



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 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, SEPTEMBER 24, 2024. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLIMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE'LL BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD 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, GABRIELINO
4 TONGVA INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA
5 SAN GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO 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.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OUR INVOCATION TODAY WILL BE LED
12 BY PASTOR ANDREW RITIAU, LIVE OAK COMMUNITY CHURCH FROM THE
13 FIFTH DISTRICT. I APOLOGIZE IF I MISPRONOUNCED YOUR LAST NAME.
14 AS WELL AS OUR PLEDGE WILL BE LED BY MANNY LOPEZ, FORMER
15 SECOND-CLASS PETTY OFFICER, UNITED STATES NAVY FROM THE FIRST
16 DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND.

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18 **PASTOR ANDREW RITIAU:** I INVITE YOU TO PRAY WITH ME. CREATOR
19 GOD, THANK YOU FOR THE BLESSING OF ANOTHER DAY, ANOTHER CHANCE
20 TO EXPERIENCE YOUR CREATION, FOR LIFE, FOR THE BREATH IN OUR
21 LUNGS, FOR THE INTELLECT AND CREATIVITY OF OUR MINDS, AND FOR
22 THIS HOME OF OURS, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AS TO THIS PART
23 OF YOUR CREATION WE CALL HOME, LORD, THANK YOU FOR THESE
24 LEADERS HERE TODAY, SUPERVISORS, OFFICERS, STAFF MEMBERS,
25 EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE ANSWERED THE CALL TO SERVE AND CARE FOR IT.



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1 THANK YOU FOR THE DILIGENCE WITH WHICH THEY WORKED TO PURSUE
2 THE WELFARE AND THE SUCCESS OF ALL WHO DWELL HERE. BLESS EACH
3 AND EVERY ONE OF THESE LEADERS. ALL WISE GOD, GRANT THEM THE
4 WISDOM AND THE DISCERNMENT NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THIS WORK.
5 IN THE MOMENTS AHEAD IN THIS MEETING, I PRAY THAT BY THE
6 GUIDANCE OF YOUR SPIRIT, THERE WOULD BE COMMUNICATION THAT
7 BRINGS CLARITY, COMPASSION FOR ONE ANOTHER, AND FOR THOSE
8 AFFECTED BY TODAY'S OUTCOMES, EARS TO HEAR AND TO UNDERSTAND
9 THE WORDS IN THE HEARTS OF ALL THOSE WHO WILL SPEAK TODAY.
10 HOLY AND RIGHTEOUS GOD, THROUGHOUT ALL THE DIALOGUE AND
11 DECISION-MAKING TODAY, GUIDE THEM TOWARD ALL THAT IS RIGHT AND
12 GOOD, AND TO THE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW, I
13 ULTIMATELY PRAY THAT YOU WOULD HAVE FAVOR UPON THIS HOME OF
14 OURS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THAT BY YOUR HAND YOU WOULD CAUSE IT
15 TO FLOURISH AND THRIVE IN WAYS ONLY YOU CAN BRING ABOUT, THAT
16 WE WOULD BEHOLD YOUR GLORIOUS WORK. I PRAY ALL THESE THINGS IN
17 YOUR NAME AND FOR YOUR GLORY. AMEN.

18
19 **MANNY LOPEZ:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEARTS.
20 VETERANS, YOU ARE WELCOME TO SALUTE. LET US BEGIN. I PLEDGE
21 ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO
22 THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD,
23 INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

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25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR



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1 BARGER. I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING
4 PASTOR ANDREW RITIAU FOR LEADING US IN THIS MORNING'S
5 INVOCATION. PASTOR ANDREW WAS BORN AND RAISED IN NORWALK,
6 CALIFORNIA. HE OBTAINED HIS MASTER OF DIVINITY FROM AZUSA
7 PACIFIC SEMINARY. HIS FIRST PROFESSIONAL MINISTRY ROLE WAS AT
8 ARCADIA COMMUNITY CHURCH, WHERE HE SERVED ON STAFF FOR 18
9 YEARS. RECENTLY, HE BECAME THE FOUNDING PASTOR OF LIVE OAK
10 COMMUNITY CHURCH IN TEMPLE CITY. THE CHURCH OFFICIALLY
11 LAUNCHED ON EASTER OF THIS YEAR. HE CURRENTLY LIVES IN
12 MONROVIA WITH HIS WIFE, AMANDA, AND TOGETHER THEY HAVE 3
13 BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN. PASTOR ANDREW, THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN
14 THE INVOCATION AND FOR YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE
15 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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17 **PASTOR ANDREW RITIAU:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. SUPERVISOR
20 SOLIS.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WANT TO
23 WELCOME MANNY AND MANNY LOPEZ AND AGAIN FOR LEADING US IN THE
24 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. HE'S BEEN A LONG-TIME FRIEND. HE'S ALSO
25 A LIFELONG ANGELENO BORN TO MEXICAN IMMIGRANT PARENTS. HE'S AN



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ALUM OF USC SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AND A PROUD NAVY VETERAN AND
EVEN PROUDER HUSBAND AND FATHER OF 2 RESIDING IN EAGLE ROCK IN
THE FIRST DISTRICT. MANNY SERVED IN THE NAVY FROM 2001 TO 2005
AS AN OPERATIONS SPECIALIST SECOND CLASS PETTY OFFICER. HE WAS
STATIONED ABROAD THE USS BUNKER HILL IN SAN DIEGO AND WAS
DEPLOYED OVERSEAS WHEN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM COMMENCED IN
2003. MANNY CURRENTLY SERVES AS A POLICE SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR
AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS COORDINATOR WITH THE LOS ANGELES BOARD
OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL. HIS
PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY INCLUDES PROVIDING STRONG, INDEPENDENT,
AND EFFECTIVE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT OF LAPD THROUGH AUDITS AND
DATA ANALYSIS OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. HE IS ALSO TASKED
WITH CONDUCTING COMMUNITY OUTREACH TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC AND
KEY STAKEHOLDERS ABOUT THE ROLES AND FUNCTION OF LOS ANGELES
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR
GENERAL. PRIOR TO HIS CURRENT ROLE, MANNY SPENT OVER 7 YEARS
WORKING HIS WAY UP FROM INTERN TO POLICY DIRECTOR WITH THE
OFFICE OF MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI. HE WAS ASSIGNED TO VARIOUS
PROJECTS PROMOTING EMPLOYMENT AND IMPROVING HOUSING FOR
VETERANS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. IN ADDITION, HE FOCUSED ON
COMMUNITY ORGANIZING AND OUTREACH AS A SENIOR AREA
REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TEAM AND CONCLUDED HIS
TENURE AS POLICY DIRECTOR WITH THE MAYOR'S PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE. MANNY CURRENTLY SERVES AS A BOARD MEMBER FOR THE
NONPROFIT VISIONARY YOUTH LA LOCATED IN EAST HOLLYWOOD WHICH



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1 IS DEDICATED TO PROMOTING THE WELL-BEING AND EMPOWERMENT OF
2 OUR LOCAL YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES TO BUILD RESILIENT AND
3 THRIVING COMMUNITIES. MANNY IS KNOWN FOR BEING COMMITTED TO
4 APPROACHING HIS PROFESSIONAL ASSIGNMENTS WITH COMPASSION,
5 EMPATHY AND INTEGRITY. WE WANT TO THANK MANNY LOPEZ FOR BEING
6 HERE, AND IT'S SUCH AN HONOR TO BE ABLE TO BE IN YOUR PRESENCE
7 AND THANK YOU FOR SERVING OUR COUNTRY AND THE CURRENT ROLE
8 THAT YOU PLAY RIGHT NOW. SO, CONGRATULATIONS. PLEASE JOIN ME
9 IN CONGRATULATING MANNY.

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND HERE'S. AND NOW I WOULD LIKE TO
12 INTRODUCE YOU TO A SHIMMERING PERSONALITY. THIS IS JEWEL, A
13 FIVE-MONTH-OLD SCHNAUZER MIX. ESTIMATED 5 MONTHS. IF THIS
14 DAZZLING DOG IS ONE FOR YOU, YOU CAN ADOPT HER AT OUR DOWNEY
15 ANIMAL CARE SHELTER. CALL 562-940-6898 TO GET MORE INFORMATION
16 ABOUT THIS BEAUTIFUL ONE-OF-A-KIND JEWEL WHO'S GOT A VERY,
17 VERY SWEET TEMPERAMENT AND WHEN YOU ALL WERE CLAPPING SHE WAS
18 LOOKING AROUND LIKE WHAT'S GOING ON BUT THIS IS JEWEL AND IF
19 NOT JEWEL WE HAVE MANY, MANY, MANY PETS IN OUR ANIMAL SHELTERS
20 THAT ARE LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES, AND IF YOU CAN'T ADOPT
21 WE'RE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS AS WELL AND NOW I'M GOING
22 TO ASK THAT YOU LOOK UP TO THE SCREEN. I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE
23 YOU TO A DOG FROM PALMDALE. THIS IS GUS, A TWO-YEAR-OLD
24 DOBERMAN PINSCHER. HE WAS BROUGHT INTO THE CARE CENTER AFTER
25 WANDERING INTO A LOCAL HEALTH CLUB. I THINK HE WAS LOOKING FOR



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1 SOMEONE TO GO WALK WITH HIM. SO, IF YOU'RE INTO HEALTH, THIS
2 IS THE DOG FOR YOU. IF YOU WANT TO MAKE GUS YOUR WALKING
3 BUDDY, CALL THE PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT 661-575-2888. AND I
4 ALSO WANT TO LEAVE YOU WITH SOME GOOD NEWS. THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL HAS EXTENDED ITS CLEAR THE SHELTERS
6 CAMPAIGN. THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH, YOU CAN STILL ADOPT YOUR
7 PERFECT PET FOR JUST \$10. HEAD TO THE ANIMALCARE.LACOUNTY.GOV
8 TO MEET ALL THE AMAZING PETS LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES. THANK
9 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, WE WILL
12 MOVE ON TO TODAY'S AGENDA. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
13 AGENDA.

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15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
16 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, CONSENT
17 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 TO 33. ON ITEM 1, THIS
18 IS AN ADDITION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
19 ITEM 2, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
20 ITEM 3, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THIS
21 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 4, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS
22 INDICATED ON THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 5, THIS
23 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
24 ON ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUEST THIS ITEM BE HELD.
25 ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE



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1 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 9, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS
2 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ALSO, SUPERVISOR HAHN
3 WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE, AND SUPERVISOR BARGER
4 WOULD LIKE TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR
5 HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 11,
6 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE, AND
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON
8 ITEM 12, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REVISED
10 HER MOTION TO INCLUDE SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS A CO-AUTHOR. ON ITEM
11 19, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK
12 TO HER OFFICE AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
13 23, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
14 AGENDA. ON ITEM 26, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM
15 BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 27, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUEST FOR
17 THIS ITEM TO BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS
18 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 28, SUPERVISOR
19 HORVATH REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ITEM 32, THIS INCLUDES
20 A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE
21 24, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 34 TO 92. ON ITEM 47,
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 49,
23 THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
24 CONTINUED TO MARCH 25, 2025, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
25 AGENDA. ON ITEM 51, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM



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1 BE HELD. ON ITEM 54, THIS INCLUDES A CORRECTION AS INDICATED
2 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 54, THIS INCLUDES
3 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
4 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE
5 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 90D, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS
6 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 90F AND 90G, SUPERVISOR HAHN
7 WOULD LIKE TO REVISE HER MOTION TO INCLUDE SUPERVISOR HORVATH
8 AS A CO-AUTHOR. ON ITEM 90G, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTED THIS
9 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 98H, SUPERVISOR HAHN WOULD LIKE TO
10 REVISE HER MOTION TO INCLUDE SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS A CO-AUTHOR.
11 ON PAGE 55, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. SEPARATE MATTER ITEM
12 96. ON ITEM 96, THIS ITEM WAS MOVED FROM SPECIAL DISTRICT
13 AGENDA 1D TO THE BOARD'S REGULAR AGENDA AS INDICATED ON THE
14 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A
15 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RE-ISSUANCE OF MULTIFAMILY HOUSING,
16 MORTGAGE REVENUE NOTES, AND RELATED ACTIONS IN AN AGGREGATED
17 AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$36,193,000 TO FINANCE ACQUISITION,
18 CONSTRUCTION, AND REHABILITATION OF CORAZON DEL VALLE, A 90
19 UNIT MULTIFAMILY RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT LOCATED IN THE
20 CITY OF LOS ANGELES. ON PAGE 56, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS,
21 THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT
22 AUTHORITY. ON PAGE 60, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS2,
23 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON A SUPPLEMENTAL
24 AGENDA. ON ITEM CS4, THIS IS AN ADDITION, AS INDICATED ON A
25 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE AND REFER



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1 BACK THROUGH CS4 ARE BEFORE YOU. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF
2 THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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



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

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: AND BEFORE WE BEGIN, I WANT TO
ACKNOWLEDGE DAVID GREEN, PAM FAIR AND THE FEARLESS MEMBERS OF
SEIU 721 WHO ARE HERE TODAY. I KNOW SOME OF YOU WILL BE
STAYING WITH US FOR THE ENTIRETY OF THE MEETING TO COMMENT AT
THE END IN PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT FOR THOSE WHO COULDN'T STAY, I
JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU AT THE TOP OF THE MEETING HERE
AND THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO EACH AND EVERY DAY.
TODAY WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEMS 26 AND 90D, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN
UP TOGETHER, THEN ITEMS 27, 2, 7, 10, 28, AND 47, FOLLOWED BY
ITEM 51, AND FINISHING WITH ITEM 90G, FOLLOWED BY THE
REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD AND GENERAL PUBLIC



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1 COMMENT. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE
2 CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA AND
3 EXPLAIN OUR SPEAKING RULES.

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO
6 PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE CALL
7 877-226-8163 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 1336503. MEMBERS
8 OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING REMOTELY AND IN THE BOARD ROOM,
9 YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT
10 THE MEETING. YOU WILL RECEIVE 1 MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
11 ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS AND UP TO A TOTAL OF 3 MINUTES ON
12 ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR A TOTAL OF
13 6 MINUTES FOR THIS MEETING. PLEASE NOTE, ONCE YOUR TIME HAS
14 EXPIRED, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE
15 MONITOR YOUR TIME AND THE ITEMS YOU ARE SIGNING UP FOR AS YOUR
16 NAME WILL NOT BE CALLED ONCE YOUR TIME HAS ELAPSED. FOR
17 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, WHEN THE BOARD
18 MOVES TO THE ITEM YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, PROMPTLY PRESS 1 THEN 0
19 TO BE MOVED FROM THE LISTENING QUEUE TO THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
20 REMEMBER TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR DEVICE AS SOON AS THE
21 MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU OR THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. YOU WILL NEED
22 TO PRESS 1 THEN 0 FOR EACH ITEM YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON. TO
23 ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-PERSON AND TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, WE
24 WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE 2 SPEAKING CUES. MEMBERS OF THE
25 PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME



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1 DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE
2 BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH
3 THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO.

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WITH THAT, WE'LL BEGIN WITH ITEM
6 26, ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY CLIMATE SHELTERS IN RESPONSE TO THE
7 INCLEMENT WEATHER CRISIS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER,
8 AND ITEM 90D, ESTABLISHING A REGIONAL EMERGENCY CENTRALIZED
9 RESPONSE CENTER, WHICH I HELD. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON
10 THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE
11 ITEMS. WE HAVE SEVERAL OF OUR ESTEEMED LEADERS HERE WITH US
12 AND I BELIEVE COUNCILMEMBER RAMAN FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
13 WILL BE JOINING US AT SOME POINT AS WELL. SO WE WANT TO
14 WELCOME HER AS WELL AS ALL OF OUR SPEAKERS. AND I WILL FIRST
15 TURN IT TO SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND ACTUALLY,
18 I'VE GOT REMARKS AND THEN I HAVE A QUESTION JUST TO GET SOME
19 CLARIFICATION, BUT I APPRECIATE, MADAM CHAIR, YOUR PARTNERSHIP
20 ON BOTH OF THESE HOMELESS ITEMS BEFORE THIS BOARD TODAY. FOR
21 THOSE OF YOU THAT MIGHT NOT KNOW, SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND I ARE
22 MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL HOMELESS
23 ALIGNMENT. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS MEMBERS FROM THE CITY
24 OF LOS ANGELES AND ALL CITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY ARE
25 REPRESENTED AT THAT TABLE. WE CONSISTENTLY MEET TO DISCUSS



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1 EFFECTIVE HOMELESS SOLUTIONS FOR ISSUES IMPACTING OUR COUNTY.
2 OUR CITY PARTNERS ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELEVATED CONCERNS
3 ABOUT THE REGION'S RESPONSIVENESS TO THE INCREASE IN INCLEMENT
4 WEATHER WE'VE SEEN UNFOLD FOR THIS LAST YEAR. WE'VE
5 EXPERIENCED WILDFIRES AND UNRELENTING HEAT WAVES, ESPECIALLY
6 IN THE 5TH DISTRICT, TEMPERATURES HAVE EXCEEDED 115 DEGREES IN
7 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR A STRETCH OF SEVERAL DAYS. THE COUNTY
8 AND CITIES OF LANCASTER AND PALMDALE HAD COOLING CENTERS
9 AVAILABLE, BUT AVAILABILITY WAS LIMITED. THE HOURS OF
10 OPERATION DO NOT DIRECTLY FIT THE NEEDS THAT EXIST. AND AS WE
11 ENTER THIS FALL AND WINTER SEASON, MORE TOUGH WEATHER
12 CONDITIONS WILL IMPACT OUR COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING RAIN AND
13 FREEZING TEMPERATURES THAT CAN THREATEN THE LIVES OF PEOPLE
14 LIVING ON OUR STREETS. WHILE COOLING CENTERS AND WINTER
15 SHELTERS HAVE BEEN A GOOD FIRST START, WE NEED TO TAKE STEPS
16 AND MAKE OUR EFFORTS MORE IN LINE WITH WHAT THE NEED IS AND
17 KEEP EVOLVING OUR APPROACH TO HELP SHIELD VULNERABLE
18 POPULATIONS FROM LIFE-THREATENING WEATHER EVENTS. BECAUSE OF
19 THIS, I BELIEVE WE NEED TO HAVE EMERGENCY CLIMATE SHELTERS
20 ESTABLISHED ACROSS THE COUNTY THAT CAN BE AVAILABLE 24-7. THE
21 VISION BEHIND THESE CLIMATE SHELTERS IS STRAIGHTFORWARD.
22 PROVIDE OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS A SAFE PLACE TO FIND
23 RELIEF FROM THE INCREASINGLY HARSH WEATHER CONDITIONS OUR
24 COUNTY IS FACING. THE MOTION TODAY, ITEM 26, TACKLES THIS
25 CHALLENGE BY DIRECTING OUR COUNTY HOMELESS INITIATIVE TO WORK



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1 ALONGSIDE OUR MUNICIPAL PARTNERS TO IDENTIFY AND ESTABLISH
2 EMERGENCY CLIMATE SHELTERS IN EACH OF OUR 8 SERVICE PLANNING
3 AREAS. TO BE CLEAR, THIS WORK SHOULD INCLUDE IDENTIFYING
4 OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP NEW SITES AND LEVERAGING EXISTING
5 SHELTER SITES SO THAT WE CAN AUGMENT EXISTING CAPACITY DURING
6 SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS. --

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8 **AUDIENCE:** WHO ARE WE? SEIU! WHO ARE WE? SEIU! WHO ARE WE?
9 SEIU!

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, YOU ARE DISRUPTING THE
12 MEETING. THIS IS YOUR SECOND WARNING. THIS IS YOUR FINAL
13 WARNING. THIS IS YOUR FINAL WARNING. WE ACKNOWLEDGE YOU, WE
14 SEE YOU, AND WE DO NEED TO CONTINUE ON WITH OUR AGENDA. WE
15 NEED TO CONTINUE WITH OUR AGENDA. IF YOU CONTINUE TO SPEAK
16 OUT, WE ARE GOING TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE THE CHAMBERS.

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18 [LONG DISRUPTION]

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20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OH, SUPERVISOR BARGER BACK TO
21 YOU.

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23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I
24 THINK, OKAY, SO AS I WAS SAYING, MY MOTION TODAY, ITEM 26,
25 TACKLES THIS CHALLENGE BY DIRECTING OUR COUNTY HOMELESS



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1 INITIATIVE TO WORK ALONGSIDE OUR MUNICIPAL PARTNERS TO
2 IDENTIFY AND ESTABLISH EMERGENCY CLIMATE SHELTERS IN EACH OF
3 OUR EIGHTH SERVICE AREAS. AND I WANT TO REALLY EMPHASIZE THIS
4 BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN SOME QUESTIONS. TO BE CLEAR,
5 THIS WORK SHOULD INCLUDE IDENTIFYING OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP
6 NEW SITES AND LEVERAGING EXISTING SHELTER SITES SO THAT THEY
7 CAN AUGMENT EXISTING CAPACITY DURING SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS. IN
8 ADDITION TO ESTABLISHING NEW CLIMATE SHELTERS, WE SHOULD ALSO
9 LOOK AT SHELTER SITES THAT ALREADY EXIST UNDER LAHSA'S CURRENT
10 PORTFOLIO. WE SHOULD EXPLORE USING COMMON AREAS FOR ADDITIONAL
11 EMERGENCY BED CAPACITY DURING RAIN AND EXTREME HEAT AND COLD.
12 NO SPACE SHOULD BE UNDERUTILIZED WHEN THE LIVES OF OUR MOST
13 VULNERABLE ARE ON THE LINE. I'M ALSO PROUD TO SERVE AS THE CO-
14 AUTHOR TO MADAM CHAIR HORVATH'S EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTER
15 ITEM. THIS WILL STRENGTHEN THE MUCH-NEEDED COORDINATION AND
16 SUPPORT TO ENSURE THAT THE COUNTY DOES ITS PART IN WORKING
17 WITH OUR 88 CITIES IN COORDINATING OUTREACH, ENCAMPMENT
18 RESOLUTIONS, PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS, SHELTER OCCUPANCY, AND
19 CROSS JURISDICTIONAL COORDINATION. UNDER THE JANUARY 10, 2023,
20 EMERGENCY HOMELESSNESS DECLARATION THAT THIS BOARD APPROVED,
21 THERE WAS A CLEAR VISION FOR THE COUNTY TO CONSOLIDATE AND
22 STREAMLINE DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION. WHILE WE HAVE MADE
23 PROGRESS IN BREAKING DOWN THE SILOS THAT EXISTED WITHIN COUNTY
24 DEPARTMENTS BY INCREASING OUR COLLABORATION WITH THE 88 CITIES
25 VIA THE PATHWAY HOME AND INSIDE SAFE, ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION



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PROGRAMS, WE STILL NEED TO ENHANCE OUR EMERGENCY
RESPONSIVENESS. THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTRE HELPS CENTRALIZE
THE WORK OF VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND BRIDGES
COMMUNICATION WITH OUR 88 MUNICIPAL PARTNERS. AND I WANT TO
THANK MANY OF THE CITIES FOR THEIR INPUT IN THIS DISCUSSION
AND I SPECIFICALLY AND I KNOW THAT COUNCILMEMBER NITHYA RAMAN
IS GOING TO BE ON HER WAY DOWN BUT I WANT TO THANK HER. SHE
SERVES AS VICE CHAIR AND A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE CITY OF LOS
ANGELES ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND HAS PLAYED A CRUCIAL
ROLE IN COLLABORATING WITH COUNTY OFFICES TO BRING THESE
MOTIONS BEFORE US TODAY. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE SOME KEY
ELECTED LEADERS FROM CITIES IN MY DISTRICT FOR ELEVATING THE
NEED FOR ENHANCED COORDINATION SURROUNDING CLIMATE SHELTERS.
MAYOR PRO TEM RICHARD LOA FROM THE CITY OF PALMDALE MADE SURE
THAT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WAS AWARE OF THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF THE
NORTH COUNTY. THIS REGION SAW THE MOST EXTREME HEAT WAVES AND
TEMPERATURES CONSISTENTLY OVER 100 DEGREES DURING THE SUMMER.
I'M PROUD TO REPRESENT PALMDALE AND LANCASTER WHERE I CAN
TRULY SAY THEY'VE BEEN LEADING EFFORTS TO BRING MORE SHELTER
AND HOUSING ONLINE TO SUPPORT PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS
IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. PALMDALE RECENTLY PARTNERED WITH THE
COUNTY TO CONDUCT A PATHWAY HOME OPERATION WHERE WE
SUCCESSFULLY ENGAGED AND BROUGHT IN MORE THAN 30 INDIVIDUALS,
21 DOGS, 4 CATS, PLUS WE MOVED 20 RVs, 9 VEHICLES, 1 BOAT AND
TRAILER WHILE REMOVING APPROXIMATELY 2200 CUBIC YARDS OF



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1 DEBRIS. THIS TYPE OF SUCCESS IS ONLY POSSIBLE WHEN WE WORK
2 ALONGSIDE OUR CITIES, PARTNERING TO PROVIDE SHELTER AND
3 HOUSING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOWHERE TO GO. AND I WANNA THANK
4 MAYOR BECKY SHEVLIN FROM THE CITY OF MONROVIA, WHO HOSTED A
5 SUCCESSFUL PATHWAY HOME OPERATION ALONGSIDE THE COUNTY AND
6 VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA. BECKY ALSO VOICED CONCERN THAT WE HAVE
7 NOT BEEN ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY SECURE AN AUGMENTED WINTER
8 SHELTER SITE IN SPA 3, THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, SOMETHING I
9 HAVE CONCERNS WITH AS WELL. DURING EXTREME RAINSTORMS, IT IS
10 VERY COMMON FOR THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY RIVERBED TO EXPERIENCE
11 INTENSE FLOODING. THIS JEOPARDIZES THE SAFETY OF THOSE THAT
12 ARE LIVING THERE. THROUGH THESE MOTIONS, I BELIEVE WE CAN
13 ESTABLISH A MORE COLLABORATIVE AND COHESIVE EMERGENCY SYSTEM
14 WITH OUR CITY PARTNERS TO PROVIDE THE LIFE-SAVING RESOURCES
15 LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS DESERVE. I HAVE I ASK EACH OF MY
16 COLLEAGUES ON THIS BOARD TO SUPPORT THESE ITEMS. I DON'T KNOW
17 IF YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING BEFORE I ASK QUESTIONS. OKAY, SO
18 FIRST OF ALL CARTER THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE ON A AND NICE TO
19 MEET YOU. I KNOW THAT GREAT WORK IS BEING DONE BY THE CEO, HI,
20 MUNICIPAL RELATIONS TEAM, AND THEY ARE DOING WORK TO BRIDGE
21 COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AND LEADING THE
22 WAY ON THE COUNTY PATHWAY OPERATIONS. COULD YOU BRIEFLY TALK
23 ABOUT WHAT GOES INTO PARTNERING WITH OUR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS
24 TO DETERMINE A SUITABLE SITE DURING THE PATHWAY HOME PROCESS?
25 AND COULD A SIMILAR PROCESS BE UTILIZED TO PARTNER WITH CITIES



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1 IN IDENTIFYING AND ESTABLISHING REGIONAL CLIMATE SHELTERS?

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3 **CARTER HEWGLEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I'M GOING TO LET
4 ONNIE ANSWER THE QUESTION, BUT BEFORE HE DOES THAT, I JUST
5 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK IN PALMDALE. IT WAS EXTREMELY HOT
6 TO DO THE PATHWAY HOME OPERATION. WE BROUGHT IN 118 PEOPLE,
7 AND THE STAFF THAT WORK OUT THERE EVERY SINGLE DAY IN THOSE
8 TEMPERATURES FROM MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA, VALUE IS THIS LOSS OF
9 THE HOST TEAM. IT WAS JUST EXTREMELY IMPRESSIVE THAT THEY DO
10 THAT EVERY SINGLE DAY IN THOSE KINDS OF TEMPERATURES ALL
11 SUMMER LONG. SO WE WERE HONORED TO PARTNER WITH THEM AND BRING
12 MORE SHELTER CAPACITY. BUT ONNIE IS OUR LEAD FOR ALL THINGS
13 MUNICIPAL RELATIONS AND I'LL LET HIM ANSWER YOUR QUESTION.
14 THANK YOU.

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16 **ONNIE WILLIAMS:** THANK YOU, CARTER. APPRECIATE THAT QUESTION,
17 SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU. ONNIE WILLIAMS WITH THE HOMELESS
18 INITIATIVE WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. EACH OF OUR 88
19 JURISDICTIONS WITHIN LA COUNTY IS IMPACTED TO VARYING DEGREES
20 BY HOMELESSNESS WITHIN OUR REGION. AND IN OUR PATHWAY HOME
21 PROGRAM, WE ARE IN REGULAR AND OPEN COMMUNICATION WITH OUR
22 CITY PARTNERS TO INCREASE THE QUALITY OF OUR COMMUNICATION AND
23 IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES TO COLLABORATE, BETTER COLLABORATE, AND
24 SHARE RESOURCES. IN THE WAKE OF GRANTS PASS, COMMUNICATION AND
25 COLLABORATION ARE EVEN MORE IMPORTANT TODAY. WE MEET FOLKS



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1 WHERE THEY'RE AT AND TAKE THE TIME TO LISTEN, TO UNDERSTAND A
2 LOCAL JURISDICTION'S EXPERIENCE, THEIR APPROACH, AVAILABLE
3 RESOURCES, AND ACTUAL RESPONSE TO ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS. AS
4 YOU KNOW, EACH JURISDICTION IS UNIQUE. THOSE EXPERIENCES,
5 THOSE VIEWS, THOSE APPROACHES, THE RESOURCES THEY HAVE, THE
6 ACTIONS VARY. AND SO, IT'S IMPORTANT TO IDENTIFY SHARED GOALS,
7 FINDING THE COMMON THREADS AND OBJECTIVES TO ACHIEVE THOSE
8 GOALS. AND I BELIEVE THAT'S WHAT'S BEEN HELPFUL WITH FOSTERING
9 MORE AND STRONGER COLLABORATIVE MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL
10 PARTNERSHIPS. WORKING SPECIFICALLY WITH MONROVIA AND DUARTE
11 WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE. I GIVE CREDIT TO A THAT CITY MANAGER
12 DYLAN FEIK WHO WAS AMAZING TO PARTNER WITH BUT IT WAS WORKING
13 WITH THEM AND THEIR TEAM TO UNDERSTAND THEIR PRIORITIES, THEIR
14 HOTSPOT ENCAMPMENT AREAS, AND INVITING AND RECEIVING A
15 REFERRAL LIST OF THOSE PRIORITIES FOR US TO FOCUS ON. WORKING
16 TOGETHER TO HELP EACH OTHER UNDERSTAND THAT CO-INVESTING IN
17 EFFECTIVE EVIDENCE-BASED SOLUTIONS ON A SUB-REGIONAL MULTI-
18 JURISDICTIONAL LEVEL ARE LOCAL SOLUTIONS. AND THEY DIRECTLY
19 BENEFIT THEIR CITY BECAUSE EVERY CITY IS IMPACTED BY THE
20 JURISDICTION NEXT TO IT. WITH DUARTE, WE REDUCED UNSHELTERED
21 HOMELESSNESS BY OVER 50% AND REDUCED MONROVIA'S UNSHELTERED
22 POPULATION SIGNIFICANTLY. AND THAT ASSET REMAINS WITHIN
23 MONROVIA TO HELP NOT ONLY THAT CITY, BUT THE CITY OF DUARTE
24 AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING THE UNINCORPORATED
25 AREAS. THIS PARTNERSHIP IS NOT JUST AN EVENT. WE ARE COMMITTED



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1 IN THIS PARTNERSHIP THROUGHOUT OUR PATHWAY HOME PROGRAM AND
2 BEYOND THAT. SO THOSE ARE SOME OF THE STRATEGIES THAT WE
3 EMPLOY AND HOW WE WORK WITH CITIES TO GAIN THAT TRUST AND THAT
4 PARTNERSHIP.

5
6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND, ONNIE, I WANT TO THANK YOU BECAUSE
7 THE MINUTE THAT OPENED IN MONROVIA, IT WAS FULL. AND THERE ARE
8 CITIES NOW THAT WANT TO JOIN IN BUT IT WOULD MEAN WE'D HAVE TO
9 CREATE A WHOLE NEW PATHWAY HOME BECAUSE IT'S COMPLETELY FULL
10 AS IS THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THE MINUTE WE OPENED THE ANTELOPE
11 VALLEY FOR FAMILIES. IT WAS FULL AND NOW WE'RE RENOVATING AND
12 GOING TO EXPAND ON THAT UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SO, I WANNA
13 THANK YOU BECAUSE AS MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES KNOW, CITIES WERE
14 FRUSTRATED. THEY DIDN'T FEEL THAT THEY WERE A PARTNER AND YOU
15 HAVE GONE OUT AND TALKED TO CITIES. I KNOW GLENDORA AND
16 DEFINITELY MONROVIA-DUARTE AND IT'S MADE A DIFFERENCE. AND
17 WE'RE DEVELOPING TRUST WITH OUR CITIES THAT WE'RE GONNA
18 ACTUALLY BE PARTNERS WITH THEM TO HELP ADDRESS WHAT'S GOING ON
19 WITHIN THEIR CITY. SO, THANK YOU AND FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO.
20 MY LAST QUESTION AND CARTER, I THINK THIS MIGHT BE FOR YOU,
21 BUT CAN YOU SPEAK ON WHAT PART THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE HAS
22 PLAYED IN COORDINATING WITH AGENCIES SUCH AS THESE AND OUR 88
23 CITIES. I MEAN, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT PARTNERS, IT'S NOT JUST THE
24 CITIES, IT'S ALSO NONPROFITS THAT WE WORK WITH AND COLLABORATE
25 WITH.



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2 **CARTER HEWGLEY:** SPECIFICALLY FOR PATHWAY HOME OR...

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** PATHWAY HOME.

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6 **CARTER HEWGLEY:** OKAY, SO WE HAVE DAILY COORDINATION CALLS WITH
7 ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE INVOLVED IN IN-CAMERA
8 RESOLUTION. WE USE A UNIFIED COMMAND STRUCTURE FROM EMERGENCY
9 MANAGEMENT BEST PRACTICES TO ORGANIZE THAT COLLABORATION TO
10 MAKE SURE EVERYBODY'S CLEAR WHAT THEIR ROLES ARE RELATIVE TO
11 THEIR AUTHORITIES AND THEIR RESOURCES. SO, THE ORGANIZATION OF
12 THAT IS DAILY. IT'S RELENTLESS. THEY'RE PROBABLY SICK OF
13 HEARING OUR VOICES, BUT WE USE THAT BECAUSE WE ARE TRYING TO
14 MAKE IT TRANSPARENT WHERE WE'RE GOING NEXT AND HOW WE ARE
15 WORKING TOGETHER TO BRING EACH OTHER'S ASSETS TO THE TABLE TO
16 RESOLVE WHATEVER ENCAMPMENT THAT WE MIGHT BE WORKING ON OR TO
17 STABILIZE PEOPLE IN INTERIM HOUSING BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW THE
18 NEEDS DON'T END ONCE YOU BRING PEOPLE INTO THE INTERIM HOUSING
19 SETTING THEY CONTINUE. SO, WE USE A SIMILAR COMMUNICATION
20 STRUCTURE TO MAKE SURE WE'RE COMMUNICATING WITH PROVIDERS AND
21 WITH AGENCIES ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON WITH OUR PARTICIPANTS AND
22 HOW WE BETTER SERVE THEM.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, I WANNA RECOGNIZE
2 COUNCIL MEMBER RAMAN, WELCOME HER UP TO THE DAIS, THANK YOU
3 FOR JOINING US. I FIRST WANNA THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR
4 WORKING WITH OUR OFFICE ON BOTH OF THESE MOTIONS. YOUR SENSE
5 OF URGENCY HAS REALLY BEEN APPRECIATED IN RESPONSE TO THIS
6 CRISIS AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP. FOR MANY REASONS,
7 THE CLIMATE CRISIS INCREASED MORTALITY RATES FOR PEOPLE LIVING
8 OUTSIDE, STREET-BASED VIOLENCE, AND ONGOING ENFORCEMENT
9 EFFORTS. WE MUST PROVIDE MORE INTERIM HOUSING FOR PEOPLE
10 ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE KNOW THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING
11 ENDS HOMELESSNESS, AND WE CANNOT FOR ONE MOMENT LOSE OUR FOCUS
12 ON KEEPING PEOPLE IN THE HOUSES THEY ALREADY CALL HOME.
13 HOWEVER, THE CRISIS AND SUFFERING ON OUR STREETS IS
14 UNCONSCIONABLE, AND WE NEED OTHER OPTIONS NOW. AS COUNTY
15 LEADERS, IT'S INCUMBENT UPON US TO BE AS INNOVATIVE AND
16 EXPEDIENT AS POSSIBLE IF WE'RE GOING TO END THIS CRISIS. WE
17 TRULY NEED ALL HANDS-ON DECK, NOT JUST AT THE COUNTY, BUT
18 ACROSS THE REGION. AND WE'VE CERTAINLY ENJOYED A PARTNERSHIP
19 WITH THE CITY. AND THANK YOU, COUNCILWOMAN, ONCE AGAIN, FOR
20 BEING WITH US HERE. TODAY, I'M ALSO INTRODUCING IN PARTNERSHIP
21 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER A MOTION TO LAUNCH THE EMERGENCY
22 CENTRALIZED RESPONSE CENTER, ECRC. THE ECRC WILL BE THE
23 REGIONAL COORDINATING ENTITY THAT WILL ACT AS A CLEARINGHOUSE
24 FOR ALL JURISDICTIONS, LARGE AND SMALL, TO COORDINATE EFFORTS,
25 LEVERAGE RESOURCES, AND COMMUNICATE WITH ONE ANOTHER. THE ECRC



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1 IS A NATURAL NEXT STEP TO INCREASE COLLABORATION,
2 TRANSPARENCY, EFFECTIVENESS, AND URGENCY IN OUR COUNTY-WIDE
3 RESPONSE TO THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. THIS MOTION ASKS THAT THE
4 CEO HOMELESS INITIATIVE LEAD ON LAUNCHING THE ECRC NOW IN THE
5 SPIRIT OF TRUE EMERGENCY RESPONSE, CREATING ONE COORDINATED
6 ENTITY FOR THE STREET-BASED OPERATIONS BEING DEPLOYED EVERY
7 DAY ACROSS OUR COUNTY, FROM PATHWAY HOME AND INSIDE SAFE TO
8 CALTRANS OPERATIONS AND OTHER OUTREACH COORDINATION. WE DON'T
9 WANT TO MAKE A DECISION AT A LATER DATE ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT
10 IT MAKES SENSE TO INCREASE COLLABORATION AND INFORMATION
11 SHARING. IT DOES, WE KNOW IT, AND THE TIME IS NOW. WE'RE
12 ASKING CEO HI AS OUR LEAD ON IMPLEMENTING THE EMERGENCY
13 DECLARATION ON HOMELESSNESS TO ENGAGE WITH CRITICAL COUNTY
14 DEPARTMENTS, INDEPENDENT AND CONTRACT CITIES, COMMUNITY-BASED
15 PROVIDERS, STREET-BASED MEDICINE, AND ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT
16 TO ESTABLISH THIS INTER-JURISDICTIONAL RESPONSE CENTER.
17 ALTHOUGH THE DETAILS ARE FAR FROM FINAL AND REQUIRE ENGAGEMENT
18 WITH ALL OUR PARTNERS AND POTENTIALLY EMBEDDED STAFF AND
19 DEPARTMENTS, WE KNOW THIS IS THE RIGHT PATH FORWARD.
20 CENTRALIZING COMMAND CREATES EFFICIENCIES. IT PREVENTS
21 DUPLICATION AND FORCES US TO PRIORITIZE OUR RESOURCES IN THE
22 MOST EFFECTIVE OF WAYS. IN A COUNTY AS VAST AND COMPLICATED AS
23 LOS ANGELES, WITH HUNDREDS OF OUTREACH TEAMS AND DOZENS OF
24 ENCAMPMENTS OPERATIONS HAPPENING ON ANY GIVEN DAY ACROSS MORE
25 THAN 89 JURISDICTIONS, IT'S JUST COMMON SENSE TO HAVE ONE



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1 PLACE WHERE ALL OF THIS CRITICAL INFORMATION IS COORDINATED.
2 AND TRANSPARENCY INCREASES EQUITY AND ACCESS, ALLOWING ALL
3 COMMUNITIES TO BETTER UNDERSTAND HOW THE RESOURCES IN THEIR
4 COMMUNITIES ARE BEING UTILIZED TO THEIR BENEFIT, WHO IS BEING
5 SERVED BY THOSE RESOURCES, AND WHAT ADDITIONAL REGIONAL
6 RESOURCES MAY BE AVAILABLE TO THEM. INCREASED TRANSPARENCY
7 AROUND RESOURCES DEPLOYMENT WILL HELP BUILD EQUITY BY SHINING
8 A LIGHT ON WHO IS BEING HELPED, WHO ISN'T, AND WHAT NEEDS TO
9 BE DONE TO RIGHT THE WRONGS AND ADDRESS THE BARRIERS TO ACCESS
10 FOR THOSE WHO NEED IT MOST. THE ECRC WILL TRACK AND LEAD ON
11 HOW RESOURCES ARE DEPLOYED, PREVENTING ANY ONE COMMUNITY FROM
12 BUILDING AND FUNDING SOLUTIONS WHILE OTHER COMMUNITIES PASS.
13 WE WANT THIS RESPONSE TO BE REGIONAL, AND THAT MEANS WORKING
14 TOGETHER IN AN UNPRECEDENTED AND MEANINGFUL MANNER TO ADDRESS
15 THE CRISIS AND INVEST IN THE SOLUTIONS. WE KNOW THIS WON'T BE
16 EASY. THERE WILL OBVIOUSLY BE UNCOMFORTABLE CONVERSATIONS AND
17 DIFFICULT DECISIONS TO BE MADE, BUT THE TIME FOR THE ECRC IS
18 NOW. I'M PLEASED TO INTRODUCE COUNCILWOMAN NITHYA RAMAN FROM
19 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHO IS THE CHAIR OF THE HOUSING AND
20 HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS, AS YOU HEARD EARLIER FROM
21 SUPERVISOR BARGER, A MEMBER OF OUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON
22 REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT, TO SPEAK TO THE CITY OF LOS
23 ANGELES' SUPPORT FOR THESE MOTIONS AND COMMITMENT TO
24 PARTNERSHIP. WELCOME.



