THE POC WILL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING THE AUDITOR-
16 CONTROLLER'S FINDINGS AND TO SUPPORTING ANY AND ALL
17 RECOMMENDATIONS TO MAKING LOS PADRINOS A BETTER PLACE. THANK
18 YOU.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, THE RED CHIEF HUNT. I ALSO RESPECT WHAT
23 YOU GUYS ARE DOING TOO. THE KIDS ARE IMPORTANT. IF WE START
24 WHEN THEY'RE YOUNG, THEN WE'RE DOING OUR JOB. WE CAN'T FAIL
25 OUR KIDS. SO, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND THANK YOU, MADAM



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SUPERVISORS

1 CHAIR, FOR SUPPORTING THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU AGAIN.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS COOKIE LAMEL. I AM HERE WITH AFSCME
6 LOCAL 685. I'M REPRESENTING THEM. IT'S VERY INTERESTING. WHEN
7 I STARTED TO WORK WITH LOCAL 685, I SPENT A LOT OF TIME, A LOT
8 OF TIME AT LOS PADRINOS FROM IN THE MORNING UNTIL 2 O'CLOCK IN
9 THE EVENING AND I SAW A LOT OF PROGRAMMING BEING DONE. THERE
10 ARE PROBLEMS NOW FROM WHAT I'M UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE ARE
11 SHORTAGE OF STAFF. IF THAT COULD BE CURED, THE PROBATION
12 OFFICERS THEMSELVES ACTUALLY HAVE A LOT OF PROGRAMS THAT THEY
13 HAVE INSTITUTED THEMSELVES. ONE LADY HAD, SHE GETS TOYS FOR
14 THE KIDS EVERY YEAR AT CHRISTMAS TIME, AT THANKSGIVING, THEY
15 DO BASKETS. I MEAN, THERE'S SO MANY DIFFERENT THINGS THAT THEY
16 HAVE BEEN DOING FOR SO MANY YEARS, IT'S VERY INTERESTING TO ME
17 THAT THESE PEOPLE CAME UP HERE TO SPEAK --

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT
20 SPEAKER PLEASE. NO OTHER SPEAKERS. OKAY, WITH THAT, ITEM 10 IS
21 BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND I WILL SECOND TO
22 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

4

5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

16

17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5
20 TO 0.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 12,
23 ESTABLISHING AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION, WHICH WAS HELD
24 BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
25 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.



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SUPERVISORS

1 SUPERVISOR BARGER, I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

2

3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. COLLEAGUES I HAVE BEFORE YOU
4 TODAY A MOTION ON ETHICS REFORM THAT I'M PLEASED TO BRING
5 FORWARD IN COLLABORATION WITH SUPERVISOR HORVATH. DURING OUR
6 LAST BOARD MEETING AND AGAIN EARLIER THIS MORNING WE'VE HAD
7 THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS GOVERNANCE WITHIN LA COUNTY AND
8 REFLECT ON PROPOSED CHANGES AND REFORMS TO IMPROVE OUR WORK ON
9 BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE THAT WE ARE ELECTED TO REPRESENT. A
10 PROPOSED INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION ALONG WITH AN OFFICE OF
11 ETHICS COMPLIANCE AND INCREASED LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS ARE
12 INCLUDED AS PART OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT THE
13 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND HAHN HAVE PLACED BEFORE THIS BOARD
14 HOWEVER, WE KNOW THAT THESE ETHICS REFORM MEASURES ARE ACTIONS
15 THAT THIS BOARD CAN TAKE NOW WITHOUT NEEDING TO WAIT FOR
16 NOVEMBER. AS OUTLINED IN THE MOTION, THERE ARE SEVERAL KEY
17 COMPONENTS THAT WE CAN BEGIN TO IMPLEMENT TODAY. THIS INCLUDES
18 THE CREATION OF AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION COMPRISED OF
19 SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS APPOINTED BY NEUTRAL AUTHORITIES AND
20 SUPPORTED BY AN ETHICS COMPLIANCE OFFICER. THROUGH THESE
21 EFFORTS, THERE WOULD BE AN INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT AND AUTHORITY
22 OVER ETHICAL CONDUCT, COUNTY CONTRACTS, LOBBYING, FINANCIAL
23 DISCLOSURES, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS.
24 THIS EFFORT WILL ALSO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DATA
25 PORTALS TO MAKE LOBBYING INFORMATION AND CAMPAIGN



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SUPERVISORS

1 CONTRIBUTIONS EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. FINALLY, THIS
2 FORWARD MOTION WILL SUPPORT AN INCREASE TO 2 YEARS FOR THE
3 COOLING OFF PERIOD FOR FORMER COUNTY OFFICIALS TO LOBBY THE
4 COUNTY ONCE THEY LEAVE COUNTY SERVICE. IN THE MOTION, WE'VE
5 INCLUDED EXAMPLES OF NEUTRAL APPOINTING AUTHORITIES FOR THE
6 INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION SUCH AS GOVERNMENT ETHICS
7 LEADERS FROM ACADEMIA AND A COURT REPRESENTATIVE. I WOULD LIKE
8 TO MAKE A SLIGHT CHANGE FROM THE REFERENCE TO PRESIDING JUDGE
9 TO INSTEAD READ RETIRED JUDGE OR RETIRED JUSTICE. I'M EAGER TO
10 BEGIN THIS WORK AND TO SIGNIFY OUR COLLECTIVE COMMITMENT TO
11 INTEGRITY. I WOULD LIKE TO AGAIN THANK YOU, ADVISOR HORVATH
12 FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME AND JOINING IN THIS
13 EFFORT. WE KNOW THAT THIS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO, AND IT IS
14 A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION IN SHOWING THE VOTERS THAT WE
15 CAN GET IMPORTANT THINGS DONE WITH A SENSE OF URGENCY AND
16 OWNERSHIP. BY MOVING FORWARD WITH ETHICS REFORM NOW, WE CAN
17 WALK THE TALK IN COMMITTING OURSELVES TO A CULTURE OF
18 INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY THAT WILL BENEFIT OUR LOCAL
19 OPERATION OF GOVERNMENT AND SUPPORT A MORE ETHICAL FUTURE.
20 AGAIN THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND I HOPE TO HAVE YOUR
21 SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I
24 APPRECIATE BEING INCLUDED IN THE MOTION AND OBVIOUSLY AM IN
25 SUPPORT. AS WE'VE EMBARKED ON THIS JOURNEY OF REIMAGINING OUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 GOVERNANCE, GOOD GOVERNANCE GROUPS HAVE HIGHLIGHTED FOR US
2 VARIOUS OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO ESTABLISH A TRULY INDEPENDENT
3 COMMISSION. WE ALSO HEARD TESTIMONY TODAY, AND I'M GRATEFUL
4 THAT THIS PROCESS IS STARTING NOW, THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO
5 PROVIDE FOR THAT PUBLIC INPUT SO WE ESTABLISH IT IN THE RIGHT
6 WAY SINCE IT IS OUR INTENTION FOR IT TO BE TRULY INDEPENDENT.
7 AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION IS PART OF OUR CHARTER
8 AMENDMENT AS WELL. I'M ESPECIALLY COMMITTED TO THE PUBLIC
9 INPUT PROCESS FOR HOW WE MAKE OUR GOVERNMENT BETTER AND EXPECT
10 TO RECEIVE INPUT ON HOW THE PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS WOULD LIKE THE
11 INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION TO BE DESIGNED. OF COURSE,
12 MAKING SURE THAT IT IS FOCUSED ON ITS INDEPENDENCE. THIS
13 MOTION IS ONE OPTION FOR CONSIDERATION TO BEGIN AND TO CREATE
14 AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION, WHICH WE HOPE TO BRING TO
15 VOTERS THIS NOVEMBER AS WELL. SO, WE CAN MOVE THIS FORWARD
16 BOTH BY ORDINANCE HERE AT THE BOARD AND MAKE SURE THAT IT IS,
17 THAT IT LASTS BEYOND THIS BOARD THROUGH CHARTER AMENDMENT THIS
18 NOVEMBER SO THAT IT IS CODIFIED AND CANNOT BE UNDONE. AND SO,
19 WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT TO SUPERVISOR HAHN.

20
21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU,
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR PUTTING THIS PROPOSAL FORWARD. YOU
23 KNOW, WORKING FOR LA COUNTY, AND ESPECIALLY IN POSITIONS WHERE
24 YOU'RE TRUSTED WITH TAXPAYER DOLLARS, IT'S ABOUT WORKING FOR
25 THE PUBLIC AND PUTTING OTHER PEOPLE OVER YOURSELF. AND IF



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1 YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A CAREER TO FILL YOUR OWN POCKETS, YOU
2 KNOW, GO WORK SOMEWHERE ELSE. BUT, YOU KNOW, SADLY, THERE HAVE
3 BEEN A NUMBER OF HIGH-PROFILE SITUATIONS IN WHICH NOT JUST LA
4 COUNTY OFFICIALS, BUT LA CITY OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF
5 ABUSING THEIR POWER AND THEIR POSITION FOR PERSONAL GAIN. AND
6 EVEN THOUGH I WOULD LIKE TO THINK THESE PEOPLE WHO DO THIS ARE
7 FEW AND FAR BETWEEN, THESE SITUATIONS ARE TOXIC. AND EVERY
8 TIME IT HAPPENS TO ONE, IT KEEPS ERODING THE PUBLIC'S TRUST IN
9 THEIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT. AND THAT'S SUCH A PROBLEM. WE NEED THE
10 PUBLIC TO TRUST THAT WE SPEND THEIR TAX DOLLARS NOT JUST
11 WISELY, BUT JUSTLY AND FAIRLY. WE NEED THE PUBLIC TO TRUST
12 THAT WHEN THEY VOTE FOR A MEASURE THAT OUTLINES HOW THEIR TAX
13 DOLLARS WILL BE SPENT. THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENS. I
14 WHOLEHEARTEDLY BELIEVE THAT WE NEED AN ETHICS COMMISSION. AND
15 THAT'S WHY I THINK IT WAS SO IMPORTANT TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH
16 AND I THAT WE INCLUDED THAT IN THE REFORM PACKAGE THAT WE ARE
17 WORKING TO PUT IN FRONT OF THE VOTERS IN NOVEMBER. I THINK IT
18 MAKES GOOD SENSE TO GO AHEAD AND ESTABLISH THIS COMMISSION NOW
19 AND NOT WAIT FOR NOVEMBER, BUT I ALSO THINK IT'S VITALLY
20 IMPORTANT FOR ACCOUNTABILITY THAT AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS
21 COMMISSION IS WRITTEN DIRECTLY INTO THE CHARTER SO THAT IT
22 CANNOT BE UPENDED BY A FUTURE BOARD. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER
25 COLLEAGUES IN QUEUE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, PLEASE COME
4 FORWARD AND THE STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. RED CHIEF HUNT AND
5 STANLEY THIMIDORE, PLEASE COME FORWARD AND THE STAFF WILL
6 ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
7 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 12, IF YOU HAVE
8 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
9 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
10 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ROB KWAN. PLEASE UNMUTE
13 YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M ASKING YOU ALL TO OPPOSE THIS MOTION. IT
16 LEAVES THE BOARD WITH COMPLETE DISCRETION TO STRIP THE
17 COMMISSION OF ITS POWER AND AUTHORITY WITHOUT SEEKING ANY
18 VOTER APPROVAL. CALLING THAT COMMISSION INDEPENDENT IS
19 DISINGENUOUS. THIS MOTION CONTAINS 2 NEW WRINKLES. IT SAYS
20 THAT THEY SHOULD, THE COMMISSION SHOULD SELECT THE ETHICS
21 COMPLIANCE OFFICER. AS I NOTED EARLIER, THAT WOULD BE IN
22 CONFLICT WITH CHARTER LANGUAGE FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE IN
23 11.18 THAT SAYS THEY APPOINT DEPARTMENT HEADS WITH SOME NOTED
24 EXCEPTION. THE IDEA OF HAVING IT OUTSIDE ENTITY APPOINT
25 COMMISSIONERS IS GREAT, BUT CLEARLY YOU HAVEN'T BEEN PAYING



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SUPERVISORS

1 ATTENTION TO WHAT HAPPENED AT CITY COUNCIL. MADAM PRESIDENT
2 YVONNE WHEELER WILL BE RAINING HELL ON YOU AS THEY FOUGHT
3 FURIOUSLY AGAINST ALLOWING ANYONE OTHER THAN ELECTED OFFICIALS
4 FROM POINTING COMMISSIONERS. THERE'S 35 YEARS OF HISTORY IN
5 OUR CITY THAT INDICATES THOSE IN POWER WILL UNDERMINE THE
6 COMMISSION. SUPERVISOR BARGER, A COUPLE WEEKS AGO YOU BROUGHT
7 UP YOUR FORMER OPPONENT, MITCH ENGLUNDERS, CORRUPTION FIELD.
8 WELL, WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER ONE WHERE AN ETHICS STAFF
9 WHISTLEBLOWER SAID THAT HE THREATENED TO CUT THE COMMISSION'S
10 BUDGET IF THEY DIDN'T CHANGE THEIR INTERPRETATION OF GIFT
11 DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS --

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
14 SPEAKER PLEASE.

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PATRICIA MCALLISTER. PLEASE
17 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
18 BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** YES, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. OKAY, YES, I'M AGAINST THIS HERE. YOU ARE
25 ELECTING YOUR OWN COMMISSIONER. THIS IS, AND ALSO YOU HAVE



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1 MISSING HERE FRAUD, EMBEZZLEMENT OF COUNTY FUNDS. WE NEED A
2 FEDERAL AUDIT BECAUSE THE WAY IT'S SET UP NOW, THE SUPERVISORS
3 CAN CALL UP TO THIS MAN WHO'S A BUSINESSMAN, AND OSCAR VALDEZ,
4 WHO YOU CALL AN AUDITOR AND A CONTROLLER, HE'S A BUSINESSMAN.
5 SO, THEY CAN PICK UP THE PHONE, TELL HIM, WRITE ME A \$100,000
6 CHECK. HE'S GOING TO WRITE IT. AND THEN THEY'LL TELL HIM, FIND
7 OUT WHAT BUDGET YOU WANT TO TAKE IT OUT OF, WHAT FUND. OK,
8 BECAUSE THEY APPOINTED HIM. HE WORKS FOR THEM. THERE'S A
9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST. THE CITY HAD THAT THE CITY HAD A LAWYER
10 AS THE CONTROLLER. THE PEOPLE DIDN'T KNOW. AND I GOT UP ON THE
11 MICROPHONE AND TOLD THEM THAT HE WAS A LAWYER AND THEY VOTED
12 THEM OUT. AND NOW THEY HAVE A CTA. HE RAN FOR OFFICE AS A
13 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT. HE IS CERTIFIED WITH THE STATE OF
14 CALIFORNIA. AND LOOK AT LA. LA IS LOOKING BETTER --

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
17 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. PLEASE UNMUTE
20 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** YES. WE'VE BEEN KICKING AROUND THE ETHICS COMMISSION
23 FOR A LONG TIME AND YOU KNOW I THINK CREATING A COMMISSION IS
24 THE ONE THING BUT ESTABLISHING AN APPROPRIATE SET OF RULES IS
25 ANOTHER AND I THINK THAT THE COUNTY IS A LITTLE LOOSEY-GOOSEY



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1 AS COMPARED TO THE CITY WHEN IT COMES TO ETHICS. AND WE USED
2 TO LOOK VERY CLOSELY AT THE LOBBYING NUMBERS AND NOBODY CAN
3 FORGET THE REVOLVING DOOR VIOLATION, WHICH WAS AS PLAIN AS DAY
4 AND NOBODY DID ANYTHING ABOUT IT. THE GUYS DOWN IN THE OFFICE
5 OF COMPLIANCE, AND THAT, YOU KNOW, IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
6 THERE'S TOO MUCH SELF-REVIEW. I THINK THIS IS YET ANOTHER
7 ITERATION OF WHAT'S INEFFECTUAL AT THE CITY UNFORTUNATELY I
8 KNOW YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOOD IS THEY ARE TRANSPARENT AND THEY
9 SHARE ALL THE INFORMATION THE ENFORCEMENT MECHANISM IS YOU
10 KNOW THEY CUT THE FINES IN HALF THEY DON'T GO AFTER INCUMBENTS
11 THEY TRY TO BLOCK CHALLENGERS IT'S JUST IT'S VERY, VERY BAD
12 AND IT'S VERY SHAMEFUL SO I HOPE I HOPE WE CAN GET THIS PUSHED
13 THROUGH BECAUSE IT WILL AT LEAST CAUSE TO NOT GO FOR THE
14 BIGGER EXPANSION.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

17
18 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO
19 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

20
21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS IN
22 PERSON. PLEASE GO RIGHT AHEAD.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** YES, MY NAME IS ANGELA MCPHERSON AND I AGREE WITH
25 ITEM NUMBER 12 ESTABLISHING INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION



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1 WOULD BE GREAT ETHICS REFORMS WILL NOT JUST BE ABOUT
2 COMPLIANCE WITH NEW RULES AND LAWS, BUT IT WILL INSTILL WORK
3 INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT TO BENEFIT
4 THE CONSTITUENTS IT SERVES. IT SETS THE TONE FOR HOW
5 ORGANIZATIONS ARE GOVERNED AS WELL AND HOW ELECTED AND
6 APPOINTED LEADERS BEHAVE, ENSURING MORE ETHICAL FUTURE BASED
7 ON ESTABLISHED PRINCIPLES AND DEEP-ROOTED SENSE OF INTEGRITY.
8 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH EMPLOYEES ARE EMPLOYEE COUNTIES
9 WHO RIGHT NOW AUTOMATICALLY SHOULD HAVE PUBLIC TRUST. THEY
10 SHOULD TAKE AN OATH TO SERVE WITH CERTAIN LIMITATIONS WHO,
11 PEOPLE WITH CERTAIN LIMITATIONS WHO MAY HAVE NOT, THEY DON'T
12 HAVE THE POWER TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST ABUSE, NEGLECT,
13 AND DISCRIMINATION. WE JUST HAD A STAKEHOLDER --

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.
16 ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? OKAY. I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY,
17 BASED ON SOME OF THE COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE, THIS MOTION DOES
18 2 THINGS, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, SUPERVISOR BARGER. ONE, IT
19 DIRECTS COUNTY COUNSEL TO PROVIDE A REVISION TO THE COUNTY
20 CODE REGARDING THE COOLING OFF PERIOD THAT WILL COME BACK TO
21 US FOR INTRODUCTION ON OUR SEPTEMBER 10TH AGENDA. AND IT
22 PROVIDES A REPORT BACK THAT ENCOMPASSES A LOT OF INFORMATION
23 ABOUT A HOW ON THE ETHICS COMMISSION, BUT IT DOESN'T ESTABLISH
24 IT. AND SO I JUST WANNA MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE KNOW THAT
25 THERE'S OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC INPUT, THAT WE WANNA MAKE SURE



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SUPERVISORS

1 OUR INTENTION HERE IN TERMS OF ITS INDEPENDENCE IS REALIZED
2 AND SO WE WELCOME FEEDBACK ON THAT TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT'S
3 EXACTLY HOW WE'RE DOING IT SO --

4

5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY GOOD WITH THAT ITEM 12 IS
8 REVISED AS BEFORE US MOVE BY SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I WILL
9 SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE
10 ROLL.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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18 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5
8 TO 0.