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1 **NITHYA RAMAN:** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING ME. CAN YOU GUYS
2 HEAR ME? GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH, CHAIRWOMAN HORVATH AND ALL
3 OF MY FELLOW PARTNERS IN OUR LOCAL REGIONAL GOVERNANCE. I AM
4 SO PLEASED AND HONORED TO BE HERE AND TO EXPRESS MY STRONG
5 SUPPORT AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE
6 WORK ENSHRINED IN THESE 2 MOTIONS THAT YOU'RE DISCUSSING
7 TODAY. ONE ON EXPANDING EMERGENCY SHELTER ACCESS THROUGHOUT LA
8 COUNTY, AND THE SECOND ON ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY
9 CENTRALIZED RESPONSE CENTER. BOTH OF THESE ARE ESSENTIAL
10 PIECES OF THE WORK THAT WE AS A REGION NEED TO DO TOGETHER TO
11 ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS. AND TO ME, ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS MEANS
12 ENDING HOMELESSNESS, MOVING PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS. WE ARE NOT
13 HERE DOING THIS WORK BECAUSE WE ACCEPT HOMELESSNESS. WE ARE
14 HERE BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE PROGRESS ON IT. WE ARE HERE
15 BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE PROGRESS ON IT. WE ARE HERE BECAUSE WE
16 WANT TO BRING PEOPLE INDOORS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. I WANT TO
17 JUST TALK VERY, VERY QUICKLY ABOUT SOME ALIGNMENT, SOME
18 FORTUNATE ALIGNMENT BETWEEN THIS WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING HERE
19 AND THE WORK THAT WE'RE DOING AT LA CITY. SO, IN MARCH,
20 FOLLOWING AN UNPRECEDENTED SET OF RAINS, WHICH I THINK, THANKS
21 TO OUR CLIMATE CRISIS, WILL BE REPEATED INTENSITY THAT WE WILL
22 SEE IN TERMS OF OUR RAINS AND STORMS AS WELL AS HEAT WAVES
23 THAT WE'VE SEEN THROUGHOUT THE SUMMERS IN LOS ANGELES,
24 PARTICULARLY IN AREAS OF THE WEST VALLEY WHERE WE SAW
25 TEMPERATURES RISING ABOVE 110, SHOCKING HEAT. WE ARE IN A



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1 MOMENT WHERE CLIMATE CRISIS IS A YEAR-ROUND AFFAIR. AND
2 FOLLOWING OUR STORM PREPARATIONS, I INTRODUCED A MOTION TO
3 EXAMINE HOW WE CAN BETTER RESPOND TO MOMENTS OF INTENSE
4 WEATHER IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THAT MOTION IS NOW MOVING
5 THROUGH OUR COUNCIL PROCESS. A BIG PIECE OF THAT INVOLVES
6 BETTER COORDINATION WITH THE COUNTY ON THE 211 EFFORT IN
7 ENSURING THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE ON THE STREETS IN NEED OF BEDS
8 DURING WEATHER EMERGENCIES ARE ABLE TO ACCESS RESOURCES TO GET
9 THEM INTO THOSE BEDS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, ON TRANSPORTATION
10 NEEDED TO GET PEOPLE FROM THE STREETS INTO TEMPORARY HOUSING
11 THAT IS SET UP EITHER IN RESPONSE TO A MOMENTARY WEATHER
12 EMERGENCY OR TO THE LONG-TERM PERIOD OF CLIMATE CRISIS THAT WE
13 ARE FACING AS A REGION. AND FOR US AS A CITY, WHAT WAS REALLY
14 EXCITING IN MY DISTRICT WHEN WE MOVED PEOPLE INTO TEMPORARY
15 BEDS DURING THAT MOMENT OF INTENSE STORMS, WE ACTUALLY WERE
16 ABLE TO USE THAT MOMENT OF ENGAGEMENT WITH INDIVIDUALS, EVEN
17 SOME WHO HAD BEEN RESISTANT TO GOING INDOORS, TO ACTUALLY KEEP
18 THEM INDOORS ON AN ONGOING BASIS. AND SO FOR ME, THIS ISN'T
19 JUST AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAVE LIVES. THIS ISN'T JUST AN
20 OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE KEEPING PEOPLE PROTECTED
21 FROM INTENSE RAINS OR FROM INTENSE HEAT. THIS IS YET ANOTHER
22 OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE PEOPLE INDOORS FOR GOOD. AND THE COUNTY'S
23 EFFORTS IN EXPANDING ITS SHELTER CAPACITY TO WORKING IN
24 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY TO ENSURE THAT EVERY PIECE OF PUBLIC
25 LAND IS EXAMINED CLOSELY, THAT WE ARE OVERCOMING



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1 JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES IN PARTNERING ON WHERE THESE SITES CAN
2 BE. I JUST KNOW THAT THAT IS GOING TO BE SO INCREDIBLY
3 IMPORTANT. AND I ALSO COME HERE BEARING THAT SAME COMMITMENT
4 TO URGENCY AND PARTNERSHIP FROM THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES, WHO
5 COULDN'T BE HERE TODAY, BUT I KNOW IS DEEPLY, DEEPLY
6 SUPPORTIVE OF THESE EFFORTS. ON THE SECOND MOTION ON DATA
7 SHARING AND AN EMERGENCY COORDINATED RESPONSE, IT COULDN'T BE
8 MORE TIMELY. THE CITY HAS BEEN WORKING WITH LAHSA TO CREATE
9 DATA DASHBOARDS, AND WE ARE FINALLY GOING TO BE RELEASING
10 THOSE DASHBOARDS THIS WEEK. THESE DASHBOARDS ARE GOING TO TELL
11 US WHO IS IN OUR INTERIM SITES, HOW LONG HAVE THEY BEEN THERE,
12 AND FOR TOO MANY PEOPLE, THAT LENGTH OF STAY IN OUR INTERIM
13 SITES IS WAY TOO LONG. THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE IN MY INTERIM
14 SITES IN MY DISTRICT WHERE, THANKS TO THE DATA DASHBOARDS, I
15 NOW KNOW FOR THE FIRST TIME, BECAUSE I HAD NO VISIBILITY INTO
16 THAT, THAT THEY HAVE BEEN THERE FOR MORE THAN A YEAR, SITTING
17 IN INTERIM HOUSING, WAITING FOR THEIR NEXT STEP. WE CAN AND
18 MUST DO BETTER. AND IF WE ARE MAKING SURE OUR INTERIM HOUSING
19 SITES ARE FUNCTIONING MORE EFFECTIVELY, USING THESE DATA
20 DASHBOARDS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND COORDINATION, THAT ALSO
21 MEANS THAT EVERY DOLLAR THAT WE AS A CITY, AND BY EXTENSION,
22 WE AS A REGION, ARE SPENDING ON THIS ISSUE IS GOING FURTHER.
23 IF WE'RE ABLE TO HOUSE SOMEBODY IN A SHELTER AND MOVE THEM TO
24 THEIR NEXT STEP WITHIN 3 MONTHS, THAT MEANS THAT THAT SHELTER
25 BED IS 3 TIMES AS VALUABLE. WE CAN GET 3 PEOPLE INTO THAT BED



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1 IN A SINGLE YEAR. AND THAT'S REALLY EXCITING TO ME. WE HAD NO
2 VISIBILITY INTO THIS KIND OF DATA BEFORE, AND I'M REALLY
3 EXCITED THAT WE'RE MOVING FORWARD ON FINALLY HAVING IT. THE
4 CITY HAS ALSO DONE ITS PART IN MANY WAYS IN RAPIDLY INCREASING
5 THE NUMBER OF SHELTER BEDS THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE. WE'VE BUILT
6 BEDS THROUGH THE BRIDGE HOME PROGRAM UNDER MAYOR GARCETTI'S
7 LEADERSHIP. WE'VE EXPANDED BEDS THROUGH TINY HOME FACILITIES
8 BY CONVERTING MOTEL AND HOTELS WITH LONG-TERM LEASES INTO
9 INTERIM SITES. WE'VE ALSO DONE THAT BY CREATING SAFE SLEEP
10 SITES AND SAFE PARKING SITES. IN FACT, THE NUMBER OF BEDS THAT
11 THE CITY HAS HAD HAS INCREASED BY THOUSANDS OVER THE LAST
12 COUPLE OF YEARS. AND THAT HAS HELPED US MAKE PROGRESS ON OUR
13 STREETS FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
14 THIS PAST YEAR. THANKS TO THAT WORK AND THE WORK OF MAYOR BASS
15 AND INSIDE SAFE, WE SAW A MORE THAN 10% REDUCTION IN THE
16 NUMBERS OF PEOPLE LIVING ON THE STREET IN THE CITY OF LOS
17 ANGELES AND IN MY DISTRICT WE SAW CLOSE TO A 40 REDUCTION IN
18 THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING ON THE STREETS. THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN
19 BY ACCIDENT. THAT HAPPENED BECAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO EXPAND
20 SHELTER. I KNOW THAT THE COUNTY IS DOING THE SAME THING. YOU
21 ARE BUILDING MORE DMH BEDS, YOU ARE BUILDING MORE DHS BEDS,
22 YOU ARE MAKING MORE OF THOSE AVAILABLE. YOU HAVE MORE
23 SUBSTANCE USE AND TREATMENT BEDS AVAILABLE. BUT WE DO NEED TO
24 COMMUNICATE BETTER TO ENSURE THAT THE PEOPLE, THAT THE CITY
25 CANNOT CARE FOR, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS,



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1 WE DON'T HAVE HEALTH WORKERS, WE DON'T HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE
2 TRAINED IN SUBSTANCE USE AND HOW TO MANAGE PEOPLE WHO ARE
3 STRUGGLING WITH THOSE ISSUES. WE WANNA MAKE SURE THAT THOSE
4 PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO THE RESOURCES THAT ONLY THE COUNTY CAN
5 PROVIDE AND VICE VERSA. IF PEOPLE ARE SITTING IN BEDS WHICH
6 PROVIDE INTENSIVE CARE BUT DON'T NEED THAT LEVEL OF CARE THAT
7 THEY'RE BEING MOVED TO CITY BEDS. THAT KIND OF COMMUNICATION
8 CAN ONLY HAPPEN WITH BETTER DATA. RIGHT NOW, THAT DATA TO DO
9 THAT KIND OF MANAGEMENT OF INDIVIDUALS SO THAT EACH PERSON IS
10 MATCHED TO THE BED THAT MATCHES THEIR NEEDS IS NOT AVAILABLE
11 YET. SO, WE CAN START WITH OUR INTERIM SITES AND I'M HOPEFUL
12 THAT WITH THIS EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTER, THAT WE WILL
13 ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO EXPAND THAT COMMUNICATION AND PARTNER WITH
14 THE COUNTY TO ENSURE THAT THOSE COMMUNICATIONS ARE HAPPENING
15 ON A DAILY BASIS. I AM PARTICULARLY EXCITED AS SOMEBODY WHO
16 HAS STRUGGLED WITH FINDING INDIVIDUALS ON MY STREETS WHO HAVE
17 INTENSIVE MENTAL HEALTH CARE ISSUES, THE SUPPORT THAT THEY
18 NEED, THAT THIS EFFORT WILL HELP US TO ENSURE THAT MENTAL
19 HEALTH CARE IS AVAILABLE FOR THOSE PEOPLE WHO NEED IT. AND SO
20 I JUST WANTED TO COME HERE, EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE, AND TO SAY
21 THAT WE ARE HERE READY TO WORK WITH YOU ON THIS WORK. I SIT ON
22 BODIES WITH MANY OF YOU THAT WHERE WE ARE ALREADY DOING THIS
23 WORK, BUT MY STAFF AND I AND I KNOW EVERY RESIDENT OF THIS
24 REGION IS READY TO SEE PROGRESS ON THIS ISSUE AND I'M EXCITED
25 TO DO IT WITH YOU ALL. THANK YOU.



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

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4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. SO,
5 YOU WANT US TO DO COMMENTS ON BOTH MOTIONS AS THEY WERE HELD
6 TOGETHER? OKAY, EXCELLENT. LET ME START WITH ITEM 26. IN
7 SUPPORT OF THE MOTION TO ESTABLISH THE EMERGENCY CLIMATE
8 SHELTERS, I DO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS. BECAUSE I THINK IT'S
9 IMPORTANT THAT WE DO HAVE SOME DISCUSSION AND UNDERSTANDING OF
10 DIRECTION REGARDING WHERE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THESE SHELTERS
11 WILL BE AND WHAT WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE SHELTERS. THE
12 COUNTY'S HOMELESS INITIATIVE AS WELL AS LAHSA HAVE COMPLETED
13 REPORTS ON THE SHELTER SYSTEM THAT PROVIDE SOME INSIGHT ON
14 WHAT MODELS INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF SOMEONE SAYING YES TO
15 AN ACTUAL SHELTER. I'VE ATTENDED MANY PATHWAY HOME KICKOFFS IN
16 THE DISTRICT, AND I'VE HEARD FIRSTHAND FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE
17 COMING IN OFF THE STREET WHO ARE LEAVING THEIR RVs THAT
18 CONGREGATE SHELTER IS NOT WHAT THEY ARE INCLINED TO SAY YES
19 TO. WE KNOW THAT CONGREGATE SHELTERS CAN BE THE QUICKEST AND
20 EASIEST OPTION FOR EXPANDING SHELTER BEDS. HOWEVER, WE ALSO
21 KNOW THAT ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS WITH DIGNITY AND SAFETY ALSO
22 MEANS PROVIDING AN OPTION THAT CAN SOMETIMES OFFER MORE
23 PRIVACY. SO, I'D LIKE TO SEE IN THE REPORT OTHER
24 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VAST POTENTIAL SHELTER OPTIONS THAT WE
25 CAN OFFER. IN ADDITION, THE MODELS OF SHELTERS THAT WE DO,



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1 THAT WE HAVE, DON'T OFTEN TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE UNIQUE
2 HOUSEHOLDS AND FAMILIES THAT COMPRISE OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION.
3 I WILL NEVER FORGET THE SINGLE MOTHER AT A BUDGET HEARING IN
4 SACRAMENTO WHO WAS ASKED ONCE HER SON HIT THE AGE OF 13 TO
5 HAVE HIM MOVE TO THE SINGLE ADULT MALE WING OF THE SHELTER AND
6 HOW SHE WAS NOT GOING TO DO THAT, AND AS A RESULT LEFT SHELTER
7 TO LIVE ALONG THE AMERICAN RIVER IN SACRAMENTO. SO, WE HAVE TO
8 MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE CLEAR THAT THE FULL CONSTELLATION OF OUR
9 UNHOUSED ARE SEEN AND WHAT WE PROVIDE FOR THEM MEETS THEIR
10 NEEDS, BECAUSE FAMILIES ARE FAMILIES, UNHOUSED AND HOUSED. I'D
11 ALSO LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT IS REFERRED TO AS HIGHER
12 OPPORTUNITY AREAS OR NEIGHBORHOODS ARE LOOKED AT FIRST FOR
13 THESE CLIMATE SHELTERS SINCE THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR PEOPLE
14 STAYING AND LIVING THERE FOR MORE TIME THAN OUR CURRENT
15 TEMPORARY SHELTERS ALLOW. OVERALL, I WANT TO ENSURE THAT THESE
16 REPORTS INCLUDE DESIGNS AND MODELS THAT INCREASE THE
17 LIKELIHOOD OF PEOPLE SAYING YES TO COME IN INSIDE. THE REASON
18 THIS IS IMPORTANT TO ME IS BECAUSE THIS IS A HIGH RESOURCE
19 PROJECT IN TERMS OF PEOPLE, TIME, AND MONEY, AND I WANT TO
20 MAKE SURE THAT ANY SHELTERS THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO SUPPORT
21 ARE THE ONES THAT PEOPLE WILL ACTUALLY COME TO AND STAY IN AND
22 RECEIVE SERVICES IN. WITH THIS MOTION, WE ARE DELEGATING
23 AUTHORITY WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF COSTS OR IMPLICATIONS TO OTHER
24 PROGRAMS, AND I'M INTERESTED IN UNDERSTANDING A PROPOSED
25 DECISION-MAKING PROCESS FOR THE SITING, ACQUISITION, AND



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1 ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES. AGAIN, I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF
2 QUESTIONS. NUMBER ONE, HOW WILL THESE SHELTERS, GIVEN THE
3 CURRENT COST OF OPERATING WINTER SHELTERS, ACTUALLY INCREASE
4 OUR BED CAPACITY AND NOT MAKE IT MORE COSTLY TO KEEP SHELTERS
5 OPEN?

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7 **ALMAS SAYEED:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
8 ALMAS SAYEED AND THIS MIC IS TOO HIGH. I'M LIKE REACHING FOR
9 IT. HELLO, I AM A SENIOR MANAGER WITH THE CEO HI TEAM, THE
10 NEWEST MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE TEAM, SUPPORTING AND OVERSEEING
11 AND DIRECTING OUR HOUSING AND PROGRAMS. IN THAT CAPACITY, THE
12 COUNTY-WIDE RESPONSE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER AND EXTREME HEAT IS
13 ON MY TEAM. SO, I'M GOING TO START THE CONVERSATION AND I
14 INVITE MY COLLEAGUES TO JOIN ME SHOULD THEY HAVE ANYTHING TO
15 ADD. WE SHARE YOUR DEEP CONCERNS ABOUT THE CLIMATE CRISIS AND
16 THE IMPACT THAT IT HAS ON OUR UNHOUSED COMMUNITIES. I WANNA
17 ECHO SOMETHING THAT COUNCIL MEMBER RAMAN JUST NOTED, WHICH IS
18 THAT NOW OUR EXTREME WEATHER, INCLUDING EXTREME RAIN, EXTREME
19 COLD, EXTREME HEAT, IMPACTS OUR COMMUNITIES YEAR-ROUND. IT
20 WASN'T THAT LONG AGO WHERE WE WERE JUST MANAGING EXTREME COLD
21 AND RAIN. TO THAT END THOUGH, I WANTED TO, BEFORE I ANSWER
22 YOUR QUESTION SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, JUST REVIEW WITH YOU AND
23 UPDATE YOU ON THE WORK THAT THE COUNTY IS CURRENTLY DOING TO
24 SUPPORT THOSE FOLKS WHO ARE UNHOUSED DURING INCLEMENT WEATHER
25 AND EMERGENCIES. THIS ALSO SPEAKS TO A QUESTION THAT YOU



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1 RAISED JUST A BIT AGO SUPERVISOR BARGER. CURRENTLY THE COUNTY
2 ADMINISTERS THE WINTER SHELTER PROGRAM. THAT PROGRAM HAS 2
3 PARTS. THE FIRST IS THE SEASONAL WINTER SHELTER PROGRAM, ALSO
4 KNOWN AS SWSP. WE AUGMENT THAT, SO THOSE ARE SITES THAT ARE
5 OPEN FROM NOVEMBER 1ST THROUGH MARCH 31ST TO SUPPORT INCLEMENT
6 COLD WEATHER. WE AUGMENT THAT WORK WITH DURING EXTREME COLD,
7 INCLUDING THE RAINS THAT WE EXPERIENCED AT THE BEGINNING OF
8 2024 WITH OUR AUGMENTED WINTER SHELTER PROGRAM. YOU MIGHT
9 REMEMBER THE ATMOSPHERIC RIVER FLOODS AND EXTREME RAIN THAT WE
10 EXPERIENCED IN QUARTER ONE OF CALENDAR YEAR 2024. WE STOOD UP
11 4 CONGREGATE SITES BASICALLY OVERNIGHT TO SUPPORT PEOPLE
12 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. ONE OF THE
13 LARGEST WAS IN YOUR DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THE
14 COUNTY'S SWSP PROGRAM AND ITS AUGMENTED WINTER SHELTER PROGRAM
15 PROVIDES CONGREGATE BASED SHELTER FOR A FEW MONTHS OUT OF THE
16 YEAR. THESE SHELTERS PROVIDE BEDS, ACCESS TO FOOD, AND SOME
17 CONNECTION TO SUPPORT SERVICES. THEY ARE OPEN FROM 14 TO 24
18 HOURS A DAY, DEPENDING ON THE SITE. LAHSA ADMINISTERS THIS
19 PROGRAM WITH OUR FUNDING AND SUBCONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS.
20 THESE ARE THE SAME PROVIDERS THAT ADMINISTER OUR INTERIM
21 HOUSING SITES REGULARLY, SO I WANT TO GET TO THAT IN A SECOND,
22 FOR SERVICES AT THESE SITES. WE WORK CLOSELY WITH OUR REGIONAL
23 PARTNERS. SO, LAHSA 211, MANY OF YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH OUR
24 CALL CENTER 211. 211 PROVIDES TRANSPORTATION TO FOLKS WHO ARE
25 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND ALSO DIRECTS FOLKS TO TRANSPORTS



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1 THEM AND THEN GIVES THEM INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE THEY CAN
2 ACCESS RESOURCES. DURING THE EXTREME HEAT, THIS YEAR SAW THE
3 LAUNCH OF OUR EXTREME HEAT ADVISORY PROGRAM OR HOUSING
4 PROGRAM. THE GOAL IS TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE A RESPONSE TO
5 INCLEMENT AND EXTREME WEATHER THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. THIS IS THE
6 FIRST YEAR THAT WE SUPPORTED 211AND LAHSA IN OUTREACH, DIRECT
7 OUTREACH TO PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS THROUGHOUT THE
8 COUNTY TO BRING THEM INSIDE USING MOTEL VOUCHERS. AND WE HAD
9 VERY HIGH UTILIZATION OF THOSE MOTEL VOUCHERS. THE ADVANTAGE
10 OF THE PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE NOW IS WE HAVE UNDERUTILIZATION OF
11 CONGREGATE SITES. AND SO, MOTEL VOUCHERS ENSURE FAMILIES CAN
12 COME INSIDE AND THERE IS A SLIGHTLY MORE INCENTIVE FOR EVEN
13 NON-FAMILIES TO COME INSIDE WITH OUR VOUCHER MODEL. I WANT TO
14 MOVE TO ANSWERING YOUR QUESTION, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SO, IT'S
15 TRUE THAT WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT THE OPERATING COSTS OF OUR
16 SHELTERS AND THE WAY THAT WE ARE STRUCTURING OUR PROGRAMS NOW.
17 BOTH SWSP, I'M SORRY FOR THE ACRONYMS, WELCOME TO HOMELESS
18 SERVICES, THE SEASONER WINTER SHELTER PROGRAM AND OUR
19 AUGMENTED WINTER SHELTER PROGRAM THAT ARE FUNDED BOTH BY
20 MEASURE H AND COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS AS WELL AS FEDERAL ESG, SO
21 THERE'S A THIRD FUNDING SOURCE THERE, AND ADMINISTERED BY
22 LAHSA, PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER TO PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
23 HOMELESSNESS IN EXTREME COLD AND WET WEATHER. AS I NOTED, THE
24 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM THAT WE BASICALLY ADMINISTERED
25 THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER PROVIDED SHELTER AND MOTEL VOUCHERS



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1 DURING EXTREME HEAT. THE COUNTY PAYS FOR THESE PROGRAMS FROM A
2 SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT BUDGET LINE, LIKE A DIFFERENT BUDGET LINE
3 IN MEASURE H THAN OUR INTERIM HOUSING SITES BUT ANY INCREASE
4 IN THE NUMBER OF INTERIM HOUSING BEDS WE'D HAVE TO BE VERY
5 THOUGHTFUL BECAUSE IT WOULD REQUIRE REALLOCATION FROM A
6 DIFFERENT BUDGET LINE AND AS YOU KNOW WE ARE IN CONSTANT
7 COMMUNICATION WITH OUR PROVIDER PARTNERS WHO ARE RAISING THIS
8 ISSUE OF COVERING FULL COSTS. YES. SO, ANY INCREASE IN THE
9 NUMBER OF INTERIM HOUSING BEDS OR SITES, IN ADDITION TO THE
10 IDENTIFYING UNDERLYING LAND FOR THE SITE, WE'D HAVE TO GIVE
11 SOME CONSIDERATION TO HOW TO MAKE PROVIDERS WHOLE.

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13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE. AND AS
14 YOU TALK ABOUT THE UNDERLYING ISSUE AROUND UTILIZING PUBLIC
15 LAND, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN IN THIS, YOU KNOW, RATHER THIS
16 TUG OF WAR, IF YOU WILL, IN TERMS OF HOW WE UTILIZE PUBLIC
17 LAND. IS IT FOR SHELTERS? IS IT FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
18 HOUSING? AND SO DO YOU THINK THIS MOVE WILL SLOW DOWN OUR
19 PROGRESS IN BUILDING PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. YOU KNOW,
20 THE DATA POINT I'VE UNDERSTOOD SINCE I GOT TO THE BOARD, FOR
21 EVERY SHELTER BED WE BUILD, WE NEED 5 OTHER PERMANENT
22 SUPPORTIVE OPTIONS. AND WE'VE GOT LIMITED PUBLIC LAND. AND SO
23 HOW WILL THIS FURTHER COMPLEMENT, COMPLICATE THAT TUG OF WAR
24 BETWEEN HOW WE UTILIZE PUBLIC LAND?



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1 **ALMAS SAYEED:** I WANT TO ECHO YOUR SENTIMENT ABOUT THE INCREASE
2 IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS THE FASTEST WAY I THINK SUPERVISOR
3 HORVATH SAID THE SAME THING, TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE STAY HOUSED
4 PERMANENTLY. WE WILL CERTAINLY PARTNER WITH RED, THE REAL
5 ESTATE DIVISION, TO IDENTIFY SITES THAT COULD BE APPROPRIATE
6 FOR INTERIM HOUSING SITES. I WILL NOTE IN MY 7 LONG MONTHS
7 WITH THE COUNTY, THERE ARE A SELECT NUMBER OF COUNTY OWNED
8 SITES THAT ARE APPROPRIATE FOR HOUSING. JUST BECAUSE THE
9 COUNTY OWNS IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT IT'S NECESSARILY APPROPRIATE
10 TO BUILD HOUSING. SO, WE WILL HAVE TO STAY IN CLOSE
11 COORDINATION AND COMMUNICATION WITH OUR REAL ESTATE PARTNERS
12 ABOUT BOTH IDENTIFYING THOSE SITES AND THEN THIS CONVERSATION
13 ABOUT THE LONG-TERM STRATEGY OF BUILDING MORE AFFORDABLE
14 HOUSING. THERE IS A CONVERSATION TO BE HAD.

15
16 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT AND YOU KNOW AND THE
17 REASON I'M ASKING THE QUESTIONS IS BECAUSE OF THE DISTRICT
18 THAT I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTING YOU KNOW SPA AREA 6
19 AND 8 CONSTITUTE THE MAJORITY OF DISTRICT 2 BUT WE ALSO
20 REPRESENT AREAS WITHIN SPAS 4 AND 5. AND SO I'VE GOT, YOU
21 KNOW, HIGHEST NEED IN SOME AREA, ALSO, YOU KNOW, HIGHEST AREA
22 PRODUCTION OF, OF, OF HOUSING OPTIONS. AND SO, I OFTEN SAY I
23 WANT IT SPREAD, YOU KNOW, COUNTYWIDE. THERE IS NO QUESTION
24 ABOUT THE CLIMATE ISSUE. I AM NOT CHALLENGING THAT AT ALL. I
25 WILL BE SUPPORTING ITEM 26. I GET IT. I JUST THINK THAT WE



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1 ALSO HAVE TO HAVE THE CONVERSATION AND GO INTO THESE NEW
2 ACTIONS CLEAR ABOUT IF WE ARE TAKING FROM PETER TO PAY PAUL OR
3 IF WE ARE BRINGING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO THE TABLE. WITH
4 THAT, MADAM CHAIR, LET ME TRANSITION ON TO ITEM 90, SINCE
5 THEY'VE BEEN HELD TOGETHER. AND ON ITEM 90, I DO HAVE REAL
6 CONCERNS. I SEE IT IN CONCEPT, AND HOW THE CONNECTION CAN BE
7 MADE TO HAVING AN EMERGENCY COMMAND CENTER FOR THIS CRISIS,
8 YOU KNOW, EQUAL IN MANY ASPECTS TO NATURAL DISASTERS. WHAT
9 CONCERNS ME IS THAT THE MOTION IS CALLING FOR THE IMMEDIATE
10 CREATION OF THE EMERGENCY CENTRALIZED RESPONSE CENTER AND THAT
11 IT MAY INADVERTENTLY DRAIN THE WORK THAT'S ALREADY UNDERWAY.
12 AGAIN, I TALKED ABOUT THE SERVICE PLANNING AREAS WITH THE
13 HIGHEST NUMBERS OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THEY ARE
14 IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND THE SECOND DISTRICT ALSO CARRIES A
15 GREATER RESPONSIBILITY WITH REGARD TO THE ASSETS FOR HOUSING
16 OPTIONS AND SERVICE DELIVERY. SO, I'VE GOT BOTH. SO, TO
17 IMMEDIATELY STAND UP A CENTER BEFORE WE BETTER UNDERSTAND THE
18 IMPACT IN TERMS OF COSTS AND STAFFING IS THE CONCERN. THE
19 COUNTY'S LEAD SERVICE PROVIDERS HAVE BEEN BEFORE US, CLEARLY
20 EXPRESSING THE CHALLENGES THEY HAVE TO FULLY FUND THE WORK WE
21 ARE EXPECTING THAT THEY DO AND THE NEED TO INCREASE THE RATES
22 PROVIDED TO THEM, AS WELL AS TO PAY THEM TIMELY. WE HEARD THAT
23 LOUD AND CLEAR. AND SO, I'M CONCERNED THAT WE'VE GOT A MOTION
24 THAT WILL FRANKLY ADD TO THEIR BURDEN. WE SAY, WE'VE LOCKED
25 ARMS AT THE CITY AND COUNTY, BUT WE HAVE A THIRD KIND OF



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1 FAMILY MEMBER IN THAT, AND THAT'S THE PROVIDER COMMUNITY. WE
2 CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT THEM. IT IS REALLY, WE NEED TO LOCK ARMS 3
3 WAYS. AND THEY'VE COME TO US AND SAID, THE RATES YOU'RE PAYING
4 PER BED ISN'T ENOUGH, AND YOU PAY US LATE. AND SO, WE HAVE TO
5 MAKE SURE THAT WE STAY ON TOP OF THAT AT THE CITY AND COUNTY
6 BEFORE WE CONTINUE TO PUT PRESSURE ON THEIR ALREADY FRAGILE
7 INFRASTRUCTURE. YOU KNOW, MADAM CHAIR, I HEARD YOU IN YOUR
8 REMARKS SAYING, USING THE TERMS TRANSPARENCY AND EQUITY. AND
9 SO, WHAT I NEED HELP UNDERSTANDING, AND I GET THE IMPORTANCE
10 OF COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION. THE CHALLENGE WE'RE
11 EXPERIENCING IS A LACK OF ACCESS TO HOUSING AND RESOURCES IN
12 THE COMMUNITIES WHERE PEOPLE NEED IT. AND COORDINATION IS ONE
13 THING, EXPANDING THOSE RESOURCES IS SOMETHING COMPLETELY
14 DIFFERENT. IT'S 2 DIFFERENT THINGS. I DON'T KNOW THAT MERE
15 COORDINATION CREATES THE ADDITIONAL ASSETS THAT PEOPLE NEED
16 WHERE THEY NEED IT. AND SO I'M JUST CONCERNED ABOUT HOW WE ARE
17 EXPECTING CURRENT STAFF TO EXPAND TO DO THIS ADDITIONAL WORK.
18 THE MOTION ITSELF CALLS FOR, QUOTE, EMBEDDING STAFF FROM
19 DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES WITHOUT SHIFTING AWAY FROM THEIR
20 CURRENT ROLES INTO THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTER. IF SOMEONE
21 COULD GIVE ME A LITTLE MORE DETAIL TO MAKE SURE THAT WE AREN'T
22 DIVERTING STAFF AWAY FROM THE IMPORTANT WORK THAT'S CURRENTLY
23 UNDERWAY, THAT WE'RE MAKING GREAT TRACTION AND PROGRESS. AND I
24 WANT TO MAKE SURE WITH THE COORDINATION AND ALL THE CITIES
25 THAT ARE INVOLVED THAT EVERYBODY'S PUTTING SOME SKIN IN THE



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1 GAME. IT'S NOT JUST THE COUNTY. IF IT'S TRUE COORDINATION WITH
2 THOSE OTHER ENTITIES, EVERYBODY HAS TO BRING THEIR CHECKBOOK
3 TO THE PARTY, NOT JUST THE COUNTY. SO HOW ARE WE GUARANTEEING
4 THAT EMBEDDING STAFF FROM DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES DOESN'T
5 MEAN THAT THE WORK THEY'RE CURRENTLY DOING STOPS OR IS
6 COMPROMISED IN SOME WAY.

7

8 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, SUPERVISOR, IF I COULD JUST JUMP IN TO
9 THIS CONVERSATION. SO GENERALLY, WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE BOARD
10 PROVIDES LIKE A NEW ASSIGNMENT, WORKLOAD, TASK, INITIATIVE TO
11 THE CEO'S OFFICE. WE'LL TRY TO DO 1 OR 2 THINGS. WE WILL STAFF
12 UP DURING USING LIKE TRADITIONAL METHODS, WHICH WE BOTH KNOW
13 CAN TAKE TIME. WE HAVE STARTED TO LEVERAGE THE EMERGENCY
14 DECLARATION. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, THIS WOULD BE A
15 CAPACITY QUESTION THAT WE WOULD NEED TO INCREASE OUR CAPACITY.
16 I HAVEN'T EVEN MET WITH THE TEAM ABOUT WHAT THE LOGISTICS
17 WOULD LOOK LIKE. WE WOULD NEED SOMEONE TO MANAGE IT. THEN
18 THERE'S GONNA BE TASKS THAT HAVE TO BE COMPLETED. WE'RE GONNA
19 MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE SOMEBODY THAT CAN SUPERVISE THE TASK
20 COMPLETION. THEN THERE WILL BE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. SO,
21 THEN WE'RE GONNA, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GONNA NEED TO INCREASE OUR
22 DATA REQUIREMENTS. BUT JUST THE DAY-TO-DAY TASKS, WE WOULD
23 NEED TO, AND I THINK IT MENTIONS IT IN A MOTION ABOUT
24 EMBEDDING STAFF FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS, WHICH IS ALSO ALWAYS
25 AN INTERESTING CONVERSATION BECAUSE DEPARTMENTS WILL TELL YOU



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1 THEY DON'T HAVE EXTRA STAFF SORT OF LAYING AROUND, WE WOULD
2 TELL THEM WE NEED TO TRANSFER THOSE STAFF TO HI, ASAP.
3 BASICALLY, THAT IS WHAT WOULD NEED TO HAPPEN IN ORDER TO STAFF
4 UP, CREATE THE CAPACITY WITH THE URGENCY THAT IS INDICATED BY
5 THE MOTION.

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7 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, WE'RE GOING TO ADD TO HI'S --

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9 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THAT'S RIGHT.

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11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** BOTTOM LINE STAFF, NOT ASKING HI STAFF
12 TO DO MORE.

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14 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** UNLESS THESE 3 PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SIT HERE
15 AND TELL ME THEY DON'T NEED ANY HELP, WHICH I DON'T THINK
16 THEY'RE GONNA DO. WE WOULD BASICALLY NEED TO ADD THE CAPACITY,
17 AND WE WOULD JUST HAVE TO GO TO THE DEPARTMENT. AND YOU KNOW,
18 WE COULD ALSO USE THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION TO BRING ON
19 ADDITIONAL CAPACITY. BUT THAT IS WHAT I WOULD SEE AS THE PATH
20 GOING FORWARD.

21

22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOT IT. YOU KNOW, I'LL JUST REITERATE,
23 I GET IN CONCEPT THE NEED FOR A COMMAND CENTER FOR BETTER
24 COORDINATION. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T CONTINUE
25 THE EXISTING PRACTICE OF SHELTERING PEOPLE IN AREAS THAT BUILD



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1 SHELTERS AND NOT ADDRESSING THE CITIES AND AREAS THAT HAVEN'T.
2 WE HAVE TO EXPAND, AS THE FIRST MOTION TALKS ABOUT, BEDS AND
3 CAPACITIES. AND COORDINATION ALONE DOESN'T DO THAT. SO, I WANT
4 TO JUST MAKE THAT CLEAR, PARTICULARLY GIVEN THE DISTRICT I
5 REPRESENT, WITH THE NUMBERS IN NEED, THE FACT THAT WE HAVE
6 STEPPED UP AND IT'S A GOOD PERCENTAGE OF WHAT IS BUILT IS IN
7 THE SECOND DISTRICT. WE NEED TO EXPAND BED CAPACITY. THANK
8 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

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

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU,
13 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR THOSE COMMENTS. AND THANK YOU,
14 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND CHAIRWOMAN HORVATH, FOR BRINGING THESE 2
15 MOTIONS FORWARD. I WANTED TO THANK COUNCILWOMAN NITHYA RAMAN
16 FOR MAKING THE TREK UP THE HILL TO OUR BUILDING TO GIVE US HER
17 REMARKS, WHICH I THOUGHT WERE VERY INSIGHTFUL. AND SHE'S
18 REALLY BEEN A LEADER OVER THERE AND SHE'S BEEN VERY
19 INTENTIONAL AND THOUGHTFUL IN HOW SHE'S WORKING TO GET THE
20 CITY'S RESOURCES TO ADDRESS THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. I
21 REMEMBER A COUPLE YEARS AGO JOINING THE MAYOR AT THE CITY'S
22 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER WHERE WE DID THAT FIRST LOCKING
23 ARMS AND THE MAYOR DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR
24 HOMELESSNESS FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THEN WHEN
25 SUPERVISOR HORVATH TOOK THE GAVEL AS OUR FEARLESS CHAIR, YOU



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1 ALSO THEN DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR HOMELESSNESS FOR
2 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I THINK WHILE THERE'S STILL
3 CERTAINLY A LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE, I THINK WE'VE MADE
4 SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IN NOT ONLY ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF THE
5 IN-HOUSE, BUT WORKING TO BETTER THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL
6 RESIDENTS IN LA COUNTY. I THINK WE'RE WORKING HARDER TO
7 PREVENT FOLKS FROM FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS. I KNOW SITTING
8 ON LA CASA, THAT'S WHERE I SERVE WITH COUNCILWOMAN RAMAN,
9 WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE RESOURCES THAT IT TAKES TO
10 BEGIN BUILDING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PRESERVING HOUSING
11 FOR THOSE WHO ARE THERE IN THE FIRST PLACE, TRYING REALLY HARD
12 TO NOT HAVE PEOPLE LEAVE WHERE THEY'RE CURRENTLY HOUSED AND
13 BEING THROWN ON THE STREETS. WE'VE COMPLETED OVER 62 INSIDE
14 SAFE AND 19 PATHWAY HOME OPERATIONS. AND WE'VE TAKEN ALMOST
15 4000 PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS. I MEAN, THAT'S THOSE ARE GOOD
16 NUMBERS. AND NOT TO MENTION ALL OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND
17 AGENCIES, THE WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING ACROSS THE COUNTY. BUT I
18 THINK THE CENTRALIZED CENTER, WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO REALLY
19 BUILD ON THE WORK WE'RE DOING AND MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER WITH
20 OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND THE DEPARTMENTS FROM ALL THE 88
21 CITIES TO COORDINATE AND DEPLOY. THIS IS IMPORTANT AS WE
22 CONSIDER THE SECOND MOTION BEING HELD WHICH SEEKS TO ESTABLISH
23 EMERGENCY CLIMATE SHELTER ACROSS THE COUNTY. YOU KNOW,
24 HISTORICALLY WE'VE MADE SHELTER AVAILABLE DURING THE WINTER
25 MONTHS, BUT NOW WITH THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE WE'RE



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1 SEEING RECORD-BREAKING HEAT WAVES THAT ARE ALSO DANGEROUS TO
2 THOSE WHO FIND THEMSELVES UNHOUSED. SO, I JOIN MY COLLEAGUES
3 IN EMPHASIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF WORKING WITH OUR CITIES TO
4 CREATE YEAR-ROUND SHELTERS ACROSS OUR REGION. ONLY BY COMING
5 TOGETHER AND ALL OF US LOCKING ARMS, WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A
6 DIFFERENCE. HERE'S WHAT I WAS GOING TO THROW TO YOU ALL IN HI.
7 I HAVE ONE CITY, THEY'VE MADE THE NEWS RECENTLY, THE CITY OF
8 NORWALK, WHERE THEY NOT ONLY PASSED ONCE BUT DOUBLED DOWN AND
9 EXTENDED A MORATORIUM IN THEIR CITY LIMITS FOR ANY NEW INTERIM
10 HOUSING OR SHELTER PROPOSAL BEING MADE. I THINK THEY'VE GOTTEN
11 SHAMED IN PUBLIC BY OUR GOVERNOR SAYING IT SEEMS A LITTLE, I
12 THINK HE USED THE WORD IMMORAL WITH THE CRISIS THAT WE'RE
13 FACING TO HAVE A CITY ACTUALLY PUTTING A MORATORIUM ON
14 PROJECTS WITHIN THEIR CITY LIMITS. WHAT DO YOU THINK, I MEAN,
15 I DON'T THINK SHAMING GOES VERY FAR IN LIFE. WHAT DO YOU THINK
16 WE CAN DO BETTER TO WORK WITH THOSE CITIES AND HOPEFULLY WE
17 WON'T HAVE OTHER CITIES THAT FOLLOW THAT. WHAT CAN WE DO TO
18 BETTER ADDRESS THEIR ANXIOUSNESS AND THEIR CONCERN? I THINK
19 THEY'RE FEELING SOME RESIDUAL SCARS FROM OUR VERY FIRST
20 PROJECT, ROOM KEY. I MEAN, WE'VE LEARNED A LOT OF LESSONS
21 SINCE THEN. WHAT'S A BETTER WAY TO WORK WITH THESE CITIES WHO
22 ARE NOW BECOMING RESISTANT TO LOCKING ARMS WITH US TO ADDRESS
23 THIS PROBLEM?

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25 **CARTER HEWGLEY:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. FIRST, I WOULD SAY



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SUPERVISORS

1 THERE ARE LOTS OF CITIES THAT ARE ACTUALLY WILLING TO
2 PARTICIPATE. I THINK WE'VE BEEN PROVING RECENTLY WE'VE GOT
3 PARTNERSHIPS WITH NOT ONLY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, BUT
4 LYNWOOD, POMONA, SANTA MONICA, PALMDALE, COMPTON, LONG BEACH.
5 LONG BEACH ACTUALLY PARTNERED WITH US, AS YOU KNOW, TO DO
6 SIGNAL HILL. AND SO, THERE'S LOTS OF EXAMPLES OF CITIES THAT
7 ARE SAYING YES.

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9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, MY CITY, MY CITY OF BELLFLOWER WAS ONE
10 OF THE FIRST ONES TO BUILD A SHELTER.

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12 **CARTER HEWGLEY:** EXACTLY. SO, I REALLY WANT TO JUST ACKNOWLEDGE
13 THE CITIES THAT HAVE STEPPED UP AND SAID, WE'RE IN, AND THE
14 RELATIONSHIPS THAT ONNIE AND HIS TEAM HAVE BEEN ABLE TO BUILD.
15 I THINK THE SECRET SAUCE IS COMMUNICATION AND BEING HONEST
16 ABOUT THE CHALLENGES THAT THEIR COMMUNITIES ARE SEEING ON
17 THEIR STREETS AND THE CHALLENGES THAT HAPPEN ONCE PEOPLE COME
18 INSIDE AND WHAT IS REALLY GONNA HAPPEN. YOU KNOW, WE'RE NOT
19 GONNA WAVE A MAGIC WAND, BUT WE'RE GOING TO HELP PEOPLE. AND
20 WE'RE GOING TO PARTNER WITH YOU TO HELP THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN
21 YOUR COMMUNITY. AND I THINK IT'S ADDRESSING THAT NARRATIVE
22 THAT PEOPLE ARE COMING FROM SOMEWHERE ELSE OR YOU'RE GOING TO
23 BRING PEOPLE FROM HERE AND WE'RE PROVING OVER AND OVER AGAIN,
24 NO, WE'RE HELPING YOU. WE'RE PARTNERING WITH YOU. WE'RE
25 HELPING NOT ONLY YOU, BUT YOUR SURROUNDING COMMUNITY BECAUSE



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1 WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. I THINK THAT'S HAPPENING MORE AND
2 MORE. AND SO, I THINK WHAT WE HAVE TO DO TO AVOID SITUATIONS
3 LIKE THAT IS JUST INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF OUR
4 COMMUNICATIONS AND SHOW PEOPLE THAT WE'RE PARTNERING
5 SUCCESSFULLY IN MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS. AND THAT'S
6 INCREASINGLY TRUE AND HAS BEEN SINCE THE EMERGENCY
7 DECLARATION. SO, I REALLY, WE APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S SUPPORT
8 BECAUSE IT'S ENABLED US TO BROKER REALLY EXCITING PARTNERSHIPS
9 WITH LOTS OF JURISDICTIONS.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, I MEAN, YOU'RE RIGHT. I HAVE A LOT OF
12 CITIES THAT HAVE REALLY STEPPED UP AND I'VE SAID THIS IN
13 NUMEROUS STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESSES THAT I'VE GIVEN IN MY
14 DISTRICT THAT IF I HAVE ANY CITY THAT STEPS UP AND SAYS YES TO
15 A SOLUTION, I'M GOING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO HELP FIND MONEY,
16 RESOURCES TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. BUT I STILL THINK NORWALK'S
17 DECISION, IT WAS PRETTY GLARING AND I'M WORRIED THAT THERE ARE
18 THOSE OUT THERE WHO HAVE HOMELESSNESS FATIGUE AND ARE FEELING
19 LIKE THEY'RE TAKING MORE THAN THEIR FAIR SHARE, WHICH I DON'T
20 KNOW IS NECESSARILY TRUE. WHAT'S INTERESTING ABOUT NORWALK IS
21 THAT'S, I MEAN, PART OF WHEN THEY MADE THIS MORATORIUM
22 DECLARATION, IT WAS AFTER THE GOVERNOR HAS HAD APPROPRIATED
23 \$52,000,000 TO CLEAR UP THE ENCAMPMENTS ALONG THE 105. THE
24 FIRST ONE WAS IN THE CITY OF NORWALK. SO, THESE REALLY WERE
25 THEIR FOLKS THAT WERE UNHOUSED WERE IN THEIR CITY. AND THAT'S



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1 WHERE WE WERE GOING TO BEGIN TO HELP BRING THEM INSIDE AND
2 THEN WE GOT THIS UNFORTUNATE MORATORIUM.

3
4 **CARTER HEWGLEY:** AND WE CAN STILL HELP THE UNHOUSED PEOPLE OF
5 THAT COMMUNITY. I THINK WE JUST MOVED TO ANOTHER PARTNERSHIP
6 WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT ARE WILLING TO SAY YES. SO, I
7 THINK IT'S JUST THE COMMITMENT TO PARTNERSHIP, FOCUSING ON
8 WHO'S WILLING AND NOT FORGETTING THAT EVEN UNHOUSED PEOPLE IN
9 COMMUNITIES THAT AREN'T WILLING TO PARTNER STILL DESERVE HELP.
10 SO, I FEEL OPTIMISTIC.

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12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY, GOOD FOR YOU.

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14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE PANEL
17 AND ALSO COUNCILWOMAN NITHYA RAMAN, WHO'S REALLY BEEN AN
18 OUTSTANDING LEADER ON THIS ISSUE FOR MANY YEARS AND HAPPY TO
19 SHARE JURISDICTIONS THAT OVERLAP AND WE'VE HAD MANY
20 DISCUSSIONS ABOUT HOMELESSNESS, ENCAMPMENTS AND THE RIGHTS OF
21 THE UNHOUSED. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK MAYOR BASS, BECAUSE SHE
22 ALSO HELPED TO LEAD, I THINK ON THIS MOTION, ITEM 26. I WANT
23 TO THANK THE AUTHOR AND THE CO-AUTHOR FOR BRINGING IT FORWARD.
24 BUT I DO HAVE SOME CONCERNS TOO THAT WERE ALREADY RAISED. AND
25 I MEAN, WE'VE HAD THESE CONVERSATIONS, I KNOW, OVER THE PAST



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1 COUPLE OF YEARS OF HOW DO WE ENGAGE OUR OTHER 70 OR SO CITIES
2 THAT REFUSE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS NOT JUST THEIR
3 PROBLEM. THIS IS A BIGGER, IT'S ALL OF OUR PROBLEM, OUR
4 RESPONSIBILITY IN SOME WAY. AND THAT SOMETIMES I OFTEN GET THE
5 CALL THAT, WELL, WE PUT IN MONEY, BUT WE'RE NOT GETTING
6 ANYTHING. BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, WHEN WE ASK THEM, OR I ASK
7 THEM, WHAT ARE YOU READY TO DO TO STAND UP? THEY SAY, OH NO,
8 WE CAN'T HAVE AN INTERIM HOUSING, OR WE CAN'T HAVE A ROOM KEY
9 OR A HOME KEY HERE. WE CAN'T EVEN HAVE SENIOR AFFORDABLE
10 HOUSING. I'VE SAT ON THIS DAIS AND I KNOW THERE'S SOME OF THE
11 CITIES THAT WE REPRESENT THAT HAVE PROJECTS THAT WERE
12 BEGINNING AND THEN THEY WERE PULLED OFF BECAUSE OF PRESSURE,
13 BECAUSE OF COMMUNITY PRESSURE. AND I'M GOING THROUGH THAT NOW
14 IN ONE OF MY UNINCORPORATED AREAS NOW WHERE WE ARE CONVERTING
15 A ROOM KEY INTO A PERMANENT HOME KEY IN THE UNINCORPORATED
16 AREA OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS. IT ACTUALLY STARTED UNDER SUPERVISOR
17 HAHN, WHICH WAS A GREAT IDEA AT THE TIME BECAUSE IT WAS DURING
18 COVID. AND NOW WE'RE GONNA SEE MORE UNITS THERE, MAYBE 100 OR
19 SO, AND THAT WHOLE PLACE CONVERTED INTO A SECURE LOCATION WITH
20 SAFETY, SECURITY, WRAPAROUND SERVICES AND ALL OF THAT. WHAT I
21 THINK IS MISSING SOMETIMES IS THE PICTURE OF WHAT IT LOOKS
22 LIKE WHEN YOU IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL, WHEN YOU MET THEM ON
23 THE STREET OR WHEREVER IT WAS, AND THEN THE STEPS THAT WENT
24 THROUGH TO CARRY THEM OUT. AND I KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF THOSE
25 UNTOLD STORIES, AND SOMEHOW, WE'RE NOT CATCHING THE FIRE ON



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1 THAT. I THINK WE ALL HAVE TO DO A BETTER JOB. OUR
2 COMMUNICATIONS, OUR HIT, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, HAVE, HOW COULD
3 I SAY, TRUTH SAYERS, PEOPLE THAT WILL SPEAK THE TRUTH WITH
4 CREDIBILITY. AND I KNOW I'VE RUN INTO SEVERAL OF THEM AT SOME
5 OF OUR UNITS AT THE INTERIM HOUSING THAT WE HAVE OVER ON
6 VIGNES, THE HILL TO SOLIS. I'VE SEEN PEOPLE'S LIVES
7 TRANSFORMED. AND WHEN YOU HEAR THEIR STORIES ARE AGAIN, AS YOU
8 KNOW, VERY COMPELLING. AND NOT EVERYONE HAS HAD THE SAME
9 EXPERIENCE. SOME PEOPLE DO NEED TREATMENT, SEVERE ACUTE
10 ASSISTANCE, AND THAT'S A DIFFERENT TYPE OF HEALTH TREATMENT.
11 AND SOMETIMES EVEN THE INTERIM ISN'T SUFFICIENT FOR THAT. SO,
12 I DO BELIEVE IN THE DASHBOARD. I DO BELIEVE IN COORDINATING
13 INFORMATION, WHICH IS A SECOND MOTION THAT WE'RE ALSO TALKING
14 ABOUT, BEING ABLE TO MAKE THE ASSESSMENT THAT COUNCILWOMAN
15 NITHYA RAMAN BROUGHT OUT, THAT HEY, IF YOU CAN TRANSFER
16 SOMEONE WHO NEEDS MORE ACUTE ASSISTANCE OR ONE THAT DOESN'T
17 NEED ACUTE BUT CAN BE MOVED INTO ANOTHER PLACE, WE OUGHT TO BE
18 ABLE TO MOVE MORE WITH AGILITY, I THINK. AND I THINK THAT IT
19 IS TIME TO DO THAT, AND IT IS TIME TO GET OUR DEPARTMENTS TO
20 STAFF, TO HELP US STAFF UP SO THAT WE HAVE THE RESOURCES,
21 BECAUSE IT'S NOT FAIR. RIGHT NOW, I THINK WE ARE WHOLLY
22 UNDERSERVED, EVEN, YOU KNOW, VERY COMPETENT. YOU ALL ARE VERY
23 COMPETENT. I'VE SEEN YOU OUT, I'VE SEEN BOTH OF YOU OUT IN THE
24 FIELD. AND I KNOW YOU PUT UP WITH A LOT. AND HONESTLY, I'M
25 ASHAMED. I'M ASHAMED IN MY OWN CITIES, WHERE SOME OF THEM, I



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1 WON'T NAME THEM, HAVE CRITICIZED YOU PUBLICLY TO SAY THAT WE
2 DON'T WANT WHAT YOU'RE SELLING. AND IT'S NOT THAT WE'RE
3 SELLING ANYTHING. WE'RE TRYING TO PROVIDE HUMANITY. AND I
4 THINK PEOPLE HERE ON THE DAIS NEED TO KNOW THAT BECAUSE IT IS
5 VERY HARMFUL, LEADING INTO MORE FEAR AND HATE AND
6 DIVISIVENESS, WHICH WE DON'T NEED RIGHT NOW. AND I DO BELIEVE
7 WE HAVE THE SOLUTIONS. I DO KNOW THAT SOME OF MY CITIES HAVE
8 STEPPED UP FOR MANY YEARS, AND I WANT TO APPLAUD THE CITY OF
9 POMONA FOR OPENING UP, YOU KNOW, THEIR HOUSE, THEIR HOPE FOR
10 HOUSE. WE HAVE 200 INTERIM BEDS THERE. THEY'VE BEEN OPERATING
11 THAT FOR THE LAST, I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE 30 YEARS, AND WE GAVE
12 THEM SUFFICIENT FUNDING TO EXPAND, TO HAVE A CULINARY KITCHEN
13 AND TO DO MUCH MORE. BALDWIN PARK, UNHEARD OF. TINY HOMES,
14 MONTEBELLO, TINY HOMES. EL MONTE, FROM ROOM KEY TO HOME KEY.
15 AND THEY DON'T HAVE, HOW COULD I SAY, ALL OF THE HOMELESS. I
16 MEAN, THEY'VE GOT A LARGE NUMBER, BUT THEY ARE TAKING IN
17 PEOPLE FROM DUARTE, MONROVIA, TEMPLE CITY, FROM THE 5TH
18 DISTRICT WHO HAVE COME IN. WHO HAVE COME IN AND, YOU KNOW, WHO
19 ARE LIVING RIGHT NOW IN INTERIM SETTING, A PATHWAY HOTEL THAT
20 WAS SET UP BECAUSE OF THE SO-CALLED HURRICANE THAT WE HAD LAST
21 YEAR, THEY HAVE STILL BEEN THERE, A HUNDRED PEOPLE. AND THEY
22 WERE TAKEN OUT OF THE RIVERBED. LORD KNOWS THEY WERE NOT ALL
23 FROM MY ZIP CODES. BUT I'M JUST SAYING THAT I ALSO THINK WE
24 NEED TO HAVE A BALANCE, BECAUSE IT IS UNFAIR TO PUT PEOPLE IN
25 WHERE, YES, THERE'S A CITY OR A COMMUNITY THAT SAYS, YEAH,



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1 WE'LL MAKE ROOM, BUT LET'S SPREAD IT OUT AND DO A BETTER JOB.
2 AND IF WE HAVE TO USE SOME BETTER TOOLS, MORE REFINED TOOLS,
3 AND THAT MEANS MAYBE NEGOTIATING NOT JUST WHAT WE GIVE THEM IN
4 TERMS OF MEASURE H, BUT WHAT ELSE ARE WE PROVIDING THAT
5 COMMUNITY? BECAUSE WE DO LIBRARIES, WE DO FIRE SERVICE, WE DO
6 ROAD REPAIR, WE DO MANY OTHER THINGS THAT I THINK PEOPLE TAKE
7 FOR GRANTED IN THEIR COMMUNITY AND WE NEED TO YEAH, CARROT AND
8 STICK SO TO SPEAK TO LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT WE'RE WE SHOULD BE
9 WORKING ON THIS TOGETHER. THAT'S REALLY WHERE I'M COMING FROM.
10 I SUPPORT THE 2 MOTIONS, BUT I DO, I WOULD BE REMISS IF I
11 DIDN'T SAY THAT I THINK THAT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT ARDI, WE TALK
12 ABOUT EQUITY, WE BETTER MAKE IT COUNT. AND I'M NOT PUTTING IT
13 ON YOU, I'M PUTTING IT ON ALL OF US AND THE FOLKS THAT ARE NOT
14 IN THE ROOM. AND THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT ARE JUST SAYING,
15 WELL, THERE GOES THE COUNTY AGAIN. BUT GUESS WHAT? WE MEAN
16 BUSINESS. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE AND ESPECIALLY
17 FAMILIES. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. AND I AGREE THAT
18 IF WE CAN HAVE HOTEL, MOTEL ROOMS, VOUCHERS FOR FAMILIES,
19 WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO HELP PROVIDE THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE WITH
20 A BETTER, STABLE LIFE, A LIFESTYLE, AND THAT IS TO ME THE
21 URGENCY. AND THAT'S THE FACE THAT REALLY HASN'T BEEN PORTRAYED
22 OUT THERE IN THE PUBLIC. IT'S TYPICALLY THE SINGLE MALE. WELL
23 GUESS WHAT? THEY LOOK LIKE US. THEY LOOK LIKE OLDER WOMEN.
24 THEY LOOK LIKE TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH FOSTER KIDS AND MANY
25 LGBTQ AND OTHERS. SO, I THINK WE NEED TO START OPENING UP THE



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1 DOOR AND SHOWING WHAT WE'RE REALLY CHALLENGED WITH AND HOW WE
2 COULD ALL WORK TOGETHER. SO, MADAM CHAIR, I'M SORRY GOING ON
3 THIS LECTURE. I'M NOT LECTURING, BUT I AM HOPEFUL BECAUSE I
4 KNOW THERE ARE GOOD PEOPLE OUT THERE THAT ARE DOING THE GOOD
5 WORK AND I WANT TO COMMEND YOU ALL. AND CHERI TODOROF AS WELL.
6 I KNOW SHE'S NOT HERE, BUT SHE'S DONE A GREAT JOB. THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK YOU
9 ALL FOR BEING HERE. AND, ONNIE, I WANT TO TAKE THIS
10 OPPORTUNITY TO ALSO SAY AT OUR MEETING LAST WEEK WE HEARD
11 ABOUT SUBSTANCE USE AND MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS AS IT
12 RELATES TO OUR DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY ON HOMELESSNESS. AND
13 WE OFFERED THE SUGGESTION THAT THEY SHOULD WORK WITH YOU TO
14 SPEAK WITH ALL OF OUR LOCAL CITIES AROUND WHAT THE COUNTY IS
15 DOING IN EACH OF THESE AREAS. AND I KNOW YOU'VE DEVELOPED
16 THOSE GREAT RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. SO,
17 SINCE THEY HEARD IT FROM ME LAST WEEK, I'M GONNA SHARE IT WITH
18 YOU THIS WEEK AND HOPE THAT YOU ALL WORK TOGETHER BECAUSE WE
19 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR CITIES UNDERSTAND WHAT IS BEING
20 PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY AND HOW WE ARE ADDRESSING THOSE
21 COMPONENTS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO OR ARE A PRODUCT OF THE
22 HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. I JUST WANT TO RESPOND TO A COUPLE OF
23 THINGS. I WOULD BE SHOCKED TO LEARN THAT THE SCALE OF THE
24 PROBLEMS THAT WE FACE ON HOMELESSNESS WOULDN'T WARRANT AT
25 LEAST ONE FULL-TIME PERSON BEING DEDICATED TO A MULTI-



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1 JURISDICTIONAL EFFORT. SO, I KNOW THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO
2 ARE ALREADY WORKING IN EACH OF THE DEPARTMENTS ON THIS WITH
3 ALL OF YOU. THIS JUST SORT OF FORMALIZES THAT RELATIONSHIP. WE
4 HEARD LAST WEEK IN A COUPLE OF EXAMPLES WHERE PEOPLE ARE SORT
5 OF INFORMALLY GETTING TOGETHER AND THEY'RE STILL RUNNING INTO
6 ISSUES OF INTER-JURISDICTIONAL SORT OF HICCUPS. AND I THINK
7 CREATING THIS CENTER WILL CREATE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL OF
8 THOSE REPRESENTATIVES TO BE IN ONE PLACE, TO HEAR FROM ONE
9 ANOTHER AND TO SHARE INFORMATION IN AS CLOSE TO REAL TIME AS
10 WE CAN GET IT. AND SO THAT'S REALLY THE INTENTION HERE IS
11 MAKING SURE THAT THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE IS ACTUALLY BEING
12 DONE IN A COORDINATED SPACE. I KNOW SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I
13 HAVE SURFACED ON THE MANY, MANY TABLES AT WHICH WE SIT WHERE
14 THERE ARE INEFFICIENCIES AND PEOPLE TALKING PAST EACH OTHER OR
15 NOT BEING AWARE OF WHAT'S GOING ON AND THIS WILL BE AN
16 OPPORTUNITY TO KIND OF BRING THAT TOGETHER. I WOULD SAY THIS
17 IS, YOU KNOW, ALSO I ENVISION IT SORT OF LIKE THE COVID
18 EMERGENCY MODEL. YOU KNOW, WHEN THE COVID EMERGENCY WAS
19 DECLARED, IT CERTAINLY LOOKED TO THOSE OF US WHO ARE WATCHING
20 WHAT THE COUNTY WAS DOING THAT IT WASN'T JUST DR. FERRER, YOU
21 KNOW, ON A DAILY PRESS CONFERENCE, BUT THERE WAS A COORDINATED
22 EFFORT WITHIN THE REGION BRINGING REGIONAL PARTNERS TOGETHER
23 IN A CENTER WHERE PEOPLE WERE WORKING TOGETHER TO DEPLOY
24 RESOURCES. AND I REALLY THINK THAT THAT'S SORT OF THE SPIRIT
25 OF THIS CENTER. HOW DO WE BRING THOSE RESOURCES TOGETHER AND



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1 MOVE IN A COORDINATED FASHION? AND I THINK THAT REGIONAL
2 COORDINATION CREATES EFFICIENCIES BUT CAN ALSO ADDRESS SOME OF
3 WHAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE MENTIONED BECAUSE I ABSOLUTELY AGREE
4 THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE EVERYBODY AT THE TABLE. AND ONE THING I
5 WILL SAY, YOU KNOW, I THINK THE NORWALK EXAMPLE IS FRUSTRATING
6 ON ITS FACE. AND THEN WHEN YOU, YOU KNOW, IN SPEAKING WITH AT
7 LEAST ONE OF THEIR COUNCIL MEMBERS ABOUT WHAT THEIR MOTIVATION
8 WAS, ONE THING THAT SURFACED WAS THE APPEARANCE THAT EVERYONE
9 THAT THEY HOUSED IN THE HOUSING THAT THEY DID BUILD CAME FROM
10 SOMEPLACE OTHER THAN NORWALK. MEANWHILE, THE PEOPLE IN NORWALK
11 DIDN'T HAVE A PLACE TO GO. AND I THINK THIS SORT OF REGIONAL
12 COORDINATION CENTER WILL HELP US SURFACE WHERE THAT IS
13 HAPPENING BECAUSE THERE MAY BE REASONS IF THERE'S EXTREME
14 EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES THAT REQUIRE SOMEBODY TO GET INTO
15 HOUSING OUTSIDE OF WHERE THEY ARE. BUT WE NEED TO HAVE AN
16 UNDERSTANDING OF THAT. AND I THINK THERE ARE A LOT OF
17 COMMUNITIES, I HEARD IT FROM A COUNCIL MEMBER IN LOS ANGELES
18 YESTERDAY, THAT THERE'S A SENSE THAT PEOPLE ARE BEING SERVED
19 IN REGIONS OUTSIDE OF WHERE THEY ARE. AND I THINK WHEN WE'RE
20 TALKING ABOUT THIS AS A REGIONAL APPROACH, THAT'S GOING TO
21 HAPPEN FROM TIME TO TIME, BUT THAT SHOULD SORT OF BE THE
22 EXCEPTION. AND WE SHOULD ALL BE OPERATING FROM THE SAME
23 PLAYBOOK. BECAUSE I HEAR FROM DIFFERENT COUNCIL MEMBERS IN THE
24 CITY OF LOS ANGELES. SOME ARE VERY CLEAR. THEY DON'T WANT
25 THINGS DONE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE UNHOUSED OUTSIDE THEIR DISTRICT



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1 WITHIN THEIR OWN DISTRICT. AND SOME ARE VERY MUCH WILLING TO
2 WORK ON A REGIONAL BASIS. AND SO, I THINK BRINGING US ALL
3 TOGETHER AROUND LIKE, HOW DO WE WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE THIS?
4 WHERE DO WE HAVE THOSE RESOURCES AVAILABLE? AND HOW DO WE
5 SURFACE WHERE SERVICES AND HOUSING DOESN'T EXIST? BECAUSE THIS
6 HOMELESSNESS CRISIS, AS FAR AS I CAN TELL, IT'S NOT ABSENT
7 FROM ANY ONE COMMUNITY. EVERY JURISDICTION THAT I WORK WITH
8 HAS SURFACED IT AS A PRIORITY ISSUE, EVEN IF THEIR NUMBERS ARE
9 SEEMINGLY SMALL IN COMPARISON TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS. SO,
10 SINCE EVERYBODY IS SAYING WE'RE ALL IN ON THIS AND THIS IS AN
11 ISSUE FOR US. WE NEED EVERYBODY ALL IN ON THE SOLUTIONS. AND
12 THAT'S REALLY THE COORDINATION CAN HELP SURFACE THAT AND BRING
13 THAT TO LIGHT. SO, SUPERVISOR BARGER, I SEE YOU WANNA GET BACK
14 IN.

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16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND I AGREE WITH ALL THE
17 COMMENTS MADE AND THIS IS NOT A PERFECT SCIENCE, BUT I WILL
18 SAY, ONNIE, GOING OUT AND MEETING WITH THE CITIES, AND I'VE
19 TOLD YOU THIS AND I'VE SAID IT PUBLICLY, HAS MADE A WORLD OF
20 DIFFERENCE. LETTING THEM KNOW THAT WE ARE A PARTNER,
21 EXPLAINING THAT CITIES WHO WANT LOCAL CONTROL PROVIDE THE BEDS
22 AND WILL PROVIDE THE SERVICES. AND THEN WITH THE STATE AND THE
23 PURCHASE OF MOTELS, THERE'S ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY. AND I
24 COULDN'T AGREE MORE ABOUT THE FRUSTRATION WITH SOME OF THE
25 CITIES. I MEAN, BUT IF YOU HAD TOLD ME 2 YEARS AGO THAT ONE OF



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1 MY CITIES WOULD PURCHASE PROPERTY WITH THE INTENT OF TINY
2 HOMES AND INTERIM AND HOPEFULLY PERMANENT HOUSING, I WOULD
3 HAVE SAID, I DON'T BELIEVE IT, BUT, ONNIE, THANKS TO THE WORK
4 THAT YOU DID WORKING WITH THEM AND A CITY COUNCIL, IT'S
5 GLENDORA THAT THAT STOOD TALL AND SAID WE HAVE ON HOW'S LIVING
6 IN OUR CITY LIMITS. WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING. AND SO, IT CAN BE
7 DONE, BUT IT TAKES A LOT OF WORK. AND AGAIN, IT TAKES BUILDING
8 TRUST. AND TO CITIES THAT DON'T WANNA DO IT, HOMELESS DON'T
9 REALLY KNOW DISTRICTS OR CITY LIMITS. THEY JUST KNOW WHERE
10 THEY'RE COMFORTABLE AND WHERE THEY'RE SAFE. AND I HAVE A CITY
11 THAT DOES NOT WANT TO PUT HOUSING IN AND THEY HAVE AND I'VE
12 GONE OUT AND TALKED TO THE HOMELESS OUT THERE AND THEY DO NOT
13 WANT TO LEAVE THAT AREA BECAUSE THERE IS A NEXUS TO THAT
14 COMMUNITY. EITHER FAMILY OR THEY LIVE THERE AND SO WHEN
15 THEY'RE OFFERED HOUSING IN THIS CASE YOU KNOW ABOUT 10 MILES
16 AWAY THEY DON'T WANT IT. THEY'D RATHER SLEEP IN THE PARK. AND
17 SO, I'M TELLING THE CITY THAT IF YOU TRULY WANT TO ADDRESS
18 WHAT'S TAKING PLACE IN YOUR COMMUNITY, THEY ARE GOING TO BE
19 BETTER NEIGHBORS HOUSED THAN THEY MAY BE LIVING IN YOUR PARK.
20 AND IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO DO IT FROM THAT STANDPOINT, DO IT
21 BECAUSE IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO. TO BE EMPATHETIC AND
22 COMPASSIONATE. BY THE GRACE OF GOD, IT'S NOT YOUR FAMILY
23 MEMBER THAT SUFFERS FROM ADDICTION AND OR MENTAL ILLNESS AND
24 ENDS UP ON THE STREET. SO, YOU KNOW, I APPRECIATE THAT, AND IT
25 DOES TAKE A LOT OF WORK. BUT WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT FAMILIES, AND



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1 AGAIN, HOPE VALLEY UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, I COULD BUILD 3
2 MORE OF THOSE SHELTERS FOR FAMILIES AND THEY'D BE FULL. THEY'D
3 BE FULL. AND WHEN YOU GO OUT, AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU ALL IF
4 YOU'RE OUT IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, TO SEE CHILDREN ACTUALLY
5 BEING ABLE TO RIDE THEIR BIKES FOR THE FIRST TIME AND FEEL
6 SAFE. AND THE PARENTS CAN ACTUALLY LET THEIR GUARD DOWN AND
7 LET THEIR CHILD BE A CHILD. SO THAT WE'RE BREAKING THAT CYCLE
8 AND ALLOWING THESE CHILDREN TO GO TO SCHOOL, GET AN EDUCATION
9 AND LIVE A LIFE. SO, I THINK THIS IS THE FIRST STEP. ONE OF
10 THE THINGS I WANT TO SAY IS THAT WE IN THE COUNTY TEND NOT TO
11 PIVOT WHEN SOMETHING IS BROUGHT FORWARD. SO, I HEAR WHAT
12 YOU'RE SAYING, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, IN TERMS OF ARE THERE
13 GOING TO BE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES? I DON'T KNOW, BUT DOING
14 NOTHING, ESPECIALLY ON THE COORDINATED SERVICE SIDE, TO ME IS
15 A MISSED OPPORTUNITY. AND IT'S NOT JUST, YOU KNOW, I HAD A
16 CITY SAY, IS THIS JUST ABOUT THE CITY OF LA? NO, IT'S ABOUT
17 THE ENTIRE COUNTY. NOW THE CITY OF LA IS THE LARGEST PLAYER
18 WHEN IT COMES TO THE HOMELESS CRISIS, BUT THIS IS GONNA
19 BENEFIT 87 OTHER CITIES IN LA COUNTY. AND I THINK THAT'S
20 IMPORTANT TO NOTE. AND THEN LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I'D BE REMISS
21 IF I DIDN'T BRING UP MENTAL HEALTH, WHO I THINK FEELS LIKE
22 THEY ARE GETTING PILED ON. EVERY ROAD LEADS BACK TO MENTAL
23 HEALTH WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE UNHOUSED. AND SO, I WOULD
24 ASK THAT WE BETTER COORDINATE AND COMMUNICATE WITH DR. WONG
25 AND SEE HOW WE CAN HELP HER BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF GREAT



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1 THINGS THEY'RE DOING THAT EVEN THE GOVERNOR DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT
2 UNTIL DR. WONG SAT DOWN WITH DR. GALLEY AND WENT THROUGH ON
3 THE GRAVELY DISABLED WHAT WE'RE DOING WITH THE NEW DEFINITION
4 TO EXPAND OUR CAPACITY AND SERVICES AND ROLL THAT OUT. SO, WE
5 NEED TO COMMUNICATE WITH HER AND SHE NEEDS TO COMMUNICATE WITH
6 US SO THAT WE CAN BETTER COORDINATE EVEN AMONGST THE WORK THAT
7 WE'RE DOING BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND HER FRUSTRATION, BUT I ALSO
8 UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE TO PUSH OURSELVES OUT OF THAT COMFORT
9 ZONE ONCE IN A WHILE. AND THIS IS A CASE WHERE I THINK THAT'S
10 GOING TO HAPPEN. BUT I DO BELIEVE WE NEED TO BE WILLING TO
11 LOOK AT SOMETHING THAT MAY COME FORWARD THAT WE WERE NOT
12 THINKING ABOUT. SO, I HEAR YOU LOUD AND CLEAR. THANK YOU,
13 MADAM CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
18 FOR THE COMMENTS ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH, BECAUSE AS I THINK ABOUT
19 SB 43, PROP 1, ALL THAT IS PILED ON THE PLATE, CARE COURT, ALL
20 OF THE NEW THINGS, ALL THE THINGS, AS THE CHAIR SAYS, BUT
21 MAKING SURE THAT SHE IS IN THE COORDINATION LOOP AS WELL. I
22 JUST WANT TO PLEAD AND ASK THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT WE KEEP UP
23 THE PACE WITH THE WORK THAT YOU ALL HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DO IN
24 OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, THAT THIS NEW COORDINATION
25 DOESN'T COME AT THE EXPENSE, AT THE PACE WITH WHICH WE HAVE



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1 FINALLY GOTTEN TO IN TERMS OF ADDRESSING OUR UNHOUSED FAMILY,
2 FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS AND RV'S IN THOSE COMMUNITIES. I'M
3 GOING TO MAKE THAT PUBLIC, PLEASE. AND THAT AS WE TALK ABOUT
4 TRANSPARENCY AND EQUITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY, THAT WE ARE
5 REPORTING PER SPA, PER DISTRICT IN TERMS OF THE DATA
6 COLLECTION SO WE CAN REALLY TRACK AND UNDERSTAND WHAT CITIES
7 WHO AREN'T STEPPING UP AND THOSE WHO ARE AND THAT AS WE TALK
8 ABOUT WANTING TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S A REGIONAL STRATEGY THAT
9 WE HAVE THE DATA THAT SHOWS US THAT IT IS INDEED A REGIONAL
10 STRATEGY. SO THOSE ARE MY 2 ASKS. HAVING VOICED THOSE CONCERNS
11 AND RAISED MY APPREHENSION, I'LL BE SUPPORTING 90 AS WELL,
12 MADAM CHAIR.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** APPRECIATE IT, THANK YOU.