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 15,
11 HEAT EDUCATION AND ALERTS FOR TK THROUGH 12 SCHOOLS, EARLY
12 CARE AND EDUCATION SETTINGS AND SUMMER CAMPS, WHICH WAS HELD
13 BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
14 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AS WE'VE ALL
17 FELT ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS, HEAT
18 WAVES ARE BECOMING MORE FREQUENT AND INCREASINGLY UNBEARABLE,
19 AND TODAY'S NO DIFFERENT. THE RISING TEMPERATURES ARE NOT ONLY
20 UNCOMFORTABLE BUT ARE ALSO A SERIOUS HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
21 CONCERN FOR ALL OF US. CLIMATE CHANGE HAS LED TO A RISE IN
22 GLOBAL TEMPERATURES AND CAUSED HISTORIC HEAT WAVES. FROM 2010
23 TO 2019, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA REPORTED OVER 599 DEATHS DUE
24 TO EXTREME HEAT. HOWEVER, AN ANALYSIS BY THE LA TIMES PUTS
25 THAT MUCH HIGHER, CLOSER TO 3,900 DEATHS. AND TO ME, THAT'S



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1 PRETTY ALARMING. AND IT'S ESPECIALLY CONCERNING FOR OUR
2 RESIDENTS WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE TO HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES.
3 AND THOSE ARE THE FOLLOWING, OLDER ADULTS, YOUNGER CHILDREN,
4 AND THOSE WITH PREEXISTING HEALTH CONDITIONS. WE HAVE TO WORK
5 TO PROTECT OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS AND ESPECIALLY OUR
6 YOUNG PEOPLE. HEAT HAS THE MOST SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS FOR
7 CHILDREN SINCE THEIR BODIES ARE NOT ABLE TO REGULATE THEIR
8 BODY TEMPERATURE AS EFFICIENTLY AS ADULTS. THAT MAKES CHILDREN
9 MORE VULNERABLE TO HEAT ILLNESS AND IT CAN HAVE SERIOUS
10 EFFECTS ON THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. THEY ALSO SPEND MORE
11 TIME THAN ADULTS DO OUTDOORS PLAYING AND PARTICIPATING IN
12 SPORTS, WHICH PUTS THEM AT A GREATER RISK FOR HEAT EXPOSURE,
13 ILLNESS AND HEAT-RELATED INJURIES. CHILDREN ARE ALSO LESS
14 LIKELY TO REHYDRATE THEMSELVES WHEN OUTDOORS, WHICH CAN BE
15 DANGEROUS AND EVEN FATAL. LAST YEAR, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY
16 PASSED MY MOTION TO HELP SCHOOLS REDUCE PAVEMENT AND ASPHALT
17 ON CAMPUSES AS A TRAP HEAT AND MAKE AREAS EVEN HOTTER. COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENTS WERE DIRECTED TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR
19 SCHOOLS REGARDING POTENTIAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES THAT COULD
20 HELP FUND THE DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH OF GREEN SPACES AT OUR
21 SCHOOLS. THE MOTION ALSO PROMOTED THE USE OF SCHOOLS AS
22 COOLING CENTERS. SCHOOLS, AS YOU KNOW, ARE AN IMPORTANT
23 COMMUNITY ASSET THAT WE CAN USE TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO RESIDENTS
24 DURING THESE HEAT EMERGENCIES. FOLLOWING MY MOTION, DEPARTMENT
25 OF PUBLIC HEALTH CREATED A HEALTH EDUCATION TOOLKIT FOR TK-12



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1 SCHOOLS WITH INFORMATION ABOUT EARLY SYMPTOMS OF HEAT ILLNESS
2 AND FIRST AID RESPONSES. THE TOOLKIT HAS PROVEN USEFUL, BUT IT
3 JUST REPRESENTS A FIRST STEP. THE MOTION I'M PRESENTING TODAY
4 BUILDS OFF THAT EARLIER SUCCESS BY DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 PUBLIC HEALTH TO CREATE AND OFFER HEAT SAFETY TRAINING
6 PRESENTATIONS TO NOT ONLY TK-12 SCHOOLS, BUT TO EARLY CHILD
7 CARE, SUMMER CAMPS, AND OTHER YOUTH-SERVING INSTITUTIONS. IT
8 ALSO DIRECTS THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE CLEAR WARNING ALERTS TO
9 THESE INSTITUTIONS TO ENSURE THEY TAKE THE APPROPRIATE
10 PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT HEAT SIDE EFFECTS. OUR FUTURE IS OUR
11 YOUTH, AND WE NEED TO PROTECT THEM AS WE MOVE INTO THIS
12 BLISTERY, SO HOT SUMMER AHEAD OF US. AND I ASK FOR YOUR AYE
13 VOTE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU
18 MORE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPPORT IT. WHEN I READ ECE, I HAD A
19 AHA MOMENT, BECAUSE YOU TALKED ABOUT TK, AND I THINK SOMETIMES
20 WHEN WE HEAR ECE, WE THINK ABOUT CHILD CARE CENTERS, BUT MORE
21 THAN HALF OF ECE SETTINGS ACROSS LA COUNTY ARE HOME-BASED, AND
22 THEY'RE LICENSED BY THE STATE. SO, I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT
23 THE TOOLKIT AND THE OUTREACH IS AVAILABLE TO HOME-BASED CHILD
24 CARE FACILITIES PARTICULARLY BECAUSE A PART OF THEIR LICENSING
25 REQUIREMENT IS TO HAVE OUTDOOR PLAY SPACE. SO, THEY'RE



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1 ENCOURAGED FOR KIDS TO HAVE OUTDOOR PLAY SPACE. SO, I WANNA
2 MAKE SURE THAT IN THE REFERENCE AND THE MOTION TO ECE, IT
3 INCLUDES HOME-BASED LICENSED EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION
4 PROVIDERS.

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6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I WANNA WELCOME DEBRA COLMAN,
7 DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ADVANCEMENT OF EARLY CARE AND
8 EDUCATION FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, IF YOU'D LIKE
9 TO RESPOND.

10

11 **DEBRA COLMAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. YES, AGAIN, MY NAME IS
12 DEBRA COLMAN. I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE LA COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE
13 ADVANCEMENT OF EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 PUBLIC HEALTH. SO YES, I AGREE SUPERVISOR DEFINITELY PROVIDING
15 RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND AWARENESS AROUND HEAT
16 ARE IMPORTANT TO INCLUDE OUR FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES IN
17 WHATEVER STRATEGY WE PUT FORWARD.

18

19 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, SO I HOPE THAT YOU WOULD THEN BE
20 WORKING WITH THE ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT AGENCIES AND THE RESOURCE
21 AND REFERRAL AGENCIES THAT TEND TO HAVE THE CLOSER
22 RELATIONSHIP AND CONNECTION TO FAMILY-BASED CARE

23

24 **DEBRA COLMAN:** YES

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** TO MAKE SURE THAT CHILD CARE, TO MAKE
2 SURE THAT THEY ARE IN THE LOOP.

3
4 **DEBRA COLMAN:** SO, OUR PLAN WOULD INCORPORATE WORKING WITH
5 COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING, LOCAL OFFICES IN LA COUNTY WITH OUR
6 LOCAL RESOURCE AND REFERRAL AGENCIES AS WELL AS OUR
7 ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT AGENCIES.

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9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** EXCELLENT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR,

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND THANK YOU. ABSOLUTELY. AND I WOULD JUST
12 ADD TO THAT, IT'S A GOOD POINT. THANK YOU FOR RAISING THAT,
13 BUT ALSO MAKING SURE, AND I KNOW THAT DR. FERRER AND YOUR
14 DEPARTMENT KNOWS THIS VERY WELL, PROVIDING MATERIALS IN THE
15 VARIOUS LANGUAGES FOR THOSE PROVIDERS, OKAY? THANK YOU SO
16 MUCH, THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I WANNA THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
19 SOLIS, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON EXTREME HEAT. WE KNOW THIS IS
20 ONE OF LA'S MOST IMPORTANT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC
21 HEALTH CHALLENGES IN OUR SCHOOLS AND PARKS OPERATE YEAR ROUND,
22 PROVIDING PROGRAMMING AND RESOURCES TO THE COMMUNITY, AS WELL
23 AS SERVING AS COOLING CENTERS FOR MOST OF OUR VULNERABLE
24 FOLKS. AND SO ON THE HOTTEST DAYS OF THE YEAR, FACILITIES LIKE
25 EL CARISO PARK AND MY DISTRICT OPEN AS COOLING CENTERS WITH



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1 PROGRAMMING FOR VULNERABLE ADULTS AND CHILDREN. THANKS TO OUR
2 EARLIER BOARD DIRECTION, THE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION,
3 PUBLIC HEALTH, AND OUR CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE ARE ALREADY
4 WORKING TO GREEN AND COOL SCHOOL CAMPUSES, RECOGNIZING THE
5 CRITICAL ROLE THAT THEY PLAY. AND I APPRECIATE THE ATTENTION
6 TO THE ADDITIONAL CENTERS THAT PROVIDE A CRITICAL SERVICE IN
7 OUR COMMUNITIES. WE ALSO KNOW THAT OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN,
8 THOSE AGES 0 TO 5, NEED ADDITIONAL ATTENTION BECAUSE THEY
9 MIGHT NOT SHOW THE SAME SIGNS OF HEAT ILLNESS AS OLDER KIDS OR
10 ADULTS DO. AND SO, WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT EARLY CHILD CARE
11 PROVIDERS ARE CONNECTED TO THIS IMPORTANT WORK BECAUSE WE KNOW
12 THAT INFANTS ARE AT AN ELEVATED RISK OF SUDDEN INFANT DEATH
13 SYNDROME FOLLOWING HEAT EXPOSURE. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO
14 CONTINUING THIS DISCUSSION AT NEXT WEEK'S BOARD MEETING WHERE
15 WE'LL RECEIVE A PRESENTATION ON SEVERAL RESOURCES,
16 COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES, AND POLICIES TO FURTHER PROTECT LA
17 COUNTY RESIDENTS FROM EXTREME HEAT. SEEING NO OTHER
18 SUPERVISORS IN QUEUE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
19 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS
20 ITEM.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL, PLEASE COME
23 FORWARD. RED CHIEF HUNT, PLEASE COME FORWARD AND SET FOR
24 ASSISTING. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
25 TELEPHONE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 15 YOU HAVE NOT



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1 ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW REPLACING THE
2 SPEAKING QUEUE MODERATING. WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER,
3 PLEASE.

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5 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS SHAILA PRICE, PLEASE
6 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS SHAILA PRICE AND I AM A STUDENT,
10 ENVIRONMENTALIST, AND A YOUTH CLIMATE COMMISSIONER. I WOULD
11 LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 15 AS MENTIONED THIS SUMMER
12 HAS DEFINITELY BEEN SUMMERY AS WE'VE ALL FELT THESE EFFECTS
13 AND AS THINGS ARE CONTINUOUSLY CHANGING WITHIN OUR CLIMATES
14 OUR SUMMERS ARE NOT ONLY GOING TO GET HOTTER AND IF THESE
15 EFFECTS CAN UP LASTING AND DEVASTATING IMPRINTS ON GROWN
16 ADULTS. I CAN ONLY IMAGINE THE EFFECTS THAT THEY'LL HAVE ON
17 YOUNGER SMALLER BODIES WHICH IS WHY I WANT TO THANK YOU
18 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION TO BRING HEAT EDUCATION AND
19 ALERTS TO SCHOOLS AND I REQUEST THAT THE BOARD WILL SUPPORT
20 THIS VERY CRUCIAL MOTION. THANK YOU, GUYS, FOR YOUR TIME.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

23

24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ. PLEASE
25 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY



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1 BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
4 DIEGO RODRIGUEZ AND I'M A SOCIAL SERVICES PROVIDER AND
5 ADMINISTRATOR. I ALSO SERVE IN THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC HEALTH
6 COMMISSION REPRESENTING SD1. I'D LIKE TO FIRST THANK THE
7 PROVIDERS WHO LIST HER MOTION. FROM A PUBLIC HEALTH
8 PERSPECTIVE, EDUCATING OUR COMMUNITIES ABOUT THE DANGERS OF
9 EXTREME HEAT IS CRUCIAL AND CAN BE LIFESAVING. PSYCHOLOGICALLY
10 SPEAKING, WE OFTEN FEAR AND FAIL TO PREPARE FOR WHAT WE DO NOT
11 UNDERSTAND. BY IMPLEMENTING COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAMS
12 ALONG WITH A HEAT WARNING ALERT SYSTEM, WE CAN EFFECTIVELY
13 EQUIP STAFF, PARENTS, AND OTHER SETTINGS AND PROVIDERS WITH
14 THE KNOWLEDGE THEY NEED TO RESPOND TO EXTREME HEAT. THIS IS A
15 LIFE-AFFIRMING PUBLIC HEALTH BEST PRACTICE THAT WILL PROTECT
16 OUR CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST
17 THE BOARD'S SUPPORT TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND HEALTH OF OUR
18 CHILDREN. THANK YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANDY YAM. PLEASE UNMUTE
23 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE, YOU MAY BEGIN.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MY NAME IS ANDY YEM AND I'M A



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1 BOARD MEMBER WITH THE GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT LOCATED IN
2 SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 1. AS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER OVERSEEING
3 OUR SCHOOLS, YOU KNOW, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR STUDENTS
4 ARE PROTECTED FROM EXTREME HEAT, ESPECIALLY SINCE WE HAVE A
5 LOT OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, MAKING SURE THAT HEAT EDUCATION IS
6 AVAILABLE TO OUR MANY STAFF AS WELL AS EVEN OUR AFTER SCHOOL
7 PROVIDERS IS CRITICAL TO ENSURING THAT OUR STUDENTS REMAIN
8 SAFE AND HEALTHY YEAR ROUND. AND SO, I'D JUST LIKE TO SPEAK IN
9 SUPPORT AGAIN OF ITEM 15 AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR
10 YOUR MOTION TO BRING KEY EDUCATION AND ALERTS TO TK-12
11 SCHOOLS. I REQUEST THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT MOTION.
12 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. PLEASE UNMUTE
17 YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THIS IS CRITICAL. WE LIVE IN A
20 CLIMATE AND IN A REGION WHERE WE'RE SUSCEPTIBLE TO TERRIBLY
21 HOT DAYS AND NIGHTS AND TO GET THESE CHILDREN EDUCATED ABOUT
22 IT IS AN ABSOLUTELY GOOD IDEA AND WE SHOULD EDUCATE EVERYBODY
23 ABOUT IT. THERE ARE A FEW THINGS YOU CAN ALSO DO TO MAKE A
24 BETTER SITUATION WHICH IS AFTER YOU SHOWER YOU DRY OFF OF THE
25 TOWEL BUT IT'S SO FREAKING HOT YOU PUT THE TOWEL OUTSIDE YOU