15
16 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** BUT I MAKE THAT ASK OF YOU ALL.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SEEING NO OTHER SUPERVISORS IN
19 THE QUEUE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE
20 PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL SELENA COLEMAN PLEASE COME FORWARD AND
23 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
24 SPEAKER PLEASE?



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ AND I
5 REPRESENT ALMA, AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO SUPPORTING OUR
6 COMMUNITY'S MOST VULNERABLE MEMBERS. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY
7 STRONG SUPPORT FOR ITEM 26. AS A PROUD RESIDENT OF THE SAN
8 GABRIEL VALLEY, I HAVE WITNESSED FIRSTHAND THE COMMITMENT OF
9 VARIOUS THEORIES AS EL MONTE, POMONA, BALDWIN PARK,
10 MONTEBELLO, AND NOW AZUSA, THEY ARE SUPPORTING OUR UNHOUSED
11 NEIGHBORS. THESE MUNICIPALITIES HAVE TAKEN CRITICAL STEPS,
12 EVEN IN THE FACE OF OPPOSITION FROM THEIR OWN RESIDENTS, TO
13 ADDRESS THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS EFFECTIVELY. HOWEVER,
14 UNFORTUNATELY, SOME CITIES HAVE HINDERED PROGRESS BY BLOCKING
15 AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS AND OPPOSING PROJECT ROOM KEY FOR
16 EXAMPLE A VITAL INITIATIVE THAT PROVIDES LIFE SAVING
17 ASSISTANCE TO THOSE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS RESEARCH AND
18 BEST PRACTICES HAVE SHOWN THAT HOMELESSNESS IS A CHALLENGE
19 THAT NO SINGLE CITY CAN OVERCOME ALONE. WE NEED A UNIFIED
20 REGIONAL APPROACH WHERE MORE CITIES COLLABORATE AND SHARE THE
21 RESPONSIBILITY OF PROVIDING SHELTER. --

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
24 SPEAKER, PLEASE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JOSHUA CLAYTON. YOUR LINE
2 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY IN
3 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** ITEM 7, PROVIDING OUR COUNTY LIBRARIES WITH MENTAL
6 HEALTH CONDITIONS TO HELP THE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE.

7
8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM IS LATER IN OUR AGENDA.
9 EXCUSE ME, THAT ITEM IS LATER IN OUR AGENDA. SO, WE'LL PUT YOU
10 BACK IN QUEUE FOR ITEM 7 AND WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BONNIE SHARP. YOUR LINE IS
15 OPEN IF YOU'RE MUTED. PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
16 THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HI, I WAS IN QUEUE FOR ITEM 27.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, ITEM 27 IS NEXT, SO WE'LL
21 PUT YOU BACK IN QUEUE AND WE'LL GO TO OUR NEXT SPEAKER. WE ARE
22 ON ITEMS 26 AND 90D. MODERATOR, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23
24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS COLIN CAMPBELL. YOUR LINE
25 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY



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1 INTO THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** YES, THIS IS AGENDA 26. THIS IS FOR THE ECRC.

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, ITEMS 26 AND 90D. YES, THANK
6 YOU.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** YEP. I'M FROM DISTRICT 5, SOUTH PASADENA. I'M A
9 BUILDER OF ORACLE FEDERAL AND I PRESENTED THE FEDERAL BUDGET
10 FOR LA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SEPTEMBER 10TH OF \$238,500,000,000
11 TO BUILD OUR CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIRED FOR KAMALA CARE
12 UNIVERSAL HEALTHCARE FOR LA COUNTY INDIA AND CHINA AND I'M
13 ASKING COULD WE AUGMENT THE ECRC CENTER AND THE IMPACTED
14 PARTIES WITH ORACLE FEDERAL, OUR MOST POWERFUL QUANTUM
15 COMPUTER, PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED BY KAMALA HARRIS ON 9/10, AND DO
16 REAL-TIME PERSONALITY PROFILING, TREATMENT STATUS, BEHAVIORAL
17 MODELING FOR HOMELESS MEMBERS AND STAFF TO HELP GUIDE ALL
18 DIFFERENT PARTIES. AND THIS IS IN MY USE CASE. I SUBMITTED A
19 CASH EMBARGO FOR A TEST PILOT AT UNION STATION PASADENA
20 HOMELESS SHELTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE. OUR NEXT
23 PARTICIPANT IS ALICIA CASTRO. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE
24 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE. YOU
25 MAY BEGIN.



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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** IT LOOKS LIKE ALICIA JUST DROPPED.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY NEXT SPEAKER.

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ASHLEY DE LA ROSA. YOUR

9 LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK

10 DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ASHLEY DE LA ROSA. I'M

13 WITH THE DOLORES RESTA FOUNDATION, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

14 WORKING TO EMPOWER COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO MAKE CHANGE IN THEIR

15 COMMUNITIES. ONE OF THOSE, WE SUPPORT ITEM 26 TO INCREASE THE

16 SHELTER CAPACITY ACROSS THE COUNTY. AND I ALSO JUST WANT TO

17 EMPHASIZE THAT THE DELORDES RECTOR FOUNDATION HAS BEEN

18 CONDUCTING DOOR-TO-DOOR CANVASSING THIS SUMMER IN THE MIDDLE

19 OF THE ELECTION, ALSO GETTING PEOPLE TO KNOW WHAT IS

20 HAPPENING. AND WE'VE BEEN KNOCKING OVER 400 DOORS, AND A LOT

21 OF THE CONCERNS THAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS SHARE ARE ABOUT THE

22 HOSPICE CRISIS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO INVEST IN THE ANTELOPE

23 VALLEY IN PALMDALE IN COORDINATION WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE

24 DOING ON-THE-GROUND WORK TO ENSURE PEOPLE IMPLEMENTATION AND

25 TO ENSURE THAT THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE ABLE TO HAVE THE



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1 NEEDED SHELTERS THAT THEY WITH THAT THEY NEED WHAT THIS
2 EXTREME HEAT AND COLD THAT IN THAT REGION THE SHELTERS ARE
3 LIFE-SAVING INTERVENTION AND SO IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US
4 TO ALSO INVEST IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AGAIN JUST TO MAKE SURE
5 THAT THE WHOLE AREA OF OUTLAY COUNTIES.--

6
7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
8 SPEAKER PLEASE.

9
10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ALLISON HENRY. YOUR LINE IS
11 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
12 THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13
14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ALLISON HENRY. I'M THE SAN
15 GABRIEL VALLEY LEAD ORGANIZER WITH LA FORWARD INSTITUTE AND
16 SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION ON ITEM 26 AND JUST WANT TO
17 LIFT UP THAT THERE ISN'T ANY ONE CITY WHERE YOU CAN ESCAPE
18 HOMELESSNESS OR HIGH LIVING COSTS AND JUST TO SPREAD ALL OF
19 THESE SHELTERS. WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SAID, THE FULL
20 CONSTELLATION OF OUR UNSHELTERED FOLKS EQUITABLY THROUGHOUT
21 THE REGION. AND JUST WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR ALL THE
22 WORK ON THIS. THANK YOU.

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



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BEATRICE SANDOVAL. YOUR
2 LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
3 DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS BEATRICE SANDOVAL. I'M FROM LA
6 COUNTY. MY AREA OF WORK IS IN SAN DIEGO VALLEY, BALDWIN PARK,
7 WEST COVINA, EL MONTE, LA PUENTE. I SUPPORT THE 1826, BUT
8 ALSO, I ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOU TO DON'T MOVE THE PEOPLE AWAY
9 FROM THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. THEY BELONG TO OUR COMMUNITIES
10 BECAUSE THEY, THE LAST TIME THEY BECOME UNHOUSED, THEY ATTACH
11 THAT PLACE BECAUSE THEY HAVE CHILDREN IN THEIR SCHOOLS, THEY
12 KNOW WHERE IS THE PHARMACY, THEY KNOW WHERE IS THAT CHURCH
13 THEY CAN GO AND PRAY AND STAY FOR IN THE CHARROS AND TAKE SOME
14 WATER. SO, WE NEED TO MAKE ACCOUNTABLE THE CITIES LIKE WEST
15 COVINA, LIKE COVINA, AND ROWLAND HEIGHTS, AND HACIENDA
16 HEIGHTS. --

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
19 SPEAKER PLEASE.

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BRITTANY MASON. YOUR LINE
22 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
23 INTO THE PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN.

24
25 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS BRITTANY MASON AND I'M WITH HOVENESS



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1 INC. HOVENESS IS A NONPROFIT THAT SERVES HOMELESS YOUTH AND
2 STUDENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE YOUNG PEOPLE THAT WE SERVE
3 REPRESENT SOME OF THE MOST VULNERABLE OF OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS
4 AND SO ON BEHALF OF THAT POPULATION AND AS WE WANT TO EXPRESS
5 OUR SUPPORT FOR ITEM 26 TO EXPAND SHELTER CAPACITY ACROSS THE
6 COUNTY. SHELTER INTERVENTION IS CRITICAL FOR OUR YOUTH
7 POPULATION IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE CYCLE OF HOMELESSNESS
8 THROUGHOUT ADULTHOOD AND ADDITIONALLY WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT
9 THE SHELTER ACCESS IS DISTRIBUTED EQUITABLY ACROSS THE REGION.
10 IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE AS A COUNTY COME TOGETHER TO JOINTLY
11 END THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS, ENSURE THAT WE'RE ALL WORKING
12 TOGETHER TO DO OUR PART TO SUPPORT OUR OWN HOUSE NEIGHBORS.
13 SO, THANK YOU.

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

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SEAN MORRISSEY. YOUR LINE
18 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
19 INTO THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20
21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS SEAN MORRISSEY. I'M THE VP
22 OF ADVOCACY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WITH UNION STATION
23 HOMELESS SERVICES. WE'RE THE SPA LEAD IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY,
24 AND WE SUPPORT ITEM 26 IN EVALUATING A FRAMEWORK FOR
25 ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY CLIMATE SHELTERS. WE RECOGNIZE THAT AS



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1 WE RIGHTLY MOVE TOWARD PERMANENT AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AS THE
2 MODEL SOLUTION TO ENDING HOMELESSNESS, THERE HAS BEEN AT THE
3 SAME TIME A WOEFUL LACK OF ACCOMPANYING EMERGENCY INTERIM
4 HOUSING AS PART OF THE CONTINUUM. WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT
5 SHELTER, ESPECIALLY IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, IS DISTRIBUTED
6 EQUITABLY AND THAT ALL CITIES PARTICIPATE. WE EMPHASIZE THE
7 IMPORTANCE THAT THESE FACILITIES BE NON-CONGREGATE, VOLUNTARY,
8 AND RUN UTILIZING COMPASSIONATE, PERSON-CENTERED BEST PRACTICE
9 MODELS AND RESOURCES. THANK YOU.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JACQUELINE VILLALTA. YOUR
14 LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
15 DIRECTLY ON YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS JACQUELINE VILLALTA FROM OPERATION HEALTHY
18 HEARTS. I SUPPORT ITEM 26 TO INCREASE SHELTER CAPACITY ACROSS
19 THE COUNTY. AS A HACIENDA HEIGHTS RESIDENT WHO'S EXPERIENCED
20 HOMELESSNESS MYSELF, IT'S CRUCIAL THAT SHELTERS PARTICULARLY
21 IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY ARE DISTRIBUTED EQUITABLY. SINCE
22 2018, MY NONPROFIT HAS BEEN FACILITATING EMERGENCY RESPONSE
23 RESOURCES EVENTS IN SPA 3 WITH THE SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR HILDA
24 SOLIS. JUST THIS PAST WEEK WE SERVED OVER 125 INDIVIDUALS AT
25 WHITTIER-NARROWS IN EL MONTE. FUNDING SHELTER WITH A CAPACITY



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1 WITHIN A 10-MILE RADIUS HAS BEEN INCREDIBLY CHALLENGING. I
2 WOULD LOVE TO SEE MICRO SAFE SLEEPING SITES IMPLEMENTED IN SPA
3 3. WE HAVE TEAMS READY TO RECREATE THIS MODEL IN SPA 3 TO
4 ADDRESS THE IMMEDIATE NEED. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. YOUR LINE IS
9 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
10 THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVIN, AND I DON'T KNOW WHICH
13 SPA I'M IN, BUT WE HAVE SOME OF THE ISSUES IN STUDIO CITY,
14 NORTH HOLLYWOOD, AND IT WAS NICE TO SEE SUPERVISOR, I MEAN,
15 COUNCILWOMAN RAMAN COME DOWN. AND THE EMERGENCY CENTER IS AN
16 IDEA THAT KATIE YAROSLAVSKY LIKES TO TALK ABOUT, AND IT'S NOT
17 A BAD IDEA USING THE SHARE INFORMATION MODEL SINCE WE'RE ALL
18 TRYING TO PUT THE FIRE OUT. BUT THE PROBLEM IS, IS THAT THERE
19 ARE ALREADY INFRASTRUCTURE THINGS IN PLACE. AND WHEN I HEAR
20 ABOUT BRAHMAN TALKING ABOUT THE GREAT DATA MINING THAT THEY
21 DID, THEY FINALLY CAN FIGURE OUT THAT PEOPLE ARE IN THE
22 INTERIM FOR SO LONG. WE ALREADY KNOW THAT, WE ALREADY KNOW
23 THAT. AND NOW WE'RE GONNA HAVE A LITTLE SEPARATE OFFICE THAT'S
24 WEARING LITTLE HATS TO TRY TO, I'M VERY, VERY WORRIED ABOUT A
25 FURTHER EXPANSION. IT SOUNDS LIKE CES PART 2. NOW GOING TO THE



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1 CLIMATE EMERGENCY, WHAT A PROBLEM OF OUR TIME. THIS IS A GREAT
2 IDEA TO GET PEOPLE INDOORS SO THEY DON'T COOK AND DIE OUT IN
3 THE STREETS. NOW, 4118 WITH OUR COLLEAGUES DOWN AT CITY HALL
4 THAT ARE ROLLING OUT AT AN ALARMING RATE, INCLUDING RAMAN
5 VOTING ALONG WITH IT IF YOU CAN BELIEVE IT.

6

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

9

10 **SPEAKER:** LET ME FINISH. LET ME FINISH. I'D LIKE TO FINISH. I
11 HAVE 2 MINUTES. THESE ARE 2 ITEMS. I DON'T THINK YOU SHOULD BE
12 CUTTING ME OFF. I WOULD LIKE TO FINISH TALKING ABOUT THE --

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** EACH SPEAKER GETS 1 MINUTE ON
15 BOTH ITEMS. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LISA SMITH. YOUR LINE IS
18 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
19 THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LISA. I HAVE BEEN HOMELESS NOW FOR
22 A VERY LONG TIME. I SPOKE AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR HEARING
23 ME OUT FOR 90D. I SPOKE IN THE TELE 30S AREA LAST YEAR, JULY
24 17, 2023, IN FRONT OF JANICE HAHN AND ALSO SARAH BLUNA. I
25 DISCUSSED WHAT WAS GOING ON AND THE FACT THAT I DIDN'T HEAR



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1 BACK FROM JULIE MITCHELL. I WAS TOLD BY JANICE HAHN THAT I
2 WOULD BE GETTING HELP FROM IVAN, THE FIELD DEPUTY WHO SHE
3 INTRODUCED ME TO THAT NIGHT. HE FOLLOWED UP ONCE OR TWICE AND
4 THEN THAT WAS OVER A YEAR AGO. I'M STILL UNHOUSED. I WAS
5 HOOKED UP WITH THE PEOPLE CONCERNED. THE PEOPLE CONCERNED
6 ACTUALLY HAD LIED TO ME FOR MANY MONTHS. I HAVE SENT OUT MANY
7 EMAILS TO ALL THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS TO ALSO TELL THEM THAT
8 I'M --

9

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

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'RE ACTUALLY GOING TO GO TO
14 SPEAKERS IN PERSON AND THEN GO BACK TO THE PHONES. PLEASE GO
15 AHEAD.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS SELENA COLEMAN AND I JUST WANT TO SAY
18 THAT DRUG AFFECTS MENTAL HEALTH, ESPECIALLY THE NEW DRUGS. MY
19 ORGANIZATION IS IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 26. WE ASK THE COUNTY TO DO
20 THINGS SMARTER FOR THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE INVEST IN 3D CONCRETE
21 PRINTERS AND UTILIZE COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTIES TO CREATE
22 AFFORDABLE PERMANENT HOUSING TO GO ALONG WITH THE SHELTER
23 PROGRAM IT TAKES 1/3 LESS TIME TO BUILD AND 40% LESS COST THAN
24 TRADITIONAL WOOD FRAMING HOUSES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
2 SPEAKERS IN PERSON? OKAY, WE'LL GO BACK TO SPEAKERS ON THE
3 PHONE. PLEASE GO AHEAD, MODERATOR.

4
5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHRIES. YOUR LINE IS
6 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY ON THE
7 PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8
9 **SPEAKER:** OKAY SOMETHING NEW AND YOU'VE NEVER HEARD IT BEFORE
10 IS THE COUNTY-WIDE SYSTEM OF TRANSIENT CAMPSITES TO GET THESE
11 PEOPLE OFF OF OUR STREETS. THESE PEOPLE WILL REFUSE AID TO
12 YOUR HOUSING SITUATION, YET THEY'VE ALLOWED AND HILDA SOLIS IS
13 GUILTY. THE NEGLIGENCE IS HANDLING OUT HERE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS
14 IS PATHETIC WITH OUR PARKS AND SO FORTH. THESE PEOPLE WILL
15 REFUSE IT AND PLAGUE OUR SOCIETY. AND THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF
16 THEM ALLOWED TO DO THIS. WE CAN'T EVEN GET MAINTENANCE FROM
17 THESE TRANSIENT HANGOUT OR OUR BUS STOP, THE ONE ON COLIMA.
18 EVERYBODY KNOWS IT'S INFAMOUS OUT THERE. GET OUT THERE. AND I
19 KNOW IT'S NOT AN EASY JOB, BUT IT'S NOT A VERY POPULAR THING
20 OUT THERE, BUT YOUR JOB IS NOT TO BE POPULAR, BUT TO DO A GOOD
21 JOB IN SUPERVISING AND MAINTAINING OUR COMMUNITIES SO THAT THE
22 TAXPAYERS CAN ENJOY THE BENEFITS THEREOF. THANK YOU.

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



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS REGGIE CLARK. YOUR LINE IS
2 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
3 THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

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

6

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

8

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

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HELLO? OKAY, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS REGGIE CLARK,
12 BOUNDARIES OF AMERICA, AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 26. I WANT
13 TO THANK ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR BRINGING THIS TO THE TABLE.
14 HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GET MORE
15 SUPPORT IN MORE SHELTERS BECAUSE IT'S REALLY NEEDED. I OVERSEE
16 POMONA SHELTERS AND I WANT TO GIVE H.I. PROPS FOR BRINGING
17 PATHWAYS IN BECAUSE IT'S BEING VERY HELPFUL. SO, AT THE SAME
18 TIME, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY
19 THAT THIS WILL BE A POSITIVE THING TO HAPPEN. THANK YOU,
20 SOLIS. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ARMANDA NAVA. YOUR LINE IS
25 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO



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1 THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, CAN YOU GUYS HEAR ME?

4

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO? SORRY. SO, ARMANDO NAVA, CITY OF BALDWIN PARK.

8 I SUPPORT ITEM 26 TO INCREASE THE SHELTER CAPACITY ACROSS THE

9 COUNTY. THE LAST 4 YEARS HAVE BEEN THE SAME CITIES THAT HAVE

10 STEPPED UP TO HELP THE UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS. I THINK IT'S TIME

11 FOR THE OTHER CITIES TO STEP UP SO WE COULD JOIN THIS EFFORT

12 TO HELP OUR HOMELESS CRISIS ACROSS THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. IN

13 ADDITION, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR

14 THEIR DONATION OF \$322,000 TO CONTINUE OUR SERENITY HOMES OPEN

15 FOR ANOTHER YEAR. THANK YOU.

16

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS J.C. WEATHERSBY. YOUR LINE

20 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY

21 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO.

24

25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** HELLO. PLEASE GO AHEAD.



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2 **SPEAKER:** HELLO.

3

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

5

6 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS J.C. WEATHERSBY. I'M A HUD-VASH RECIPIENT
7 VETERAN HOUSED HERE IN MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA. I HAD TO GO TO
8 BECKY SHEVLIN MAYOR TO GET THE CCNRS AND BYLAWS OF THE HOA
9 WHERE I WAS MOVED INTO. I WAS NOT INFORMED BEFORE I MOVED HERE
10 THAT IT WAS GOVERNED BY AN HOA. MY LANDLORD HAS BEEN TWISTED
11 HOLDING HER TO POLICIES LIKE LINTING TO NON-FAMILY. I'M A HUD-
12 BASED VETERAN AND LACDA, THE L-A-C-D-A, OVERSEES MY PAPERWORK.
13 NOWHERE ON THE PAPERWORK DOES IT SAY, CHECK THIS BOX IF YOU'RE
14 AN HOA. THOSE POLICIES HAVE VIOLATED MY RIGHTS. MY LANDLORD
15 DENIED A NOTICE TO VACATE FORM, TURNED IT INTO LACDA WITHOUT
16 MY SIGNATURE AND KNOWLEDGE. LACDA ACKNOWLEDGED THAT IT DID NOT
17 HAVE MY SIGNATURE. YET THEY STILL IMPOSED A 90-DAY NOTICE ON
18 ME DURING THE MORATORIUM. THE HOUSING RIGHTS --

19

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

22

23 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS IN
24 THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, AND CAN WE PLEASE MAKE SURE
2 TO GET THE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE LAST SPEAKER SO WE CAN
3 HELP WITH HIS CONSTITUENT NEED? I THINK WE HAVE ONE MORE
4 SPEAKER IN THE ROOM. NO, WE DON'T? OKAY, THEN PUBLIC COMMENT
5 IS CLOSED. ITEM 26 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER
6 AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE
7 CALL THE ROLL.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 26. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE

12

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

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

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

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.



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

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

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ITEM 90D IS BEFORE US, I WILL
8 MOVE IT SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
9 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE

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

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

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

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21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5
7 TO 0.

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9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** CARTER, ALAMS, ONNIE, THANK YOU
10 VERY MUCH FOR BEING HERE WITH US THIS MORNING AND ALL THAT
11 YOU'RE DOING. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 27, FOSTER FAMILY
12 AGENCY INSURANCE CRISIS ANALYSIS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
13 BARGER. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE WANTING TO
14 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON
15 THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR BARGER, I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. INSURANCE RATES
18 HAVE BEEN RISING SIGNIFICANTLY ACROSS ALL SECTORS, IMPACTING
19 HOMEOWNERS WHO LOST FIRE INSURANCE, BUSINESSES, CAR OWNERS,
20 AND MORE. UNFORTUNATELY, THERE HAS BEEN NO RELIEF IN SIGHT AS
21 INSURERS ARE PULLING OUT OF PROVIDING INSURANCE IN THE STATE.
22 ONE VICTIM OF THIS PLIGHT IS OUR FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES WHO
23 PROVIDE CARE TO FOSTER YOUTH AFTER THEY HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM
24 THEIR HOME DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS. MANY OF THESE AGENCIES HAVE
25 OPERATED IN THE COUNTY FOR DECADES, PROVIDING STABILITY FOR



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1 YOUNG PEOPLE, SERVICES, AND CARE. THE INSURANCE PROVIDER OF
2 90% OF THESE AGENCIES HAS STATED IT WANTS TO PULL OUT OF
3 PROVIDING INSURANCE IN CALIFORNIA DUE TO INCREASED LIABILITY
4 COSTS DUE TO AB 218 LAWSUITS. THE IMPACT THIS HAS HAD ON OUR
5 FFA PROVIDERS IS DEVASTATING. AN IMMEDIATE LOSS OF INSURANCE
6 OR SIGNIFICANT INCREASE HAS THREATENED OUR FFA'S VERY
7 EXISTENCE. UP TO 500 FOSTER YOUTH MAY LOSE THEIR HOMES IN THE
8 NEXT 2 TO 3 WEEKS IF THE PROVIDERS LOSE INSURANCE. I'VE
9 ALREADY HEARD FROM ONE OF THE FFA'S IN MY DISTRICT THAT THEY
10 WILL BE CLOSING IN 2 WEEKS AS A RESULT OF THE INSURANCE
11 CRISIS. MY HOPE AND THEIR HOPE IS THAT THESE FAMILIES CONTINUE
12 TO WANT TO BE FOSTER FAMILIES WITH OTHER AGENCIES IN THE
13 COUNTY, EVEN THOUGH THEIR CONNECTION WITH THE FFA AND THEIR
14 DEDICATED SOCIAL WORKER WILL BE LOST. MY DISTRICT HAS BEEN
15 HOME TO THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CHILDREN PLACED AT AN FFA
16 CERTIFIED HOME. THIS IS WHY WE MUST LOOK AT ALL OPTIONS TODAY
17 TO PREVENT THE LOSS OF THESE FOSTER HOMES FOR OUR YOUTH WHO
18 HAVE ALREADY EXPERIENCED TRAUMA, INSTABILITY, AND CHALLENGES
19 MORE THAN ANY OF US COULD DREAM OF. THAT IS WHY I'VE ALSO
20 ASKED OUR COUNTY COUNCIL, DCFS, AND THE CEO'S OFFICE TO
21 CONTINUE TO WORK ON OPTIONS TO ENSURE THESE AGENCIES CAN
22 SURVIVE AND PROVIDE VITAL SERVICES THAT MAKE UP OUR SYSTEM. I
23 WANT TO THANK THE FFA'S IN MY DISTRICT AND THE ASSOCIATION OF
24 COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES FOR THEIR CONTINUED ADVOCACY
25 ON THIS ISSUE. I KNOW SEVERAL OF THEM WILL BE SHARING THEIR



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1 VOICES TODAY, BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW I HAVE HEARD YOU AND THE
2 COUNTY IS TAKING THIS ISSUE SERIOUSLY AND IMMEDIATELY. AND
3 REBECCA ELLIS WITH LA TIMES DID AN EXCELLENT ARTICLE
4 HIGHLIGHTING NOT ONLY THE CRISIS, BUT THE IMPACT. SO, I WOULD
5 ENCOURAGE MY COLLEAGUES IF NOT SEEN IT TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT
6 BECAUSE IT REALLY DOES LAY OUT THIS CRISIS AND REALLY PROVIDES
7 INSIGHT INTO THE IMPACT IT'S GOING TO HAVE, NOT ONLY ON THE
8 AGENCIES BUT ALSO ON OUR YOUTH. SO, I WOULD ASK FOR AN AYE
9 VOTE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE ALSO
12 BEING INCLUDED AS A CO-AUTHOR ON THIS MOTION. LOS ANGELES
13 COUNTY RELIES ON OUR FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES FOR THE SUCCESSFUL
14 PLACEMENT, REUNIFICATION, AND OR ADOPTION OF CHILDREN EVERY
15 YEAR. FFA'S ENSURE THAT WE CAN PROVIDE SAFE, LOVING, AND
16 AFFIRMING HOMES TO KIDS ENTRUSTED TO OUR CARE. WE CANNOT LOSE
17 THEIR SUPPORT AND PARTNERSHIP. AND LIKE YOU MENTIONED, I TOO
18 HAVE HEARD FROM OUR FFA'S, SOME OF WHOM ARE REPRESENTED HERE
19 TODAY, AND WE THANK YOU FOR JOINING US, AS WELL AS RESOURCE
20 FAMILIES AND ADOPTIVE PARENTS, AS WELL AS FROM DCFS ABOUT THE
21 VITAL ROLE FFA'S PLAY AND THE INSURANCE CRISIS THESE
22 ORGANIZATIONS NOW UNFORTUNATELY FACE. THANK YOU FOR SPEAKING
23 UP AND SHARING YOUR STORIES AND CONCERNS WITH US. WE HEAR YOU.
24 AND WHILE THIS IS A STATEWIDE ISSUE THAT REQUIRES A STATEWIDE
25 SOLUTION, THIS MOTION ASKS OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WHAT STEPS



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1 WE CAN TAKE IN THE MEANTIME TO ENSURE WE DON'T LOSE THE
2 SUPPORT OF AND COLLABORATION WITH THESE ESSENTIAL PARTNERS. WE
3 THANK YOU IN ADVANCE TO CEO LAIR FOR THE WORK THAT YOU WILL DO
4 TO EMBARK ON AN ADVOCACY PLAN FOR LEGISLATIVE AND STATE BUDGET
5 PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE A LONG-TERM SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION TO THIS
6 CRISIS. I KNOW IT'S STATE LEGISLATION THAT PROMPTED INSURANCE
7 COMPANIES TO TAKE THIS ACTION, AND SO WE'RE SIMPLY RESPONDING
8 TO A REALITY THAT UNFORTUNATELY WILL IMPACT OUR COUNTY AS A
9 RESULT OF EVEN JUST THE ACTION OF PROPOSING LEGISLATION. SO, I
10 LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK AND OUR TEAM IS READY TO WORK
11 WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, DCFS AND OUR CEO TO DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO
12 SUPPORT OUR FOSTER CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES. SUPERVISOR
13 MITCHELL.

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15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
16 THANKS TO BOTH SUPERVISOR BARGER AND OUR CHAIR FOR BRINGING
17 THE MOTION BEFORE US. NOT ONLY DID I READ THE ARTICLE, JULIE
18 BROWN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOLY FAMILY SERVICES, BUMPED INTO
19 ME SATURDAY AT A LOCAL EATERY AND SAT RIGHT DOWN AT MY TABLE
20 AND TOLD ME EXACTLY WHAT THEY WERE FACING. AND IT REMINDED ME
21 OF, AS WE'VE TALKED ABOUT LOCKING ARMS WITH THE CITY, YOU
22 KNOW, WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO LOCK ARMS WITH FFA'S. THIS IS
23 WORK THAT THE COUNTY CERTAINLY CANNOT, NOR SHOULD WE, DO
24 ALONE. YOU KNOW, I AGREE. I WANT TO THANK OUR ADVOCACY TEAM
25 FOR THE WORK THEY'VE BEEN DOING AND THE WORK THAT THEY MUST



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1 CONTINUE TO DO TO TRY TO REALLY MAKE SURE THAT AT THE STATE
2 LEVEL, THE FFA'S EXPERIENCE AND THE COUNTY'S PERSPECTIVE ARE
3 REFLECTED IN WHATEVER FOLLOWING LEGISLATION COMES TO BEAR. I
4 AM CLEAR THAT THESE AGENCIES THAT ARE, MANY OF THEM ARE, HAVE
5 SERVED FAMILIES AND CHILDREN IN THIS COUNTY FOR 100 YEARS
6 PLUS, CANNOT AFFORD WHAT THE INDUSTRY WILL CHARGE THEM. AND IN
7 MANY INSTANCES, THE INDUSTRY DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A PRODUCT TO
8 SELL THEM. SO, IT'S REALLY COUNTERINTUITIVE. CLEARLY THERE IS
9 A CHALLENGE IN TERMS OF MAKING SURE THAT THE CHILDREN IN THEIR
10 CARE ARE SAFE AND ARE NOT ABUSED. THAT GOES WITHOUT SAYING.
11 THIS ADMINISTRATIVE CHALLENGE IS SOMETHING THAT I'M CONFIDENT
12 THAT WE WILL HAVE TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY TO FIND A SOLUTION.
13 SO, I'LL BE SUPPORTING TODAY'S MOTION, THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
16 PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
17 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL AMBER RIVAS, ANNA RUBIN, JODI KURATA,
20 CESAR GOMEZ, AND DONALD HARLAN, PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF
21 WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
22 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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24 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS LAURA PATTERSON. YOUR LINE
25 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY



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1 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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3 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LAURA PATTERSON WITH
4 SYCAMORES. WE WOULD FIRST LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR
5 HER LEADERSHIP IN AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION AND CHAIR HORVATH FOR
6 SERVING AS CO-AUTHOR. SYCAMORSE HAS BEEN DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY
7 THIS INSURANCE CRISIS. WITH A NOTICE BY NIAC ABOUT OUR NON-
8 RENEWAL COVERAGE ON NOVEMBER 1ST, OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM HAS
9 GRAPPLED WITH A VERY DIFFICULT DECISION TO CLOSE OUR FFA
10 PROGRAM. THE NEWS HAS BEEN DEVASTATING TO OUR RESOURCE
11 FAMILIES GIVEN THEIR LONG-TERM ENGAGEMENT WITH THEIR FFA
12 SOCIAL WORKER. SHE'S WALKED ALONGSIDE THEM THROUGH THE
13 CERTIFICATION PROCESS, DAILY PARENTING CHALLENGES, CRISIS, AND
14 THE ADOPTION PROCESS. FFA ARE VITAL TO THE STATE'S GOAL TO
15 PLACE MORE YOUTH IN FAMILY HOMES RATHER THAN GROUP SETTINGS.
16 FOSTER YOUTH ARE ALREADY DEALING WITH INSTABILITY, AND THE
17 WORST THING WE CAN DO IS MAKE THEIR LIVES MORE UNSTABLE.
18 SYCAMORES IS IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION FOR LA COUNTY TO
19 IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL TANGIBLE STEPS TO BE TAKEN GIVEN THAT THE
20 STATE IS UNWILLING TO OFFER ANY ADDITIONAL LIFELINES MAINTAIN
21 THE --

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS AMY SANCHEZ YOUR LINE IS
2 OPEN IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
3 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THIS ISSUE.
6 MY NAME IS AMY SANCHEZ AND I AM A REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
7 AT PACIFIC CLINICS. WHILE WE DO NOT HAVE AN FFA IN LA COUNTY,
8 WE ARE FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. ON A
9 PERSONAL NOTE, MY 26-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER ONCE ADOPTED ME AND MY
10 FAMILY OVER 11 YEARS AGO, SO I UNDERSTAND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF
11 HOW SAFE AND LOVING HOMES CAN HEAL ABANDONED AND NEGLECTED
12 CHILDREN AND TEENS. PACIFIC ALLIANCE IS A PARTNER TO LA BASED
13 FFA'S SUCH AS HILLSIDE AND FAMILY UNITING FAMILIES AND WE CAN
14 ATTEST TO THEIR ESSENTIAL ROLE AS PART OF THE CONTINUUM OF
15 CARE FOR SYSTEMS INVOLVED YOUTH. IT IS UNSETTLING, IF NOT
16 FRIGHTENING, TO HEAR THAT THE FFA'S WHO HAVE BEEN ANCHORS OF
17 CARE FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE
18 AT RISK BECAUSE OF THE FFA INSURANCE CRISIS. AND WE ASK FOR
19 YOUR SUPPORT IN IDENTIFYING A SHORT- AND LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO
20 THE FFA INSURANCE CRISIS TO PREVENT THE LOSS OF CRITICAL
21 SERVICES AND PLACEMENT DISRUPTION FOR THOSE IN CARE. THANK
22 YOU.

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



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MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ABRIANA MOLINA. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE, YOU MAY BEGIN.

SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ADRIANA MOLINA AND I AM A FORMER CSW, A FOSTER TO ADOPT PARENT, AND A LONG-STANDING DIRECT SERVICE PROVIDER SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CURRENTLY CPO AT ALLIES FOR EVERY CHILD. WITH ALMOST 50% OF NEW CASES OPEN BY DCFS BEING CHILDREN 0 TO 5, THIS WILL HAVE A DETRIMENTAL LONG-TERM EFFECT ON OUR MOST VULNERABLE AND YEARLY VOCAL CONSTITUENTS. STABILITY AND PREDICTABILITY ARE KEY TO HEALTH AND WELLNESS FOR THE YOUTH WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA AND ADVERSITY AS WELL AS OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN WHO ARE UNDERGOING THE BIGGEST PERIOD OF BRAIN DEVELOPMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS, TIMELY RESPONSE TO THIS CRISIS IS CRITICAL. CHILDREN'S BRAINS ARE LITERALLY SHAPED BY THE EXPERIENCE OF AND WITH THEIR ADULTS. THE INCREASED STRESS, THE THREAT OF INSTABILITY, AND THE IMPENDING LOSS OF LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIPS WITH FOSTER FAMILY SUPPORT TEAMS IS AN UNNECESSARY DOSE OF ADVERSITY AND TOXIC STRESS. THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF HOMES THROUGHOUT LA COUNTY THAT ARE APPROVED AND SUPPORTED BY FFA'S WHO OPEN THEIR DOORS TO CHILDREN KNOWING THAT THEY WILL BE DEALING WITH THE IMPACT OF TRAUMA ON A DAILY BASIS. THE 24-7 SUPPORT THAT FOSTER PARENTS IN FFA OFFER TO TSS. --



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
3 SPEAKER PLEASE.
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5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LAUREN DATTOUR. YOUR LINE
6 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
7 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.
8

9 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LAUREN DATTOUR AND I WORK FOR THE
10 VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICES, A FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY THAT HAS
11 SERVED THE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 20 YEARS. WE HAVE OVER 100
12 CHILDREN AND HOMES UNDER OUR CARE, MANY OF WHOM PROVIDE THE
13 HIGHEST LEVEL OF CARE FOR AT-RISK YOUTH. AS A PROFESSIONAL IN
14 THE FOSTER CARE SECTOR FOR THE PAST 12 YEARS, I'VE WITNESSED
15 FIRSTHAND THE POSITIVE IMPACT THAT A STABLE HOME CAN HAVE ON
16 CHILDREN WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA. FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES
17 PLAY A HUGE ROLE IN PROVIDING SAFE CARE FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER
18 CARE. THE NUMBER OF HOMES CURRENTLY GOVERNED BY FSAS SIMPLY
19 CANNOT BE SUSTAINED IN THE CURRENT LADCFS INFRASTRUCTURE.
20 WITHOUT AN IMMEDIATE SOLUTION FOR THE CURRENT INSURANCE
21 CRISIS, THESE CHILDREN WILL ONCE AGAIN BE RIPPED FROM THEIR
22 HOMES AND PLACED IN UNKNOWN LIVING SITUATIONS. WE MUST PUT THE
23 CHILDREN FIRST AND FIND AN IMMEDIATE REMEDY FOR FFA'S TO
24 CONTINUE THEIR CRITICAL SUPPORT OF THESE CHILDREN AND
25 FAMILIES. THANK YOU.