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1 DON'T HAVE TO WASH THE TOWEL BECAUSE YOU'RE CLEAN SO PEOPLE
2 OFTEN GO THROUGH SEVERAL TOWELS A WEEK LET'S GO THROUGH ONE
3 TOWEL A WEEK THEN WE CAN SAVE THE WATER TO DEAL WITH THE
4 EMBARRASSING STRUCTURAL PROBLEM WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT
5 WE ARE TRYING BY THE WAY, THIS VOTING BALLOT IS GONNA BE SO
6 CROWDED IT'S GONNA BE LIKE ONE OF THESE MEETINGS WHERE YOU
7 CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. WHAT ARE WE?
8 WHAT ARE WE DOING? DON'T WE HAVE A WAY TO STREAMLINE AND MAKE
9 THIS I MEAN, IT'S MESSY SOMEBODY SAID IT GOVERNMENT IS MESSY
10 DEMOCRACY IS MESSY, BUT THIS IS A TOTAL MESS AND I WANT TO
11 THANK YOU FOR --

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED NEXT
14 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS NORMA CASTILLO, PLEASE
17 UNMUTE YOUR PHONE SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT YOU MAY BEGIN.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DR. NORMA CASTILLO. I'M AN ECE AND
20 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM WITH THE CENTRAL NEEDS DIRECTOR. AND I
21 WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 15. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
22 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR THIS TIMELY MOTION. I WOULD LIKE TO
23 SUPPORT THE HEAT ALERT SYSTEM BECAUSE IT PROTECTS OUR
24 CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND ENHANCES THEIR ACADEMIC SUCCESS, WHICH
25 SUFFERS IN EXTREME HEAT. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE BOARD TO



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1 SUPPORT THIS ESSENTIAL MOTION TO SAFEGUARD OUR CHILDREN'S
2 WELLBEING. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

5
6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL HENNESSEY. PLEASE
7 UNMUTE YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8
9 **SPEAKER:** HI. HEAT ISSUES ARE ONLY GOING TO GET WORSE WITH
10 CLIMATE CHANGE. SO, BEYOND EDUCATION LA COUNTY NEEDS MORE
11 INCENTIVES TO REDUCE PAVEMENT AND ASPHALT BUT WE ALSO NEED FAR
12 MORE TREES ESPECIALLY IN LOW-INCOME AREAS AND SCHOOLS YOU KNOW
13 DRIVING AROUND LOW-INCOME AREAS OF THE VALLEY FOR INSTANCE
14 WHICH IS WAY HOTTER THAN LA THERE'S SEVERE LACK OF TREES AND
15 GREEN SPACE THAT PROVIDE ADEQUATE SHADE. SO, LET'S INVEST IN
16 SHADE PROVIDING BUS CENTERS, UV BLOCKING UMBRELLA GIVEAWAYS,
17 ALTERNATIVE TO ASPHALT AND MANY, MANY MORE TREES. THANK YOU.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DEVIN IVEY. PLEASE UNMUTE
22 YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS DR. DEVIN IVY.
25 I'M A DIRECTOR OF FAMILIES, KNIGHTING FAMILIES. I'M ALSO A



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1 FORMER EDUCATOR AND A CURRENT FOSTER YOUTH ADVOCATE. AND I'M
2 CALLING TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT ON NUMBER 15. I DO WANT TO JUST
3 GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. THANK YOU FOR THIS
4 MOTION TO BRING HEAT EDUCATION AND ALERTS TO K THROUGH 12
5 SCHOOLS, EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION SETTINGS AND TO SEASONAL
6 SUMMER CAMPS. LET'S BE REAL EVERYONE. LA COUNTY REALLY IS A
7 DREAM LOCATION, BUT IT GETS ALARMINGLY HOT DURING THE SUMMER.
8 AS A RESULT, THIS IS A COMMONSENSE MOTION AND THE LA COUNTY
9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SHOULD REALLY ALREADY BE SENDING
10 THESE ALERTS AS PART OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT THE
11 HEALTH OF OUR CHILDREN IN THIS COUNTY. THIS ALERT WILL PROVIDE
12 A NECESSARY TRIGGER FOR SCHOOLS TO KNOW WHEN THEY NEED TO STEP
13 IN TO PREVENT AND POTENTIALLY ANY POTENTIAL INJURY AND
14 SICKNESS FROM HEAT. SO, I REQUEST THAT THIS BOARD SUPPORT THE
15 MOTION. THANK YOU.

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

18
19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS NIKIA FIELDS. PLEASE UNMUTE
20 YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** HELLO THERE. HAPPY TUESDAY. MY NAME IS NIKIYA FIELDS
23 AND I'M A PARENT WITH AN 11-YEAR-OLD BOY WHO GOES TO SCHOOL IN
24 LA COUNTY. AND MY 11-YEAR-OLD BOY ONLY LIKES TO SIT IN THE
25 ROOM AND BE ON THE COMPUTER AND HAS VERY LIMITED AWARENESS OF



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1 HIS SAFETY IN HEAT OR WHILE DOING PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES. SO, I'M
2 DEFINITELY HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 15 ON
3 BEHALF OF MY BABY WHO I WORRY DOESN'T HAVE THE WHEREWITHAL OR
4 KNOWLEDGE TO TAKE CARE OF HIMSELF IN UNSAFE SITUATIONS LIKE
5 BEING IN THE HEAT. I AM ALSO A FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
6 OF A NONPROFIT THAT PROVIDES SERVICES TO CHILDREN AND YOUTH
7 PARTICULARLY IN SCHOOLS PRESCHOOLS ECM SETTINGS IN SAN GABRIEL
8 VALLEY AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR
9 THIS MOTION TO BRING HEAT EDUCATION ALERTS TO TK TO 12 SCHOOLS
10 BECAUSE OF THINGS LIKE THE WORRY I'M TALKING ABOUT WITH MY OWN
11 CHILD. I'M SURE OTHER PARENTS HAVE THE SAME ISSUES BUT MYSELF
12 AS A MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
15 SPEAKER PLEASE.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** I'M AWARE THAT THERE ARE MANY FAMILIES WHO NEED
18 SUPPORT. ALL RIGHT THANK YOU.

19
20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TRAMELLI RATCLIFFE. PLEASE
21 UNMUTE YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** TRAMELL, ARE YOU THERE? TRAMELL
24 RATCLIFFE.



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1 **SPEAKER:** OH YES, I'M HERE. SORRY. HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS TREMEL RATCLIFFE AND I'M WITH THE
6 ORGANIZATION CALLED JUST US FOR YOUTH AND I'M THE COMMUNITY
7 RELATIONS REPRESENTATIVE ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANIZATION AND I
8 WANT TO BASICALLY SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 15. I WANT TO FIRST OFF
9 BY THANKING SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO BRING
10 HEAT EDUCATION AND ALERTS TO TK TO 12 SCHOOLS. I PERSONALLY
11 HAVE A CHILD WHO'S GETTING READY TO ENROLL INTO THE EARLY
12 CHILDHOOD PROGRAM THROUGH THE LA COUNTY FAIRPLEX AND JUST TO
13 SEE HIM YOU KNOW DRENCHED IN SWEAT AND HE'S SAYING OH IT'S HOT
14 LIKE WHY IS IT SO HOT. THIS WOULD BE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO
15 ALLOW FOR OUR YOUTH AND OUR YOUNG ADULTS TO GET THAT EDUCATION
16 EARLY ON AS THEY SOMETIMES DON'T GET THE EDUCATION UNTIL LATER
17 ON DOWN THE ROAD WHEN THEY'RE GETTING EMPLOYED IN DIFFERENT
18 PLACES AND TO TALK ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF YOU KNOW THE HEAT
19 AND THINGS LIKE THAT SO I THINK THIS WILL BE A GREAT
20 OPPORTUNITY TO EDUCATE OUR YOUTH --

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
23 SPEAKER PLEASE.

24

25 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GABRIELLA EDDY. PLEASE



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1 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. GABRIELLA EDDY, SBCC
5 COMMUNITY ORGANIZER IN LOS ANGELES. IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 15, I
6 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO BRING HEAT
7 EDUCATION AND ALERTS TO SCHOOLS AND SUMMER CAMPS. THESE ALERTS
8 WILL HELP AND NECESSARY TRIGGER FOR SCHOOLS TO KNOW WHEN THEY
9 NEED TO STEP IN TO PREVENT ANY POTENTIAL INJURIES OR SICKNESS
10 FROM EXTREME HEAT. HAVING THIS MOTION WILL HELP PARENTS FEEL
11 MORE AT EASE WITH TRUSTING STAFF WITH THEIR CHILDREN IN HOT
12 DAYS. AS A MOTHER, AS AN ORGANIZER, I ASK YOU TO PLEASE
13 SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO
18 ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THIS TIME. OKAY NO SPEAKERS IN PERSON SO
19 ITEM 15 IS BEFORE US MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS SECONDED BY
20 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM EXECUTIVE OFFICER
21 PLEASE CALL THE ROLE.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

3

4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE

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10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE

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14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE

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18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO

19 0.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 16,
22 ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER CHIP READINESS. PREPARING AND
23 PLANNING FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S TRANSITION TO EBT CHIP TAP
24 TECHNOLOGY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF
25 THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO



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1 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM SUPERVISOR SOLIS I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND
4 ALSO THANK YOU SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR JOINING ME AS MY CO-AUTHOR
5 ON THIS MOTION. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW THE COUNTY AND THE STATE
6 HAVE BEEN TRYING TO ADDRESS THE GROWING PROBLEM OF ELECTRONIC
7 BENEFIT TRANSFER OR EBT SKIMMING FOR QUITE SOME TIME NOW.
8 THAT'S BEEN A SUBJECT OF OUR BOARD MEETINGS AS OF LATE. A
9 CRIME THAT DISPROPORTIONATELY VICTIMIZES OUR LOWEST INCOME
10 RESIDENTS. I HAVE AUTHORED 3 MOTIONS OVER THE PAST 2 YEARS AND
11 ALSO CO-AUTHORED MOTIONS BY SUPERVISOR HAHN DIRECTING COUNTY
12 DEPARTMENTS TO FOCUS ON OUTREACH CAMPAIGNS AND COME UP WITH A
13 CREATIVE SOLUTION TO TACKLE THE CONTINUING CRIMINAL ENTERPRISE
14 INVOLVING SKIMMING DEVICES. THE MOST RECENT ACTION WAS
15 DIRECTING DPSS TO PROVIDE NEARLY \$1,100,000 IN FISCAL YEAR
16 2024-2025 TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO INCREASE
17 ENFORCEMENT OF THOSE WHO ARE COMMITTING EBT RELATED FRAUD.
18 DESPITE THESE EFFORTS, THE PROBLEM HAS CONTINUED AND THE
19 NUMBER OF THOSE VICTIMIZED KEEPS GOING UP. FROM JANUARY TO
20 APRIL 2024, CLOSE TO \$21,000,000 HAVE BEEN REIMBURSED TO LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO HAVE HAD THEIR EBT FUNDS STOLEN
22 AS A RESULT OF EBT SKIMMING. BUT THE STATE IS IMPLEMENTING NEW
23 TECHNOLOGIES THAT WE'RE HOPEFUL CAN DRAMATICALLY REDUCE THESE
24 SCAMS. THE STATE WILL BE ISSUING NEW EBT CARDS EQUIPPED WITH A
25 CHIP AND TAP TECHNOLOGY AND THIS BOARD WENT ON RECORD



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1 ENCOURAGING THE STATE TO DO THAT. THEY'RE EXPECTED, I
2 UNDERSTAND, TO BE AVAILABLE BY THE END OF THE SUMMER. THE
3 MODERNIZED EBT CARDS WILL HELP BOOST THEIR SECURITY AND REDUCE
4 INSTANCES OF EBT SKIMMING. HOWEVER, THIS TRANSITION, IN ORDER
5 TO BE SUCCESSFUL, WILL NEED TO EDUCATE AND NOTIFY ALL
6 STAKEHOLDERS, BOTH THE CLIENTS AND SMALL BUSINESSES, THAT
7 ACCEPT THE EBT PAYMENTS. THE MOTION THEREFORE AIMS TO GET THE
8 COUNTY READY FOR THIS TRANSITION TO THE NEW EBT CARDS AND IT
9 WILL UNDERTAKE THE FOLLOWING. COMPREHENSIVE MULTILINGUAL
10 OUTREACH CAMPAIGN SO THAT EBT CARDHOLDERS KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT
11 ONCE THE NEW CARDS ARE ISSUED AND WHEN, AND ALSO ENSURE THAT
12 BUSINESSES HAVE TIME TO MODERNIZE THEIR EQUIPMENT AND ARE
13 ENCOURAGED TO DO SO TO CONTINUE SERVING THEIR CUSTOMERS
14 UTILIZING A MORE SECURE CARD. AND OBVIOUSLY THIS IS SO
15 NECESSARY, ESPECIALLY WITH OUR MOM AND POP PROVIDERS THAT ARE
16 OUT IN OUR COMMUNITIES THAT REALLY FACE A HEAVY BURDEN WHEN
17 SKIMMING GOES ON. AND EVERYONE KNOWS HERE THAT IT'S SO
18 IMPACTFUL FOR ALL VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. IT ALSO PUTS
19 TAXPAYER DOLLARS IN THE HANDS OF CRIMINALS ABUSING OUR SAFETY
20 NET PROGRAM, SO WE DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN. THE COUNTY NEEDS
21 TO BE READY FOR THE TRANSITION TO THE CHIP AND THE TAP
22 TECHNOLOGY SO THAT WE CAN STOP AND REDUCE EBT SKIMMING FROM
23 CONTINUING. AND WE NEED TO HAVE A MORE EFFECTIVE PARTNERSHIP
24 WITH ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A SMOOTH
25 IMPLEMENTATION. SO, I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE'LL GET THERE. AND IF



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1 NECESSARY, I WOULD EVEN CALL ON ISD TO HELP US. BECAUSE THEY
2 WORK VERY CLOSELY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH US HERE AND WITH MANY OF
3 OUR PROVIDERS, SO I DON'T SEE WHY THAT CAN ALSO BE PART OF
4 THIS MOTION. SO, WITH THAT, MADAM CHAIR, I WANNA THANK
5 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND ASK RESPECTFULLY FOR YOUR AYE VOTE.

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

8
9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND THANK
10 YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD AND
11 ASKING ME TO BE YOUR CO-AUTHOR. AND I HOPE THIS IS THE FINAL
12 MOTION AND A SERIES OF MOTIONS THAT WE'VE DONE THAT ASKS THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, DPSS, FOR A READINESS
14 AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN TO ENSURE THAT ALL BENEFIT RECIPIENTS
15 KNOW ABOUT THE CHANGE TO INCLUDE NEW CHIP TAP TECHNOLOGY FOR
16 THEIR ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER OR THEIR EBT CARDS. IN
17 JANUARY 2023, WE WORKED ON A MOTION THAT ASKED DPSS TO WORK IN
18 COLLABORATION WITH OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT
19 STRATEGIES TO COMBAT ILLEGAL SKIMMING IN THE COUNTY. WE THEN
20 AUTHORED A MOTION LAST JULY STRESSING THE DPSS TO DO
21 EVERYTHING THAT THEY CAN TO HAVE THE STATE IMPLEMENT THE NEW
22 EBT CARDS WITH CHIP AND OR TAP TECHNOLOGY. AND AS A RESULT,
23 DPSS HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE STATE, ALONG WITH THE CEO'S
24 LEGISLATIVE TEAM, TO ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
25 I WANNA THANK DR. CONTRERAS FOR HER LEADERSHIP, ALONG WITH MY



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1 FORMER STAFF MEMBER, NICK IPPOLITO, AND THE DPSS TEAM FOR THE
2 WORK THEY DID TO HELP LOS ANGELES COUNTY BE ONE OF THE FIRST
3 EARLY ADOPTERS OF THIS NEW TECHNOLOGY. WHEN WE SAY THAT LA
4 COUNTY IS A SAFETY NET FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS, WE
5 MEAN IT. AND IMPLEMENTING CHIP TECHNOLOGY IS GOING TO CLOSE A
6 HOLE OR MEND A HOLE IN THAT SAFETY NET BY HELPING TO PROTECT
7 THESE CARDS FROM THE SCAM OF SKIMMING. SO, THIS IS A WIN FOR
8 OUR RESIDENTS, AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO AN EQUITABLE AND
9 INCLUSIVE DPSS OUTREACH PLAN THAT REACHES ALL BENEFIT
10 RECIPIENTS AND EBT RETAILERS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

13
14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO SOLIS AND HAHN
15 FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I WAS TRYING TO SIT HERE AND THINK
16 ABOUT A MORE APPROPRIATE WAY TO SAY THIS, BUT I DON'T HAVE
17 ONE. AS HARD AS WE HAVE WORKED WITH DSS TO GET THIS
18 TECHNOLOGY, DPSS BETTER BE READY. THERE'S NO OTHER WAY TO SAY
19 IT. THEY HAVE GOT TO BE READY. WE WORK TOO HARD TO PUSH THE
20 STATE TO GET THE APPROPRIATE CHIP TECHNOLOGY. IN CALIFORNIA,
21 THE STATE OF INNOVATION, IT'S RIDICULOUS THAT BENEFITS ARE
22 STILL BEING PROVIDED ON THIS ANTIQUATED TECHNOLOGY. SO DPSS,
23 STAY READY. DON'T HAVE TO GET READY. MY GRANDMOTHER USED TO
24 SAY. SO, THANK YOU FOR THE MOTION. I FULLY EXPECT THAT THEY'LL
25 BE READY. I REMEMBER MY FIRST YEAR HERE, BASED ON THE



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1 ONSLAUGHT OF CALLS MY OFFICE GETS EVERY MONTH, I MENTIONED
2 EARLIER, 45% OF THE THOUSANDS OF CALLS WE GET MONTHLY ARE
3 ABOUT DPSS AND THE VAST MAJORITY ARE ABOUT SKIMMING. AND DPSS
4 DOES A GREAT JOB TO RELOAD, BUT THERE IS STILL A DELAY, AND IF
5 YOU ARE RELYING ON CALFRESH TO FEED YOUR FAMILY, A DAY CAN
6 MAKE A SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE IN YOUR ABILITY TO FEED YOUR
7 FAMILY. I REMEMBER ASKING DR. CONTRERAS AND CEO DAVENPORT IF
8 WE WERE INCURRING THE ADMIN COST OF ALL OF THE REWORK DPSS
9 STAFF HAS TO DO TO REISSUE CARDS. THE STATE COVERS THE LOSS,
10 BUT WERE WE EATING THAT ADMIN RATE? SO, IT HAS BEEN AN
11 INCREDIBLE ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN ON LA COUNTY IN DEALING WITH
12 THE SKIMMING ISSUES. SO, I'M GLAD DSS IS RAMPING UP. I AGREE
13 WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS IN TERMS OF THE MOM AND POP
14 PROVIDERS. THE OTHER CATEGORY OF PROVIDERS ARE FARMERS
15 MARKETS. WE WORKED VERY HARD AT THE STATE LEVEL TO MAKE SURE
16 THAT FARMERS MARKETS COULD ACCEPT EBT. WE JUST SINCE JOINING
17 THE BOARD HERE WE SUPPORTED AND LAUNCHED A THE ONLY FARMERS
18 MARKET IN THE CITY OF COMPTON, THAT'S AT COMPTON COMMUNITY
19 COLLEGE, WHERE DR. CURRY THERE IS MATCHING THEIR EBT BENEFIT.
20 HE'S USING HIS AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN DOLLARS AND DOUBLING THE
21 BENEFIT FOR NOT ONLY STUDENTS BUT THEIR FAMILIES. AND SO, I AM
22 HOPING THAT WE ARE CAPTURING THE FARMER'S MARKETS IN OUR SMALL
23 MOM AND POP BUSINESS OUTREACH. BECAUSE WE CAN'T LOSE THE
24 FARMER MARKET OPPORTUNITY TO BE INCLUDED. AND SO, THANK YOU
25 FOR THE MOTION AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE FARMERS



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1 MARKETS WERE GOING TO BE TAPPED AS WELL. THANK YOU.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
4 PLEASE --

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6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN I JUST ADD ONE THING? WE'RE
7 NOT HOLDING THE ITEM, I THINK IT'S 17, IT'S ON CONSENT, BUT IT
8 IS ALSO SAFEGUARDING OLDER ADULTS FROM SCAMMING PRACTICES AND
9 FINANCIALS. SO, THERE'S ACTUALLY ANOTHER ITEM TODAY THAT WE'RE
10 LOOKING OUT FOR THE PROTECTION OF THEM AGAINST THIS
11 PARTICULARLY EVIL CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. YEAH, SO JUST WANTED TO
12 HIGHLIGHT THAT.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
15 PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
16 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, PLEASE COME
19 FORWARD ANDREW KAZAKIS AND RED CHIEF ON PLEASE COME FORWARD
20 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS
21 ON THE TELEPHONE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 16 IF YOU
22 HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO BE
23 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
24 REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

25



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1 **MODERATOR:** OF COURSE. OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS LORENA CHOCTAW.
2 PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
3 BEGIN.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS LORENA CHOKTA AND I AM WITH SERVANTS'
6 ARMS. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'
7 MOTION ITEM NUMBER 16. I THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND CO-
8 AUTHOR SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR THIS MOTION TO PREPARE LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY FOR THE TRANSITION OF EBT CHIP-TAPPED CARDS. THE NEED
10 TO HAVE ACCESS TO MORE SECURE PAYMENT METHODS TO HELP REDUCE
11 INSTANCES OF EBT SCHEMING IS GREATLY NEEDED. IT IS CRUCIAL
12 THAT WE EDUCATE EVT CUSTOMERS AND BUSINESSES ABOUT WHAT THEY
13 NEED TO DO TO PREPARE FOR THIS TRANSITION SO THAT THERE IS NO
14 DISRUPTION IN ACCESSING BENEFITS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANDY YAM. PLEASE UNMUTE
19 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ANDY AND I'M A BOARD MEMBER OF THE
22 GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT AS WELL AS THE FIRST DISTRICT
23 COMMISSIONER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES
24 APPOINTED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I JUST WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT
25 OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS' MOTION ITEM NUMBER 16. THANK YOU SO MUCH



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1 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MY CO-AUTHOR SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR THIS MOTION
2 ABOUT PREPARING LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE TRANSITION TO EBT
3 CHIP/TAP CARDS. AS A DPSS COMMISSIONER WE WERE HAVING A LOT OF
4 CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THE HORRIBLE NATURE OF STEALING EBT FUNDS,
5 AND SO WE'RE GLAD THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE AN IMPLEMENTATION
6 PLAN TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CARS WITH CHIPS CAN MAKE THEIR WAY
7 INTO THE HANDS OF OUR CUSTOMERS. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH, AND I
8 ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE ON THIS.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. PLEASE UNMUTE
13 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. WHICH ITEM WAS THIS?

16

17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** 16.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** RIGHT, JUST THE ONE LINE TO ORIENT ME. OR I COULD
20 JUST DO MY GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THIS IS ITEM 16 ON ELECTRONIC
23 BENEFITS TRANSFER CHIP READINESS.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** ALL RIGHT, THE EBT CHIP READINESS. BOY, I MEAN, I



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1 WANT TO STAND RIGHT OVER NEAR MITCHELL ON THIS ONE ABOUT THE
2 FIGHT TO GET THE STATE TO, SO NOW THERE'S NO CHOICE. THIS HAS
3 TO BE IMPLEMENTED SUCCESSFULLY. IT'S JUST LOW HANGING PROOF.
4 SO, I APPRECIATE THAT. NOW WHAT I DON'T APPRECIATE IS THIS
5 COMING UP NOW WHEN EVERYBODY IS CHECKED OUT AND IT'S NOT BEING
6 GIVEN ENOUGH ATTENTION THAT IT REALLY NEEDS, AND IT'S BEING
7 USED TO SUN-AMBULATE EVERYBODY SO THAT WE CAN'T REALLY
8 PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING. I FIND IT I FIND IT CHALLENGING. I
9 TRY I KNOW I KNOW THE CHAIR IS CRAFTY AND SNEAKY VERY, VERY
10 SNEAKY. OKAY I GOTTA GO BUT LISTEN KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
13 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DOMINIQUE LOZANO. PLEASE
16 GO, PLEASE PUT YOURSELF DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. PLEASE GO
17 AHEAD.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DOMINIQUE LOZANO. I'M AN INTERN
20 WITH RISING COMMUNITIES. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF
21 SUPERVISOR SOLIS' MOTION ITEM NUMBER 16. I WANT TO THANK
22 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND CO-AUTHOR HAHN FOR THIS MOTION
23 ABOUT PREPARING LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE TRANSITION TO EBT
24 CHIP AND TAP CARDS. THIS MOTION IS CRUCIAL AIMING TO ENSURE
25 INDIVIDUALS HAVE ACCESS TO MORE SECURE PAYMENT METHODS



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1 ESPECIALLY IN REDUCING INSTANCES OF EBT SKIMMING, EDUCATING
2 EBT CUSTOMERS AND BUSINESSES TO MAKE THE NECESSARY
3 PREPARATIONS FOR THE TRANSITION WILL HELP PREVENT DISRUPTIONS
4 AND ACCESSING BENEFITS MAKING IT A SMOOTH IMPLEMENTATION
5 PROCESS CREATING SUPPORT SYSTEMS AND SAFEGUARDING FOR THOSE
6 WHO RELY ON THESE BENEFITS. ADDITIONALLY, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE
7 THE IMPORTANCE OF EDT CARDHOLDERS, OF EDT CARDS BEING UTILIZED
8 AT FARMER'S MARKETS, CREATING GREATER ACCESS TO FRESH, HEALTHY
9 FOODS FOR ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THANK YOU.

10
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

12
13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ALEXANDRA GAY. PLEASE
14 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
15 BEGIN.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS ALEXANDRA GAY AND I'M
18 COMMENTING ON BEHALF OF NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY, A NON-PROFIT LEGAL AID ORGANIZATION. WE
20 COMMEND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND THE BOARD FOR
21 THEIR ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER OF ENSURING THAT CALFRESH AND
22 CALWORKS RECIPIENTS IN LA COUNTY ARE PREPARED FOR THE
23 TRANSITION TO CHIP TECHNOLOGY. WE APPLAUD THE ADOPTION OF THIS
24 TECHNOLOGY TO PROTECT VULNERABLE BENEFICIARIES AND WE AGREE
25 THAT DPSS MUST DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN THAT WILL PROTECT



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1 BENEFICIARIES' ABILITY TO ACCESS THEIR BENEFITS WHILE THE NEW
2 EVT CARDS ARE DISTRIBUTED. CPSS MUST NOTIFY ALL BENEFICIARIES
3 OF THE TRANSITION PROCESS AND MUST OUTLINE HOW IT INTENDS TO
4 REACH THOSE WHO HAVE LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, THOSE WHO
5 DON'T HAVE INTERNET ACCESS, AND THOSE WHO ARE UNHOUSED OR HAVE
6 NO PERMANENT FIXED ADDRESS. CPSS MUST ALSO BE PREPARED TO
7 HANDLE AN INCREASE IN CALLS TO THE CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER
8 LINE DURING THIS TRANSITION TO TROUBLESHOOT CUSTOMER PROBLEMS
9 AND RESTORE ACCESS TO BENEFITS. THANK YOU.

10
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12
13 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO
14 ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THIS TIME.

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS
17 IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANDREW KAZAKIS. I SUPPORT
20 THE MOTION AND THANK SUPERVISORS, SOLIS AND HAHN FOR BRINGING
21 IT FORWARD. AND I ALSO APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S FRANK
22 REMARKS AS WELL. I'M A SENIOR ATTORNEY AT THE LEGAL AID
23 FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES, WHERE I'VE HELPED MANY VICTIMS OF
24 EBT SKIMMING THEFT OVER THE YEARS. I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND HOW
25 HEINOUS IT IS, YOU KNOW, FOR INDIVIDUALS AND HOUSEHOLDS. AND



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1 CHIPTAP IS A VERY WELCOME UPGRADE. I'M PARTICULARLY SUPPORTIVE
2 OF THE MOTION'S FOCUS ON UNHOUSED INDIVIDUALS BEING ABLE TO
3 RECEIVE THEIR NEW EBT CARDS. THE STATE'S CURRENT PLAN INCLUDES
4 DEACTIVATION OF THE OLD EBT CARD JUST 45 DAYS AFTER MAILING
5 AND THIS IS GOING TO LEAD TO MANY PEOPLE LOSING ACCESS TO
6 THEIR BENEFITS IF THEY DIDN'T RECEIVE THE MAIL AND AN INCREASE
7 IN URGENT REQUESTS FOR DPSS IN OFFICE CARD REPLACEMENTS. SO,
8 THIS MOTION WILL HELP TO ENSURE THAT DPSS IS PREPARED AND
9 GIVES THE APPROPRIATE OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY. THE MOTION
10 ALSO SMARTLY FOCUSES ON LOCAL MOM AND POP RETAILERS. IT'S
11 GONNA BE A MOOT ISSUE IF WE ROLL OUT THIS NEW TECHNOLOGY --

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. IF THERE'S
14 ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE SURE IS SHARED
15 WITH OUR OFFICES, PLEASE PROVIDE IT TO OUR STAFF SO WE CAN
16 MAKE SURE IT GETS TO ALL OF US. THANK YOU. WITH THAT, ITEM 16
17 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
19 CALL THE ROLL.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 16, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?



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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO
17 0.

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE
20 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE
21 POSTED AGENDA TO BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED TO STAFF OR PLACED
22 ON A FUTURE AGENDA. I HAVE ONE MOTION TO READ IN. WOULD LIKE
23 TO OFFER THIS READ IN MOTION REGARDING THE VICTIMS OF CRIME
24 ACT, AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR CO-
25 AUTHORIZING IT WITH ME. VOCA WAS PASSED BY CONGRESS IN 1984 AND



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1 ESTABLISHED THE CRIME VICTIMS FUND, WHICH IS THE LARGEST
2 FUNDING SOURCE FOR VICTIM SERVICES IN CALIFORNIA AND
3 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. THE VOCA FUND, FINANCED BY FINES AND
4 FEES ASSOCIATED WITH FEDERAL WHITE COLLAR CRIME, IS
5 EXPERIENCING A SHORTFALL AND THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO THE
6 STATES BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS PROJECTED TO BE \$600 TO
7 \$700,000,000 LESS THAN LAST YEAR. VOCA IS AT THE CENTER OF
8 CALIFORNIA'S RESPONSE TO SUPPORTING VICTIMS OF CRIME. THESE
9 CUTS WILL IMPACT PROGRAMS SERVING VICTIMS OF CHILD ABUSE,
10 ELDER ABUSE, HUMAN TRAFFICKING, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL
11 ASSAULT, AND MORE. ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVE VOCA FUNDING
12 PROVIDE COUNSELING, HOUSING SERVICES, CRISIS RESPONSE, AND
13 DIRECT LEGAL SERVICES, ALONG WITH A RANGE OF OTHER RESPONSES
14 TO ADDRESS TRAUMA AND SUPPORT HEALING. IN LOS ANGELES, NEARLY
15 HALF OF ALL UNHOUSED WOMEN ARE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS,
16 AND ABOUT A QUARTER BECAME UNHOUSED BECAUSE OF DOMESTIC
17 VIOLENCE. THIS IS JUST ONE OF THE SERVICES THAT IS ABSOLUTELY
18 CRITICAL TO VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS THAT WE CANNOT AFFORD TO
19 LOSE. IN THE RECENTLY RELEASED STATE BUDGET, \$103,000,000 IN
20 ONE-TIME FUNDING HAS BEEN ALLOCATED IN VICTIM SERVICES GRANTS
21 TO HELP BACKFILL THE FEDERAL VOCA GAP. EVEN WITH THIS FUNDING,
22 WE KNOW THAT MANY OF OUR LOCAL PROVIDERS ARE EXPERIENCING
23 SHORTFALLS AND HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE FORCED TO CUT PROGRAMS
24 THAT SERVE OUR MOST VULNERABLE. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE. WE NEED
25 TO UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT OF THIS FUNDING SHORTFALL WILL HAVE



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1 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROVIDERS. THESE ARE ESSENTIAL SERVICES
2 THAT SOME OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE ANGELINOS DEPEND ON. AND
3 WHILE THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS CONTINUE TO EXPLORE
4 LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS, WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE LOCAL LANDSCAPE
5 TO DETERMINE WHAT WE CAN DO HERE IN LA COUNTY TO ENSURE
6 CONTINUITY OF THESE ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR THOSE IN NEED,
7 INCLUDING OUR UNDOCUMENTED COMMUNITY. VICTIMS OF CRIME ARE
8 OFTEN TRAUMATIZED OVER AGAIN WHEN TRYING TO NAVIGATE SERVICES.
9 WE MUST ASSESS THE IMPACT OF THESE VOCA CUTS TO OUR LOCAL
10 PROVIDERS WHO SERVE SURVIVORS OF CHILD ABUSE, ELDER ABUSE,
11 HUMAN TRAFFICKING, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND
12 MORE, AND THOSE IN NEED OF OUR SUPPORT. THESE ARE CRITICAL
13 SERVICES AND WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE LOCAL LANDSCAPE. WITH
14 THAT, THE DIRECTIVES ARE THAT WE THEREFORE MOVE THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS, DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE IN CONSULTATION
16 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, OFFICE OF VIOLENCE
17 PREVENTION AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL, DISTRICT ATTORNEYS,
18 VICTIMS SERVICES BUREAU, THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND
19 BUSINESS AFFAIRS, OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS, THE AGING AND
20 DISABILITIES DEPARTMENT, AND OTHER RELEVANT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
21 AND ENTITIES THAT WORK WITH VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF CRIME TO
22 REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 30 DAYS WITH A BUDGET ANALYSIS ON
23 THE IMPACT OF THE VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT FUNDING SHORTFALL IN
24 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS ANALYSIS SHOULD INCLUDE IMPACT TO
25 SERVICES BY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, SERVICE TYPE, PROVIDER,



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1 POPULATION SERVED, AND THE AMOUNT OF NEEDED FUNDING SHOULD THE
2 BOARD SEEK TO SUPPLEMENT THE SHORTFALL. WE FURTHER MOVE THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REQUEST THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
4 WITH THE PUBLIC SAFETY REALIGNMENT TEAM AND THE CHIEF
5 EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 30 DAYS WITH A
6 FEASIBILITY PLAN TO ACCESS AB 109 FUNDS AS A POSSIBLE STOP GAP
7 FUNDING MEASURE TO ENSURE THE CONTINUATION OF PROGRAMS AND
8 SERVICES FOR SURVIVORS OF CRIME IN RESPONSE TO THE REDUCED AND
9 LOSS OF STATE GRANTS THAT SUPPORT THE VICTIM WITNESS
10 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM XC, UNDERSERVED, UNSERVED, VICTIM ADVOCACY
11 AND OUTREACH PROGRAM AND XE GRANTS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I'LL
12 TURN IT TO YOU IF YOU HAVE ANY REMARKS.