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

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4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JAY SHINDEL. YOUR LINE IS
5 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
6 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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8 **SPEAKER:** HI, THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE CHANCE TO SPEAK. I AM
9 A RESOURCE PARENT. I WORK WITH AN FFA CALLED EXTRAORDINARY
10 FAMILIES, AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY WHAT THE VALUE OF THESE
11 FFA'S IS. IT'S BASICALLY WITHOUT THEM, WE COULD NOT BE FOSTER
12 PARENTS. THEY SUPPORT US. THEY GIVE US THE CARE AND THE
13 GUIDANCE THAT WE NEED. WITHOUT THEM, SO MANY PEOPLE WOULD NO
14 LONGER BE ABLE TO BE RESOURCE PARENTS, AND WE WANNA BE HERE
15 FOR THE CHILDREN. PLEASE, PLEASE SUPPORT OUR FFA'S AND GIVE
16 THEM THE HELP THEY NEED THROUGH THIS CRISIS SO THEY CAN
17 SUPPORT US AND WE CAN SUPPORT THE CHILDREN. THANK YOU.

18

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

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21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS COLIN CAMPBELL. YOUR LINE
22 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
23 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS COLIN CAMPBELL. I'M



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1 FROM DISTRICT 5 IN SOUTH PASADENA. I'M A BUILDER OF ORACLE
2 FEDERAL. AND I'M ASKING, COULD WE USE KAMALACARE FOR
3 PROTECTING CHILDREN? AND MY CHILDREN AND I WERE ABUSED BY DCSF
4 IN KAISER PERMANENTE BACK IN 2022 AND THEY USED HEALTHCARE AS
5 A WEAPON SYSTEM. WHAT I PROPOSE IS A \$13,000,000,000 BUDGET
6 FOR FOSTER CARE, FOR FFA, FOR DCSF TO PROTECT CHILDREN AND
7 REDO FAMILY REUNIFICATION. ONE OF THE KEY FUNCTIONS WOULD DO
8 REAL-TIME PERSONALITY PROFILING, TREATMENT STATUS, BEHAVIORAL
9 MODELING, AND THREAT DETECTION. THE OVERALL BUDGET IS APPROVED
10 FEDERALLY IS \$238,500,000,000. THANK YOU.

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

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14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BENITO PAZAL GARCIA. YOUR
15 LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
16 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HI THERE, GOOD MORNING AND THANKS FOR THE TIME AND
19 THANKS TO SUPERVISOR BARGER AND HORVATH. MY NAME IS BENITO AND
20 MY HUSBAND AND I HAVE BEEN RESOURCE PARENTS WITH OUR AGENCY
21 EXTRAORDINARY FAMILIES FOR THE PAST 2 YEARS. IN THESE 2 YEARS,
22 WE HAVE HAD THE AMAZING OPPORTUNITY TO CARE FOR AND PROVIDE A
23 SAFE AND LOVING ENVIRONMENT TO 6 KIDDOS. THE RISK OF LOSING
24 OUR AGENCY AND POTENTIALLY LOSING OUR HOPEFUL EIGHT-MONTH-OLD
25 ADOPTIVE DAUGHTER WOULD BE DEVASTATING, NOT TO MENTION THE



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1 APPROXIMATELY 1,900 OTHER CHILDREN BEING SUPPORTED BY FFA'S.
2 WORKING WITH MY FFA HAS PROVIDED US WITH SERVICES AND
3 RESOURCES THAT WE MAY NOT HAVE OTHERWISE HAD. I AM TROUBLED BY
4 THE FFA INSURANCE CRISIS AND THE DISRUPTION IT CAN CAUSE TO MY
5 FAMILY AND OTHERS. I'M APPEALING TO THE BOARD TO EXPLORE ALL
6 SOLUTIONS TO PRESERVE FAAS AND ALLOW MYSELF AND OTHER FAMILIES
7 THE OPPORTUNITY TO CARE FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN IN
8 THE ADOPTIVE CARE SYSTEM AND FOSTER SYSTEM.

9

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

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12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHARITO GUERRERO. YOUR LINE
13 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
14 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR AUDIENCE. MY NAME IS
17 CHARITO GUERRERO AND I'M AN ADMINISTRATOR AT PENNY LANE. OUR
18 AGENCY HAS BEEN OFFERING FOSTER CARE SERVICES FOR WELL OVER 30
19 YEARS, AND I'VE BEEN A SOCIAL WORKER MYSELF FOR OVER 20 YEARS.
20 JUST WHEN I THOUGHT I SAW IT ALL, SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPENS
21 THAT REALLY SHAKES YOU IN THE WORK THAT YOU DO. THE THOUGHT OF
22 LOSING THE SUPPORT OF OUR FFA'S IS UNIMAGINABLE TO ME. I URGE
23 YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT A SOLUTION TO THIS ISSUE. WE'RE TALKING
24 ABOUT THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THAT CARE FOR THEM
25 BEING IMPACTED BY THE ISSUE OF THIS FFA INSURANCE CRISIS. I



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1 URGE YOU TO RECOGNIZE THAT WE CAN'T SACRIFICE THE OVERSIGHT,
2 QUALITY, AND SUPPORT THAT OUR FFA PROGRAMS PROVIDE TO
3 CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES ACROSS LA COUNTY. ALTHOUGH I
4 KNOW WE'RE ALL WORKING TOGETHER TO FIND A SOLUTION. WE'RE
5 ALREADY SEEING THE IMPACT OF THIS CRISIS, NOT JUST WITHIN OUR
6 OWN AGENCY, BUT WITH OTHER FSA PARTNERS WHO ARE MAKING THE
7 HARD DECISION TO CLOSE. WE ASK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT TO ADDRESS
8 THIS CRISIS, AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT WITH THIS ISSUE.

9

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

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12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BONNIE SHARP. YOUR LINE IS
13 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
14 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MY NAME IS BONNIE SHARP, DIRECTOR
17 OF PROGRAMS WITH EXTRANET FAMILIES AND FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY,
18 FFA, HERE IN LA COUNTY SERVING OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE PAST 3
19 DECADES. I'M CALLING IN TO SUPPORT ITEM 27 AND REPRESENT THE
20 CHILDREN WHO HAVE COME INTO OUR CARE AND THE RESOURCE OR
21 FOSTER FAMILIES TO CARE FOR THEM. AS YOU KNOW LA COUNTY
22 REPRESENTS A LARGEST CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND WE AS FFA'S
23 UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S A TALL ORDER TO SERVE AT THAT LEVEL BUT
24 THAT'S WHY FFA'S ARE SO IMPORTANT. WE PROVIDE A LEVEL OF
25 SUPPORT THE COUNTY SIMPLY CAN'T PROVIDE AND WE ARE THERE FOR



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1 CHILDREN IN NEED WHEN NO ONE ELSE CAN. I WANT TO SHARE WHAT
2 ONE OF OUR FOSTER FAMILIES RECENTLY WROTE ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE
3 OF FFA'S. QUOTE, SINCE 2019 I HAVE BEEN A FOSTER PARENT TO 3
4 CHILDREN 2 OF WHOM I ADOPTED AND ONE OF WHOM WAS REUNIFIED
5 WITH THEIR PARENTS I CHOSE TO OPEN MY HOME IN HEART KNOWING
6 THAT THERE WAS A DIRE NEED IN LA COUNTY FOR FOSTER FAMILIES I
7 COULD NOT HAVE TAKEN THIS JOURNEY WITHOUT MY FFA AND ITS STAFF
8 WHO WERE THERE WITH ME EVERY STEP OF THE WAY THROUGH THIS
9 PROCESS, PROVIDING SUPPORT AND RESOURCES FOR ME AND MY
10 CHILDREN, INCLUDING HELPING ME NAVIGATE, MAINTAINING A
11 RELATIONSHIP WITH MY FOSTER DAUGHTER AND HER FAMILY WHEN SHE
12 REUNIFIED WITH THEM, AS WELL AS SUPPORTING MY FOSTER NOW
13 ADOPTED SON LUCAS THROUGH CONNECTING US WITH SPEECH THERAPY
14 CLASSES. IT'S SAD AND FRANKLY TO THINK THAT I'M LIKE A
15 STRANGER --

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

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20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MADELINE COOPER. YOUR LINE
21 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
22 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MADELINE? MADELINE COOPER? OKAY,
25 MODERATOR, PLEASE GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER.



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2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MONICA GEMINIS. YOUR LINE
3 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
4 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MONICA? MONICA JIMENEZ? OKAY,
7 WE'LL SEE IF WE GET THEM BACK IN QUEUE. LET'S GO TO SPEAKERS
8 IN PERSON, AND THEN WE'LL COME BACK TO OUR VIRTUAL SPEAKERS.
9 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS AMBER RIVAS, PRESIDENT AND
12 CEO OF AVIVA FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES, AND I AM HERE IN
13 SUPPORT OF ITEM 27 RELATED TO THE FFA INSURANCE CRISIS. I'D
14 LIKE TO FIRST THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER AND CHAIR HORVATH FOR
15 RECOGNIZING THE URGENCY AROUND THIS ISSUE BY BRINGING THIS
16 MOTION FORWARD. RIGHT NOW, THERE ARE NEARLY 1,900 LIVES AT
17 STAKE. FFA'S PROVIDE SUPPORT TO RESOURCE FAMILIES WHO ARE
18 CARING FOR SOME OF THE MOST VULNERABLE, MARGINALIZED YOUTH IN
19 LA COUNTY. WITHOUT INTERVENTION, THIS CRISIS COULD DESTABILIZE
20 OUR COUNTY CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM, AND I FEAR THIS COULD LEAD TO
21 THOUSANDS OF FOSTER YOUTH FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS AND
22 ENDING UP IN OUR FUTURE HOMELESS COUNT. AVIVA HAS BEEN A
23 LICENSED FFA SINCE 1988 AND HAS BECOME A BEACON OF HOPE FOR
24 MANY. OUR PROGRAM HAS EVOLVED TO ENSURE EQUITABLE, INCLUSIVE
25 CARE SPECIFICALLY FOR LGBTQ PLUS YOUTH, WHO WE KNOW ARE



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1 DISPROPORTIONATELY REPRESENTED IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. A
2 LOSS OF OUR FFA PROGRAM WOULD BE DEVASTATING TO BOTH RESOURCE
3 FAMILIES AND FOSTER YOUTH ALIKE AND WITH OUR INSURANCE
4 EXPIRING ON NOVEMBER 1ST, I OFFER MY PLEA TO THE BOARD TO PASS
5 THIS MOTION AND EXPLORE ALL SOLUTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE COUNTY.
6 THANK YOU.

7

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

9

10 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ANNA RUBIN AND I'M THE CHILD
11 WELFARE POLICY DIRECTOR WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY
12 HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES REPRESENTING 87 NONPROFITS, INCLUDING
13 26 FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES PROVIDING SERVICES IN LA COUNTY. I'M
14 PROVIDING PUBLIC COMMENT AND STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM 27 RELATED
15 TO FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY INSURANCE CRISIS. I'D LIKE TO THANK
16 SUPERVISORS BARGER AND HORVATH FOR SUPPORTING BOTH LOCAL AND
17 STATE LEVEL SOLUTIONS TO THE EXISTENTIAL CRISIS THAT FFA'S ARE
18 CONFRONTING AS WELL AS THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO
19 SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. THROUGHOUT ACCESS DECADES-
20 LONG HISTORY, THIS IS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CRISIS FACED BY AN
21 ENTIRE SEGMENT OF A SYSTEM OF CARE. THE IRREVOCABLE LOSS OF
22 HIGH-QUALITY, EXPERIENCED FFA'S WOULD DISRUPT THE CHILD
23 WELFARE ECOSYSTEM OF LA COUNTY. WHILE WE MUST ACT TO SUPPORT
24 FFA'S IN PROCURING INSURANCE, WE ARE DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT IT
25 IS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THE ACTIONS OF ONE INSURER



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1 WILL RIPPLE ACROSS THE ENTIRE HUMAN SERVICES SECTOR. TODAY, WE
2 ARE FOCUSED ON PRESERVING FFA'S AS A CRUCIAL PILLAR OF OUR
3 CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, BUT
4 ADDRESSING THE UNDERLYING INSURANCE ISSUES AT THE HEART OF
5 THIS CRISIS MUST BE A PART OF ANY LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS WE
6 PURSUE IN ORDER TO AVOID SIMILAR SITUATIONS THAT COULD
7 EMINENTLY JEOPARDIZE THE VITAL SERVICES COMMUNITY-BASED
8 ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDE TO OUR COUNTY. THANK YOU.

9

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. JODI KURATA, CEO OF THE ASSOCIATION OF
13 COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES. ON BEHALF OF AXA, I EXPRESS
14 STRONG SUPPORT FOR THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS BARGER
15 AND HORVATH, FOR YOUR BOLD CALL FOR SOLUTIONS AND STATE
16 ADVOCACY RELATED TO THE FFA INSURANCE CRISIS, AND THANK YOU TO
17 THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR YOUR COMMITMENT AND TRACK RECORD OF
18 SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. WHILE THE IMPETUS TO THIS
19 PROBLEM IS INSURANCE, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF EVERY FFA INSURANCE
20 POLICY IS CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. AND THOSE CHILDREN AND
21 FAMILIES STAND TO LOSE AN ENTIRE SEGMENT OF THE ALREADY
22 FRAGILE CONTINUUM OF CARE. DCFS CAN AND DOES APPROVE RESOURCE
23 FAMILIES, BUT DCFS IS SIMPLY NOT EQUIPPED TO PROVIDE THE 24-7
24 SERVICES, SUPPORTS, NAVIGATION, ADVOCACY, SAFETY OVERSIGHT,
25 AND RELATIONSHIPS THAT FFA'S PROVIDE. WE ASK FOR SOLUTIONS TO



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1 MAKE ALTERNATE INSURANCE COVERAGE ATTAINABLE AND TO CREATE
2 MORE OPTIONS IN THE MARKET. WE HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH DCFS
3 AND PROVIDED RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH WE HOPE WILL MAKE IT INTO
4 THE REPORT. THANK YOU.

5

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

7

8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CESAR GOMEZ. I'M THE
9 DIRECTOR OF PERMANENCY PROGRAM SERVICES, INCLUDING FFA
10 SERVICES AT 5 ACRES. I'M PROVIDING PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM 27
11 IN SUPPORT OF FFA'S DURING THE CURRENT FFA INSURANCE CRISIS. I
12 AM THANKFUL TO SUPERVISORS BARGER AND HORVATH FOR YOUR
13 ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF FFA'S AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR YOUR
14 HISTORICAL ONGOING STEADFAST SUPPORT OF FOSTER CHILDREN AND
15 FAMILIES IN L.A. COUNTY. 5 ACRES FFA HAS FACILITATED POSITIVE
16 PERMANENCY OUTCOMES FOR VULNERABLE FOSTER CHILDREN FOR THE
17 PAST 36 YEARS. FOR THE FOSTER CHILDREN IN OUR CARE WE DEFINE
18 POSITIVE PERMANENCY OUTCOMES AS REUNIFICATION WITH BIRTH
19 FAMILIES, RELATIVE ADOPTIONS, LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP AND FOSTER
20 ADOPTION. OUR PERMANENCY OUTCOME IS 86% WHICH COMPARES
21 FAVORABLY TO STATE PERMANENCY RATE OF 33%. I REQUEST YOU AS A
22 BOARD TO CONTINUE YOUR ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF FFA SO THAT WE
23 CAN CONTINUE TO FACILITATE POSITIVE PERMANENCY OUTCOMES NOW
24 AND INTO THE FUTURE FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE FOSTER CHILDREN IN
25 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.



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

3
4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I'M JOSHUA ACOSTA DUQUE, THE
5 DIRECTOR OF PEOPLE AND EQUITY AT NUEVO MANESEL LATINO CHILDREN
6 SERVICES AND A LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER WHO WORKS
7 DIRECTLY WITH YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITY. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN
8 STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM 27. WE ARE AT A CRITICAL JUNCTURE IN LA
9 COUNTY'S FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. AS THE ONGOING INSURANCE CRISIS
10 THREATENS OUR FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES. IF FFA'S ARE FORCED TO
11 SHUT DOWN DUE TO A LACK OF COVERAGE, THOUSANDS OF VULNERABLE
12 CHILDREN WILL BE LEFT WITHOUT THE SPECIALIZED CARE THEY NEED.
13 PUT SIMPLY, THE IMPACT OF CLOSING FFA'S WOULD BE CATASTROPHIC,
14 FURTHER DESTABILIZING YOUTH WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA. TO
15 ADDRESS THIS URGENT SITUATION, WE PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING POLICY
16 SOLUTIONS. 1, FACILITATE ALTERNATIVE INSURANCE COVERAGE.
17 PRIORITIZE THE CREATION OF ALTERNATE INSURANCE OPTIONS
18 SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR CONTRACTED FFA'S. 2, AMENDING COUNTY
19 CONTRACT LANGUAGE. MODIFY COUNTY CONTRACTS TO SUPPORT THE
20 PROCUREMENT AND AFFORDABILITY OF THESE INSURANCE POLICIES.
21 THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER
24 SPEAKERS IN THE ROOM, WE'LL GO BACK TO SPEAKERS ON THE LINE.
25 MODERATOR, PLEASE GO AHEAD.



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2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTINA LAFAN. YOUR LINE
3 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE REMAIN AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
4 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN. CHRISTINA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
5 CHRISTINA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** CHRISTINA, ARE YOU THERE? OKAY,
8 WE'LL GO TO OUR NEXT SPEAKER.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LORI EASTMAN. YOUR LINE IS
11 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF IF YOU'RE MUTED AND SPEAK
12 DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI, THIS IS LORI EASTMAN WITH OLIVE CREST. I AM THE
15 REGIONAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 27 AND I
16 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS BARGER AND HORVATH FOR RECOGNIZING
17 THE CRITICAL ROLE OF FFA'S IN OUR SYSTEM. OLIVE CREST HAS BEEN
18 SUPPORTING FAMILIES AND CHILDREN FOR OVER 50 YEARS AND WE
19 RECOGNIZE THE CRISIS THAT'S AT HAND AND THE NEED TO SUPPORT
20 THE CHILDREN IN LA COUNTY. FFA'S PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR
21 FAMILIES TO SUPPORT CHILDREN THROUGH THEIR TRAUMA AND FFA'S
22 SUPPORT THE FAMILIES AND CHILDREN THAT WE'RE NEEDING. AND I'M
23 APPEALING FOR THE BOARD TO EXPLORE ALL SOLUTIONS AVAILABLE AND
24 TO PRESERVE FFA'S AS A PILLAR OF OUR CONTINUUM OF CARE AND TO
25 PREVENT THE DISPLACEMENT AND DISRUPTION FOR THESE CHILDREN.



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1 THANK YOU.

2

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

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. YOUR LINE IS
6 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
7 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** YEAH. I BROUGHT THIS UP LAST WEEK. AS YOU KNOW, THIS
10 IS A VERY SERIOUS ISSUE AND YOU KNOW, I AM CONFUSED ABOUT HOW
11 THE INSURANCE COMPANIES CAN WALK AWAY AND WHY THE COUNTY CAN'T
12 SIMPLY SELF-INSURE. 1,900 PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY, I BELIEVE IT'S
13 9,000 STATEWIDE, THIS IS NOT SUCH A BIG TASK TO GET INSURANCE.
14 YOU HAVE 105,000 EMPLOYEES, SO WE CAN PUT A FEW MORE PEOPLE ON
15 SOME KIND OF A POLICY SO THAT THE SERVICE THAT THESE FOLKS ARE
16 PROVIDING CAN CONTINUE. OR ANOTHER QUESTION IS, MAYBE, YOU
17 KNOW, THIS IS NOT, NOBODY WANTS THE GOOD PLACES THAT HAVE BEEN
18 DOING A GOOD JOB TO GO ANYWHERE. WE WANT THEM TO STICK AROUND.
19 BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF PROBLEMS IN THIS SPACE. AND MAYBE THERE
20 SHOULD BE A WAY TO GET BACK IN THERE AND WE CAN PICK UP THE
21 ONES WE WANT WHO ARE DOING A GOOD JOB AND LEAVE SOME BEHIND.
22 THIS IS PART OF THE PROBLEM, AS YOU KNOW, THERE'S ENORMOUS
23 FRAUD, WHICH WE NEVER HEAR ABOUT BECAUSE YOU HAVE BURIED
24 EVERYTHING IN A MEASURE G EXPLOSION. I WOULD SUGGEST CANCELING
25 MEASURE G AND DOING THE WORK WE NEED IN THE PLACES WHERE WE



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1 NEED IT. LIKE IN THE SPONSOR.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
4 SPEAKER PLEASE.

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6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CORA GONZALEZ. YOUR LINE IS
7 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
8 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

11

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

13

14 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, HI, SO MY NAME IS CORA GONZALEZ. I'M ACTUALLY
15 AN ISFC SUPERVISOR WITH VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICES. I'VE BEEN
16 WORKING WITH THIS FFA FOR 15 YEARS IN INTENSIVE SERVICES. I'M
17 JUST CALLING TODAY TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR ITEM 27, JUST REALLY
18 HOPING THAT WE CAN COME TOGETHER WORK, YOU KNOW, ONE-ON-ONE
19 WORK DIRECTLY WITH THE COUNTY IN RESOLVING THIS CRISIS THAT
20 WE'RE FACING. FFA, THE FFA I WORK FOR AND ALL THE OTHER
21 PROVIDERS THAT ARE PROVIDING ESPECIALLY IHSS-C SERVICES ARE
22 YOU KNOW WORKING DILIGENTLY TO PROVIDE 27 HOURS OF SUPPORT,
23 CRISIS INTERVENTION, OVERSIGHT. WITHOUT HAVING THESE INTENSIVE
24 SERVICES IN PLACE WE COULD FORESEE A CRISIS OF HAVING YOU KNOW
25 HUNDREDS OF KIDS DISPLACED AND IT WOULD REALLY BE JUST A



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1 TRAGEDY YOU KNOW SO REALLY LOOKING FOR SUPPORT TODAY TO
2 RESOLVE FIGURE THIS OUT BECAUSE WE WANT TO SEE OUR YOUTH --

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK
5 YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6
7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ELIZABETH OSIGERA. YOUR
8 LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
9 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10
11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MY NAME IS ELIZABETH OSEGUERA WITH
12 THE CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE WHO REPRESENTS OVER 160 NONPROFIT
13 ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING FFA STATEWIDE. WE SUPPORT AND ARE
14 EXCITED TO SEE ITEM 27 ON YOUR AGENDA. SO, THANK YOU FOR
15 BRINGING THAT UP. SFA PLAY A CRUCIAL ROLE IN HELPING THE
16 ADMINISTRATION ACHIEVE ITS GOALS TO REFORM THE CHILD WELFARE
17 SYSTEM. COUNTIES RELY ON SFA TO HELP SUPPORT THE NEEDS OF
18 FOSTER CHILDREN, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WITH HIGHER NEEDS. THE
19 CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE HAS BEEN LOOKING AT DIFFERENT SOLUTIONS SO
20 WE CREATED A LIST WHICH WAS SHARED IN OUR COMMENTS WITH YOU
21 ALL FOR CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION. SOME OF THOSE SOLUTIONS
22 INCLUDE FUNDING, CREATING A POOL OF FUNDS TO HELP FFA'S WITH
23 HIGHER PREMIUMS AND HELPING TO DEVELOP A RISK POOL. THERE'S
24 ALSO THE POTENTIAL OF HAVING THE COUNTY LOWERED THE LIABILITY
25 REQUIREMENTS SO THAT IT CAN MAKE IT MORE EASIER FOR FFA'S TO



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1 BECOME INSURED OR FIND MORE INSURANCE COMPANIES WILLING TO
2 COME INTO THE STATE. --

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
5 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS J.C. WEATHERSBY. YOUR LINE
7 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
8 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9
10 **SPEAKER:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

11
12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

13
14 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. YES, THIS IS J.C. WEATHERSBY CALLING BACK THE
15 VETERAN THAT CALLED EARLIER. I'M ALSO A FOSTER PARENT, AND I
16 SUPPORT THE FSA INSURANCE MOVEMENT. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS
17 NOTE, KATHRYN BARGER, OF T0065192, WHICH IS OUR TENANT ID, AND
18 I WOULD LIKE ISMERAL BUSTALAZAR AT THE LACDA, IF ALL OF MY
19 COMMUNICATION BETWEEN HER AND I ON IT IN ALL REFERENCE WAS
20 READ, IT WOULD TAKE A THOROUGH PICTURE OF HOW THEY FEEL ABOUT
21 FOSTER FAMILIES, DISABLED FAMILIES, BASH VETERANS THAT ARE
22 DISABLED. I'M A MULTI-DISABLED AND AFFILIATED HOUSEHOLD. AND
23 I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET AHEAD OF THIS FOR A LONG TIME. SO, I
24 WANT TO SAY TO LACDA, Y'ALL HAVE RUINED ANY IDEA WE FOSTER
25 EVER AGAIN. AND I NEED THAT --



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

4

5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE.

6

7 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD MODERATOR.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE
12 BOARD.

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14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL NOW GO
15 TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I THINK THAT WE
18 SHOULD APPROVE THIS AGENDA ITEM. I ALSO BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD
19 STOP THE OUT-OF-STATE INVESTORS SO THAT WE CAN HAVE MORE
20 HOUSING FOR FOSTER YOUTH, NOT ONLY FOSTER YOUTH, BUT THE
21 ENTIRE LA COUNTY COMMUNITY. WE NEED TO GET OUR PEOPLE HOUSED,
22 AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE FIND AVENUES TO KEEP
23 FAMILIES TOGETHER, AND WE NEED TO PROVIDE THE RESOURCES FOR
24 OUR COMMUNITY. SO, I THINK THAT THE BOARD SHOULD STOP OUT-OF-
25 STATE INVESTMENTS FROM BUYING PROPERTY HERE IN LA COUNTY



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1 BECAUSE IT'S DAMAGING US, AND IT KIND OF SUPPORTS THIS ITEM
2 BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT OUT-OF-STATE PEOPLE BUYING PROPERTY. WE
3 WANT OUR FOSTER YOUTH TO BE HOUSED AND TO BE PROTECTED AND TO
4 BE EDUCATED AND TO NOT RETURN BACK TO FOSTER CARE. AND I THINK
5 THE WHOLE SYSTEM OF FOSTER CARE IS KIND OF BAD, BUT I SUPPORT
6 THIS MEASURE. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER, I
9 SEE YOUR OWN.

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO THANK ALL THE
12 FFA'S AND NONPROFITS THAT CAME FORWARD, YOUR VOICES ARE VERY
13 POWERFUL. AND I KNOW THAT THIS BOARD IS COMMITTED TO WORKING
14 TOWARD ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE AND RECOGNIZING AND SOMETHING
15 THAT WAS SAID, CHAIR, THAT WE KNEW ABOUT THE HOUSING, AND THEN
16 WE HEARD ABOUT THE CAR INSURANCE AND NOW FFA'S. AND SO, I
17 THINK AS A WHOLE, WE HAVE AN INSURANCE COMMISSION. MAYBE WE
18 NEED TO LOOK HOLISTICALLY AT THE INDUSTRY AS A WHOLE AND THE
19 IMPACT IT HAS ON LA COUNTY. BECAUSE TODAY IT'S THE FFA'S,
20 TOMORROW WHO KNOWS WHAT IT WILL BE.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I HEAR THAT. THANK YOU. AND I
23 WANT TO ECHO YOUR THANKS TO OUR AGENCIES WHO ARE REPRESENTED
24 HERE TODAY. I KNOW MANY OF YOU ARE IMPACTED BY THIS AND WHEN
25 WE THINK ABOUT ALL OUR FOSTER YOUTH WHO ARE REALLY IN THE



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1 BALANCE OF THIS DECISION, YOU KNOW, ESPECIALLY OUR LGBTQ YOUTH
2 WHO FACE UNIQUE CHALLENGES, SO MANY OF OUR YOUTH WHO FACE VERY
3 DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, WE DON'T WANT TO MAKE IT ANY MORE
4 DIFFICULT FOR THEM OR THE FAMILIES WHO WANNA WELCOME THEM HOME
5 TO HAVE THE SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED. SO, ITEM 27 IS BEFORE US,
6 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE
7 ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 27, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE

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

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

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

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE

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

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23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE

24

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



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

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

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 2,
8 PROCLAIMING LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK IN LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY, ENSURING RESIDENTS ARE LEAD AWARE, WHICH WAS HELD BY
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE,
11 PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR
12 SOLIS, I WILL TURN IT TO YOU.

13
14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. THIS
15 MOTION CAME ABOUT BECAUSE COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN MY DISTRICT
16 SHARED THAT THEY WERE UNCLEAR ON THE HEALTH IMPACTS OF LEAD
17 AND WHAT THEY COULD DO IN TERMS OF PREVENTION AND POTENTIAL
18 EXPOSURE. THIS IS INFORMATION, IN MY OPINION, THAT SHOULD BE
19 MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL AND EVERYONE, BUT ESPECIALLY BY PEOPLE
20 WHO CARE FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE, SUCH AS PARENTS OF YOUNG
21 CHILDREN AND CAREGIVERS OF FOLKS WITH DISABILITIES, AND THE
22 MOST VULNERABLE TO LEAD POISONING, INCLUDING OUR SENIORS AND
23 PEOPLE WITH UNDERLYING ILLNESSES, CHRONIC ILLNESSES. ACCORDING
24 TO AN AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT,
25 AT LEAST A QUARTER OF A MILLION PEOPLE IN LA COUNTY ARE AT



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1 RISK OF DEVELOPING CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS FROM LEAD
2 EXPOSURE THAT COMES FROM LEAD, ARSENIC EMISSIONS THAT SETTLE
3 ON RESIDENTIAL SOIL. EXPOSURE TO LEAD IS NOT UNCOMMON IN URBAN
4 SETTINGS. SINCE THERE ARE MULTIPLE WAYS PEOPLE CAN COME INTO
5 CONTACT WITH LEAD, ESPECIALLY FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT LIVE
6 NEAR AREAS WITH KNOWN POLLUTION, SUCH AS THE EXIDE FORMER
7 BATTERY RECYCLING PLANT. FURTHERMORE, RECENT CALIFORNIA
8 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT SHARED THAT MEDICAL
9 PROVIDERS IN THIS STATE ARE APPARENTLY FALLING SHORT OF
10 REACHING MANDATED ROUTINE BLOOD LEAD SCREENINGS FOR YOUNG
11 CHILDREN. THAT'S TRULY UNFORTUNATE SINCE LEAD EXPOSURE CAN
12 CAUSE, AS WE KNOW, DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS, LEARNING DISABILITIES
13 FOR YOUNG CHILDREN, CREATING LIFELONG IMPACTS. MOREOVER, LEAD
14 CAN REMAIN IN THE BODY FOR MONTHS, ENTER INTO SOFT TISSUE, AND
15 REMAIN EVEN EMBEDDED IN OUR BONES FOR DECADES. THERE'S ALSO
16 EVIDENCE THAT LEAD EXPOSURE CAN RESULT IN CANCER. THERE ARE
17 MULTIPLE EDUCATION GAPS THAT WE KNOW NEED TO BE ADDRESSED.
18 COMMUNITY MEMBERS NEED TO BE INFORMED ABOUT SYMPTOMS OF LEAD
19 EXPOSURE AND WHAT TO DO NEXT. AND MEDICAL PROVIDERS NEED TO BE
20 REMINDED THAT LEAD IS STILL A PROBLEM IN L.A. COUNTY, AND THEY
21 MUST BE PROACTIVE AND RECEPTIVE OF TESTING FOLKS FOR LEAD
22 POISONING. PROCLAIMING LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK, OCTOBER
23 20-26 IN LA COUNTY IS MEANT TO JUMP START SUSTAINED HEALTH
24 EDUCATION OUTREACH AND THE IMPACTS OF LEAD EXPOSURE AND WHAT
25 NEXT STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN. I LOOK FORWARD TO LEARNING ABOUT



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1 THE HEALTH EDUCATION MATERIAL AND OUTREACH THAT SHOULD BE DONE
2 FOR ALL OUR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS IN THEIR LANGUAGES. AND I LOOK
3 FORWARD TO HEARING BACK FROM OUR DEPARTMENTS ON THIS. THANK
4 YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK MY CO-
5 AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR HAHN, WHO ALSO SHARES THIS CONCERN AND
6 INTEREST.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND I WILL TURN IT TO HER.
9 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU,
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND ONE OF THE THINGS I WANT TO EMPHASIZE IS
13 THAT TACKLING LEAD POISONING IS NOT JUST THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
14 INDIVIDUAL FAMILIES, RIGHT? THIS IS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE, AND
15 IT REQUIRES COOPERATION AT EVERY LEVEL. THERE'S NO SAFE BLOOD
16 LEAD LEVEL FOR CHILDREN. EVEN JUST A LITTLE BIT OF LEAD IN THE
17 BLOOD OF A CHILD CAN BE HARMFUL. LEAD IS TOXIC AND
18 PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN BECAUSE OF THEIR
19 SMALL SIZE, RAPID GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. IT CAN CAUSE
20 BEHAVIORAL AND LEARNING DIFFICULTIES, ANEMIA, SEIZURES, AND
21 OTHER MEDICAL PROBLEMS. INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN ARE MORE
22 LIKELY TO BE EXPOSED TO LEAD THAN OLDER CHILDREN BECAUSE THEY
23 MIGHT CHEW PAINT THAT FLAKES OFF WALLS AND WOODWORK. TOYS CAN
24 ALSO CONTAIN LEAD, AND WE ALL KNOW THAT INFANTS AND CHILDREN
25 LOVE TO PUT THINGS IN THEIR MOUTH. IN VERNON, EXIDE, A BATTERY



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1 RECYCLING PLANT THAT WENT BANKRUPT, POLLUTED THE AIR WITH LEAD
2 PARTICLES. THE WIND CARRIED THE CONTAMINATED AIR TO THE
3 SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES AND WHEN THE WIND STOPPED BLOWING THE
4 LEAD PARTICULATES FELL INTO THE SOIL OF THESE PROPERTIES WHERE
5 CHILDREN PLAY, THEY LEARN, THEY GROW AND TO ADD INSULT TO
6 INJURY THE WATER DISCHARGE FROM THE BATTERY RECYCLING PLANT
7 SEEPED INTO WATER SYSTEMS AND CONTAMINATED THE WATER SOURCES.
8 I THINK IT'S RIGHT THAT OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
9 IS PROVIDING FREE BLOOD LEAD TESTING. THIS SERVICE IS
10 ABSOLUTELY FREE. PUBLIC HEALTH ALSO PROVIDES FREE LEAD PAINT
11 REMEDIATION TO QUALIFYING FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN. OUR PUBLIC
12 HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS ALSO BEEN AT THE EXIDE COMMUNITY
13 MEETINGS ENSURING THAT IMPACTED COMMUNITIES ARE ABLE TO ACCESS
14 THESE SERVICES. THESE FREE SERVICES CAN DETECT LEAD LEVELS IN
15 CHILDREN AND HELP TO REDUCE THE EXPOSURE. THERE IS TREATMENT
16 FOR LEAD POISONING, BUT TAKING SOME SIMPLE PRECAUTIONS CAN
17 HELP PROTECT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY FROM LEAD EXPOSURE. THE CDC,
18 OR CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, MENTION A FEW.
19 WASHING HANDS AND TOYS TO HELP REDUCE HAND-TO-MOUTH TRANSFER
20 OF CONTAMINATED DUST OR SOIL. WASH YOUR CHILDREN'S HANDS AFTER
21 OUTDOOR PLAY BEFORE EATING AND BEDTIME. REMOVE SHOES BEFORE
22 ENTERING THE HOUSE. THIS WILL HELP KEEP LEAD-BASED SOIL
23 OUTSIDE. RUN COLD WATER. IF YOU HAVE OLDER PLUMBING CONTAINING
24 LEAD PIPES OR FITTINGS, RUN YOUR COLD WATER FOR AT LEAST A
25 MINUTE BEFORE USING. AND THEY RECOMMEND THAT YOU NOT USE JUST



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1 HOT TAP WATER TO MAKE BABY FORMULA OR FOR COOKING. AND THEY
2 URGE PARENTS TO PREVENT THEIR CHILDREN PLAYING ON THE SOIL,
3 THAT'S A LITTLE MORE DIFFICULT. BUT THEY SUGGEST PROVIDING
4 THEM WITH A SANDBOX THAT'S COVERED WHEN IT'S NOT IN USE. PLANT
5 GRASS OR COVER BARE SOIL WITH MULCH. AND THE MAIN THING I
6 THINK WE'RE DOING BY PROCLAIMING THIS LEAD POISONING
7 PREVENTION AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IS THAT WE WANT PEOPLE TO GET
8 INFORMED ABOUT THIS. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE
9 ABOUT LEAD TESTING FOR YOUR CHILDREN, PLEASE VISIT THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION. AND
11 ONE OF THE THINGS DURING THIS PREVENTION WEEK, WE'RE
12 ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO HAVE CHILDREN SCREEN FOR LEAD BY A
13 MEDICAL PROVIDER AT AGES 1 AND 2, THAT EARLY. SO AS WE
14 PROCLAIM RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT LEAD POISONING, I WANT
15 EVERYONE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO REFLECT ON THE STEPS THAT YOU CAN
16 DO IN YOUR OWN HOME, BUT BE ASSURED THAT WE HERE IN THE COUNTY
17 ARE ALSO TAKING THIS VERY SERIOUSLY AND WE WILL STAND WITH YOU
18 AND DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN
19 ARE SAFE. THANK YOU.