13
14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS. WE'VE HEARD
15 FROM OUR PROVIDERS IN OUR DISTRICT AND ACROSS THE COUNTY AND
16 THEY ARE REALLY EXPERIENCING A SUBSTANTIAL BLOW TO A CUT IN
17 THEIR STAFFING AND SERVICES AND THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO ALLOW
18 THAT TO HAPPEN. SO FULLY SUPPORT THIS.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL VOTE ON THIS
21 MOTION AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT. ARE THERE ANY OTHERS? SEEING
22 NONE, WE'LL NOW HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO
23 ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY
24 SUPERVISORS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
25 PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT



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1 ON THESE ITEMS. YOU MUST INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT
2 YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, INCLUDING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IN ORDER
3 FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF TIME. EXECUTIVE
4 OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL IN INFORMATION AND CALL THOSE
5 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE
6 REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

7
8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO
9 3 MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND
10 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU WILL HAVE 1 MINUTE FOR 1 ITEM, 2
11 MINUTES FOR 2 OR MORE ITEMS, AND 1 ADDITIONAL MINUTE FOR
12 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CLEARLY
13 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING. YOU
14 MAY ONLY ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THESE ITEMS. WE WILL NOW CALL
15 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL
16 TAKE TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
19 FORWARD. DON OFFERMAN AND ANDREA MCPHERSON PLEASE COME FORWARD
20 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
21 SPEAKER PLEASE.

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ANTHONY ARENAS. PLEASE
24 UNMUTE YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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1 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ANTHONY ARENAS FROM DISTRICT 3 IN THE
2 JUSTICE LA COALITION AND I WANTED TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF
3 AGENDA ITEM 14. MOVING FORWARD, REMOVAL OF BARRIERS TO FAMILY
4 REUNIFICATION IN LA COUNTY AND PROVIDING FAMILY REUNIFICATION
5 AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS IN OUR JAILS FOR
6 INCARCERATED PARENTS. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS FOR
7 PRIORITIZING INCARCERATED PARENTS AND HIGHLIGHTING THE NEED
8 FOR STRENGTHENING RESOURCES FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION. THIS
9 DATA IS GOING TO BE CRUCIAL FOR CONSTRUCTING EQUITABLE JAIL
10 DEPOPULATION POLICIES, AND CRIMINALIZE THE INCARCERATED
11 PARENTS ARE ALL TOO OFTEN FORGOTTEN AND EXCLUDED FROM THE
12 CONVERSATION. I SUPPORT THE REUNIFICATION OF INCARCERATED
13 PARENTS WITH THEIR FAMILIES. AND THAT'S ALL I JUST WANNA SAY,
14 I'M IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA 14. THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR
15 SOLIS.

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL HENNESSY PLEASE UNMUTE
20 YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 31, A10, AND PUBLIC
23 COMMENT. I'D LIKE TO URGE THE BOARD TO SUE THE DTSC FOR THEIR
24 INABILITY TO CLEAN UP THE SANTA SUSANNA FIELD LAB. THOUGH THIS
25 STATE STARTED IN VENTURA COUNTY, THE RADIOACTIVE WASTE IS BLED



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1 INTO LA COUNTY, SPECIFICALLY LARGE PORTIONS OF THE VALLEY,
2 WITH WATER AND CROPS ABSORBING TOXIC AND RADIOACTIVE WASTE.
3 BOEING WAS SUPPOSED TO CLEAN THIS UP LAST YEAR BUT STILL
4 HAVEN'T. TOXIC WASTE CLEANUP IS LONG OVERDUE. PLEASE WORK WITH
5 VENTURA COUNTY SUPERVISORS AND SUE DTSC TO CLEAN UP THIS
6 PROPERTY QUICKLY. SINCE YOU'RE DISCUSSING ACTIONS RELATED TO
7 OUTBREAKS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE WITH ITEM 810, I'D LIKE THE
8 BOARD TO ADD THIS ITEM TO A FUTURE AGENDA. THE BOARD MUST DO
9 MORE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST COVID THAT'S STILL KILLING AND
10 DISABLING PEOPLE AT AN ALARMING RATE. LONG-TERM EFFECTS THAT
11 INCLUDE CANCER, DEMENTIA, HEART ATTACK, AND ORGAN DAMAGE. BUT
12 WHAT IS SHOWN TO BE MORE SEVERE IN PEOPLE WITH CANCER, WHICH
13 IS ON THE RISE IN THE VALLEY, THANKS TO THE SLOW APPROACH TO
14 THE SANTA SUSANA FIELD LAB CLEANUP. WE NEED MASK MANDATES AND
15 HEALTH CARE PERMANENTLY, CLEAN AIR TOOLS SUCH AS UPGRADED
16 VENTILATION AND HEPA FILTRATION IN ALL PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
17 TRANSIT AND FORCED CONGREGATE SETTINGS, AND INCENTIVES TO
18 BUSINESSES TO CLEAN THE AIR. THINGS LIKE TRUE HEPA FILTER
19 GIVEAWAYS, CLEAN AIR REQUIREMENTS, CLASSROOMS, TAX INCENTIVES
20 TO UPGRADE HVAC SYSTEMS TO ASHRAE 241 OR BETTER WITH MERV 14
21 FILTERS WOULD GO A LONG WAY. LET'S GET LA PUBLIC HEALTH TO DO
22 CLEANER EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS FOR SCHOOLS AND BEYOND. THESE
23 PROTECTIONS GO BEYOND JUST COVID CLEAN INDOOR AIR WILL REDUCE
24 NOT JUST ALL AIRBORNE ILLNESSES BUT ALSO REDUCE ABSENCES OF
25 SCHOOLS, MAKE PUBLIC SPACES MORE ACCESSIBLE FOR THOSE WHO ARE



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SUPERVISORS

1 IMMUNOCOMPROMISED AND REDUCE POLLUTION AND WILDFIRE SMOKE.
2 PLEASE BRING A10 TO A FUTURE AGENDA AND ALLOW PUBLIC TO GIVE
3 ADDITIONAL IDEAS ON DISEASE REDUCTION. WHEN WE CLEANED THE
4 WATER, IT LED TO THE NEAR ERADICATION OF CHOLERA. IMAGINE WHAT
5 WE CAN DO IF WE CLEAN THE INDOOR AIR. THANK YOU.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROB KWAN. PLEASE UNMUTE
10 YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** JUST GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. SO, THIS BOARD IS GOING
13 TO LIE TO VOTERS AND CLAIM TO CREATE AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS
14 COMMISSION SO THAT IT CAN GET A NICE NEW SHINY ELECTED OFFICE
15 TO RUN FOR. IT'S GOING TO MISLEAD VOTERS AND GIVE THEM FALSE
16 HOPE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO ETHICALLY SPEND MONEY ON THAT 50%
17 TAX. THIS ETHICS COMMISSION IS JUST A WEAPON YOU WERE WIELDING
18 BEFORE AND AFTER PASSAGE BECAUSE THE ETHICS COMMISSION WILL
19 NEVER FIGHT THE HAND THAT FEEDS THEM AND GO AFTER INCUMBENT
20 ELECTED OFFICIALS. OPPONENTS ARE THE ONLY ONES THAT ARE GONNA
21 FACE ANY CONSEQUENCES, THIS IS JUST INCUMBENCY PROTECTION. DID
22 ANY OF YOU IN YOUR STAFF CHECK IN WITH THE LA CITY OR AT LONG
23 BEACH ETHICS COMMISSION STAFF BEFORE THIS. I'VE BEEN IN IT
24 GOING TO THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ARCHIVE AT CSUN TO DIG UP
25 A COPY OF THE COWAN COMMISSION REPORT, HEADING THIS CITY



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 ARCHIVES TO REVIEW COUNCILMEMBER WU'S RECORD. I PUT IN THE
2 WORK AND NO DISRESPECT BUT IN THE LAST 6 YEARS I'VE DONE MORE
3 TO HELP PASS GOOD GOVERNANCE REFORM AND ALL OF YOU COMBINED.
4 AND THAT ALSO INCLUDES KILLING BAD REFORM. SO, I'LL START
5 MAKING THE ROUNDS WITH PRESS AND DRIVING UP SOME STUFF FOR
6 YOU. SO, ENJOY BASKING IT.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
9 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PATRICIA MCALISTER. PLEASE
12 UNMUTE YOUR PHONE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** YES, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE CONTINUE.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** YES, I AM SPEAKING ON PUBLIC COMMENT 80 AND 17. OKAY,
19 HERE'S WHAT I WANT TO SAY. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE MAY GET THIS
20 CONTROLLER-AUDITOR, TO BE AN ELECTED OFFICIAL. WE CANNOT HAVE
21 THE SUPERVISORS APPOINTING SOMEONE TO THAT JOB. THAT MEANS
22 THAT HE OR SHE WORKS FOR THEM, AND THEY MUST FOLLOW WHAT THE
23 SUPERVISORS TELL THEM TO DO WITH THAT MONEY. PEOPLE DON'T SEE
24 IT LIKE THAT, BUT THAT'S THE WAY IT IS. WHEN WE MAKE HIM AN
25 ELECTORAL OFFICIAL, THEY CAN'T FIRE HIM. SEE, THEY CAN FIRE



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE ONE THEY GOT NOW BECAUSE THEY PUT HIM THERE. SO, IF HE
2 DON'T DO WHAT THEY TELL HIM TO DO, THEY WILL FIRE HIM. WE MUST
3 GET SOMETHING ON THE, TO GET THIS ELECTED, OKAY? WE'VE GOT TO
4 GET IT. WELL; WE CAN ELECT THIS PERSON JUST LIKE THE CITY
5 DOES. THE CITY ELECTS THEIR COMMISSIONERS, ELECT THEIR
6 ACCOUNTANTS. OKAY, WE DON'T. SO, WE GOT TO GET ON THAT. NOW,
7 MY PUBLIC COMMENT. IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT TO LA COUNTY TO ELECT
8 THE CONTROLLER, AND THAT PERSON CAN ADVERTISE THAT THEY'RE A
9 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT. OKAY, THE 4 SUPERVISORS THAT WE
10 HAVE HERE, THEY'RE RUNNING IT. NOW I WOULD NEVER SPEAK OUT
11 AGAINST, YOU KNOW, WHAT'S GOING ON, KEEPING ONE SUPERVISOR OUT
12 OF THE LOOP AND THINGS LIKE THAT. I'VE WORKED FOR CORPORATE
13 AMERICA FOR YEARS. IT HAPPENED TO ME, BUT IT'S BEEN BOTHERING
14 ME BECAUSE I GOT MY CHECK. IT WAS JUST ME. BUT I SAID I'D
15 BETTER SPEAK OUT BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT MILLIONS OF
16 PEOPLE. YOU GUYS, EACH 1 OF YOU REPRESENT MILLIONS OF PEOPLE
17 SO BY YOU LEAVING ONE SUPERVISOR OUT OF THE LOOP YOU'RE
18 HURTING ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE AND JEOPARDIZING HER JOB FOR ME OR
19 HIS JOB FOR BEING REELECTED SO WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT
20 THAT. OKAY, YOU CAN'T DO THAT. SO, IT'S NOT ABOUT ANGER NO, NO
21 ANGER AND NOTHING LIKE THAT I'M ALL BUSINESS AND I DON'T HOLD
22 GRUDGES. IF YOU CHANGE, FINE. WE'RE FRIENDS, YOU KNOW, BUT I'M
23 NOT GOING TO BEND TO WHAT YOU WANT ME TO DO. SO, WE NEED TO
24 GET THINGS CHANGED. NOW HERE, WE NEED TO INVESTIGATE THE
25 SENIORS AND THESE SENIOR FACILITIES, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY



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SUPERVISORS

1 DEPARTMENT, THE LOS ANGELES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DEPARTMENT.
2 BEST OF MY RESEARCH, THEY ARE CHEATING SENIORS, CHARGING THEM
3 MORE RENT THAN THEY SHOULD CHARGE THEM. SENIORS ARE EATING OUT
4 OF GARBAGE CANS BECAUSE THEY CAN'T AFFORD FOOD BECAUSE THE
5 LACDA IS, IT'S CROOKED, IT'S BASED ON MY KNOWLEDGE. SO WE NEED
6 A FEDERAL INVESTIGATION ON THAT MONEY AND HOW HUD AND THE
7 SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, HOW THEY'RE MONITORING OR NOT
8 MONITORING HOW THAT MONEY IS BEING CHARGED AS A SENIOR
9 CITIZEN. SO THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS FOR THE DAY. HAVE A BLESSED
10 DAY. THANK YOU.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MEL BAILEY. PLEASE UNMUTE
15 YOUR PHONE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU AND GOOD AFTERNOON, ALL. SEEKING ON NUMBER
18 80 AGENDA ITEM 80 AND PUBLIC COMMENTS. GOING BACK TO AGENDA
19 ITEM 80 I DO UNDERSTAND THE NEED IS WHY THEY'RE STILL
20 CONFUSING. I DO BELIEVE THAT BY DOING THIS AND SETTING THE CEO
21 IN THAT POSITION, IT DOES MUDDY THE WATERS AND CREATES A
22 CONFLICT OF INTEREST AS IT RELATES TO DELEGATION OF DUTIES,
23 WHICH IS, YOU KNOW, FALLS UPON THE BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITIES.
24 ON THE ITEM ALSO, HAS THERE EVER BEEN AN IDENTIFICATION AS TO
25 DO ANY BOARD MEMBERS CHANGE THEIR MIND WHEN PUBLIC COMMENTS



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SUPERVISORS

1 ARE READ? FOR YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN COMING TO THE MEETINGS IT
2 SEEMS THAT WHATEVER THE SUPERVISOR BELIEF IS PRIOR TO THE
3 MEETING IT IT'S NEVER AFFECTED I COULD BE WRONG BUT I HAVE
4 NEVER SEEN IT AFFECTED, WHICH MAKES PUBLIC COMMENTS A LITTLE
5 VOIDABLE. GENERAL, I'VE ASKED BEFORE IF THERE CAN BE SOME TYPE
6 OF ASSESSMENT DONE ON ALL OF THE LA COUNTY FACILITIES AS IT
7 RELATES TO ASBESTOS FOR YOUR EMPLOYEES, FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS,
8 FOR YOURSELVES AS WELL. I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT SHOULD
9 BE ADDRESSED. AND THEN THE LAST GENERAL COMMENT IS IN REGARDS
10 TO REPUBLIC SERVICES, THE TRASH IN THE CITY OF COMPTON. IT'S A
11 SUBSTANDARD SERVICE THAT'S VERY CHAOTIC AND I'M NOT SURE IF
12 THE CITY OF COMPTON HAS RAN THAT BY YOUR DESK, BUT IT'S
13 DEFINITELY A SERVICE THAT NEEDS TO BE RECONSIDERED OR A NEW
14 RFA TO BE PRESENTED. THAT'S ALL I HAVE AND I HOPE YOU ALL
15 ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR EVENING. THANK YOU.

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SARAH JOHNSON. PLEASE
20 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
21 BEGIN.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS SARAH JOHNSON, AND I'VE BEEN DISABLED.
24 I'M SORRY, I'M SPEAKING ON POINT A10 IN GENERAL COMMENT. MY
25 NAME IS SARAH JOHNSON. I'VE BEEN DISABLED WITH LONG COVID FOR



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SUPERVISORS

1 OVER 2 YEARS. I ASK THAT THE LA COUNTY REALLOCATE THE
2 INVESTMENT OF OTC COVID TESTS AND MOLECULAR LUCERA BY PFIZER
3 TESTS INSTEAD OF ANTIGEN EYE HEALTH TESTS AND ALSO MAKE THEM
4 MORE WIDELY AVAILABLE. THE COST IS COMPARABLE WHEN YOU FACTOR
5 IN THE TIME NEEDED FOR ACCURACY. LUCIRA IS FAR MORE ACCURATE.
6 ONE 5 PACK OF IHEALTH IS \$28 TODAY, BUT A 4 PACK OF LUCIRA
7 COMES OUT TO \$31 EACH. SOMEONE COULD SPEND 3 DAYS WASTING
8 MULTIPLE ANTIGEN TESTS, ASSUMING A FALSE NEGATIVE,
9 EXPONENTIALLY INFECTING OTHERS FOR DAYS, INCLUDING CHILDREN
10 AND THE AT RISK, OR INSTEAD USE ONE LUCIRA TEST AND KNOW
11 DEFINITELY IN 11 TO 30 MINUTES IF THEY ARE TRULY POSITIVE OR
12 NEGATIVE FOR COVID. ADDITIONALLY, ONE HOUSEHOLD OF 4 PEOPLE
13 CAN POOL TEST ON ONELUCERO WITH ACCURACY.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** MAKE A BETTER INVESTMENT.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JACKIE ROMERO. PLEASE
22 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
23 BEGIN.