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

22
23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
24 BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. I WAS SITTING HERE AND
25 REFLECTED, I REMEMBER GOING BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT WHEN MY SON



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1 WAS LIKE IN FIRST GRADE, AND SEEING ONE OF THE TASKS THAT KIDS
2 COULD BE ASSIGNED, AND IT WAS LIKE THE WATER FOUNTAIN MONITOR.
3 AND I WAS LIKE, WHAT'S A WATER FOUNTAIN MONITOR? AND AT THE
4 SCHOOL, IT WAS SOMEBODY'S JOB TO GO AND HOLD THE WATER
5 FOUNTAIN ON AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY FOR THE MINUTE TO
6 CLEAR THE PIPES AT THE SCHOOL. I WAS LIKE, PROBLEM, HOW ABOUT
7 WE FIX IT VERSUS MAKING A JOB FOR THE KIDS TO DO IN THE
8 SCHOOL? IT WAS STRIKING. SO, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS
9 MOTION FORWARD. AND I JUST WANTED TO ELEVATE SOME WORK THAT
10 THE COMMUNITY HAS DONE ON THEIR OWN. BACK IN 2023, THE BETTER
11 WATTS INITIATIVE CONDUCTED A STUDY BASED ON GROWING CONCERN IN
12 THAT COMMUNITY, TESTING APPROXIMATELY 540 WATER SAMPLES FROM
13 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES THROUGHOUT WATTS, INCLUDING LA CITY-OWNED
14 PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS AND PORTIONS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREA
15 OF FLORENCE FIRESTONE. THE STUDY WAS JUST RELEASED LAST MONTH,
16 AND IT REVEALED EXCESSIVE LEAD EXPOSURE IN 21 OF THE SAMPLES.
17 THAT SURVEY SHOWED THAT OF THE RESPONDENTS, 58% IDENTIFIED AS
18 LATINO, 39 PERCENT AFRICAN AMERICAN, UNDERSCORING THE
19 DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT OF LEAD CONTAMINATION ON COMMUNITIES
20 OF COLOR ACROSS LA COUNTY. THE SAME SURVEY FOUND THAT 77% OF
21 SURVEY RESIDENTS WERE RENTERS AND 96 RELIED ON BOTTLED WATER,
22 WHICH ALSO SHOWS THERE IS A CLEAR ECONOMIC BURDEN ON LOW
23 INCOME FAMILIES TRYING TO AVOID POTENTIAL LEAD EXPOSURE. AND
24 SO AS SUPERVISOR HAHN SAID, I WANT TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF
25 PUBLIC HEALTH. THEY'VE BEEN ACTIVELY ATTENDING THE COMMUNITY



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1 MEETINGS IN WATTS, ALONG WITH MYSELF AND MY TEAM, AGAIN TO
2 RAISE AWARENESS. SO, I WANT TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE TO THOSE
3 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND LOOK FORWARD TO PUBLIC HEALTH
4 PARTNERING WITH THE COMMUNITIES OF COMPTON AND INGLEWOOD
5 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AGAIN, TO PROVIDE ONGOING HEALTH
6 EDUCATION REGARDING THE IMPACT OF LEAD ON HEALTH. THE
7 CHALLENGE IS IF IT'S AN EXTENDED EXPOSURE FOR CHILDREN WHICH
8 LEADS TO DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS, THAT'S NOT REVERSIBLE. AND SO,
9 THIS IS THE ULTIMATE, I THINK, PUBLIC HEALTH CHALLENGE. AND
10 SO, I THINK OUTREACH AND INFORMATION AND EDUCATION IS REALLY
11 IMPORTANT, AS WELL AS THE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WE IN
12 GOVERNMENT HAVE GOT TO MAKE SURE WE LEAN IN ON TO PREVENT,
13 PARTICULARLY WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT IT
14 HAS ON SOME OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AND
15 COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU FOR INTRODUCING IT, MS.
16 SOLIS.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
19 PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
20 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL DONALD HARLAN PLEASE COME FORWARD AND
23 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON
24 THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 2, IF YOU
25 HAVE NOT DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1, THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN



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1 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
2 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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4 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS SAMUEL HENSLEY. LOOKS LIKE
5 HE DROPPED, GO TO BARBARA. LOOKS LIKE, OKAY. COLIN CAMPBELL,
6 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
7 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS COLIN CAMPBELL. I'M OUT OF
10 DISTRICT 5, SOUTH PASADENA. I'M A BUILDER OF ORACLE FEDERAL,
11 WHO USE THE FEDERAL FUNDS FOR KAMALA CARE TO HELP DEAL WITH
12 LEAD POISONING. I WORK TO THE CDC AND EQUIFAX OUT OF ATLANTA
13 AS A DEVELOPER AND DATA ARCHITECT, AND WE COULD DO RISK
14 DETECTION. LEAD POISONING DIAGNOSIS CAN BE ADDRESSED WITH
15 ALLOWING PEOPLE TO ENROLL IN COMMON CARE TO IDENTIFY RISK
16 FACTORS AND MONITORING PLACES TO BE EXPOSED TO LEAD AND
17 PREVENT IT. HEALTH CARE SHOULD BE MADE MORE EQUAL FOR ALL
18 CITIZENS IF THEY ARE PROVIDED AN AI THAT PROTECTS ALL PEOPLE
19 EQUALLY. THANK YOU.

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

22

23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. YOUR LINE IS
24 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
25 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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2 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NO CHILDREN OR ANY PEOPLE SHOULD BE
3 EXPOSED TO THIS KIND OF CONTAMINATION, AND I'M NOT CLEAR WHAT
4 WE'RE DOING TO MAKE IT BETTER BUT THE AWARENESS IS VERY
5 IMPORTANT AND CITY OF LA HAS THE SAME PROBLEM AND THEY HAD A
6 SETTLEMENT TODAY ON A POLY CHLORINATED BIPHENYLS LAWSUIT
7 AGAINST MONSANTO SO MIGHT HOLLY MITCHELL YOU COULD ASK
8 PRESIDENT HARRIS DAWSON IF HE WANTS TO SPEND SOME OF THE
9 \$35,000,000 THEY COLLECTED TODAY TO CLEAN UP THE MESS IN YOUR
10 SHARED DISTRICT. THAT WOULD BE VERY, VERY APPROPRIATE. THE
11 OTHER THING IS, I WAS LOOKING INTO IT, AND THESE, THIS STUFF
12 BEING IN SCHOOLS IS REALLY DANGEROUS. AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT
13 OUR STRATEGY IS SINCE WE'RE WASTING MONEY BULKING UP ON
14 SUPERVISORS WITH MEASURE G. CAN WE CONSIDER DROPPING MEASURE G
15 AND PUTTING THE MONEY AND THE FUNDS FORWARD TO THE MANY
16 FESTERING PROBLEMS WE HAVE, LIKE EVERY SINGLE ITEM? AND CAN WE
17 PUT THE PUBLIC COMMENT FORWARD IN THE MEETING SO PEOPLE DON'T
18 HAVE TO WAIT TILL THE END. THANK YOU.

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

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22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SAMUEL BROWN YOUR LINE IS
23 OPEN IF YOU'RE MUTED PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
24 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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SPEAKER: HI. I WORK AT NATURE FOR ALL AND I JUST WANTED TO
ENDORSE A REQUEST WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO REQUEST TO
ADOPT THIS RESOLUTION. AS RESIDENTS OF THE EAST SAN GABRIEL
VALLEY, IT'S CONCERNING THAT WE DON'T HAVE A LOT OF ACCESS TO
MATERIALS AROUND LEAD CONTAMINATION. IN AN ARTICLE PUBLISHED
BY THE LA TIMES LAST YEAR, THERE WAS A DRINKING WATER SOURCE
TESTED AT VAN WIG HEAD START AND STATE PRESCHOOL THAT HAD 940
TIMES THE ALLOWABLE CONCENTRATION FOR CHILD CARE CENTERS. THE
HIGHEST LEAD LEVELS IN ALLEY COUNTY WERE THEN FOUND TO BE AT
VANWIG WHERE IT WAS TESTED TO BE 4,700 PARTS PER BILLION IN
HAPPY CAMPERS CHILDREN'S CENTER, WHICH WAS 3,800 PARTS PER
BILLION. WE URGE THE BOARD TO ADOPT THIS RESOLUTION AND WE
THINK IT'S IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY GIVEN OUR PROXIMITY TO THE
LEAD BATTERY SMELTER, CLOMECO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TAKING
CONSIDERATION OF THIS ISSUE OF LEAD CONTAMINATION AND LET'S
WORK TOGETHER TO TRY TO ADDRESS IT AND TO REDUCE THE EXPOSURE
LEVELS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BARBARA HENSLEY. YOUR LINE
IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

SPEAKER: HELLO, BARBARA HENSLEY HERE. I AM FROM THE SIERRA



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1 CLUB AND I WANT TO FIRST THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR
2 HAHN FOR SPONSORING THIS MEASURE AND BRINGING IT TO THE
3 FOREFRONT. OF COURSE THE LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK IN LA
4 IS A GREAT WAY TO ENSURE PEOPLE THAT THIS IS A REAL ISSUE AND
5 WE'D ASK THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THE MOTION BECAUSE OF THE THREAT
6 TO PUBLIC HEALTH, LIVING IN UNKNOWN AREAS OF POLLUTION SUCH AS
7 EXIDE, BUT ALSO IN AREAS THAT ARE LIKE EAST LA. I'M JUST
8 HEARING ABOUT SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHERE PEOPLE COME INTO
9 CONTACT WITH LEAD AND MAY NOT EVEN KNOW IT. SO, IT ALSO SEEMS
10 THAT MEDICAL PROVIDERS HAVE BECOME A LITTLE FLAX ABOUT HAVING
11 CONVERSATIONS WITH THEIR PATIENTS AND THE PARENTS WITH HAVING
12 ZERO

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14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** TO TWO-YEAR-OLD CHILDREN TESTED. THANK YOU,
15 YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHRIES. YOUR LINE IS
18 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
19 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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21 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU TO ERIC PREVIN FOR HIS ENLIGHTENER.
22 AND FOLKS, THIS IS SO DISGUSTING. THERE WERE 2024. LEAD HAS
23 BEEN IN THE CONSTRUCTION WORLDWIDE NATIONWIDE STATEWIDE
24 COUNTYWIDE SINCE CHRIST WAS A CORPORAL AND YOU'RE COMING UP
25 AND THEN WE HAVE HOLLY MITCHELL COMING UP ALL THE THROWING IN



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1 THE RACE CARD AND WHEN THE COUNTY AND THE STATE OF LOS
2 ANGELES, THE HISPANIC LATINO POPULATION WITH THAT 50% OR MORE
3 OF THE POPULATION. COME ON, GET OFF OF THIS PANDERING GARBAGE
4 HERE AND JUST DEAL WITH THE REALITY THAT'S BEEN GOING ON SINCE
5 LIKE FOREVER SO WHY IS IT YOU NEED TO BE DOING IT NEED TO BE
6 DOING THE INTERVENTION IT'S GONNA COST BILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO
7 CORRECT THE SITUATION YOU DIDN'T SEE A DAMN THING WHEN YOU HAD
8 THE EXCISE BATTERY AND ALL THAT SORT OF STUFF. PEOPLE OUGHT TO
9 BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF, BUT AS WE KNOW, YOU DON'T KNOW SHAME.
10 YOU NEED TO GET SOME TESTOSTERONE IN THAT COUNTY BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO
16 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW GO TO SPEAKERS IN
19 PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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21 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M DONALD HARLAN SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
22 2 ABOUT THE LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK. YEAH, THERE'S NO
23 LEAD PIPES HERE IN LOS ANGELES. THERE NEVER EVER HAS BEEN ANY
24 LEAD PAINT WAS REMOVED OUT OF EVERY BUILDING IN THE COUNTY
25 SINCE THE 70S. IS THERE, HAS IT BEEN ANY LEAD PAINT SINCE



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1 THEN? HILDA SOLIS AND JANICE HAHN ARE CRIMINAL LIARS TRYING TO
2 SPEND MONEY FOR LEAD POISONING. BULLSHIT. YOU GUYS ARE THE
3 [EXPLETIVE] PROBLEM.

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT'S YOUR SECOND WARNING.

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7 **SPEAKER:** YOU KNOW WHAT? ERASE THIS ITEM COMPLETELY FROM THE
8 AGENDA AND FIRE HILDA SOLIS AND JANICE HAHN, COMPLETELY LOCK
9 THEM OUT OF THE COUNTY BUSINESS FOR THIS. WHAT THEY DID WAS
10 THEY ILLEGALLY DEVELOPED IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA. AND WE HAVE
11 HILDA SOLIS AND JANICE HAHN COVERING IT UP. THEY'RE IMPLICATED
12 IN THAT --

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
15 SPEAKER, PLEASE. NEXT SPEAKER. OKAY, NO OTHER SPEAKERS IN
16 QUEUE. THAT IS YOUR FINAL WARNING, SIR. WE NOW NEED TO
17 CONTINUE ON WITH OUR AGENDA. WITH THAT, ITEM 2 IS BEFORE US,
18 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO
19 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

24

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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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 7, ENABLING COUNTY LIBRARIES TO BETTER SERVE THEIR
21 UNHOUSED PATRONS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR
22 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0
23 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I WILL TURN
24 IT TO YOU.

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1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO START BY
2 THANKING BOTH OUR AMAZING COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM AND OUR
3 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH FOR ALL THEIR SUPPORT IN WORKING
4 WITH MY TEAM ON THIS MOTION. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN,
5 FOR YOUR INTEREST IN CO-AUTHORING. THE MOTION IS IN RESPONSE
6 TO THE GROWING HOMELESS CRISIS AND THE BURDEN THAT IT IS
7 PLACING ON OUR LIBRARIES AND OUR STAFF. OUR COUNTY LIBRARIES
8 HAVE BECOME A DE FACTO DAY SHELTER FOR THOUSANDS OF OUR
9 UNHOUSED FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS WHO ARE SEEKING RESPITE
10 FROM EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS AND UNSAFE STREETS PLUS ACCESS
11 TO WI-FI. LIBRARIES PROVIDE A SAFE SPACE FOR THEM TO REST,
12 DRINK WATER, CHARGE THEIR PHONES, AND AGAIN USE COMPUTERS AND
13 THE RESTROOM. OUR COUNTY LIBRARIANS AND LIBRARY STAFF HAVE
14 BEEN TRULY REMARKABLE OVER THE YEARS IN HOW THEY BALANCE THEIR
15 WORKLOAD WHILE RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF THEIR UNHOUSED
16 PATRONS IN OUR FACILITIES. SOME OF THE LIBRARIES IN MY
17 DISTRICT HAVE ANYWHERE FROM 3 TO 10 INCIDENTS PER WEEK
18 INVOLVING AN UNHOUSED PERSON. THESE INCIDENTS CAN BE ANYTHING
19 FROM SOMETHING MINOR TO MORE SEVERE CASES INVOLVING A MENTAL
20 HEALTH CRISIS WHERE UNFORTUNATELY POLICE AND PARAMEDICS ARE
21 CALLED. THIS BOARD HAS ALWAYS ADVOCATED FOR LESS ENFORCEMENT
22 AND MORE CARE FOR OUR OWN HOUSE. AND IT'S IN THIS SPIRIT THAT
23 I HOPE TO REESTABLISH A PILOT FROM 2018, IN WHICH MENTAL
24 HEALTH CLINICIANS SERVED IN COUNTY LIBRARIES TO HELP
25 DEESCALATE SEVERE CASES AND HELPED TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH



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1 SUPPORT FOR OUR UNHOUSED PATRONS. THE PILOT WAS VERY
2 SUCCESSFUL PRIOR TO COVID-19. MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS
3 REPORTED MAKING OVER 3,700 CONTACTS WITH UNHOUSED LIBRARY
4 PATRONS IN NEED OF SERVICES IN LESS THAN 1 YEAR. DURING THE
5 PILOT PROGRAM, SOCIAL WORKERS LED APPROXIMATELY 450 PROGRAMS
6 FOR PATRONS AND STAFF, WHICH HELPED CONNECT THE UNHOUSED
7 PATRON WITH RESOURCES. THEY ALSO PROVIDED IMPORTANT TRAINING
8 TO LIBRARY STAFF ON STRATEGIES AND TECHNIQUES TO USE IN
9 VARIOUS MENTAL HEALTH CRISES, PRIMARILY DE-ESCALATION. WHEN
10 THE PANDEMIC HIT AND IT FORCED OUR LIBRARIES TO CLOSE, THOSE
11 CLINICIANS WERE RETURNED TO THEIR ORIGINAL POST AT THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. SO, THIS MOTION COLLEAGUES WILL
13 IDENTIFY WHERE THE HIGHEST NEED LIBRARIES ARE IN THE COUNTY
14 AND CREATE AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN TO BRING MENTAL HEALTH
15 WORKERS BACK TO OUR LIBRARIES AT A TIME WHEN THEY ARE NEEDED
16 THE MOST. THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR CO-AUTHORING
17 AND I HOPE THAT YOU ALL WILL SUPPORT THIS MOTION.

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

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21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR ALLOWING
22 ME TO JOIN YOU IN THIS MOTION. IT'S GREAT TO SEE OUR 2
23 DEPARTMENT HEADS, RIGHT? DR. LISA WONG, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
24 HEALTH, SKY PATRICK, OUR LIBRARIES TOGETHER. I'M SURE IN
25 ANOTHER TIME OR PLACE, YOU WOULDN'T NECESSARILY SEE THESE 2



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1 DEPARTMENT HEADS SO CLOSELY COLLABORATING ON SOMETHING, BUT I
2 THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT. AND SKYE, IT'S BEEN YOUR LEADERSHIP
3 THAT REALLY HAVE MADE OUR LIBRARIES SO IMPORTANT TO OUR
4 COMMUNITIES AND TO OUR RESIDENTS. AND THEY BECOME SO MUCH MORE
5 THAN JUST BOOKS AND READING. OUR LIBRARIES ARE PLACES WHERE
6 PEOPLE CAN ACCESS THE INTERNET FOR FREE, OR THEY CAN TAKE
7 CLASSES, LEARN A NEW SKILL, OR EVEN ACCESS NARCAN KITS. AND
8 OUR LIBRARIES AND OUR LIBRARY STAFF ARE SUCH AN IMPORTANT
9 ASSET FOR OUR COUNTY AND THEY WORKED TIRELESSLY TO PROVIDE
10 EXCELLENT SERVICES. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ALWAYS CONVEY THAT TO
11 YOUR STAFF OF HOW GRATEFUL WE ARE TO THOSE WHO WORK IN OUR
12 LIBRARIES. BUT THEY'RE BEING MET WITH NEW CHALLENGES. AND
13 THOSE IN OUR COUNTY WHO ARE HOMELESS FIND COMFORT IN OUR
14 LIBRARIES BECAUSE THEY ARE WELCOMING AND SAFE PLACES. THEY
15 PROVIDE A COOL PLACE TO STAY ON A HOT DAY, A QUIET AND SAFE
16 PLACE TO SPEND THE DAY AND SO MUCH MORE. AND AS SUPERVISOR
17 MITCHELL TALKS ABOUT IT, WE HAD THIS GREAT PILOT PROGRAM IN
18 2018 THAT WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH THAT ASSIGNED
19 TRAINED CLINICIANS AND OUR LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS TO SUPPORT
20 OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION AT OUR HIGH NEED LIBRARIES.
21 UNFORTUNATELY, DUE TO COVID PANDEMIC, THE PROGRAM WAS PUT ON
22 PAUSE AS OUR LIBRARIES CLOSED AND BEGAN DOING CURBSIDE
23 SERVICE, WHICH AGAIN, WHAT A GREAT, I DON'T KNOW IF WE'VE EVER
24 REALLY THANKED YOU FOR THAT AS WELL, SKYE. I MEAN, TO THINK
25 THAT LIBRARIES PIVOTED TO CURBSIDE SERVICE, SOMETHING THAT



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1 KIND OF WAS, PROBABLY YOU DIDN'T LEARN IN LIBRARY SCHOOL, THAT
2 THAT WOULD BE A SKILL THAT WE NEEDED TO DO. BUT WE SAW THOSE
3 BUSINESSES AND THOSE DEPARTMENTS THAT WERE ABLE TO PIVOT
4 DURING THE COVID WERE THE ONES THAT WERE SUCCESSFUL AND
5 CONTINUE TO MEET OUR RESIDENTS' NEEDS. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT.
6 BUT OUR LIBRARIES ARE NOW BACK OPEN. WE'RE SEEING MORE AND
7 MORE INCIDENTS IN WHICH OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION DO REQUIRE
8 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT THAT IS BEYOND WHAT OUR LIBRARIANS ARE
9 TRAINED TO SUPPORT. SO, I'M, OF COURSE, SUPPORTING THIS
10 MOTION, GLAD TO CO-AUTHOR IT. I THINK IT'S TIME THAT WE
11 REVISIT THAT 2018 PILOT PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP
12 WITH DR. WONG AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH WILL HELP US
13 PROVIDE THESE INDIVIDUALS WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH THEY NEED AND
14 IT WILL ASSIST OUR LIBRARY STAFF SO THEY CAN CONTINUE TO FOCUS
15 ON THEIR PRIMARY SERVICES. SO, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU
20 FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. I MEAN, I KNOW IN MY
21 DISTRICT UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHEN WE WERE JUST TALKING
22 ABOUT THE HEAT. THAT WAS GROUND ZERO FOR WHERE A LOT OF THE
23 UNHOUSED WENT. AND THEY WENT THERE TO KEEP COOL, BUT ALSO
24 CONNECTIVITY WITH THE INTERNET, WHICH I KNOW IS NOT UNIQUE TO
25 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND I TOO WANNA THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF,



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1 SKYE, BECAUSE IT CREATES CHALLENGES FOR STAFF AS WELL. AND I
2 KNOW THAT SAFETY WAS AN ISSUE BECAUSE MANY OF THEM ARE COMING
3 IN AND BEING A LITTLE DISRUPTIVE, BUT WITH THE RIGHT TRAINING,
4 THEY CAN CALM THEM DOWN AND EVERYTHING GOES FINE, BUT THEY
5 NEED THE SUPPORT AND THE TRAINING TO UNDERSTAND HOW TO
6 DEESCALATE IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS. AND I KNOW IN OUR NEW
7 LIBRARY DOWN IN LIVE OAK, ON LIVE OAK, WE SERVE LUNCH AS WELL
8 TO FAMILIES. AND THEY ALSO HAVE BEEN HELPING WITH SOME OF THE
9 UNHOUSED. SO, THERE'S NO QUESTION YOUR STAFF IS DEDICATED NOT
10 ONLY TO HELPING PEOPLE WITH THE SERVICES THEY WERE HIRED TO DO
11 IN THAT AS A LIBRARY, BUT ALSO WORKING WITH THE POPULATION
12 THAT IS FREQUENTING THE LIBRARIES. AND TO YOU, LISA, I THINK
13 YOU HEARD ME SAY IT EARLIER, ALL ROADS LEAD BACK TO MENTAL
14 HEALTH. AND THIS IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THAT. SO, I WANT TO
15 PUBLICLY THANK YOU AND YOUR TEAM AS WELL FOR THE DEDICATION. I
16 KNOW YOU'RE DRINKING OUT OF A FIRE HOSE. AND I KNOW THAT WITH
17 SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT ARE COMING FORWARD, YOU'RE TRYING
18 TO FIGURE OUT HOW THIS IS ALL GOING TO BE, HOW WE'RE GOING TO
19 NAVIGATE IT. BUT I HAVE TO SAY THAT THIS BOARD SUPPORTS THE
20 EFFORTS THAT YOU'RE MAKING TO ROLL OUT SERVICES AND THIS I
21 THINK WILL BE AN EXAMPLE OF WHERE WE CAN DO IT IN AN AREA
22 KNOWING WHERE THEY ARE CONGREGATE WHERE INDIVIDUALS ARE
23 CONGREGATING AND IT COULD BE A WIN-WIN. SO, THANK YOU FOR
24 BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD.

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SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: YES, I WON'T REITERATE WHAT'S ALREADY BEEN SAID, BUT THANK YOU BOTH AND THANK YOU TO THE AUTHOR AND THE CO-AUTHOR AND FOR THE 2 DEPARTMENTS. I KNOW THIS IS A CHALLENGING TIME FOR US, AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO UNDERSCORE WE'VE HAD CALLS FROM SOME OF OUR LIBRARIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA WHERE WE HAVE THIS PROBLEM. IT'S BEEN THERE FOR A WHILE, SO I WOULD JUST HOPE THAT WE REALLY DRILL DOWN ON SOME OF THOSE AREAS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS WHERE WE'VE SEEN WHERE THERE HAVE BEEN INSTANCES WHERE STAFF HAVE HAD UNFORTUNATE EXPERIENCES WITH THIS DEALING WITH IT AND THEN ALSO JUST THE FACT THAT PEOPLE WE KNOW USE THE LIBRARY IN SO MANY DIFFERENT WAYS BUT AGAIN THANK YOU AND I SUPPORT THE ITEM. THANK YOU.

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: AS A RESIDENT OF ONE OF THE CITIES WHO ENJOYS THE PLEASURE OF A COUNTY LIBRARY AND HAVING SEEN, ESPECIALLY DURING COVID, AND EVEN BEFORE THAT, THE ROLE THAT THE WEST HOLLYWOOD LIBRARY HAS PLAYED IN PROVIDING ACCESS, SAFE ACCESS TO ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS. I AM VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MOTION AND I WOULD LOVE TO SEE OUR MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS EXPAND THEIR SERVICE TO LIBRARIES LIKE SAN FERNANDO AND WEST HOLLYWOOD AND OUR THIRD DISTRICT AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THIS KIND OF PARTNERSHIP MEANS THAT



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1 PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE SERVICES IN A PLACE WHERE THEY
2 FEEL SAFE THAT PERHAPS DOESN'T COME WITH THE STIGMA OF GOING
3 TO SOME OF THE OTHER PLACES, THEY MIGHT OTHERWISE RECEIVE
4 SERVICES AND INVITES THEM IN IN A VERY ACCESSIBLE WAY. SO, I
5 THANK YOU BOTH FOR THE PARTNERSHIP THAT WILL PROCEED FROM THIS
6 MOTION. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I'LL TURN IT BACK TO YOU.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** JUST VERY QUICKLY, I WANTED TO MAKE
9 SURE EVERYONE KNOWS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF US WHO WEREN'T HERE
10 ON THE BOARD WHEN THE PILOT HAPPENED, THEY HAVE DATA FROM 2018
11 TO 2020 TO SHOW THE LIBRARIES WITH HIGHEST NEED BY SPA AND
12 LIBRARIES WITH HIGHEST NEED BY DISTRICT. SO PART OF THE MOTION
13 IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY REVIEW THE DATA AND BASED ON CURRENT
14 INCIDENTS THAT THE LIBRARY STAFF ARE REPORTING TO MAKE SURE
15 THAT WE PRIORITIZE THOSE LIBRARIES AND COMMUNITIES THAT
16 EXPRESS THE HIGHEST NEEDS. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE FOLKS
17 KNEW THAT THAT DATA EXISTED FROM THE PILOT. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WOULD YOU LIKE TO
20 OFFER ANY OTHER COMMENT BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT?

21

22 SKYE PATRICK: THANK YOU, CHAIR HORVATH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
23 MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN. I THINK ALL OF YOU SAID
24 IT PERFECTLY AND BEAUTIFULLY. LIBRARIES SUPPORT OUR
25 COMMUNITIES IN SO MANY WAYS THAT ARE DELIBERATE AND BOTH



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1 DELIBERATE AND UNINTENTIONAL. THIS PROGRAM WAS HIGHLY
2 SUCCESSFUL AND OUR STAFF REALLY BENEFITED FROM IT, BUT NOT
3 ONLY OUR STAFF, THE USERS OF THE LIBRARY REALLY BENEFITED FROM
4 THIS PROGRAM, EXCUSE ME, THIS PARTNERSHIP, AS WELL AS THE
5 PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND OUR NEIGHBORS WHO
6 ARE EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. SO, THANK YOU FOR
7 SUPPORTING US AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO REPORTING BACK.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. EXECUTIVE
10 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED
11 UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL DONALD HARLAND AND PICKLE DRAG QUEEN
14 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY
15 WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER PLEASE?

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JOSHUA CLAYTON. YOUR LINE
18 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
19 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSHUA CLAYTON. I'M WITH THE
22 FRIENDS OF THE MASAO W. SATOW LIBRARY AND I'M CALLING TO
23 SUPPORT THE MOTION TO BRING BACK THE MENTAL HEALTH
24 PRACTITIONERS TO OUR LIBRARIES. ITEM 7. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I
25 VOICE MY FULL SUPPORT.



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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CORINNE LAND. YOUR LINE IS
5 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
6 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** HI, I LIVE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND I VISIT THE
9 LANCASTER LIBRARY EVERY WEEK. I HAVE NOTICED UNHOUSED PEOPLE
10 INSIDE THE LIBRARY. THEY OBVIOUSLY NEED HELP. SOME OF THEM
11 HAVE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES, AND MANY
12 SEEM TO HAVE LOST HOPE. I THINK LIBRARIES WOULD BE A
13 CONVENIENT LOCATION FOR IN-HOUSE PEOPLE TO ACCESS SUPPORT FROM
14 SOCIAL WORKERS. I ALSO THINK MANY OTHER PEOPLE WOULD BENEFIT
15 FROM HAVING AN ACCESSIBLE SOCIAL WORKER AVAILABLE. SO, I ALSO
16 SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE. OUR NEXT
19 PARTICIPANT IS ANDREA CARROLL. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE
20 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
21 MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HONEY LIBRARY FOUNDATION. AND I'M VERY PLEASED TO
24 SUPPORT ITEM 7, BECAUSE BETTER SERVING UNHOUSED PATRONS AT THE
25 LIBRARY ALSO MEANS BETTER SERVING YOU, WHETHER YOU'RE A



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1 LIBRARY USER, LIBRARY STAFF, OR OTHER COMMUNITY MEMBER. A
2 LIBRARIAN, SUPERHERO THOUGH THEY ARE, IS NOT A TRAINED MENTAL
3 HEALTH PROFESSIONAL. THEY AREN'T EQUIPPED. THEY SHOULDN'T BE
4 EXPECTED TO DEAL WITH THE SIGNIFICANT NEEDS OF PEOPLE WHO ARE
5 UNHOUSED OR WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS. A SOCIAL WORKER
6 THOUGH CAN DIFFUSE AND PREVENT MANY OF THE FRIGHTENING
7 INCIDENTS WE'RE SEEING AT OUR LIBRARIES. THE LIBRARY'S PILOT
8 PROGRAM WITH CLINICIANS EMBEDDED IN LIBRARIES WAS A SUCCESS.
9 SOCIAL WORKERS BUILT ON THE TRUST AND CONNECTION LIBRARIANS
10 HAD DEVELOPED WITH THEIR UNHOUSED LIBRARY USERS. THEY PROVIDED
11 VITAL SERVICES TO THE UNHOUSED AND MENTALLY UNWELL. THEY
12 STEPPED INTO CALM INDIVIDUALS. THEY RESOLVED SITUATIONS
13 PEACEFULLY. RESTORING THAT PILOT AS A SOUND SOLUTION TO AN
14 ONGOING PROBLEM IS A WIN FOR ALL. THANK YOU.

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

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18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LISA SMITH. YOUR LINE IS
19 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
20 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I APPRECIATE EVERYONE TAKING
23 THIS CALL. I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO AGREE ON GETTING MY SUPPORT
24 FOR 7 BECAUSE IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE LIBRARIES OPEN
25 AND ALSO HAVE PEOPLE IN THERE THAT CAN HELP REGARDING MENTAL



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1 HEALTH. I DO BELIEVE IN WHAT WAS SAID. ALL ROADS LEAD BACK TO
2 MENTAL HEALTH. THEY ARE VERY FRIGHTENING INCIDENTS. I KNOW I
3 WAS AT FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS IN THE INGLEWOOD DISTRICT. I REACHED
4 OUT TO HOLLY MITCHELL OVER I'D SAY A YEAR AND A HALF LETTING
5 HER KNOW HOW DANGEROUS IT WAS THERE AND ALL THE INCIDENTS
6 WITHIN A YEAR AND A HALF THAT HAPPENED. THE POLICE WERE
7 ACTUALLY THERE 535 TIMES. THANK YOU FOR THE INGLEWOOD POLICE
8 FOR GIVING ME ALL THAT INFORMATION. AND ALSO, I WOULD SUGGEST
9 THAT YOU LOOK INTO SOME MORE SEVERE TYPE OF SECURITY FOR YOUR
10 HOUSING AND FOR YOU BUILD MORE HOUSING YOU CAN MAKE SURE THAT
11 THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS SAFE, ACTUALLY SAFE. YOU SHOULD HAVE
12 ARMED GUARDS BECAUSE OF ALL THE INCIDENTS.

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

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17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KATHLEEN OSTRIA. YOUR LINE
18 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
19 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20
21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS
22 MITCHELL AND HAHN FOR THIS MOTION. I BELIEVE THAT MENTAL
23 HEALTH CLINICIANS ARE ESSENTIAL AT LIBRARIES. PERSONAL
24 EXPERIENCES AT OUR LIBRARY IN LENNOX LED ME TO BELIEVE THIS
25 AND THINK HOW THIS COULD REALLY HELP BOTH THE LIBRARY STAFF,



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1 THE MENTALLY ILL INDIVIDUALS, AND THE PATRONS OF THE LIBRARY.
2 THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT AND AGAIN I'M ON THE
3 MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THANK
4 YOU. POINTED BY THE SECOND DISTRICT.

5

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

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KAWANA COOPER. YOUR LINE IS
9 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
10 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.
13 I'M CALLING TO SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 7. AND I WOULD LIKE TO
14 THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND HAHN. I'M A REGULAR CUSTOMER,
15 ESPECIALLY AT THE NORWALK LIBRARY, AND I HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND
16 HOW OUR LIBRARIANS HAVE ASSISTED INDIVIDUALS, HOMELESSNESS
17 INDIVIDUALS, AND THEY HAVE BEEN VERY WELCOMING AND SUPPORTED
18 OF THE UNHOUSED PATRONS. BUT WE CANNOT PLACE ALL THIS BURDEN
19 ON LIBRARIANS. WE NEED HELP WITH RESOURCES AND MENTAL HEALTH
20 SPECIALISTS SO THEY CAN FOCUS SO THAT OUR LIBRARIANS CAN FOCUS
21 THEIR ENERGY ON LIBRARY TASKS THAT ARE ASSIGNED WHILE OUR
22 UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS RECEIVE THE CARE THAT THEY NEED. SO, I
23 THINK IT'S A GREAT IDEA THAT WE HAVE MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS
24 IN THE LIBRARY BECAUSE THEY'RE BETTER EQUIPPED AND THEY KNOW
25 EXACTLY WHAT OUR FRIENDS, ON-HOUSE FRIENDS WOULD NEED HELP



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1 WITH. SO, I SUPPORT THIS 101%. AND I HOPE --

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
4 SPEAKER PLEASE.

5

6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RICK POLITO. YOUR LINE IS
7 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
8 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HI, THIS IS RICARDO POLITO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

11

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

13

14 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. RICARDO PULIDO, I'M A CO-
15 CHAIR FOR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SOUTH 8. I'M ALSO A
16 FAMILY ADVOCATE AND MENTAL HEALTH VOICE HERE FOR THE SOUTH BAY
17 AREA. I TOO BELIEVE THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL OF US
18 HERE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT MENTAL HEALTH, A PARTNERSHIP WITH
19 THE LA COUNTY LIBRARIES. I CONCUR WITH THE HONORABLE CONGRESS,
20 OR RATHER, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS HOLLY AND ALSO HAHN'S MOTION
21 HERE AND ALL THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS WHO HAVE SAID VERY
22 ELOQUENTLY THAT THROUGH OUR LA COUNTY BOARD OF FOUND
23 FOUNDATION BOARD SUPER YOU KNOW BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THROUGH
24 THE COMMISSION WE ALL BELIEVE THIS IS THE BEST WAY FOR A ONE-
25 STOP SHOP THERE AT THE LIBRARY. CARSON LIBRARY, WE ARE DOING



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1 STUFF THERE ALREADY. THANKS TO MARIKO AND A FEW OTHERS THROUGH
2 HER VISIONS. WE ARE DOING OUR NAMI PROGRAMS THERE NOW. SO, IF
3 WE HAVE THE --

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
6 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SHARIS PETERS. YOUR LINE IS
9 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
10 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** I'M CALLING TO SUPPORT ITEM 7 TO PROVIDE HIGH NEED LA
17 COUNTY LIBRARIES WITH MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS OR SOCIAL
18 WORKERS TO ASSIST THE GROWING NUMBER OF OUR NEIGHBORS
19 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. AS A LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
20 THERAPIST EMPLOYED BY THE LA COUNTY LIBRARY, I'VE WITNESSED A
21 DIRE NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT AND LINKAGE TO OTHER VITAL
22 SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THIS POPULATION WITHIN OUR LIBRARY. OUR
23 LIBRARY STAFF DO AN AWESOME JOB OF CREATING OUR LIBRARIES AS
24 WELCOMING CENTERS OF THE COMMUNITY BY PROVIDING ENGAGING
25 OPPORTUNITIES AND PROGRAMS. HOWEVER, THEY'RE NOT TRAINED TO



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1 ADDRESS THE INCREASINGLY COMPLEX NEED OF THE UNHOUSED
2 POPULATION. OUR LIBRARY STAFF DESPERATELY NEED THE ASSISTANCE
3 OF MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS OR SOCIAL WORKERS TO ADDRESS THE
4 NEEDS AND CARE OF OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS. THANK YOU,
5 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND MITCHELL, FOR RECOGNIZING THAT OUR
6 LIBRARIES ARE SO MUCH MORE THAN HEATING AND COOLING CENTERS.
7 WE CONTINUALLY PROVIDE A TRUSTED SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE
8 UNHOUSED AS WELL AS ALL OUR OTHER NEIGHBORS IN THE COMMUNITIES
9 WE SERVE. A YES VOTE WILL ALLOW ALL OUR NEIGHBORS TO CONTINUE
10 TO FEEL COMFORTABLE --

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

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LINDA CHAN RAP. YOUR LINE
16 IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE UNMUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
17 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS LINDA CHAN RAPP AND I HAVE
20 SERVED ON THE BOARD OF FRIENDS OF LONGLEATAH LIBRARY SINCE
21 2016. I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF THIS MOTION. IN 2016, ONE
22 OF MY FRIENDS BECAME UNHOUSED, AND MY HOME BECAME HER MAILING
23 ADDRESS FOR OVER 5 YEARS UNTIL SHE OBTAINED TRANSITIONAL
24 HOUSING. ACCORDING TO MY FRIENDS, THE LIBRARY IS UNIQUE. IT IS
25 A SAFE PLACE TO BE AT, AND LIBRARIES CAN BE A NATURAL HUB FOR



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1 CONNECTING PEOPLE TO RESOURCES, SUCH AS SHELTER, HOUSING,
2 FOOD, AND HYGIENE SUPPLIES, AS WELL AS COUNSELING, ESPECIALLY
3 SUICIDE PREVENTION. THE LIBRARY CAN BE A LAUNCHING POINT FOR
4 ANSWERS BUT MAKING SOCIAL WORKERS AVAILABLE TO HELP FACILITATE
5 THESE POINTS OF CONNECTION IS CRUCIAL. PLEASE VOTE YES OR AYE.
6 THANK YOU.