24
25 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JACKIE ROMERO WITH THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE
2 RESTAURANT COMMUNITY TO EXPRESS THEIR CONCERNS REGARDING
3 AGENDA ITEM 4. LACD'S DRAFT PEIR FOR THE PROPOSED PLASTICS
4 PROGRAM PROPOSES MEASURES THAT ARE EXTREMELY CONCERNING FOR
5 NEIGHBORHOOD RESTAURANTS, SUCH AS MANDATING REUSABLE FOOD
6 ITEMS FOR ALL ON-SITE DINING AND REQUIRING REUSABLE AND
7 RETURNABLE FOOD FOR TO-GO AND DELIVERY ORDERS. THESE MEASURES
8 ARE NOT ONLY UNFEASIBLE FOR RESTAURANTS BUT WILL COMPROMISE
9 FOOD SAFETY AND LEAD TO LARGER AMOUNTS OF WASTE. THE STATE OF
10 CALIFORNIA IS CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING A REGULATORY RULEMAKING
11 PROCESS THAT WILL RESULT IN THE MOST AGGRESSIVE RECYCLING
12 TARGETS IN THE NATION, IF NOT THE WORLD UNDER SB 54. THIS
13 MONUMENTAL EFFORT TOOK YEARS OF COLLABORATION AND SHOULD BE A
14 LOT TO HAVE A CHANCE TO WORK. LA RESTAURANTS ARE AMONG THE
15 MOST CHALLENGED IN THE COUNTRY AS A RESULT OF POLICY DECISIONS
16 MADE DURING THE PANDEMIC. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE HERE AS LA
17 COUNTY IMPOSED THE MOST SEVERE RESTAURANT CLOSURES ANYWHERE IN
18 THE NATION. LOCAL RESTAURANT OPERATORS ARE STILL FIGHTING
19 MIGHTILY TO SAVE THEIR BUSINESSES AND THE JOBS THEY PROVIDE WE
20 RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT YOU REJECT THIS ITEM AND ALLOW SP 54 TO
21 BE FULLY IMPLEMENTED. THANK YOU.

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24
25 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANN DAVID, PLEASE UNMUTE



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SUPERVISORS

1 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** IN 3 DAYS, WE WILL RECOGNIZE THAT 34 YEARS AGO THE
4 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, THE ADA, WAS SIGNED INTO LAW.
5 IN 2017, LA WAS AWARDED THE 2028 PARALYMPIC GAMES. THIS AGENDA
6 INCLUDED ACCESSIBILITY ACCESS TO PUBLIC SPACES. IT WOULD BE
7 KINDLY APPRECIATED THAT WHEN CONSIDERING CREATING ADVISORY
8 BOARDS, YOU INCLUDE AN IN-PERSON, ONLINE, CALL-IN OPTION
9 HYBRID MEETING. THIS WOULD ALLOW THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND IN
10 PERSON DUE TO TRAFFIC DIFFICULTIES WITHIN LA COUNTY. YOUR
11 CONSIDERATION OF MY COMMENTS IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JESUS ROJAS. PLEASE UNMUTE
16 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** HI. CAN YOU GUYS HEAR ME?

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS JESUS ROJAS FROM THE APPOINTMENT
23 ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY LOS ANGELES. I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON
24 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 49. WE AGAIN URGE THE COUNTY OF SUPERVISORS
25 TO DELAY THE PASSAGE OF THIS ORDINANCE, MAKING THE PILOT



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SUPERVISORS

1 STATEHOUSE DELAY PROGRAM PERMANENT UNTIL PERMANENT FUNDING HAS
2 BEEN SECURED FOR IT. OTHERWISE, IT WILL FORCE THE COUNTY TO
3 TAKE NEEDED FUNDING AWAY FROM FUNDAMENTAL COUNTY SERVICES,
4 INCLUDING PUBLIC OFFENDERS FROM CRIMINAL CASES. THE COUNTY'S
5 BUDGET HAS ALREADY BEEN CUT BY \$1,400,000,000 THIS YEAR ALONE.
6 TO ADD THIS HUGE NEW PROGRAM NOW WITH HOW PERMANENT FUNDING IS
7 FINANCIALLY RECKLESS. FURTHER, IT DOES NOTHING TO SOLVE THE
8 ROOT PROBLEM FOR RENTERS BEING UNABLE TO PAY THE RENT WHICH IS
9 CAUSED FOR 80% OF EVICTIONS. RATHER THAN PUTTING TAXPAYERS
10 DOLLARS INTO LAWYERS POCKETS THE COUNTY SHOULD CREATE A
11 PRINTED DIRECT RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME
12 RENTERS. THE \$21,000,000 CAN EITHER PAY THE AVERAGE \$3,500.
13 THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HEATHER DETWEILER. PLEASE
18 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
19 BEGIN.

20
21 **SPEAKER:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

24
25 **SPEAKER:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME? HI, MY NAME IS HEATHER



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SUPERVISORS

1 DETTWEILER. I'M FROM SHERMAN OAKS. AND I'M CALLING TO SPEAK ON
2 A10 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE YOU TO
3 TAKE THE ONGOING AIRBORNE PANDEMIC MORE SERIOUSLY. IT IS PAST
4 TIME THAT WE SHOULD BE FOLLOWING THE SCIENCE AND REQUIRING
5 MASKS IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS AT ALL TIMES, NOT JUST WHEN THE
6 NUMBERS ARE HIGH. COVID-19 CAUSES A SYNCYTIAL VIRUS THAT
7 PERSISTS LIKE HIV AND ITS A LEVEL 3 BIOHAZARD. IT'S NOT AT ALL
8 LIKE THE FLU. LIKE HIV, IT CAUSES A SHORT ACUTE ILLNESS, BUT
9 THEN IT PERSISTS AND DAMAGES ORGANS SILENTLY UNTIL ONE DAY
10 SOMETHING HAPPENS LIKE LONG COVID, WHICH CAN EASILY COMPLETELY
11 DISABLE YOU. HEART ATTACK, STROKES, DIABETES, NEUROLOGICAL
12 PROBLEMS, MUCH MORE. IT CAN ATTACK ANY ORGAN THAT IS CONNECTED
13 TO YOUR VASCULATURE, WHICH IS ALL OF THEM, BY THE WAY. THE
14 VACCINES HELP, BUT THEY DON'T PREVENT LONG COVID AND THEY
15 DON'T HELP THE SPREAD. WE NEED A BETTER VACCINE. WE NEED MASKS
16 AND HEALTH CARE. WE NEED NO MASK VANS. WE NEED YOU GUYS TO
17 PUSH BACK ON THAT BECAUSE IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO BE
18 PROTECTING THE PEOPLE OF LA. WE ARE IN A SURGE RIGHT NOW.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
21 SPEAKER PLEASE.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** I ASKED FOR 2 DIFFERENT THINGS, I SHOULD HAVE HAD
24 MORE TIME.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS T. CARTER. PLEASE UNMUTE
2 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN

3
4 **SPEAKER:** BEFORE I START LET ME KNOW HOW MUCH TIME I HAVE
5 BECAUSE YOU JUST CUT THE OTHER LADY OFF AND SHE HAD MORE TIME
6 SO I'M SPEAKING TO ITEM NUMBER 12 ITEM NUMBER 18 AND PUBLIC
7 COMMENT HOW MUCH TIME DO I HAVE 3 MINUTES ITEM NUMBER 12 ITEM
8 NUMBER 18 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. HOW MUCH TIME DO I HAVE?

9
10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** 3 MINUTES. GO AHEAD.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** NO, I'M ASKING HOW MUCH TIME DO I HAVE?

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AGAIN, 3 MINUTES.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. SO, TO START, I'M CALLING TO SPEAK
17 ABOUT SOME TIME AGO, I CALLED IN REGARDING A STATUE THAT WAS
18 GIVEN BY FROM RUBEN FOR RUBEN SALAZAR, HISPANIC MALE, THE
19 BOYLE HEIGHTS, BUT FREDERICK MADISON ROBERTS WAS THE FIRST
20 AFRICAN AMERICAN ASSEMBLY MEMBER, AND HE WAS NEVER GIVING
21 ANYTHING. SO, GIVE THE ILLUSION THAT CERTAIN GROUPS OF PEOPLE
22 MADE PROGRESS AND OTHERS DIDN'T. WE ASKED MS. MITCHELL TO
23 SPEAK ABOUT THIS AS AN AFRICAN AMERICAN PERSON. SHE DIDN'T.
24 ANOTHER THING I WANT TO POINT OUT IS MS. ATKINS OUT OF MS.
25 MITCHELL'S DISTRICT, SHE STILL HAS NOT BEEN ASSISTED. IT'S



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SUPERVISORS

1 GOING ON ONE YEAR NOW, BUT I UNDERSTAND SHE'S MUSLIM, AND MS.
2 METRU DECLARED THAT WE SHOULD SEND FUNDS AND SUPPORT THE
3 ISRAEL PEOPLE. I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT IT'S BIASED TO NOT GIVE
4 MRS. METRU ASSISTANCE, TO GIVE MS. ATKINS ASSISTANCE. MS.
5 METRU'S OFFICE HAS NOT REACHED OUT TO HER. ALSO, JANET HAHN'S
6 OFFICE MIGHT GET AN ASSEMBLY MEMBER SENT OUT A REQUEST FOR
7 ASSISTANCE FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN ELDERLY LADY. JANET HAHN'S
8 OFFICE HAS NOT RESPONDED. ALL THEY WANTED TO DO FOR HER IS TO
9 RUSH THE INSPECTION BY THE COUNTY. SHE HAS HER SECTION 8.
10 JANET HAHN'S OFFICE OVER 2 MONTHS HAS NOT RESPONDED TO
11 ASSEMBLYMAN MIKE GIBSON OFFICE FOR AN AFRICAN AMERICAN LADY.
12 SO ANOTHER THING IS IN REGARDS TO ITEM NUMBER 12 I JUST FIND
13 IT INTERESTING THAT THERE IS SOMETHING ABOUT AN ETHICS
14 COMMISSION WHEN I SENT EMAILS TO LEV, DIRECTOR AT THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS TO SHOW EACH BOARD MEMBER HOW I WAS NEGLECTED
16 REGARDING MRS. SAVALAS AND YOU GUYS HAVE NOT RESPONDED TO ME
17 BUT I SENT LEFT ALL THE EMAILS TO GET TO EACH BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS SO I'M GONNA BE ADDING THAT IN A CLAIM FORM
19 AGAINST THE COUNTY OF NEGLECT SO REMEMBER THE DATE I SENT THE
20 EMAIL TO LEFT TO GET TO ALL OF YOU REGARDING DISCRIMINATION.
21 NO ONE HAS RESPONDED AND I HAVE THAT EMAIL AND ALSO HAVE A
22 CERTIFIED LETTER. SO, A CLAIM WILL BE FILED AGAINST THE COUNTY
23 FOR DISCRIMINATION REGARDING MY MATTER. AGAIN I SENT THE
24 INFORMATION TO LEFT AND I ASKED MISS BARGER IF SHE WAS IN A
25 RECIPIENT OF THAT AND MISS BARGER'S STAFF HUNG UP THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 TELEPHONE IN MY FACE BECAUSE I JUST ASKED WHERE THEY ARE
2 RECIPIENT OF THE EMAIL SO THAT'S INTERLEAVED SO THE EMAIL TO
3 LOOK THIS SO WHEN I FOUND MY COUNTY CLAIM FOR DISCRIMINATION I
4 WILL ALSO REFER TO HAVE THIS CALL TO BE PULLED AS I'M
5 RECORDING IT ALSO AS A PART OF MY CLAIM AS A PART OF
6 SUPPORTING FACTS FOR THE LAW GROUP FOR DISCRIMINATION. AGAIN,
7 MS. MITCHELL'S OFFICE HAS IGNORED MY MATTER FOR DISCRIMINATION
8 WHEN I PRESENTED REGARDING MS. AVALES. NOW MS. AVALES NO
9 LONGER WORKS HERE. AND IT'S VERY INTERESTING THAT MS. MITCHELL
10 IS PROPOSING SOMETHING ABOUT A BALLOT TRANSPARENCY WHERE SHE
11 CAN'T GET INTO RACIAL TRANSPARENCIES WITHIN HER OFFICE OR EVEN
12 HELP BLACK PEOPLE THAT ARE MUSLIM BUT SHE PREFERS TO SEND
13 RESOURCE AND EVERYTHING TO THE ISRAELITE BUT THANK YOU SO MUCH
14 AND THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF MY CALL AND I FEEL LIKE
15 DISCRIMINATION FACT THAT SHOULD STOP AND FREDERICK MADISON
16 ROBERT SHOULD BE GIVING US \$300 \$300,000 STATUTE THE SAME WITH
17 HISPANIC SALAZAR WAS GIVEN.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JULIP THOMAS. PLEASE UNMUTE
23 YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24
25 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, GREAT. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEMS 10A AND GENERAL
5 PUBLIC COMMENT, SO I BELIEVE THAT GIVES ME 2 MINUTES IS THAT
6 CORRECT?

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS JULEP THOMAS. I'M A CONSTITUENT
11 IN LOS ANGELES AND I AM CALLING TO ASK THAT THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS DOES MORE TO PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES
13 FROM THE ONGOING RESPIRATORY PANDEMIC. THE WAY THAT WE ARE
14 CURRENTLY RESPONDING TO THIS THREAT WILL ENSURE THAT THE
15 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES SUFFER THE GREATEST EFFECTS. WE ARE NOT
16 CONTROLLING THE SPREAD. WE NEED MASKS IN HEALTH CARE,
17 UNIVERSAL MASKING IN HEALTH CARE, AND WE NEED A CLEAN AIR
18 INITIATIVE THAT WILL PROTECT PEOPLE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE IN
19 CONGREGATE SETTINGS, SUCH AS OUR CHILDREN IN SCHOOLS. WE NEED
20 TO MAKE SURE THAT TESTS AND TREATMENT ARE EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO
21 ALL. WE NEED, PAXLOVID, WE NEED BETTER TESTS AS MENTIONED BY A
22 PREVIOUS CALLER. THE EYE HEALTH TESTS AND INTELLISWAB TESTS
23 THAT ARE AVAILABLE AT VARIOUS PUBLIC LOCATIONS ARE NOT
24 ACCURATE AND MOST PEOPLE ARE NOT AWARE THAT THEY NEED TO BE
25 TESTING SERIAL TESTING OVER THE COURSE OF DAYS TO ENSURE THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 THEY ACTUALLY HAVE A TRUE NEGATIVE TEST. PEOPLE ARE WE NEED TO
2 INCREASE THE ISOLATION TIME OF POSITIVE CASES. WE NEED PAID
3 LEAVE FOR PEOPLE SO THAT THEY ARE NOT FINANCIALLY BURDENED BY
4 PROTECTING THEIR COMMUNITY. AND I'LL LEAVE MY COMMENT THERE.
5 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S CURRENTLY NO OTHER REMOTE
10 SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THIS TIME.

11

12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL CLOSE
13 A VIRTUAL COMMENT AND TURN TO SPEAKERS HERE. THANK YOU, GO
14 AHEAD.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON DISTINGUISHED SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
17 DON OFFERMAN. I WOULD LIKE MY NEWLY ASSIGNED DEPUTY PUBLIC
18 DEFENDER, MISS MILLS, REPLACED WITH ANOTHER DPD. SHE IS
19 INCOMPETENT AND UNCARING. I HAVE COURT IN BURBANK ON JULY
20 25TH, AND MS. MILLS IS DOING NOTHING MEANINGFUL TO PREPARE FOR
21 A DDA REQUEST TO RAISE MY BAIL, FOREMOST AMONG MANY OTHER
22 CONCERNS THAT I HAVE WITH MS. MILLS. THE CHAIN OF COMMAND AT
23 THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE IS CIRCLING THE WAGON. MANAGEMENT
24 IS FORCING ME TO ACCEPT MS. MILLS AND THUS A RAILROADING. MS.
25 HORVATH'S AID IN VAN NUYS HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET MY DPD



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SUPERVISORS

1 REPLACED. PLEASE CAUSE ANOTHER DEPUTY PUBLIC DEFENDER TO BE
2 ASSIGNED TO ME, HOPEFULLY BY JULY 25TH. THANK YOU SO MUCH,
3 HAVE A GREAT DAY.

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I'M SPEAKING ON 1, 17, AND PUBLIC COMMENT. SO, I
8 DON'T KNOW HOW MANY MINUTES THAT GIVES ME, BUT THANK YOU SO
9 VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE 2 MINUTES LEFT, SO 2
12 MINUTES.