7

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

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. YOUR LINE IS
11 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
12 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I LOVE LIBRARIES AND I LOVE THE IDEA OF
15 THEM AS PARTS OF THE COMMUNITY WHERE YOU HAVE CIVIC MEETINGS
16 AND WAYS TO BE PART OF THE COMMUNITY, LEARNING AND EDUCATION.
17 AND EVERYBODY SHOULD BE INCLUDED, OF COURSE. AND I AM VERY
18 APPRECIATIVE OF THE LIBRARIANS WHO TAKE THE TIME TO BE
19 DIGNIFIED WITH UNHOUSED PEOPLE. BUT I AGREE WITH THE CALLER
20 WHO SAID THAT IT CANNOT BE A LIBRARIAN'S RESPONSIBILITY, QUITE
21 FRANKLY. AND ONCE AGAIN, WE NEED MORE PEOPLE, AND WE DON'T
22 HAVE MORE PEOPLE. WE DO NOT NEED MORE SUPERVISORS MILLING
23 AROUND GETTING NITHYA RAMAN TO COME UP HERE WHERE MARQUIS
24 HARRIS-DAWSON TODAY ONCE AGAIN SHUT DOWN PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ME
25 FOR 2 MEETINGS IN A ROW. SO, IT'S NOW DUELING BAD PEOPLE WHO



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1 ARE COLLUDING. SO, I DON'T APPRECIATE THAT. I THINK THAT THE
2 LIBRARIAN SHOULD BE RESPECTED AND THE PEOPLE WHO GO TO THE
3 LIBRARY SHOULD BE ABLE TO HEAR FROM THE PEOPLE IN THE PUBLIC
4 TIMELY WHEN THEY WATCH THE MEETING ON THE LITTLE TVS AND NOT
5 HAVE THE PEOPLE SHRUNK DOWN TO THE SIZE OF A GNAT ON CITY HALL
6 WHILE THEY APPEAR IN LIVING COLOR AT COUNTY HALL. WE'LL GET
7 INTO THAT AND WE CAN DISCUSS IT WITH MR. HARRIS-DAWSON AND
8 CHAIR HORVATH TOGETHER.

9

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS,
16 MODERATOR?

17

18 **MODERATOR:** THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS ON THE PHONE.

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS
21 IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS, GO, SORRY. HI, MY NAME IS PICKLE. I
24 AM THE DRAG LAUREATE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD. I RUN DRAG
25 STORY HOUR. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS, HAHN AND



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MITCHELL, FOR PUTTING THIS FORTH. MORE THAN, SORRY, MORE THAN THAT, I'M A DAILY LIBRARY USER. I DO ALL MY WORK FOR MY NONPROFIT FROM LIBRARIES, FROM THE COMPUTERS. I USE THE PRINTING EVERYDAY AT DIFFERENT LIBRARIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY BASED ON WHERE I NEED TO BE. I OVERHEAR PEOPLE ACCESSING RESOURCES EVERY DAY FROM LIBRARIANS AND THE COMPASSION THAT THEY RECEIVE IS SO INSPIRING. THE OTHER DAY, THE OTHER WEEK, I WAS IN THE COMPUTER LAB, A WOMAN CAME IN AND SHE SAID, I NEED HELP, AND THEY CONNECTED HER TO RESOURCES. SHE WAS AT THE END OF HER ROPE, AND SHE WENT TO THE LIBRARY. SHE DIDN'T GO TO A RESOURCE FAIR. SHE DIDN'T GO TO A CLINIC. SHE DIDN'T GO TO A POLICE STATION. SHE WENT TO A LIBRARY. THANK YOU.

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE THERE, OH, PLEASE GO AHEAD. NEXT SPEAKER.

SPEAKER: AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 7, RUNNING HOMELESS PROGRAMS AT THE COUNTY LIBRARIES, DEFINITELY NO. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU REALIZE WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE LIBRARIES, A REAL PROBLEM POPPED OUT OF THE LIBRARIES. THEY STARTED TRYING TO ALTER HISTORY AND PHOTOSHOPPING PICTURES. THEY EVEN PHOTOSHOPPED MY PERSONAL PICTURES AND PUBLISHED THEM IN A BOOK WITH A FAKE HISTORY. ANGEL CITY PRESS IS PARTICULARLY BAD. THESE ARE SPONSORED MOSTLY BY THE LA CITY LIBRARY, BUT THE LA COUNTY LIBRARY HAS SIMILAR PROBLEMS. MANY OF THE EVIL CREATURES AND



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1 TROLLS CREATING ILLEGAL PUBLICATIONS AND FALSE HISTORIES
2 APPEARED AS LIBRARIANS, AND THEY'RE IN THERE CREATING
3 PROBLEMS. THEY'RE TRYING TO CREATE A HOMELESS BUSINESS IN THE
4 LIBRARY NOW. --

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
7 SPEAKER. NO OTHER SEEING NO OTHER SPEAKERS. ITEM 7 IS BEFORE
8 US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN
9 TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AYE.

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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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

2

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

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

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7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5
8 TO 0.

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10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 10,
11 REIMAGINING AND ACCELERATING SAFER STREETS THROUGH THE
12 EQUITABLE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BICYCLE
13 MASTER PLAN, WHICH I HELD. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
14 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.
15 I FIRST WANNA THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR JOINING ME ON THIS
16 MOTION TO ACCELERATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY'S SOON TO BE UPDATED BICYCLE MASTER PLAN AND VISION 0
18 IMPROVEMENTS. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FATALITIES OCCUR IN EVERY
19 PART OF THE COUNTY AND ARE ALL TOO COMMON. TO NAME JUST A FEW
20 EXAMPLES, IN THE 3RD DISTRICT IN NORTHRIDGE ON FRIDAY EVENING,
21 A CYCLIST IN HIS EARLY 50'S WAS THROWN OFF HIS BICYCLE BY 1
22 VEHICLE TO BE HIT BY A SECOND. NEITHER DRIVER STOPPED. IN THE
23 SECOND DISTRICT ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 2ND, IN THE MIDDLE OF THE
24 DAY, A MAN IN HIS 40'S WAS KILLED IN A BICYCLE VERSUS VEHICLE
25 HIT AND RUN COLLISION ON WEST 63RD STREET NEAR OVERHILL DRIVE



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1 IN VIEW HEIGHTS. AND IN THE FIRST DISTRICT IN APRIL, A 46-
2 YEAR-OLD FATHER OF 5 WAS STRUCK BY AN SUV TRAVELING AT A HIGH
3 RATE OF SPEED IN LA'S CENTRAL ALAMEDA NEIGHBORHOOD AND
4 PRONOUNCED DEAD AT THE SCENE. LAST YEAR, 87 FATAL TRAFFIC
5 COLLISIONS OCCURRED THROUGHOUT OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES,
6 RESULTING IN 95 DEATHS. 95 PEOPLE WHO LEFT BEHIND SONS,
7 DAUGHTERS, MOTHERS, FATHERS, PARTNERS, AND FRIENDS. ACCORDING
8 TO BIKE LA, 85% OF THE FATALITIES THAT OCCUR HAPPEN WHERE
9 THERE AREN'T BIKE LANES. WITH ONLY 22% OF THE CORRIDORS AND
10 TREATMENTS CALLED FOR IN OUR 2012 BICYCLE MASTER PLAN
11 IMPLEMENTED, THERE IS SIGNIFICANT ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT. THIS
12 MOTION IS ABOUT PRIORITIZING THE BICYCLE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT
13 WE KNOW SAVES LIVES. IT DOES THIS BY CONNECTING PUBLIC WORK
14 STREET REPAIR AND REPAYMENT SCHEDULE TO THE MOBILITY
15 ENHANCEMENTS IDENTIFIED IN OUR SOON-TO-BE UPDATED BICYCLE
16 MASTER PLAN AND VISION ZERO PROGRAM. BY ALIGNING THE COUNTY'S
17 VISION ZERO PROGRAM AND BICYCLE MASTER PLAN WITH OUR FIVE-YEAR
18 PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROGRAM, PUBLIC WORKS WILL HAVE TIME TO
19 DESIGN, ENGINEER, BUDGET, AND SEEK GRANT FUNDING TO IMPLEMENT
20 CORRIDOR-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS ON STREETS THAT ARE SLATED FOR
21 REPAVING YEARS DOWN THE ROAD. TO BE CLEAR, WHAT WE HAVE BEFORE
22 US IS NOT AN ORDINANCE OR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROGRAM, IT
23 IS A WAY TO WORK SMARTER AND IT IS UNEQUIVOCALLY AFFIRMING
24 THAT WE WILL DO THIS. BIKE PATHS AND PROTECTED BIKE LANES ARE
25 PART OF SAFE AND ATTRACTIVE NEIGHBORHOODS AND PRIORITIZING



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1 INVESTMENTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE NOT RECEIVED THEIR
2 FAIR SHARE OF IMPROVEMENTS IS ESSENTIAL. WITH THAT, I'D LIKE
3 TO INVITE MY CO-AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, TO SHARE HER
4 COMMENTS. AND I UNDERSTAND THERE'S AN AMENDMENT TO CONSIDER BY
5 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I'LL GO TO YOU FIRST.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM
8 CHAIR, FOR ASKING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS. THIS IS SOMETHING
9 THAT'S VERY NEAR AND DEAR TO ME BECAUSE OF MY LONG-TIME
10 ADVOCACY ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABLE
11 TRANSPORTATION. I'VE BEEN A LONG-TIME SUPPORTER OF
12 COMPREHENSIVE BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE IN LA COUNTY AT LEAST AS
13 LONG AS I HAVE BEEN ON THE BOARD AND I WANT TO REFLECT ON A
14 PROJECT THAT HAS BEEN VERY CLOSE TO ME IN MY HEART FOR THE
15 LAST 25 YEARS. IT'S KNOWN AS THE EMERALD NECKLACE PROJECT IN
16 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND IT ABUTS I THINK EVERY MAJOR BIKE
17 TRAIL THAT'S OF ANY SIGNIFICANCE IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
18 CONNECTS US TO OUR RIVERS, BUT IT ALSO CONNECTS A LOT OF OUR
19 COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES. AND I'VE
20 LIVED MOST OF MY LIFE IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND KNOW HOW
21 IMPORTANT THIS IS. AND IN FACT, BACK IN 1999 AS A STATE
22 SENATOR, I HELPED TO PASS LEGISLATION TO CREATE THE SAN
23 GABRIEL LOWER AND LOS ANGELES RIVER MOUNTAIN CONSERVANCY,
24 WHICH IS NOW KNOWN AS THE RMC. WE LOOK TO FUNDING FROM THE
25 STATE AND OTHER ENTITIES TO TRY TO HELP US EXPAND UPON OUR



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1 BIKE PATHS. THE EMERALD NECKLACE PROJECT ACTUALLY STARTED WAY
2 BACK IN 2001 WITH THE LATE JEFF YANG. SOME OF YOU KNOW HIM
3 FROM THE WHITTIER AND THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS AND PELLISSIER
4 AREA. HE WAS AN AVID SIERRA CLUB MEMBER, BUT SOMEONE WHO
5 REALLY SPENT A LOT OF TIME WORKING ON THE ENVIRONMENT. AS I
6 BECAME CONGRESSWOMAN, THE OTHER EFFORTS WE WORKED TOGETHER ON
7 WITH HIM AND EVEN WITH THE COUNTY AT THAT TIME WAS HELPING TO
8 REVERT SOME OF OUR OPEN SPACE. FOR EXAMPLE, THE SAN GABRIEL
9 RIVER PARK THAT JUST CAME ON BOARD THAT WAS KNOWN AS THE DUCK
10 FARM FOR, I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE 40, 50 YEARS. AND AS A CHILD
11 GROWING UP THERE, YOU KNEW WHAT THAT DUCK FARM WAS. IT SMELLED
12 HORRENDOUS. IT'S NOW BEEN CLOSED AND IS NOW ONE OF OUR MAJOR
13 PARK SYSTEMS. AND IT'S A NATURAL AREA, AND THE CONSERVATION
14 THAT'S TAKING PLACE THERE IS INCREDIBLE. BUT IT'S ALSO A
15 CENTERPIECE OF THE EMERALD NECKLACE PATH AND BIKEWAY FOR
16 EQUESTRIAN USE, FOR BIKING AND FOR PEOPLE THAT JUST WANT TO
17 WALK. THE 30-ACRE LINEAR PARK THAT I'M TALKING ABOUT FEATURES
18 A WORLD-CLASS BIKE PATH, MARKING A SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE IN
19 OUR JOURNEY. HOWEVER, MUCH OF THE PROJECT REMAINS YET TO BE
20 BUILT. IN 2016, VOTERS OVERWHELMINGLY SUPPORTED THE EXPANSION
21 OF LA COUNTY'S TRANSPORTATION NETWORK THROUGH MEASURE M. THIS
22 INCLUDED \$120,000,000 FOR THE SAN GABRIEL GREENWAY NETWORK,
23 AIMING TO EXPAND OUR BIKEWAY NETWORK ALONG FLOOD CONTROL
24 FACILITIES AND BUILD UPON THE EMERALD NECKLACE VISION. WHILE
25 I'M EXCITED ABOUT THE PROGRESS, I'M ALSO DISAPPOINTED ABOUT



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1 THE PACE. SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GREENWAY NETWORK PLAN INITIALLY
2 SET TO IDENTIFY THE FIRST 40 BUILDABLE MILES BY 2018 IS NOW
3 ONLY NEARING COMPLETION NOW, SOME YEARS LATER, 2024. DESPITE
4 THIS DELAY, I'M EAGER TO SEE THIS PLAN GUIDE THE
5 IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR BIKEWAY NETWORK BECAUSE IT IMPACTS SO
6 MANY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. WE'RE MAKING STRIDES WITH 4
7 ADDITIONAL MILES OF THE VINCENT COMMUNITY BIKEWAY PROJECT AND
8 I WANT TO COMMEND DPW FOR THAT AND YOUR STAFF, BUT I WOULD
9 LIKE TO SEE IT MOVE FASTER. I THINK PEOPLE ARE OWED THAT. I
10 URGE THE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT TO IMPLEMENT THE PLAN
11 IMMEDIATELY AS A PART OF THE BIKEWAY MASTER PLAN UPDATE. THESE
12 PROJECTS, AS YOU KNOW, SHOULDN'T TAKE A DECADE TO IMPLEMENT.
13 WE NEED TO RESPOND URGENTLY TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND TO PROVIDE
14 VIABLE ALTERNATIVES TO DRIVING FOR OUR MANY, MANY RESIDENTS.
15 SO, ON THIS JOURNEY, I HOPE THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO SEE THIS
16 MOVE ON A FASTER PACE, AND I THINK WE MAY HAVE HOPEFULLY YOUR
17 COOPERATION IN SEEING THIS THROUGH. I KNOW WE'VE HAD SEVERAL
18 DISCUSSIONS ABOUT OTHER ITEMS REGARDING OUR ROADS AND OUR
19 INFRASTRUCTURE. JUST YESTERDAY, MARK, WE TALKED EXTENSIVELY
20 ABOUT THAT. AND, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE REALLY LOOK AT US AS THE
21 ONES WHO TAKE CARE OF THEIR POTHOLES AND THOSE CRACKS IN THE
22 PAVEMENT AND UPKEEP. AND I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT THAT IS TO YOU,
23 BUT IT'S EQUALLY IMPORTANT TO OUR RESIDENTS. SO, WITH THAT, I
24 JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THIS ITEM IS REALLY CRITICAL, THIS
25 MOTION, BECAUSE IT DOES REQUIRE US TO UPGRADE AND REALLY THINK



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1 THROUGH WHO WE'RE IMPACTING AND WHAT PROMISES AND COMMITMENTS
2 WE HAVE MADE AND TO BE FAIR AND TRANSPARENT ABOUT WHERE WE ARE
3 IN THAT PROGRESS SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR FOR
4 BRINGING THIS FORWARD

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND I ALSO WANT TO
7 THANK OUR PUBLIC WORKS PARTNERS, AND MARK AND STEVE ARE HERE,
8 BUT EVERYONE IN YOUR TEAM WHO WORKED WITH US IN THE DRAFTING
9 OF THIS MOTION. IF I MAY GO TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, BECAUSE I
10 KNOW SHE HAS AN AMENDMENT, I'M GOING TO GO TO HER FIRST AND
11 THEN - -

12

13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THAT. AND WANT
14 TO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD TO HAVE THIS
15 CONVERSATION. AND THANK YOU FOR ELEVATING THOSE MOST RECENT
16 CYCLISTS WHOSE LIVES WERE LOST. AND, YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU HEAR
17 THAT THE DRIVERS OF THE CARS DIDN'T EVEN STOP IT JUST IT TAKES
18 YOUR BREATH AWAY YOU KNOW IN THE PREAMBLE OF YOUR MOTION IT
19 REFERENCES 35% INCREASE IN FATAL CRASHES BETWEEN 2017 AND 2022
20 MANY OF THOSE OCCURRED IN BLACK AND BROWN COMMUNITIES ACROSS
21 THIS COUNTY. BACK IN JUNE, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH THE ADOPTION OF
22 THE BUDGET, I HIGHLIGHTED THAT A UCLA REPORT RELEASED THEN
23 SHOWED THAT TRAFFIC VIOLENCE CONTINUES TO DISPROPORTIONATELY
24 IMPACT BLACK PEDESTRIANS AND IN FACT BLACK PEDESTRIAN
25 FATALITIES CONTINUE TO RISE. PER THE COUNTY VISION ZERO PLAN,



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1 15 OF THE TOP 20 COLLISION CONCENTRATION QUARTERS ARE
2 UNFORTUNATELY IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND SO, IT'S IMPORTANT
3 THAT PUBLIC WORKS RECOGNIZES THAT I THINK THE PRIORITY IS
4 REALLY SAFETY AND THAT CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE IS INSTALLED
5 WITH AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE BEING
6 SERVED. AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE DIFFERENT ALL ACROSS LA
7 COUNTY. SO, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE FOCUS AS VISION
8 ZERO DOES. AND I APPRECIATE PUBLIC WORKS. YOU ARE ONE OF THE
9 MOST FORWARD-FACING COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WITHOUT QUESTION. AND
10 EVEN GIVEN THAT, WHAT WE CONSISTENTLY HEAR FROM CONSTITUENTS
11 IS THAT THEY STRUGGLE REALLY TO UNDERSTAND WHERE THEY CAN GO
12 TO TRACK DOWN PROGRESS ON PLANS LIKE THE BIKE MASTER PLAN OR
13 VISION ZERO. GOING BACK TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S ISSUE ABOUT IT'S
14 TAKING TOO LONG, A, FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE AND THE PERSPECTIVE
15 OF OUR CONSTITUENTS NOT KNOWING HOW TO TRACK PROGRESS. THEY
16 HEAR ABOUT A GOOD MOTION OR A PLAN AND IN TYPICAL FASHION WE
17 EXPECT THAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE SOMEBODY OUT THERE MAKING IT
18 HAPPEN THE NEXT DAY, BUT THEY DON'T QUITE KNOW HOW TO FOLLOW
19 IT AND FIGURE IT OUT. SO, THEY STUMBLE OVER WHERE THEY CAN
20 PROVIDE INPUT INTO THOSE PLANS AND HOW THEY OVERLAP WITH DPW'S
21 OTHER WORK ACROSS YOUR OTHER BUSINESS AREAS. AND SO AGAIN,
22 SINCE I GOT HERE, I PUSHED REALLY HARD FOR MORE MOBILITY-
23 CENTERED PROGRAMS AND POLICIES INCLUDING EQUITY AND
24 INFRASTRUCTURE, DECRIMINALIZING MOBILITY, WHERE WE SAID THAT
25 YOU COULD RIDE YOUR BIKE ON THE SIDEWALK AND NOT GET A TICKET



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1 FOR SAFETY REASONS, AND THE CREATION OF A TRANSPORTATION
2 COMMISSION. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING A QUESTION FOR DIRECTOR
3 PESTRELLA THAT YOU'VE IDENTIFIED A CRITICAL NEED TO CREATE AND
4 FILL A TRANSPORTATION PLANNER CLASSIFICATION. IS THAT ACCURATE
5 AND WHERE ARE YOU IN THAT PROCESS?

6

7 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR, AND THE BOARD ON
8 MULTIPLE OCCASIONS HAS RECOGNIZED THE NEED FOR THAT
9 TRANSPORTATION PLANNER AND IT'S BUILT WITHIN THE
10 TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MOTION THAT YOU BROUGHT FORWARD AND
11 WE PRESENTED THAT STRUCTURE AND WORKING WITH CEO AND OUR
12 BUDGET ANALYST TO FULFILL THAT POSITION IN PUBLIC WORKS. SO,
13 IT'S IN PROGRESS.

14

15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, YOU'LL SEE THE POSITION FILLED IN
16 THE NEXT YEAR, 2 YEARS. CAN YOU GIVE ME A LITTLE MORE CLARITY
17 THAN IN PROGRESS? I THINK THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL. SEE ME OUT IN
18 2 YEARS? AND THEN I'LL TELL YOU WHY I'M ASKING, MADAM CHAIR.

19

20 **MARK PESTRELLA:** BUSINESS MANAGER TELLS ME 2 YEARS IS WHEN WE
21 WILL SEE THAT POSITION AND THE CURRENT PACE OF COUNTY CREATING
22 STRUCTURE LIKE THAT.

23

24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WE'RE WORKING ON THAT TOO. OKAY AND I
25 AND I ASKED MADAM CHAIR BECAUSE AS I READ YOUR MOTION IT FELT



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TO ME THAT BUILDING UP THAT CAPACITY WITHIN THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES GROUP FELT MORE CLOSELY TIED TO, I THINK, THE GOALS AND WHAT YOU WERE ARTICULATING IN THE MOTION AS OPPOSED TO PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROGRAMS. SO THAT'S WHY I ASKED THE QUESTION ON WHERE WE ARE ON THAT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION, MADAM CHAIR, TO REALLY TALK ABOUT HOW WE CONTINUE TO EXPAND THIS WORK AND GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OUT OF THE REPORT BACK. AND SO, I WOULD ASK THAT WE INCLUDE THE LANGUAGE. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE LA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, HERE'S THE NEW LANGUAGE, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ANTI-RACISM, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION INITIATIVE TO REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 120 DAYS WITH AN EVALUATION ON BEST PRACTICES OF JURISDICTIONS NATIONALLY THAT HAVE IMPLEMENTED SIMILAR PROGRAMS SUCCESSFULLY AND REPORT BACK WITH ANY APPLICABLE FINDINGS INCLUDING MOBILITY IMPLEMENTATION METHODOLOGIES. AS WELL, I WOULD HOPE THAT THE REPORT BACK WOULD INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS OF THE SPECIFIC HURDLES THAT THE COUNTY FACES IN IMPLEMENTING OUR MOBILITY CENTERED PLANS. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT AS WE TALK ABOUT LIVES BEING LOST EVERY DAY THAT WE UNDERSTAND WHAT THE HURDLES AND BARRIERS ARE, BUT REALLY WANTING TO HEAR A REPORT BACK ON MODELS NATIONALLY.

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: GOT IT, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.



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1
2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, I STILL CAN'T GET OVER 2 YEARS
3 TO ONBOARD PERSONNEL.

4
5 **MARK PESTRELLA:** IT'S TO, YES, SUPERVISOR, IT'S TO DEVELOP A
6 POSITION, A CLASSIFIED POSITION IN THE COUNTY, IN THE
7 DEPARTMENT, IN AN ORGANIZATION SO THAT WE GET THE POSITIONS
8 AND WE DO THE HIRING. ALL THAT TOGETHER, WE'RE LOOKING AT 2
9 YEARS.

10
11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY. I THINK IT'S SAD. I'LL JUST SAY
12 THAT. AND I THINK THAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, I
13 MEAN, I'M HEARING THIS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS TOO. WE TRIED TO
14 HIRE AN INTERN AND IT TOOK LIKE 6 MONTHS. SO, AND THAT WAS
15 JUST PAPERWORK. SO, I THINK THAT, FESIA, THIS IS SOMETHING
16 THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT, BECAUSE WE ALWAYS TALK ABOUT CRISIS
17 AND HIRING AND COMPETING WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR. IT'S
18 PROBLEMATIC.

19
20 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SUPERVISOR, I KNOW THAT DHR IS STARTING. I
21 FORGOT THE NAME OF THE INITIATIVE. BASICALLY, IT'S THE
22 EXPEDITE HIRING. ONE OF THE CONVERSATIONS THAT WE WANT TO HAVE
23 WITH DHR, UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS IS THEIR LANE IS BASICALLY
24 HOW DO WE TAKE THE GAINS THAT WE MADE UNDER THE EMERGENCY
25 DECLARATION AND MAKE THEM STANDARD PRACTICE.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT, BUT IT SHOULDN'T
3 TAKE AN EMERGENCY DECLARATION. I MEAN, I'M, I MEAN, WHEN I
4 HEARD THAT WE DID AN EMERGENCY DECLARATION AND I'M BEING
5 THANKED, BECAUSE THERE'S A PROBLEM, THEY SHOULD BE RECOGNIZING
6 WHAT THE IMPEDIMENTS ARE. BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THIS IS AN
7 IMPORTANT ISSUE TO THIS BOARD. AND THEN WHEN YOU HEAR THE
8 STATS IN TERMS OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE BEING KILLED RIDING
9 THEIR BIKES, I THINK THAT THERE'S A SENSE OF URGENCY, BUT IT
10 SHOULDN'T TAKE AN EMERGENCY ORDER.

11

12 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** UNDERSTOOD. SO, I DO KNOW THAT DHR JUST STOOD
13 UP A NEW, I DON'T KNOW THE NAME OF IT, BUT A NEW UNIT. IT'S
14 SORT OF LIKE A CONCIERGE SERVICE.

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** GET BACK TO BASICS. I MEAN, I THINK IT'S
17 GREAT THAT THEY'RE DOING CONCIERGE, BUT IT'S JUST GET BACK TO
18 BASICS IN TERMS OF HOW WE GO ABOUT HIRING IN THE COUNTY. AND
19 ENABLE DEPARTMENTS TO ACTUALLY DO THAT. I KNOW FIRE HAS THIS
20 ISSUE.

21

22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YEAH. I AGREE WITH YOU. AND WHAT I, YOU KNOW,
23 I DON'T WANT TO MAKE EXCUSES, BUT I DO WANT TO IDENTIFY THE
24 CURRENT STATE. THE QUESTION IS, HOW DO WE GET RID OF, NOT GET
25 RID OF, BUT MOVE THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES THAT ARE DESIGNED TO



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1 ASSURE, YOU KNOW, TRANSPARENCY AND FAIRNESS? HOW CAN WE RELAX
2 THOSE AND AT THE SAME TIME MOVE MORE QUICKLY?
3
4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND NOT COMPROMISE THAT. NO, I HEAR THAT
5 AND I KNOW YOU'RE NOT MAKING EXCUSES, BUT IT'S JUST WHEN I
6 HEARD 2 YEARS, I WANTED A CLARIFICATION IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE
7 TALKING ABOUT, BECAUSE I COULDN'T BELIEVE THAT. BUT I SUPPORT
8 THIS MOTION. I FEEL AS THOUGH, YOU KNOW, AS YOUR SOLIS BROUGHT
9 UP, THE LENGTH OF TIME IT'S TAKEN. I MEAN, I REMEMBER MEETING
10 WITH SOME OF MY CONSTITUENTS WHO HAVE FLOOD CONTROL BEHIND
11 THEIR HOMES THAT WERE UPSET BECAUSE THEY SAID THEY FELT AS
12 THOUGH THIS WAS PART OF THEIR BACKYARD, HOW CAN WE DO THIS?
13 AND THE REMINDER WAS BY YOUR STAFF THAT THAT'S PUBLIC RIGHT
14 AWAY. AND THAT'S IN AN AREA WHERE IT WOULD HAVE BEEN, IT'S
15 IDEAL BECAUSE IT CONNECTS CITIES WITHOUT BEING ON REALLY BUSY
16 STREETS LIKE HUNTINGTON DRIVE. SO, I'M ANXIOUS TO SEE HOW THIS
17 ALL PLAYS OUT. I DO AGREE THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT THINGS LIKE
18 WHAT THE CITY OF LA DID WITH THEIR MEASURE HLA. IT'S OBVIOUS
19 THAT IT WAS VERY POPULAR. IT'S GOT 65.5% APPROVAL. HOWEVER,
20 THE NUMBER OF PROJECTS TO WHICH THE MEASURE HAS BEEN APPLIED
21 SO FAR HAVE BEEN LIMITED, RAISING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE
22 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THIS PLAN. AND I BRING THAT UP
23 BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW, MARK, IN THE NORTH COUNTY, I HAVE THE
24 LARGEST PERCENTAGE, I BELIEVE, OF COUNTY-CONTROLLED STREETS,
25 PAVEMENT. AND YOU'VE BROUGHT UP, THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT, WELL,



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1 IT'S NOT EVEN GOOD NEWS. WE'VE LOST MONEY AS A RESULT OF THE
2 GAS TAX, CORRECT? AND THAT DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS THE
3 NORTH COUNTY. AND I'M MINDFUL OF THE LIMITED FUNDING WE HAVE
4 TO EVEN DO THE REPAIRS OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE. SO, I'M HOPING
5 AND I AND I HOPE YOU WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION IT SAYS HERE
6 NEARLY 55% OF COUNTY MAINTAINED CENTERLINE ROADS ARE WITHIN
7 THE 5TH DISTRICT AND IT'S MOSTLY UP IN THE NORTH COUNTY. SO, I
8 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN WE LOOK AT THINGS LIKE THE
9 PAVEMENT CONDITION INDEX IN THE NORTH COUNTY HAS BEEN LOWER
10 THAN THE SOUTH COUNTY RAISING CONCERNS ABOUT THE EQUITABLE
11 DISTRIBUTION OF RESOURCES. I JUST WANT TO BE COGNIZANT OF THAT
12 AS WE MOVE FORWARD BECAUSE I DON'T WANT IT TO
13 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACT THE NORTH COUNTY, WHICH ALREADY WE
14 KNOW IS FACING CHALLENGES. BUT I WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS AND
15 HOPE THAT YOU CAN GET SOMEONE HIRED IN 2 YEARS. IF YOU CAN'T,
16 I'LL BE AT A LOSS. HAVE YOU IDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS FOR THIS
17 POSITION?

18
19 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, THERE ARE QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS FOR IT
20 AND WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON IS ACTUALLY GETTING THE STRUCTURE
21 APPROVED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, THE POSITIONS THEMSELVES
22 APPROVED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, SUPERVISOR. BECAUSE IT'S A
23 NEW, IT CAME THROUGH THE NEW.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** NO, I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT IT'S LIKE



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1 DOING CLASSIFICATION NOW. IT'S LIKE I CAN, WELL, I KNOW CHAIR
2 HORVATH COULD GET YOU A MEETING WITH THE POPE FASTER. YEAH.
3 ANYWAY, THANK YOU.

4

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

6

7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, THAT'S AN UNFAIR CRITERIA. SUPERVISOR
8 HORVATH AND THE POPE ARE ON FIRST NAME BASIS. THANK YOU FOR
9 THIS. IT'S KIND OF GONE IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION, BUT I
10 APPRECIATE YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER, BRINGING UP THE ISSUE OF
11 HIRING AND NEW CLASSIFICATIONS BECAUSE, AS YOU SAID, MARK,
12 WE'VE ALREADY IDENTIFIED SOME QUALIFIED PEOPLE. WE'RE GONNA
13 LOSE THOSE QUALIFIED PEOPLE PROBABLY IN 2 YEARS. SO THAT'S
14 ANOTHER THING TO THINK ABOUT. SO, I THINK YOU'VE GOT
15 EVERYBODY'S ATTENTION ON THE HIRING ISSUE. SO, THANK YOU
16 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I'VE
17 RECEIVED A LOT OF EMAILS FROM MY FOURTH DISTRICT CONSTITUENTS
18 THAT ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS MOTION AND ABOUT THE BICYCLE
19 MASTER PLAN. AND I KNOW OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS IS IN
20 THE PROCESS OF UPDATING OUR BICYCLE MASTER PLAN. AND I THINK
21 THE KEY THING IS, YOU KNOW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO ELIMINATE
22 THESE TRAFFIC RELATED FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES. I MEAN,
23 WE'RE EITHER GOING TO BE A COUNTY THAT CAN BOAST OF BEING SAFE
24 FOR PEOPLE WHO DO, WHO WE ARE ENCOURAGING TO RIDE THEIR BIKES
25 AT VARIOUS TIMES IN THEIR LIVES OR WERE NOT, BUT SAFETY IS



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1 PARAMOUNT FOR US BECOMING THAT SORT OF BICYCLE SAFE COUNTY.
2 YEAH, WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT IT, BUT TRAFFIC CRASHES ON
3 COUNTY MAINTAIN ROADWAYS INCREASED BY OVER 35% BETWEEN 2017
4 AND 22. AND PEOPLE ON BIKES MADE UP NEARLY 30% OF FATAL OR
5 SEVERE INJURIES. AND I KNOW MARK, YOUR DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN
6 ENGAGING WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS, CBOS, ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO
7 HELP DEVELOP THIS, BUT THIS MOTION TODAY, I THINK WILL ADDRESS
8 KEY ITEMS THAT WILL HELP US AS A BOARD MOVE FORWARD AND ACT ON
9 THIS PLAN MORE QUICKLY. WE NEED TO KNOW THE HIGH NEED
10 CORRIDORS, THE UNMET FUNDING NEEDS, AND A PLAN TO ENSURE THAT
11 WE'RE PREPARED TO EXECUTE WHAT THIS PLAN WILL LAY OUT. IT'S
12 CRITICAL THAT WE MAKE OUR STREETS SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE TO
13 PEOPLE USING BIKES AND SCOOTERS AS WE MOVE TO A MORE
14 SUSTAINABLE FUTURE HERE IN LA COUNTY. SO, THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO, WE DO HAVE AN
17 AMENDMENT. IS THERE A SECOND ON THAT AMENDMENT? OKAY. I JUST
18 WANT TO CLARIFY THE INTENTION BEHIND IT IN TERMS OF JUST GIVEN
19 OUR CONVERSATION AROUND THE LENGTH OF TIME IT'S TAKING TO
20 HIRE, THE SENSE OF URGENCY AROUND SAFETY. I JUST WANT TO
21 CLARIFY THAT WE ARE NOT GOING TO... I THINK WE SAID ALL
22 JURISDICTIONS NATIONALLY, SO WE'RE NOT UNEARTHING EVERY
23 POSSIBLE EXAMPLE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY FOREVER, BUT REALLY
24 TRYING TO HAVE A GENUINE EXPLORATION OF OPTIONS, BUT ALSO WITH
25 A SENSE OF URGENCY TO KEEP IT MOVING FORWARD. DO YOU WANNA



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1 TURN ON YOUR MIC SO PEOPLE CAN HEAR YOU.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WHY NOT? WHICH IS WHY IT'S A 120 DAYS,
4 I AGREE WITH YOU. NOT EXHAUSTIVE, BUT LET'S SEE WHAT OTHER
5 JURISDICTIONS HAVE DONE, ABSOLUTELY.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT'S HELPFUL, THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** NOT MEANT TO SLOW IT DOWN.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** GOOD, GOOD. WITH THAT, EXECUTIVE
12 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED
13 UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL DONALD HARLAN AND JONAH KENNER, PLEASE
16 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU MODERATOR MAY WE HAVE
17 THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS BRIANNA EGAN, PLEASE MAKE
20 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
21 BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
24 BRIANNA EGAN. I'M CALLING IN FROM THE SOUTH BAY IN STRONG
25 SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION FOR TO STRENGTHEN THE VISION HERE



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PROGRAM AND ALSO IMPLEMENT THE BICYCLE MASTER PLAN ON STREETS
IN COUNTY ROADS. I THINK THIS MOTION IS REALLY STRONG AND IT'S
VERY NEEDED. AS FOLKS HAVE TALKED, AS YOU ALL HAVE TALKED
ABOUT, THE RATE OF BICYCLE FATALITY AND THE TRAFFIC CRISIS ON
OUR STREET IS UNACCEPTABLE AND WE SHOULD BE DOING EVERYTHING
THAT WE CAN TO MAKE OUR STREETS SAFER FOR ALL ROAD USERS.
SPEAKING SPECIFICALLY TO THE SOUTH BAY, THERE'S AREAS OF THE
BICYCLE MASTER PLAN THAT WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT, INCLUDING
ALONG THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL AND IN EL CAMINO VILLAGE. AND I
BELIEVE THAT LA COUNTY CAN LEAD ON THIS IN BUILDING THE ACTIVE
TRANSPORTATION NETWORK THAT WE NEED TO PROVIDE LOW COST,
SUSTAINABLE, AND HEALTHY TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR PEOPLE
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND SO, I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS BEING
IMPLEMENTED. --

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BRIAN MATSUMOTO. PLEASE
MAKE SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT.
YOU MAY BEGIN. BRIAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. HE JUST REMOVED
HIMSELF FROM THE QUEUE. CAN YOU HIT 1 AND 0 AGAIN? THERE WE
GO. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

SPEAKER: HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?