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14 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO ME. MADAM CHAIR, I
15 WOULD ASK THAT YOU DO GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY AS SERVICE AREA
16 LEADERSHIP TEAM, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TEAM MEMBERS, AND
17 ALL USCC'S AND OTHER PEOPLE HAVING TO DO WITH THE DEPARTMENT
18 OF MENTAL HEALTH AND STAKEHOLDERS TO HAVE ANOTHER ORIENTATION.
19 THAT ORIENTATION WOULD CONSIST OF BETTER ADA RIGHTS FOR ALL
20 BECAUSE WE WERE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND DIFFERENT MEETINGS HAVING
21 TO DO WITH THE ORIENTATION, ACTUALLY IT WAS JUST ONE. AND A
22 LOT OF PEOPLE THAT I INVITED WERE LEFT OUT. THEY FELT SO
23 DISTRAUGHT BECAUSE WHEN WE LISTENED TO THAT ORIENTATION,
24 EITHER YOU WERE HYBRID OR YOU CALLED IN, THAT WAS GREAT. BUT
25 WHEN YOU HAD FURTHER COMMUNICATION HAVING TO DO WITH THE



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1 ACTUAL, YOU KNOW, SIGNING UP FOR THE STAKEHOLDERS, YOU HAD TO
2 HAVE AN EMAIL. HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE A GRANDMOTHER THAT DOESN'T
3 HAVE AN EMAIL. WELL, THERE WERE PLENTY THERE AT THE MEETING
4 AND THEY FELT LEFT OUT. THEY COULD ONLY CALL IN BECAUSE THEY
5 COULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HYBRID WORLD. AND THEN AFTER
6 THAT, THEY DID NOT RECEIVE ANY WORD FROM THE STAFF. I HAVE 7
7 DIFFERENT PEOPLE WHO ARE DISABLED, 1 LEGALLY BLIND, 1
8 DEVELOPMENTALLY DELAYED, 1 VA, AND SEVERAL MORE PEOPLE WHO
9 WANT TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO JUST BE ABLE TO GIVE BACK AND
10 GIVE THEIR MENTAL HEALTH INPUT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
11 HEALTH SO THAT DECISIONS COULD BE MADE BY YOU GUYS AND DATA
12 COULD BE OBTAINED BY REAL PEOPLE THAT ARE REALLY GOING THROUGH
13 MENTAL HEALTH DISPARITIES. SO PLEASE ALLOW US TO HAVE ANOTHER
14 ORIENTATION WITH ADA RIGHTS, HAVING TO DO WITH ALL PEOPLE, AND
15 TO BE TOTALLY INCLUSIVE. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** DO WE HAVE A MEMBER OF OUR
18 CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE TEAM WHO CAN HELP ASSIST WITH THE
19 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE? THANK YOU. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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21 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ARTHUR FRED MUNOZ. IN 1966 MY
22 FATHER WAS KILLED IN THE VIETNAM WAR. HE WAS A 25-YEAR-OLD
23 MAN, AN ARMY RANGER, AND A STAFF SERGEANT. HE WAS KILLED IN
24 THE SECOND TOUR OF DUTY. SO, I'M SURE, RATHER, AFTER THAT, IN
25 1990, WITHOUT MY FATHER, I WAS EGREGIOUSLY CONVICTED. IN 1990,



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1 IN CASE NUMBER CR25901 IN VENTURA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, I WAS
2 WRONGFULLY CONVICTED WHERE I WAS PERSECUTED OF A CASE IN WHICH
3 THEY SUPPRESSED ALL MY DEFENSE EVIDENCE AND ONE OF THE MOST
4 EGREGIOUS ACTS OF INJUSTICE THAT YOU CAN POSSIBLY IMAGINE.
5 HOWEVER, AFTER THAT, I'VE HAD A LOT OF TROUBLE LEADING TO
6 ACTIONS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. 2 MONTHS AGO WHEN I WENT
7 TO GO REGISTER UNDER THE 290, UNDER THAT REGISTRATION
8 REQUIREMENT, THEY TRIED TO KILL ME BY POISONING ME WITH THE
9 SOLUTION THAT THEY HAD IN THE IN THE SHERIFF STATION THERE AND
10 THEN AFTER THAT THEY --

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH THANK YOU
13 YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED BUT WE CAN WE CAN CONNECT YOU WITH A
14 MEMBER OF OUR CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE TEAM WHO CAN WORK ON YOUR
15 CASE WITH YOU. I'M SO SORRY THAT YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, BUT WE
16 CAN REFER YOU TO STAFF HERE. WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE REFERRED?
17 THANK YOU FOR COMING TODAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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19 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, I'M JOAQUIN BELTRAN. I'M A LIFELONG LA COUNTY
20 RESIDENT. TODAY I'M CALLING FOR THE ARREST OF ISRAELI PRIME
21 MINISTER BENJAMIN NETANYAHU FOR THE CRIMES OF GENOCIDE IN
22 PALESTINE. THERE'S BEEN AN ARREST WARRANT BY THE INTERNATIONAL
23 CRIMINAL COURT. LANCET HAS PUBLISHED A STUDY SHOWING 186,000
24 MURDERED. IT'S LIKELY MUCH HIGHER THAN THAT. ON OCTOBER 17TH,
25 THE COUNTY SUPERVISOR, SUPERVISOR HORVATH INTRODUCED A



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1 RESOLUTION FOR UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT AND NOTHING ABOUT
2 CONDEMNING THE GENOCIDE SINCE THEN. WE NEED TO DIVEST FROM ALL
3 FUNDS CONTRIBUTING TO GENOCIDE IN GAZA AND INVEST HERE AT HOME
4 MASKING HEALTH CARE, CLEAN AIR INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATES IN ALL
5 GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS, NON MRNA OPTION OF NOVAVAX AT ALL
6 VACCINE SITES, AND WE NEED TO CONDEMN MASS BANS. THAT'S A
7 VIOLATION OF OUR RIGHTS TO HEALTH, PRIVACY, EXPRESSION, FREE
8 PALESTINE.

9
10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
11 OKAY. THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS. WITH THAT, THAT CONCLUDES
12 OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
13 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE'LL BE VOTING.

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15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. 1 AND
16 2, 4 THROUGH 7, 9, 11, 14, 17, 19 THROUGH 43, 45 THROUGH 74,
17 75 A ON ITEM 75B SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE
18 CONTINUED 2 WEEKS TO AUGUST 6, 2024, ITEM 76A SUPERVISORS
19 HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS READ IN MOTION 78 AND 79, 81.
20 THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MOVE BY SUPERVISOR BARGER,
23 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE
24 EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
25 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO
22 0.

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24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE

25 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS. I WILL BEGIN. FIRST, I MOVE



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1 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHANNON
2 DOHERTY, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 13TH AT THE AGE OF 53. SHE
3 WAS A RESIDENT OF MALIBU. DOHERTY WAS BORN IN MEMPHIS,
4 TENNESSEE, AND BECAME A PROMINENT ACTRESS AND ADVOCATE KNOWN
5 FOR HER ROLES IN TELEVISION AND FILM. SHE GAINED FAME WITH HER
6 MEMORABLE PERFORMANCES ON THE TELEVISION SERIES LITTLE HOUSE
7 ON THE PRAIRIE, BEVERLY HILLS 90210, AND CHARMED, WHERE HER
8 TALENT AND CHARISMA EARNED HER A DEDICATED FAN BASE. BEYOND
9 HER ACTING CAREER, DOHERTY WAS KNOWN FOR HER BRAVERY IN THE
10 FACE OF PERSONAL CHALLENGES. SHE PUBLICLY SHARED HER BATTLE
11 WITH BREAST CANCER USING HER PLATFORM TO RAISE AWARENESS AND
12 SUPPORT FOR CANCER RESEARCH AND THOSE AFFECTED BY THE DISEASE.
13 HER COURAGE AND OPENNESS ABOUT HER HEALTH STRUGGLES INSPIRED
14 MANY AND BROUGHT ATTENTION TO IMPORTANT ISSUES IN CANCER
15 TREATMENT AND SURVIVORSHIP. HER IMPACT EXTENDED BEYOND HER
16 PROFESSIONAL WORK AS SHE WAS ADMIRER FOR HER STRENGTH,
17 RESILIENCE, AND COMMITMENT TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES
18 OF OTHERS. HER LEGACY IS ONE OF BOTH ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENT AND
19 HEARTFELT ADVOCACY. DOHERTY IS SURVIVED BY HER MOTHER ROSA
20 DOHERTY AND BROTHER SEAN DOHERTY. ABSOLUTELY. NEXT, WHEN I
21 MOVE, I WOULD MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF BOB
22 NEWHART LEGENDARY COMEDIAN WHO DIED JULY 18TH AT THE AGE OF
23 94. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF BEL AIR. NEWHART WAS BORN AND RAISED
24 IN CHICAGO. AFTER A STINT AS AN ACCOUNTANT, HIS COMEDY CAREER
25 LAUNCHED IN 1960 WITH THE RECORDING OF HIS FIRST STAND-UP



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1 ROUTINE CALLED THE BUTTONED DOWN MIND OF BOB NEWHART. THE
2 COMEDY ALBUM WAS NUMBER ONE ON THE BILLBOARD CHARTS FOR 14
3 WEEKS IN 1960 AND EARNED 2 GRAMMY AWARDS. HE IS THE ONLY
4 COMEDIAN TO DO SO. KNOWN FOR HIS SMART BUT CASUAL DELIVERY
5 THAT POKED FUN AT THE EVERYDAY. NEWHART WAS A FREQUENT GUEST
6 ON TALK SHOWS AND OFTEN FILLED IN FOR JOHNNY CARSON. HIS
7 POPULARITY GREW WHEN HE CROSSED OVER INTO TV WITH 2 HIT SHOWS,
8 THE BOB NEWHART SHOW AND NEWHART. GENERATIONS OF AUDIENCES
9 ALSO KNOW NEWHART FOR HIS PARTS IN FILM, INCLUDING 2003'S ELF
10 AND CATCH-22 IN 1970. AS FAMOUS AS HE WAS, NEWHART WAS EQUALLY
11 KNOWN FOR HIS ENDURING RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS WIFE GINNY. THE 2
12 WED IN 1963 AND HAD 4 CHILDREN, ROBERT, TIMOTHY, COURTNEY, AND
13 JENNIFER. GINNY DIED LAST YEAR AFTER 60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE.
14 THEY ARE BOTH SURVIVED BY THEIR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.
15 NEXT, I WOULD MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
16 MEMORY OF RICHARD SIMMONS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 13TH AT THE
17 AGE OF 76 AT HIS HOME IN THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS. SIMMONS WAS BORN
18 IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, AND MOVED TO LOS ANGELES TO PURSUE
19 HIS CAREER, WHERE HE BECAME A BELOVED FITNESS GURU AND
20 TELEVISION PERSONALITY. KNOWN FOR HIS INFECTIOUS ENERGY AND
21 DEDICATION TO HELPING OTHERS, RICHARD INSPIRED MILLIONS
22 THROUGH HIS EXERCISE PROGRAMS, VIDEOS, AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES.
23 SIMMONS' CAREER BEGAN WITH THE OPENING OF THIS FITNESS STUDIO,
24 SIMMONS, IN BEVERLY HILLS IN 1974. HE QUICKLY BECAME A
25 HOUSEHOLD NAME, KNOWN FOR HIS UNIQUE BLEND OF ENTHUSIASM,



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1 ENCOURAGEMENT, AND HUMOR. HIS TELEVISION SHOW, THE RICHARD
2 SIMMONS SHOW, AND HIS MANY EXERCISE VIDEOS BROUGHT FITNESS
3 INTO THE HOMES OF COUNTLESS PEOPLE, PROMOTING HEALTH AND
4 WELLNESS WITH A MESSAGE OF POSITIVITY AND INCLUSIVITY. BEYOND
5 HIS WORK IN FITNESS, SIMMONS WAS A TIRELESS ADVOCATE FOR THOSE
6 STRUGGLING WITH BODY IMAGE AND SELF-ESTEEM CHALLENGES. HE
7 DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO MAKING FITNESS ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE,
8 REGARDLESS OF THEIR STARTING POINT, AND HIS COMPASSIONATE
9 APPROACH MADE A PROFOUND IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF MANY. SIMMONS
10 IS SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHER LENNY. AND FINALLY, I MOVE THAT
11 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. RUTH
12 WESTHEIMER, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 12TH AT THE AGE OF 96. DR.
13 RUTH WAS BORN IN FRANKFURT, GERMANY AND IMMIGRATED TO THE
14 UNITED STATES IN THE 1950S. SHE BECAME A PIONEERING SEX
15 THERAPIST, AUTHOR, AND MEDIA PERSONALITY, MAKING SIGNIFICANT
16 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FIELD OF SEXUAL HEALTH AND EDUCATION.
17 WESTHEIMER'S CAREER WAS MARKED BY HER DEDICATION TO OPEN AND
18 HONEST DISCUSSIONS ABOUT SEXUAL HEALTH, RELATIONSHIPS, AND
19 PERSONAL WELL-BEING. HER GROUNDBREAKING RADIO SHOW, SEXUALLY
20 SPEAKING, WHICH BEGAN IN THE 1980S, BECAME A PLATFORM FOR
21 EDUCATING AND EMPOWERING PEOPLE ON TOPICS OFTEN CONSIDERED
22 TABOO. HER APPROACHABLE AND CANDID STYLE ENDEARED HER TO
23 MILLIONS OF LISTENERS AND VIEWERS. IN ADDITION TO HER MEDIA
24 WORK, WESTHEIMER AUTHORED NUMEROUS BOOKS ON SEXUAL HEALTH AND
25 RELATIONSHIPS PROVIDING INVALUABLE GUIDANCE TO READERS OF ALL



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1 AGES. HER LEGACY WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE AND EDUCATE FUTURE
2 GENERATIONS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF OPEN COMMUNICATION AND
3 UNDERSTANDING IN MATTERS OF SEXUAL HEALTH. SHE IS PRECEDED IN
4 DEATH BY HER HUSBAND FRED AND SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER MIRIAM,
5 SON JOEL AND 4 GRANDCHILDREN. WITH THAT, I WILL TURN IT TO
6 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
9 ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BILL VIOLA. BILL
10 VIOLA A RENOWNED VIDEO ARTIST DIED ON FRIDAY AT HIS HOME IN
11 LONG BEACH. HE WAS 73. BILL WAS BORN IN QUEENS, NEW YORK
12 DURING CHILDHOOD. HE SHOWED AN EARLY APTITUDE FOR THE ARTS AND
13 TECHNOLOGY AND IN 1973 HE EARNED HIS BFA FROM SYRACUSE
14 UNIVERSITY WHICH WAS AT THE VANGUARD OF NEW MEDIA STUDIES.
15 AFTER GRADUATION, BILL CREATED EXPERIMENTAL ARTWORKS ACROSS A
16 VARIETY OF MEDIA, INCLUDING VIDEO AND SOUND INSTALLATIONS,
17 ELECTRONIC MUSIC PERFORMANCES, AND WORKS FOR TELEVISION
18 BROADCASTS. HIS USE OF TECHNOLOGY WAS ADVANCED FOR HIS TIME,
19 WHICH ESTABLISHED BILL AS A LEADER IN THE BURGEONING FIELD OF
20 VIDEO ART. VIOLA'S WORKS ARE CENTERED AROUND THE IDEA OF HUMAN
21 CONSCIOUSNESS. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS EXPERIMENTAL
22 VIDEO PROJECTS, EXPLORING SPIRITUAL AND UNIVERSAL EXPERIENCES
23 WITH VIDEO INSTALLATIONS, ELECTRIC MUSIC PERFORMANCES, AND
24 IMMERSIVE ENVIRONMENTS OVER A 5-DECADE CAREER. VIOLA
25 REPRESENTED THE US AT THE 46TH VENICE BIENNALE AND HIS WORKS



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1 HAVE GRACED THE WALLS OF SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS
2 MUSEUMS, INCLUDING THE GUGGENHEIM, THE WHITNEY MUSEUM OF
3 AMERICAN ART, THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART, THE MUSEUM OF
4 MODERN ART, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART, THE MUSEUM
5 OF CONTEMPORARY ART, AND THE GETTY MUSEUM. HE PASSED AWAY
6 PEACEFULLY AT HIS RESIDENCE IN LONG BEACH AFTER BATTLING
7 ALZHEIMER'S. HE SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, KIRA PEROV, HIS SONS
8 BLAKE AND ANDRE VIOLA, AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW EILEEN MILLIMAN.
9 I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE
10 MEMORY OF VIVIAN ESTES WHO WAS BORN IN INDIANA BUT SHE ALSO
11 ATTENDED CRISPUS ATTUCKS HIGH SCHOOL AND THEN WENT ON TO STUDY
12 AT FISK UNIVERSITY. SHE LATER MARRIED AND MOVED TO LOS ANGELES
13 WHERE SHE WAS EMPLOYED BY LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND
14 POWER FOR OVER 25 YEARS. SHE LIVED A LONG 98 YEARS OF LIFE
15 FILLED WITH LOVE FOR HER FAMILY, HER FAITH, AND HER COMMUNITY.
16 SHE WAS LIKE A SECOND MOTHER TO MANY AND A FRIEND TO EVEN
17 MORE. SHE MAY HAVE BEEN SMALL IN STATURE, BUT HER HEART WAS AS
18 BIG AS THE WORLD. HER GRACIOUS, CLASSY DEMEANOR, AND INSTANT
19 SWEET SMILE WILL FOREVER BE MISSED. VIVIAN WAS PRECEDED IN
20 DEATH BY HER HUSBAND, FRANK. SHE WAS SURVIVED BY HER SON,
21 FRANK JR., AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, STEPHANIE FARRELL, BOTH OF
22 WHOM WERE CLASSMATES OF MINE IN HIGH SCHOOL. THANK YOU, MADAM
23 CHAIR.

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25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
3 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF DANIEL DE LA TORRE
4 RESIDENT OF SOUTH PASADENA WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 11TH AT THE
5 AGE OF 29. HE WAS BORN ON OCTOBER 21, 1994, AND WAS RAISED IN
6 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. HE GRADUATED FROM LASALLE HIGH SCHOOL
7 IN PASADENA IN 2013. DURING HIS TIME THERE HE ACHIEVED AN
8 IMPRESSIVE 6 CIF INDIVIDUAL TITLES AND 6 LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS
9 INCLUDING THE 2012 CIF STATE CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP. HE
10 WENT ON TO COMPETE FOR UCLA, DISTINGUISHING HIMSELF AS AN NCAA
11 ALL-AMERICAN IN BOTH CROSS COUNTRY AND TRACK AND FIELD. HE
12 QUALIFIED FOR THE 2024 US TEAM OLYMPIC TRIALS AFTER RUNNING
13 THE 2023 CALIFORNIA INTERNATIONAL MARATHON IN SACRAMENTO.
14 BEYOND HIS ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS, DANIEL WAS A DEDICATED AND
15 BELOVED TEACHER AT ALAMANZER ACADEMY AND ALL SPECIAL EDUCATION
16 SCHOOL IN SOUTH PASADENA. HE LEAVES BEHIND A LEGACY OF
17 KINDNESS AND PERSEVERANCE. HE WAS A TRUE INSPIRATION TO MANY
18 AND TOUCHED THE LIVES OF ALL THOSE AROUND HIM. HE WILL BE
19 DEEPLY MISSED. DANIEL IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, SIBLINGS,
20 NIECES, AND NEPHEWS. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TOM
21 PUZL, RETIRED BURBANK POLICE DETECTIVE WHO PASSED AWAY
22 THURSDAY JUNE 20TH AFTER A LENGTHY BATTLE WITH CANCER. TOM WAS
23 BORN IN BERKS, SOUTH DAKOTA ON MAY 9, 1949, TO MARTIN AND
24 LAURIE POOLE. IN 1956 THE COMPANY RELOCATED OUT WEST SETTLING
25 IN BURBANK. TOM ATTENDED ST. FINBAR ELEMENTARY AND BELLARMINE



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1 JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE CITY OF
2 BURBANK IN THE PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT BEFORE TRANSFERRING TO
3 THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. IN SEPTEMBER 1971, TOM STARTED HIS
4 CAREER IN PATROL AND IN MAY OF 1989, HE WAS PROMOTED TO
5 DETECTIVE. AS A DETECTIVE, TOM SPECIALIZED IN AUTO THEFT. HE
6 SERVED THE CITY OF BURBANK HONORABLY FOR 34 YEARS BEFORE
7 RETIRING IN 2005. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO
8 HIS COMMUNITY AND HIS DEVOTION TO HIS FAMILIES. TOM IS
9 SURVIVED BY HIS 5 CHILDREN: KEITH, JIM, STEPHANIE, JENNIFER,
10 AND MELISSA. AND I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR.
11 STEPHEN WILLANS, A RESIDENT OF BURBANK WHO PASSED AWAY JUNE
12 8TH AFTER A HEROIC FIGHT WITH CANCER. HE GREW UP IN BRENTWOOD
13 AND HE KNEW HE WANTED TO BECOME A DENTIST FROM A YOUNG AGE. HE
14 EARNED HIS UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PACIFIC
15 IN ONLY 3 YEARS. HE THEN ENROLLED IN THE UCLA SCHOOL OF
16 DENTISTRY AND LATER ATTENDED USC SPECIALIZING IN PEDIATRIC
17 DENTISTRY. HE EARNED SPECIAL CERTIFICATIONS IN CLEFT PALATE
18 REHABILITATION AND ORTHODONTICS. IN ADDITION TO HIS PASSION
19 FOR PROVIDING MEDICAL CARE, HE LOVED TEACHING. HE WAS AWARDED
20 THE FIVE-YEAR TRAINING COMMENDATION IN 1985 AS A MEMBER OF
21 USC'S DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL DENTISTRY FACULTY. AT RANCHO
22 LOS AMIGOS HOSPITAL, HE TAUGHT INCOMING RESIDENTS AND TREATED
23 SPECIAL NEEDS PATIENTS. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE CLEFT PALLET
24 TEAM AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS AND ALL OF YOU. HIS CONTRIBUTION TO
25 THE FIELD AND COMMUNITY LED PROVIDENCE ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL TO



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1 RECOGNIZE HIM AS A LIFETIME STAFF MEMBER. IN BURBANK, HE LED A
2 PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY PRIVATE PRACTICE FOR OVER 30 YEARS. IN
3 2020, HE RETIRED AFTER 40 YEARS AS A DENTIST. OUTSIDE THE
4 CLINIC, STEPHEN ENJOYED SURFING, SKIING, SAILING, MOUNTAIN
5 BIKING, TENNIS, AND RACQUETBALL. HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY
6 HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS, AND ALL THOSE HE HELPED THROUGHOUT
7 HIS MANY CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
8 ALANA, DAUGHTER, LAURA, SON-IN-LAW, MARK, GRANDDAUGHTER,
9 CHLOE, SISTER, PENELOPE, NEPHEWS, DANIEL AND PARKER, SISTERS-
10 IN-LAW, JULIE AND AMY, AND BROTHERS-IN-LAW, DEAN AND BRUCE.
11 AND I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING IN
12 MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE IDENTIFIED AS
13 INDIGENT VETERANS BY THE L.A. COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER AND WERE
14 SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND HONOR AT RIVERSIDE
15 NATIONAL CEMETERY IN THE LAST MONTH. PACHECO PEDRO JUAN
16 BARNABÉ, ARMY, ROE PHILIP FREEMAN, NAVY, ROOSEVELT ANDERSON,
17 AIR FORCE, JOHN EDWARD SUKI, ARMY, GERALD WAYNE PETERSON AIR
18 FORCE, FREDERICK LAMONT CALVERT ARMY, GIL YU EQUEST ARMY,
19 RONALD DENNIS VASSAR ARMY. THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICES
20 AND SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY SHOULD NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. THANK
21 YOU.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. TODAY I MOVE



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1 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
2 CONGRESSWOMAN SHEILA JACKSON LEE. SHEILA WAS BORN ON JANUARY
3 12, 1950, IN QUEENS, NEW YORK. SHE GRADUATED WITH A BACHELOR'S
4 DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM YALE AND THEN A JD FROM THE
5 UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA LAW SCHOOL. AFTER SHE MOVED TO HOUSTON,
6 TEXAS, AFTER HER HUSBAND FELLOW YALE ALUMNUS AND HOUSTON
7 NATIVE ELWYN LEE GOT A JOB WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON. HER
8 CAREER IN PUBLIC SERVICE SPANNED WELL OVER 3 DECADES, SERVING
9 AS A JUDGE IN HOUSTON, A MEMBER OF THE HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL IN
10 1989, AND A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS SINCE 1994.
11 SHEILA WAS A TENACIOUS ADVOCATE FOR JUSTICE AND A TIRELESS
12 FIGHTER WHOSE WORK IMPROVED THE LIVES OF MILLIONS OF
13 AMERICANS. NO MATTER THE ISSUE FROM DELIVERING RACIAL JUSTICE
14 TO BUILDING AN ECONOMY FOR WORKING PEOPLE, SHE WAS UNRELENTING
15 IN HER LEADERSHIP. I HAD THE HONOR AND PRIVILEGE OF WORKING
16 WITH HER DURING MY 8 YEARS IN CONGRESS AND AS THE SECRETARY OF
17 LABOR. TOGETHER, WE ADVOCATED AND WORKED ON MANY SOCIAL
18 JUSTICE ISSUES REGARDING LABOR, IMMIGRATION, HEALTHCARE,
19 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND WOMEN'S RIGHTS. WE COLLABORATED ON
20 THE GREEN JOBS ACT OF 2007 TO INCREASE FUNDS FOR JOB TRAINING
21 PROGRAMS. WE ALSO INTRODUCED A COMPREHENSIVE REAUTHORIZATION
22 OF THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT TO INCLUDE PROTECTIONS FOR
23 NATIVE AMERICAN, TRANSGENDER, AND IMMIGRANT WOMEN. IN
24 ADDITION, WE BOTH SERVED ON THE WOMEN'S CAUCUS. WE INTRODUCED
25 LEGISLATION TO IMPROVE WORKING CONDITIONS AND WORKPLACE SAFETY



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1 STANDARDS FOR WOMEN. AFTER MY TIME IN CONGRESS, SHEILA
2 CONTINUED TO FIGHT FOR ALL MINORITIES. SHE WAS THE AUTHOR AND
3 LEAD SPONSOR OF THE JUNETEENTH NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY ACT,
4 WHICH ESTABLISHED THE FIRST NEW FEDERAL HOLIDAY IN 38 YEARS.
5 HER MAJOR LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES INCLUDED THE GEORGE FLOYD
6 JUSTICE AND POLICING ACT, THE FAIR CHANCE FOR YOUTH ACT, AND
7 THE PREGNANT WORKERS FAIRNESS ACT, JUST TO NAME A FEW. SHE WAS
8 A MEMBER OF OVER 60 CONGRESSIONAL MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS,
9 INCLUDING THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS, THE LABOR CAUCUS,
10 PROGRESSIVE CAUCUS, THE WOMEN'S CAUCUS, THE LGB2 EQUALITY
11 CAUCUS, AND MANY OTHERS. SHE WAS RELENTLESS, ONE OF THE
12 NATION'S FIERCEST, SMARTEST, AND MOST STRATEGIC LEADERS WHO
13 SPOKE TRUTH TO POWER AND REPRESENTED THE POWER OF THE PEOPLE
14 OF HER DISTRICT WITH DIGNITY AND GRACE. SHEILA PASSED AWAY
15 THIS PAST FRIDAY AT THE AGE OF 74. SHE'LL BE DEARLY MISSED AND
16 HER LEGACY WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE ALL WHO BELIEVE IN
17 FREEDOM, JUSTICE, AND DEMOCRACY. MY HEART GOES OUT TO HER
18 FAMILY, HER HUSBAND, DR. ELWYN LEE, CHILDREN, JASON LEE, AND
19 ERICA LEE CARTER, AND BELOVED GRANDCHILDREN, ELLISON BENNETT
20 CARTER AND ROY LEE CARTER III. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. AND I
21 KNOW SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN ALSO WOULD LIKE TO JOIN ME IN THIS
22 ADJOURNMENT AND SPEAK.

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24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YEAH,
25 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR DOING THIS. I ALSO GOT THE HONOR OF



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1 SERVING WITH HER IN CONGRESS WHEN I WAS THERE FOR 5 AND A HALF
2 YEARS, AND YOU'VE DESCRIBED HER PERFECTLY RELENTLESS FIGHTER
3 FOR JUSTICE, ALWAYS SEEMING TO BE RIGHT THERE WHEN IT
4 MATTERED. SOME OF US ALWAYS WERE AMAZED AT WHERE SHE SHOWED
5 UP, THAT SHE COULD GET INTO CERTAIN THINGS AND JUST BE THERE
6 FRONT AND CENTER. ACTUALLY, I REMEMBER BEFORE I WAS IN
7 CONGRESS, I THINK IT WAS THE MICHAEL JACKSON FUNERAL HERE IN
8 LOS ANGELES. AND THEY WERE SO STRICT ON WHO GOT IN AND WHERE
9 YOU SAT. AND I MEAN, NO ONE WAS ALLOWED TO, YOU KNOW, EVEN BE
10 A PART OF THE PROGRAM. AND THEN SURE ENOUGH, THERE SHE WAS ON
11 STAGE WITH A CONGRESSIONAL, YOU KNOW, IN MEMORIAM SCROLL THAT
12 SHE WAS PRESENTING. AND I THINK WE WERE ALL CHUCKLING. BUT IT
13 WAS IMPORTANT FOR HER TO REPRESENT HER DISTRICT AND ALSO AS A
14 MEMBER OF CONGRESS. BUT I WAS THINKING THAT WE JUST AS A BOARD
15 HAD A 5 SIGNATURE LETTER SUPPORTING HER REPARATIONS BILL IN
16 CONGRESS. AND SHE HAD REACHED OUT TO ME AND WAS SO HAPPY THAT
17 WE HAD DONE THAT. AND I DIDN'T REALLY REALIZE IT, BUT EVERY
18 CONGRESS, SHE INTRODUCED THAT REPARATIONS BILL, NEVER GOT ANY
19 TRACTION, NOT EVER PASSING CONGRESS, BUT SHE REALLY
20 APPRECIATED OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND THE LAST TEXT I HAD
21 WITH HER WAS JUNE 8TH. AND SHE PASSED AWAY SHORTLY THEREAFTER.
22 SHE IS WAY TOO YOUNG AND SUCH A FORCE FOR GOOD. WE WILL MISS
23 HER.

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25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.



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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COLLEAGUES, WHEN
3 WE ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NATHANIEL
4 WALKER. MR. WALKER WAS BORN ON AUGUST 22, 1954, IN FOWLER,
5 CALIFORNIA, AND PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 27 AT THE AGE OF 69. HE
6 WAS THE ELDEST OF 6 CHILDREN AND WAS A PROUD BIG BROTHER AND
7 LEADER. HE GRADUATED FROM FOWLER HIGH SCHOOL WHERE HE PLAYED
8 THE UPRIGHT BASS FIDDLE IN THE MARCHING BAND. THIS SOLIDIFIED
9 HIS LOVE OF MUSIC AND HE CONTINUED USING HIS GIFTS TO SPREAD
10 JOY TO OTHERS BY SINGING IN THE CHURCH CHOIR AND AS A MEMBER
11 OF THEIR FAMILY BAND POWER FIELD EXPRESS. IN ADDITION TO
12 MUSIC, HE FOUND HIS PASSION IN CONSTRUCTION WHERE HE TOOK
13 PRIDE IN BUILDING AND REPAIRING HOMES FOR HIS FAMILY AND
14 FRIENDS. HE HELPED HIS GODSON AIKEN BUILD OUT THE HILLTOP
15 CHAIN OF RESTAURANTS AND CAFES WHICH NOW HAVE LOCATIONS IN
16 VIEW PARK, INGLEWOOD, EAGLE ROCK, AND HERE IN DOWNTOWN LOS
17 ANGELES. HE ALSO PARTNERED WITH HIS SON, PROFIT, TO BUILD THE
18 TREEHOUSE PROPERTIES. MOST RECENTLY, HE LED THE REDESIGN AND
19 BUILD OUT OF AURA, A CAFE IN LEIMERT PARK WHERE HE TOOK GREAT
20 PRIDE IN BUILDING A SAFE SPACE FOR HIS COMMUNITY TO GATHER,
21 CONNECT, AND ENJOY. HE WAS WELL-RESPECTED, LOVED, AND ADMIRED,
22 AND HE'LL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS INTEGRITY, KINDNESS, STRONG
23 FAITH IN GOD, AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO HIS FAMILY. HE
24 LOVED LAUGHING AND TELLING STORIES. HE IS SURVIVED BY AND WILL
25 BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HIS WIFE, ROSE, 5 CHILDREN, BRITTANY,



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1 GENOA, KEITH, MARCUS, AND PROPHET, 4 SIBLINGS, KENDALL, OMAR,
2 PAUL, AND UDU, AS WELL AS A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND
3 FRIENDS, INCLUDING 11 GRANDCHILDREN AND 4 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL TAKE ALL OF OUR
6 MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS
7 VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. THAT CONCLUDES OUR MEETING
8 TODAY. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COLLEAGUES, WE WILL BE
9 SHOWING A VIDEO PRESENTATION. SUPERVISOR HAHN HAS A VIDEO
10 PRESENTATION CELEBRATING THE REOPENING OF THE PARAMOUNT
11 LIBRARY. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE A POLICY
12 PRESENTATION MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 30TH, 2024 AT
13 9:30 A.M. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD
14 ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2024 AT 9:30 A.M. WE ARE ADJOURNED.

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16 **[PARAMOUNT LIBRARY VIDEO RECORDING]:** 321. YEAH!

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18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I'M HERE AT THE PARAMOUNT
19 LIBRARY THAT JUST REOPENED AFTER A YEAR-LONG RENOVATION. THIS
20 LIBRARY DIDN'T USED TO HAVE A SINGLE WINDOW. IT JUST WASN'T A
21 PLEASANT SPACE TO SPEND YOUR TIME. NOW, NOT ONLY DID WE ADD
22 WINDOWS, BUT THE LIBRARY ALSO HAS LIGHTING THAT MIMICS NATURAL
23 LIGHT. WE ALSO ADDED BEAUTIFUL INDOOR PLANTS WITH A LIVING
24 WALL, NEW SEATING, NEW COMPUTERS FOR LIBRARY VISITORS TO USE.
25 I INVITE YOU ALL TO COME AND SEE HOW WE HAVE TRANSFORMED THE



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1 PARAMOUNT LIBRARY. CHECK OUT THE NEW FEATURES AND TAKE
2 ADVANTAGE OF EVERY RESOURCE OUR COUNTY LIBRARY AND THE
3 LIBRARIANS THAT WORK HERE EVERY DAY HAVE TO OFFER. AND ON
4 BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, ALL 10,000,000 OF US. WE
5 WANTED TO GIVE A SPECIAL RECOGNITION ON THE GRAND REOPENING
6 CELEBRATION WITH OUR CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES THE BOARD
7 OF SUPERVISORS OF LA COUNTY DOES HEREBY JOINING YOURSELF. WHAT
8 A CUTE PLAQUE. I'M GONNA GIVE ONE TO SKYE AND I'M GONNA GIVE
9 ONE TO ANDREA. THANK YOU. YOU

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25 I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number



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3 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
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7 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
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9 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
10 me.

11 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
12 related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise
13 interested in the outcome thereof.

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
15 31st day of July 2024, for the County records to be used
16 only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
17 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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