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

3
4 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISORS, HELLO. MY NAME IS BRIAN MATSUMOTO. I AM
5 A PROJECT MANAGER FROM NATURE FOR ALL. WE JUST WANNA EXPRESS
6 OUR INCREDIBLY STRONG SUPPORT AND THANKS FOR REALLY BRINGING
7 WHAT WE HOPE TO BE AN ERA OF ACTION AROUND SAFE STREETS AND
8 BICYCLE PLANNING. PERSONALLY, I LIVE IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT IN
9 UNINCORPORATED TEMPLE CITY. I'M 46 YEARS OLD. THE WHOLE TIME
10 OF MY LIFE, EATON WASH, THE CHANNELIZED CONCRETE WASH, HAS
11 BEEN SITTING THERE WAITING TO BECOME A PUBLIC BIKEWAY. AND I'M
12 HOPING TO NOT BE DEAD TO BE ABLE TO USE THIS SOMEDAY. I AM ON
13 THE STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
14 GREENWAY FEASIBILITY PLAN AND WE JUST REALLY NEED YOUR
15 LEADERSHIP SUPERVISORS. I DO THINK PUBLIC WORKS FOR ALL THE
16 GOOD INTENTION BEHIND THE FOLKS THERE. ENGINEERING HAS NOT
17 GIVEN US HUMAN CENTERED DESIGN OR LOW COST --

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRIS YEN. PLEASE MAKE SURE
23 YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
24 BEGIN.



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

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

4

5 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, GREAT. I AM A CYCLIST AND I'M LIVING IN
6 PASADENA. I BIKE ALL THE TIME ON LA COUNTY UNINCORPORATED
7 ROADS ESPECIALLY IN ALTADENA AND I CANNOT WAIT FOR LA COUNTY
8 TO HAVE SOMETHING SIMILAR TO METRO HLA TO ENSURE THAT THIS
9 MASTER BIKE PLAN IS ACTUALLY IMPLEMENTED. SOMEONE IS KILLED
10 EVERY 3 DAYS ON UNINCORPORATED LA COUNTY ROADS. DESPITE VISION
11 ZERO, LA COUNTY HAS MADE VERY LITTLE PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING ITS
12 GOAL OF 0 TRAFFIC DEATHS. IN VERY LITTLE OF THE 2012 THAT
13 BICYCLE MASTER PLAN HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED. AS A CYCLIST,
14 CYCLING IS MY MAIN MODE OF TRANSPORTATION. I DO NOT OWN A CAR.
15 I FEEL REALLY VULNERABLE ON LA COUNTY ROADS. SO PLEASE, I URGE
16 ALL SUPERVISORS OF LA COUNTY TO MAKE THE ROADS SAFER FOR ALL
17 THE VULNERABLE ROAD USERS, INCLUDING PEDESTRIANS AND
18 BICYCLISTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

19

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

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22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. PLEASE MAKE
23 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
24 BEGIN.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, IT'S ERIC PREVIN, AND I'M ASTONISHED THAT THIS
2 ROLE HAS NOT BEEN CAST YET. AND I WAS LISTENING CLOSELY TO THE
3 SUGGESTION THAT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO GET AN INTERN IN 6 MONTHS.
4 SO, I JUST WANNA RAISE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW IN THE WORLD
5 WE'RE GOING TO FILL ALL OF THESE UNMET NEEDS AND THESE
6 POSITIONS. I DON'T KNOW. AND I THINK CONCIERGE WORK AT THE
7 HIGHEST RATE, WHICH IS INCONSISTENT AS WE LOCK ARMS AND PAY
8 FOR RETAIL HOTEL ROOMS. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, WHAT WE NEED, I
9 THINK, ON VISION ZERO IS TO BE ABLE TO STAFF HIS ROLE, BUT HOW
10 LONG DOES SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND THE PEOPLE IN THE
11 NEIGHBORHOODS FOR THE HIGH ENTRY NETWORK, HOW LONG DO THEY
12 HAVE TO WAIT FOR EVERYONE TO SHRUG AND GO, HEY, WHAT HAPPENED?
13 AND PESTRELLA OUGHT TO GET OUT TO STUDIO CITY AND MONITOR WHAT
14 THEY'RE DOING BY THE LA RIVER NEAR THE HARVARD WESTLAKE PLACE
15 WHERE THEY, MARK MY WORDS, THERE WILL BE A CAR ACCIDENT THERE.
16 THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL ALREADY. IT'S NOT A NICE IDEA TO PUT A
17 STADIUM IN A LOVELY, QUIET, WOODED AREA.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

23
24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MICHAEL SCHNEIDER. PLEASE
25 MAKE SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT.



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SUPERVISORS

1 YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HI EVERYBODY, I AM MICHAEL SCHNEIDER. I AM THE
4 FOUNDER AND CEO OF STREETS FOR ALL AND I AM THE PRIMARY
5 PROPONENT OF MEASURE HLA. LA COUNTY HAS THE SAME PROBLEM THAT
6 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS. WE HAVE GREAT PLANS ON PAPER,
7 ESPECIALLY THE REVISED BIKE MASTER PLAN, AND HAVE DECLARED
8 VISION ZERO AS THE GOAL, BUT WE'VE MADE VERY LITTLE PROGRESS
9 IN IMPLEMENTING EITHER. MEANWHILE, PEOPLE CONTINUE TO GET HURT
10 ON OUR STREET, A PEDESTRIAN IS INJURED EVERY 5 HOURS AND
11 KILLED EVERY 2 DAYS, AND OUR BROWN AND BLACK RESIDENTS ARE A
12 DISPROPORTIONATE AMOUNT OF THOSE HURT. BY TYING THE COUNTY'S
13 BIKE MASTER PLAN AND VISION ZERO EFFORTS TO ALREADY PLAN AND
14 BUDGET IT FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WE WILL MAKE MEANINGFUL
15 PROGRESS TOWARDS MAKING THE COUNTY STREETS SAFER FOR
16 VULNERABLE ROAD USERS, INCLUDING PEDESTRIANS, CYCLISTS, AND
17 TRANSIT RIDERS. IT WOULD ALSO SAVE MONEY AND MAKE OUR STREETS
18 MORE EQUITABLE. LASTLY, IF THE BOARD IS INTERESTED IN
19 DIRECTING STAFF TO TALK TO OTHER CITIES, I WOULD SUGGEST THE
20 CITIES OF SAN DIEGO, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, AND SEATTLE,
21 WHO HAVE ALL HAD SIMILAR MEASURES LIKE THIS FOR YEARS AND BEEN
22 DOING IT SUCCESSFULLY. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS HORVATH AND
23 SOLIS FOR THE LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU.

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ELI LIPPMAN. PLEASE MAKE
3 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YES, HELLO ELI LIPPMAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
7 REPRESENTING MOVE LA AND WE ARE CALLING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF
8 ITEMS 4, 5, AND 10. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH, SOLIS,
9 AND MITCHELL FOR BEING CHAMPIONS FOR THIS. YOU'VE HEARD ALL
10 THE ARGUMENTS BEFORE, BUT WHAT I WANNA REALLY FOCUS ON IS
11 THESE 2 THINGS. ONE IS THAT 24% OF LA COUNTY RESIDENTS WILL BE
12 OLDER ADULTS, 60 PLUS BY 2030. THAT MEANS THAT EXTREME HEAT
13 AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, THE ABILITY TO WALK WITHOUT BEING
14 HARMED IS GOING TO BE CRITICAL FOR THOSE COMMUNITIES, FOR
15 OLDER ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND SO THAT'S WHY THIS IS
16 VITAL. AND THAT'S WHY PLANNING NOW AND STARTING NOW IS VITAL.
17 THE SECOND THING IS THAT WE KNOW FROM RESEARCH THAT
18 DISPROPORTIONATELY OUR BLACK AND BROWN AND BIPOC RESIDENTS OF
19 LA COUNTY ARE BEING IMPACTED BY TRAFFIC VIOLENCE. AND SO, WHAT
20 YOU'RE APPROVING TODAY WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT A HAVE AN EQUITY
21 BENEFIT.

22

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

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3 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
4 THANK YOU, WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON. PLEASE DO GO AHEAD.

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6 **SPEAKER:** WONDERFUL. GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JONAH
7 KANNER. I LIVE IN ALTADENA. I'M HERE TODAY TO PLEASE URGE YOU
8 TO VOTE YES ON ITEM NUMBER 10. BUILDING SAFER STREETS HELPS
9 EVERYONE. WE KNOW FROM RESEARCH THAT BUILDING BIKE FACILITIES
10 REDUCES COLLISIONS FOR CYCLISTS, BUT ALSO FOR DRIVERS. SO, IT
11 REALLY IS A VISION ZERO FOR EVERYONE. I USE MY E-BIKE AS MY
12 MAIN FORM OF TRANSPORTATION. MY SON GETS TO SCHOOL BACK AND
13 FORTH ON HIS BIKE. I THINK BOTH MYSELF AND MY SON DESERVE SAFE
14 SPACES TO RIDE TO SCHOOL AND AROUND OUR CITY. ALSO, AS AN
15 ADVOCATE IN ALTADENA AND PASADENA, I TALK TO DOZENS OF PEOPLE
16 ALL THE TIME WHO TELL ME THAT THEY RIDE BUT THEY WISH IT WAS
17 SAFER. THEY WOULD RIDE IF IT WERE SAFER. THIS IS AN ISSUE FOR
18 EVERYONE. ALSO, MEASURE HLA, WHICH IS SIMILAR TO THIS, PASSED
19 BY A TWO-TO-ONE MARGIN IN LOS ANGELES. SO, THIS IS A VERY
20 POPULAR WAY OF DOING THINGS AND ALSO WILL SAVE THE COUNTY
21 MONEY BY IMPLEMENTING THESE PROJECTS AT THE TIME OF REPAVING,
22 WHICH IS THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY TO DO IT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M DONALD. THIS IS CONCERNING THE BICYCLES AND
2 THE WALKWAYS. I LOVE BICYCLE PATHS. I LIKE BIKE RIDING. I'M
3 ALL IN SUPPORT OF THAT. THE PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROGRAM, I
4 APPRECIATE THAT. NICE, SOMEBODY FIXING THE PAVEMENT, FILLING
5 THE POTHOLES. THAT'S REAL GOOD. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S 1975
6 BICYCLE MASTER PLAN IS NOT REAL. I DON'T KNOW WHO MADE THAT
7 UP, THAT'S TOTAL CRAP. VISION ZERO CORPORATION IS A CRIMINAL
8 ORGANIZATION. EVERYBODY IMPLICATED IN VISION ZERO IS GOING TO
9 PRISON. THERE IS SOME INTERESTING HISTORICAL INFORMATION
10 THERE. I FIRST STARTED PAYING FOR PAVED STREETS IN LOS ANGELES
11 IN 1975. OKAY, THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER CONSERVANCY IS NOT REAL.
12 HILDA SOLIS IS A TRESPASSER IN THE SAN BERNARDINO MOUNTAINS
13 AND IN SAN BERNARDINO.

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. ARE THERE
16 ANY OTHER SPEAKERS HERE? OKAY, WITH THAT, ITEM 10 IS BEFORE
17 US. I WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE
18 THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 10 AS AMENDED, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AS AMENDED.

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



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SUPERVISORS

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

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

4

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

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7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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

14

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

16

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

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO
21 ITEM 28. MOVING FORWARD ON THE ETHICS REFORM IN LOS ANGELES
22 COUNTY, WHICH I HELD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
23 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. I
24 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER AND HER TEAM FOR THEIR
25 COMMITMENT TO ETHICS REFORM, AND I AM PLEASED TO SEE THAT OUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 EFFORTS AROUND GOVERNANCE REFORM HAVE STIMULATED AN URGENT
2 DISCUSSION ABOUT ETHICS OVERSIGHT HERE AT OUR BOARD. A QUICK
3 SEARCH OF THE STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS SHOWS THAT ETHICS
4 APPEARS VERY FEW TIMES IN THE LAST 20 YEARS. AND SINCE THIS
5 BOARD BEGAN DISCUSSION OF GOVERNANCE REFORM, ETHICS REFORM HAS
6 NOW BECOME A MATTER OF SHARED URGENT CONCERN. THIS IS A VERY
7 GOOD THING. DURING OUR DISCUSSIONS, MANY GOVERNANCE GROUPS,
8 SUCH AS COMMON CAUSE, HAVE EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN SHARING
9 FEEDBACK ON WHAT A TRULY INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION WOULD
10 LOOK LIKE. WE COMMITTED TO A GOING FORWARD PROCESS TO ENGAGE
11 THE PUBLIC AND TO CREATE THE INDEPENDENT ETHICS BODY
12 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER MEASURE G PASSES. I BELIEVE THAT WHAT WE
13 NEED NOW IS A 45-DAY REPORT BACK THAT WE CAN TRANSMIT TO THE
14 GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE SHOULD MEASURE G PASS, SHOULD THE
15 MEASURE NOT PASS, THE REPORT CAN BE FURTHER VETTED THROUGH A
16 PUBLIC PROCESS WITH ETHICS EXPERTS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
17 INFORMATION ON WHAT ELEMENTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED AND THE STEPS
18 REQUIRED TO FORM A TRULY INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION. IN
19 THAT SPIRIT, I WANTED TO OFFER SOME AMENDMENTS FOR
20 CONSIDERATION. IN THE PREAMBLE, I WOULD ADD IN THE LAST
21 PARAGRAPH, IT READS, THE COUNTY'S CURRENT CIVIL SERVICE
22 COMMISSION MAY ALSO BE INSTRUCTIVE AS A MODEL ON HOW WE
23 DEVELOP AN ETHICS COMPLIANCE PROCESS FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS,
24 THEIR APPOINTEES, AND EMPLOYEES THAT ARE REQUIRED TO FILE A
25 FORM 700. ON THE SECOND PAGE, IN THE PARAGRAPH BEFORE THE



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1 MOVING CLAUSE, THE LAST SENTENCE WOULD ADD, WHILE WE AWAIT THE
2 DETERMINATION OF THE VOTERS ON MEASURE G, WE CAN BEGIN THE
3 WORK OF DEVELOPING INFORMATION AND DATA TO INFORM THE PUBLIC
4 INPUT PROCESS. IN THE MOVING CLAUSE, WE WOULD CHANGE THE FIRST
5 SENTENCE. I'LL JUST READ THE 2 MOVING CLAUSES SO IT'S CLEAR
6 HOW IT WOULD READ. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL IN COLLABORATION WITH THE
8 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO REPORT BACK IN 45 DAYS WITH A
9 COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS ON PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINES
10 AND COST SCENARIOS FOR THE OPTIONS OUTLINED IN THE
11 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT, INCLUDING COST SAVINGS THAT COULD BE
12 ACHIEVED BY REORGANIZING AND STREAMLINING EXISTING FUNCTIONS
13 RELATED TO ETHICS REFORM AND ACHIEVE COST EFFICIENCIES. THE
14 REPORT BACK SHOULD INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO PROVIDE
15 STRUCTURE IN ANY OF THE PROPOSED OPTIONS WITH APPROPRIATE
16 SEPARATION OF DUTIES AND AN ETHICAL WALL TO ENSURE FAIRNESS
17 AND OBJECTIVITY AND IN LINE WITH THE MODEL IN PLACE BY THE
18 CALIFORNIA FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION. I FURTHER
19 MOVE, THIS WOULD BE AN ADDITION, THAT THE REPORT BACK BE
20 PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE AS ONE OPTION TO
21 CONSIDER UNDER THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS SHOULD MEASURE G PASS
22 OR THE REPORT BACK SHOULD INCLUDE A PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS
23 PROPOSAL ON ETHICS REFORM SHOULD THE MEASURE NOT PASS TO
24 CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK ON THE COUNTY'S NEXT STEPS ON
25 ETHICS REFORM. I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR CONSIDERING



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SUPERVISORS

1 COMMITMENT TO A PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS, INCLUDING CONSIDERATION
2 FOR WHAT OCCURS ON NOVEMBER 5TH. AND FOR THE RECORD, I WOULD
3 LIKE TO REPEAT THAT THIS IS ONE VERSION OF WHAT ETHICS REFORM
4 CAN LOOK LIKE. TO THE PUBLIC AND THE GOOD GOVERNANCE
5 ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE CLOSELY WATCHING HOW WE PROCEED, I WILL
6 CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR TRANSPARENCY AND A SEAT AT THE TABLE
7 TO DISCUSS THESE VERY IMPORTANT GOVERNANCE ISSUES MOVING
8 FORWARD. AND IF MEASURE G PASSES, THIS REPORT IS ONE OF MANY
9 THAT WILL BE HELPFUL AND AVAILABLE TO THE GOVERNANCE REFORM
10 TASK FORCE TO DELIBERATE ON AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO
11 THIS BOARD ON WHAT OUR NEW AND UPDATED GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE
12 COULD AND SHOULD BE. THE PUBLIC IS HUNGRY FOR A COUNTY
13 GOVERNMENT THAT IS ACCOUNTABLE TO THEM AND IT'S TIME FOR POWER
14 TO BE PLACED BACK IN PEOPLE'S HANDS. I FIRST SEE SUPERVISOR
15 HAHN IN THE QUEUE.

16
17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** CAN I, IT'S MY MOTION?

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19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES.

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21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** I WANTED TO TALK.

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23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OH, YOU WANT TO RESPOND? OKAY.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** WELL, YEAH, I MEAN, FIRST OF ALL, I WILL



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SUPERVISORS

1 ACCEPT YOUR AMENDMENTS, BUT I JUST HAVE A QUESTION. WE GOT THE
2 30-DAY FROM, COUNTY COUNSEL SAID IT WAS, THEY WERE ABLE TO DO
3 IT IN 30 DAYS, AND YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT URGENCY AND SO ARE YOU
4 IS THE INTENT TO WAIT TILL AFTER THE ELECTION BECAUSE THAT'S
5 THE 30 DAY I MEAN I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WE'RE 45 DAYS
6 BECAUSE I SPECIFICALLY WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT CAN BE DONE
7 BY COUNTY COUNSEL SO I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHY 45 AND NOT
8 30 BECAUSE YOU SAID EVEN WHETHER IT PASSES OR NOT, IT'S STILL
9 GOING TO MOVE FORWARD.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT'S RIGHT.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO WHY, I MEAN 30 DAYS IS WHAT'S IN THE
14 MOTION. I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHY 45. IF THEY CAN DO
15 IT IN 30, IS IT BECAUSE OF THE COSTS? BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THE
16 BREAKDOWN ON COSTS, WE'RE LOOKING AT SAN FRANCISCO, L.A., A
17 COUPLE OF OTHERS.

18

19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND I WAS GOING TO ADDRESS THAT TOO.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MY INTENTION IS TO MAKE SURE THAT
22 WE'RE ABLE TO INCLUDE THE CREATION OF A PUBLIC PROCESS EVEN
23 SHOULD MEASURE G NOT PASS SO I DIDN'T I THOUGHT THAT MIGHT
24 TAKE EXTRA TIME IF IT DOESN'T I THINK WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO
25 IS MAKE SURE THAT IT IS CLEAR WHAT WE ARE BRINGING FORWARD AND



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1 THAT THERE IS A PUBLIC PROCESS TO PROVIDE THAT INPUT SO WE'RE
2 NOT CREATING CONFUSION ABOUT WHAT IS OR ISN'T ON THE BALLOT
3 AND WHAT IS OR ISN'T MOVING FORWARD HERE AT THE COUNTY.

4
5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, 15 DAYS WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON
6 THAT TILL AFTER THE ELECTION. I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND
7 BECAUSE I WE TRIED TO GET A JUSTIFICATION IN TERMS OF 45
8 VERSUS 30. AND I MEAN, AGAIN, I WILL ACCEPT THE AMENDMENTS,
9 BUT ON THAT ONE, I'M JUST KIND OF PERPLEXED BECAUSE THE
10 DEPARTMENT HAS SAID THAT THEY, AND BY THE WAY, THANK YOU,
11 COUNTY COUNSEL. YOU ALL DID A GREAT JOB WITH YOUR REPORT. I
12 JUST WANNA SAY THAT AND OUTLINING IT, I REALLY DO COMMEND THE
13 WORK THAT WAS DONE. BUT WHEN WE WENT TO LOOK AT THE NEXT STEP,
14 WE WANNA MAKE SURE THAT WE WEREN'T ASKING COUNTY COUNSEL TO DO
15 SOMETHING WHERE ALL TOO OFTEN WE'RE HEARING FROM DEPARTMENTS
16 THEY NEED AN EXTENSION BECAUSE IT'S NOT A REALISTIC GOAL. WE
17 DIDN'T WANNA DO THAT AND THAT'S WHERE WE GOT THE 30 DAYS.

18
19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND I'M JUST TRYING TO MAKE SURE
20 THERE'S CLARITY AROUND THE WAY WE READ THIS MOTION ORIGINALLY,
21 IT DIDN'T INCLUDE ANYTHING RELATED TO A PUBLIC PROCESS,
22 MEASURE G OR OTHERWISE. AND SO THAT'S WHY WE WANTED TO MAKE
23 SURE THAT THAT WAS CLEARLY INCLUDED AND THAT WE'RE NOT SORT OF
24 CONFUSING WHAT MIGHT BE A DIFFERENT PROCESS BY MOTION AS
25 OPPOSED TO WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY, AND AGAIN,

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AS LONG AS THERE'S, WE'RE NOT
5 CREATING CONFUSION, THAT'S OUR GOAL.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND I ACCEPT THE AMENDMENTS. GREAT. BUT
8 WILL, WITH THE AMENDMENTS, DOES THAT CREATE A NEED FOR AN
9 ADDITIONAL 15 DAYS TO GET IT DONE?

10

11 **DAWYN HARRISON:** WE CAN DO THE REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS. I READ
12 IT AS IN, THE WAY I READ IT, THE WAY IT'S WORDED, I READ IT AS
13 IF THE BALLOT MEASURE PASSED, THEN WE WOULD JUST BE PROVIDING
14 THE REPORT THAT YOU'RE CALLING FOR IT TO THE GOVERNOR'S TASK
15 FORCE. BUT IF IT DIDN'T PASS, THEN WE WOULD NEED TO INCLUDE
16 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN OUR REPORT BACK, BUT WE CAN DO THAT.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT I MEAN, I'M JUST
19 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND, I MEAN, SO ARE WE GONNA HAVE A REPORT IN
20 30 DAYS?

21

22 **DAWYN HARRISON:** WE WILL HAVE A REPORT IN 30 DAYS.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND A BREAKDOWN ON THE COST?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THAT'S THE WILL OF THE BOARD.

2

3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY, THEN I ACCEPT THIS. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. LANGUAGE CHANGE IN THE
6 THIRD YEAR.

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
9 SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD, MOVING US
10 FORWARD ON ETHICS REFORM. THANK YOU, CHAIR HORVATH, FOR
11 HOLDING IT SO WE CAN HAVE THIS DISCUSSION. I WHOLEHEARTEDLY
12 BELIEVE THAT WE DO NEED AN ETHICS COMMISSION HERE IN LA
13 COUNTY, WHICH IS WHY WE INCLUDED THAT IN THE REFORM PACKAGE
14 THAT WE'RE PUTTING IN FRONT OF THE VOTERS TO MAKE SURE THERE
15 WAS AN ETHICS COMMISSION IN OUR COUNTY CHARTER. WORKING FOR LA
16 COUNTY, ESPECIALLY IN POSITIONS WHERE YOU'RE TRUSTED WITH
17 TAXPAYER DOLLARS, IT IS ABOUT WORKING FOR THE PUBLIC AND
18 PUTTING OTHER PEOPLE OVER YOURSELF. AND I THINK AN INDEPENDENT
19 ETHICS COMMISSION WOULD GIVE US ANOTHER LAYER OF TRANSPARENCY
20 AND SCRUTINY AND HELP REBUILD THE PUBLIC'S TRUST WHILE
21 ENSURING THAT COUNTY OFFICIALS ARE SPENDING THOSE TAX DOLLARS
22 WISELY, FAIRLY, AND JUSTLY. AND I THINK IT MAKES PERFECT SENSE
23 TO LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR AN ETHICS COMMISSION NOW AND NOT
24 NECESSARILY WAIT TILL WE KNOW THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION IN
25 NOVEMBER. BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT IT SHOULD BE EMBEDDED IN OUR



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1 COUNTY CHARTER SO THAT A FUTURE BOARD COULD NOT REMOVE IT. SO
2 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, I AGREE WITH YOUR AMENDMENT THAT WE SHOULD
3 SEND THIS REPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT REFORM TASK FORCE IF THAT
4 MEASURE PASSES. I THINK THEY WOULD BE WELL EQUIPPED TO WORK ON
5 THIS ISSUE AND ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC IS ABLE TO WEIGH IN ON
6 HOW THIS COMMISSION WOULD FUNCTION. I AM COMFORTABLE WITH
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER'S PROPOSAL TO GET THIS REPORT BACK IN 30
8 DAYS. SO, I WOULD JUST REQUEST THAT MAYBE WE AND I KNOW I
9 THINK YOU YOU'RE FINE WITH THAT. MAYBE WE JUST TAKE OUT THE
10 LINE IN YOUR AMENDMENT THAT DIRECTS REPORTS COME BACK IN 40
11 DAYS AND SET INSTEAD KEEP SUPERVISOR BARGER'S ORIGINAL PLAN TO
12 HAVE THE REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT'S FINE. I THINK THE ORIGINAL
15 DRAFT SAID 45 DAYS, BUT I'M GOOD WITH 30 IF COUNTY COUNCIL
16 FEELS THAT THAT'S WHERE WE'RE MOVING.

17
18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND IF THAT BRINGS EVERYBODY
21 TOGETHER. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I AM HAPPY THAT
24 SUPERVISOR BARGER ACCEPTED THE AMENDMENT. I THINK THAT, YOU
25 KNOW, WE'VE HAD A LOT OF DISCUSSION ON ETHICS, AND OBVIOUSLY



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SUPERVISORS

1 WE'LL WAIT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS AT THE BALLOT, BECAUSE I THINK
2 CREATING AN INDEPENDENT, A TRULY INDEPENDENT COMMISSION IS
3 REALLY WHAT I THINK THE PUBLIC WANTS TO SEE, THAT WE DON'T
4 HAVE THE ABILITY THEN TO CHANGE THE BOARD IN ANY FASHION WHAT
5 THAT GOVERNANCE MODEL LOOKS AT IN TERMS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF
6 THE ETHICS COMMISSION. SO, FOR ME, THAT'S REALLY CRITICAL, BUT
7 I SUPPORT MOVING FORWARD ON THIS. SO, THANK YOU FOR THE
8 AMENDMENT, CHAIR.

9

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

11

12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, AND I APPRECIATE THAT WE'RE
13 ABLE TO HAVE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT ESTABLISHING AN ETHICS
14 COMMISSION IN 2024. I WOULD BE CURIOUS ABOUT, YOU KNOW, THOSE
15 WHO HAVE BEEN HERE LONGER THAN I, WHY WE THINK WE'VE NOT DONE
16 IT UP TILL NOW. OTHER ELECTED BODIES HAVE HAD IT. SO THAT'S
17 CURIOUS TO ME, PARTICULARLY SINCE WE ALL SEE THE VALUE IN IT
18 AND UNDERSTAND. I THINK THAT THE MISSING PIECE FOR ME, I'LL BE
19 SUPPORTING THE MOTION AND THE AMENDMENTS TODAY. I THINK THE
20 MISSING PIECE FOR ME IS HOW WE DEFINE AND HOW ACCURATE WE ARE
21 WHEN WE SAY AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION, BECAUSE I DON'T
22 KNOW THAT THE PUBLIC WOULD DEEM IT INDEPENDENT IF THEY ARE
23 APPOINTED BY US. AND SO, I KNOW THAT COUNTY COUNCIL HAS
24 SUGGESTED THAT THERE'S NOTHING IN THE MEASURE G BALLOT
25 LANGUAGE THAT CHANGES OUR CHARTER TO TRULY MAKE THE COMMISSION



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1 INDEPENDENT, AS IN INDEPENDENT OF US APPOINTING THEM. SO, I
2 JUST THINK THAT WE'RE GONNA NEED TO CONTINUE TO HAVE THE
3 CONVERSATION. IF WE'RE GONNA CALL THEM INDEPENDENT, IF THAT'S
4 NOT WHAT THEY ARE, THEN WE SHOULD OWN THAT IN THE CONCEPT OF
5 ETHICS AND HONESTY AND INTEGRITY, OR TO FIGURE OUT WHETHER THE
6 MEASURE PASSES OR NOT, HOW AND IF WE CAN MAKE THEM TRULY
7 INDEPENDENT? I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT, BUT I THINK THAT
8 WHEN THE PUBLIC HEAR INDEPENDENT, THEY THINK SEPARATE FROM US.
9 AND IF WE APPOINT THEM, I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT'S WHAT THE
10 PUBLIC WOULD FEEL IS TRULY INDEPENDENT.

11
12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND I WOULD SAY THAT IT'S AN
13 ASSUMPTION THAT WE WOULD APPOINT THEM. I THINK THE GOING
14 FORWARD PROCESS, WHICH IS WHY IT WAS IMPORTANT TO ME TO AMEND
15 THIS, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S A PUBLIC PROCESS THAT
16 ALLOWS OUR GOOD GOVERNANCE REFORM PARTNERS TO HAVE THAT VOICE,
17 AS WELL AS ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, SO WE CAN INFORM THAT.
18 AND YES, THE RECOMMENDATION IS THAT THEN THE INDEPENDENCE AND
19 THE HOW IT GETS COMPRISED THEN BE A SUBSEQUENT CHARTER
20 AMENDMENT, SO THAT WAY IT'S CODIFIED THERE. BUT WE NEED THAT
21 PUBLIC PROCESS WITH THAT INPUT TO CODIFY THE HOW. AND I THINK
22 THAT'S WHAT'S INTENDED, BUT WE HAVEN'T WORKED ALL OF THAT OUT
23 YET, WHICH IS WHY THE PUBLIC PROCESS IS ESSENTIAL.

24
25 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WHICH I BELIEVE IN WITHOUT QUESTION,



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND I'VE BEEN CONSISTENT IN THAT. I HOPE WE ALL AGREE. AND SO,
2 TO CLARIFY, SO THEN IT WILL TAKE ANOTHER STEP, ANOTHER CHARTER
3 AMENDMENT TO CLARIFY HOW THEY WOULD BE APPOINTED?

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** NO, THE GOING FORWARD PROCESS, AS
6 I UNDERSTAND IT, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE OKAY, WE'RE ON
7 SOLID GROUND HERE, SINCE I KNOW IT'S ON THE BALLOT, I WANT TO
8 MAKE SURE I'M GOOD TO RESPOND. OKAY, THANKS. SO, THE GOING
9 FORWARD PROCESS WOULD CREATE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO
10 WEIGH IN ON THE HOW, SPECIFICALLY ON TO SAY SOLELY THAT IT'S
11 NOT APPOINTED BY THE BOARD ALSO DOESN'T MAKE SURE THAT IT'S
12 INDEPENDENT. SO, I THINK WE REALLY HAVE TO WORK ON THE
13 SUBSTANCE OF THAT LANGUAGE AND THEN MAKE SURE THAT IT IS
14 CODIFIED, WHICH IS WHY THE ETHICS, THE INDEPENDENT ETHICS
15 COMMISSION NEEDS TO BE IS SLATED TO BE FINALIZED BY 2026. SO
16 WE CAN GO BACK AND FINALIZE THAT LANGUAGE.

17
18 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND IT WOULD BE ANOTHER CHARTER
19 AMENDMENT.

20
21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** TO CODIFY THAT, WHAT THE PUBLIC
22 PROCESS HAS DETERMINED AND HOW WE STAND IT UP GOING FORWARD.

23
24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOT IT, JUST SO EVERYONE IS CLEAR
25 THEN. THIS PROCESS. IF MEASURE G WERE TO PASS, THAT DOES NOT



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SUPERVISORS

1 MEAN THAT THE NEXT DAY WE WOULD HAVE A FULL, CLEAR PLAN TO GET
2 US TO AN ETHICS COMMISSION. IT WAS GONNA REQUIRE ANOTHER STEP.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THE MEASURE G OUTLINES, IN FACT,
5 WHAT THAT PROCESS WOULD BE, AND REQUIRES THAT IT BE STOOD UP
6 BY 2026.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** BUT IT WOULD STILL BE A NEXT STEP. IT
9 WOULD BE ANOTHER VOTE.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, OF COURSE, A PUBLIC PROCESS.

12

13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** BUT ANOTHER VOTE OF THE PEOPLE TO
14 DEFINE WHO THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY IS. YOU SEE WHAT I'M
15 SAYING?

16

17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** IF WE WANTED TO CODIFY IT IN THE
18 WAYS THAT SOME PUBLIC ENTITIES HAVE SUGGESTED THAT WE HAVE IT
19 AS PART OF THE CHARTER, WE WOULD NEED TO GO BACK TO THE
20 CHARTER TO CODIFY IT, BUT WE NEED TO DO. FROM MY PERSPECTIVE,
21 THAT PROCESS STILL NEEDS TO HAPPEN, WHICH IS WHY I BROUGHT
22 FORWARD TODAY'S AMENDMENT. IT SOUNDS LIKE COUNTY COUNSEL WANTS
23 TO WEIGH IN.

24

25 **DAWYN HARRISON:** I MEAN, I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY THAT IN TERMS



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SUPERVISORS

1 OF NEXT STEPS, THAT'S WHY I UNDERSTAND THE GOVERNANCE TASK
2 FORCE IS CREATED TO LOOK AT THESE THINGS, TO BRING
3 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THIS BOARD. I THINK THERE'S ALSO INCLUDED
4 IS A --

5

6 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** THERE'S A GROUP THAT'S GONNA BE LOOKING AT THE
7 CHARTER.

8

9 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THE CHARTER REVIEW.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** CAN YOU SPEAK INTO THE MIC FOR
12 ANYONE WHO IS WATCHING? THANKS.

13

14 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** APOLOGIES, THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION.

15

16 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THAT'S RIGHT. THEY WILL BE REVIEWING OUR
17 CHARTER TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON ANY FUTURE CHARTER CHANGES
18 THAT THIS BOARD WOULD WANT TO VOTE ON. YES, WHICH WOULD BE
19 ANOTHER STEP.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, IF YOU WANTED IT CODIFIED IN
22 THE CHARTER, YES. OKAY, ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR
23 COMMENTS? SEEING NONE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
24 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL DONALD HARLAN PLEASE COME FORWARD AND
2 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON
3 THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 28, IF YOU
4 HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE
5 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
6 REMOTE SPEAKER PLEASE.

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ROB KWAN. PLEASE MAKE SURE
9 YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
10 BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HI, ROB KWAN WITH UNREGULATED AI. I LIVE IN DISTRICT
13 1 AND I'M JUST CURIOUS, 1, WHY WE'RE NOT HEARING ANYBODY PROD
14 TO GET THIS CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OUT FOR THE PUBLIC. IF WE'RE
15 HAVING THIS CONVERSATION ABOUT TRANSPARENCY, ETHICS,
16 INDEPENDENCE, WHY ARE WE NOT INCLUDED IN SOME OF THESE
17 FUNDAMENTALS OF THE CONVERSATION WHICH SEEM TO BE GUIDING YOUR
18 POLICY DECISIONS, AS EXPRESSED IN THIS LITTLE DEBATE WE'VE
19 HAD? I THINK IT'S REALLY UNFORTUNATE THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE
20 VOTING ON THIS MEASURE BLIND. I'M HAPPY TO HEAR FINALLY THE
21 RECOGNITION THAT THIS COMMISSION WON'T BE INDEPENDENT UNLESS
22 WE REVISIT THIS AT THE BALLOT, AS I'VE SUGGESTED. IT'S REALLY
23 UNFORTUNATE HOW THIS WHOLE PROCESS HAS PLAYED OUT. AT A
24 MINIMUM, WE SHOULD SEE THIS REPORT SO THAT WE'RE NOT HAVING
25 THIS CONVERSATION IN THE BLIND FROM THE PUBLIC'S END. THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 JUST ONE COUNTER TO EVERYTHING YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN TALKING
2 ABOUT. SO, I'LL LEAVE IT THERE. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVIN. PLEASE MAKE
7 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
8 BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I HAVE A LOT OF EXPERIENCE WITH LA COUNTY
11 ETHICS FROM WHEN DON KENOBI WAS IN THE HOUSE WITH HIS SON,
12 MATT KENOBI, LOBBYING DIRECTLY TO HIM, EXCEPT FOR THEY WERE
13 PRETENDING THAT HE DIDN'T NOTICE, BECAUSE HE WOULDN'T KNOW, OF
14 COURSE NOT. BUT IN ANY CASE, IT'S A VERY, VERY CORRUPT PLACE,
15 BECAUSE THERE'S SO MUCH MONEY SLOSHING AROUND. AND WHEN MR.
16 RIDLEY THOMAS AND RICHARD BRUCKNER INVADED THE TURNAROUND AS
17 AN ETHIC, AS A LOBBYING BEFORE HE WAS ALLOWED TO. NOBODY DID
18 ANYTHING, INCLUDING THE DA. SO THERE'S NO POINT IN HAVING IT.
19 THEY WILL NOT HAVE ANY TEETH. INDEPENDENT IS CORRECT, BUT HOW
20 COULD IT BE INDEPENDENT? YOU APPOINT THEM AND IF YOU DON'T
21 THEN YOU HAVE YOUR COUNTY COUNCIL WILL APPOINT THEM. IT'S NOT
22 A GOOD AREA. I THINK THESE ETHICS QUESTIONS I USED TO HAVE A
23 LOT OF FAITH. I'M VERY SORRY TO SAY. I THINK IT'S VERY
24 IMPORTANT TO BUILD OUT THE ETHICS TRANSPARENCY SO THAT THE
25 REPORTERS AND PEOPLE CAN HAVE ACCESS TO ALL THE INFORMATION.



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SUPERVISORS

1 DISCLOSURE IS CRITICAL AND HYPER TRANSPARENCY IS AND I LIKE
2 THAT YOU ANNOUNCE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN TAKING MONEY FROM SOMEONE
3 THOSE ARE THE THINGS WE NEED THERE SHOULD BE NO QUESTION AND
4 THERE SHOULD BE WHEN THERE ARE ALLEGATIONS THEY SHOULD BE LOOK
5 THE GOT MARK RIDLEY THOMAS WITH THE FEDERAL AUTHORITIES --

6

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

9

10 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS IN
11 THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY. MADAM CHAIR, I'M SORRY, BUT THE
14 REPORT BACK IS GONNA BE PUBLIC, CORRECT?

15

16 **DAWYN HARRISON:** YES, WITH THE AMENDMENT THAT WAS MADE, IT WILL
17 BE A PUBLIC REPORT

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY SO WITH THAT SUPERVISOR
22 BARGER MOVES ITEM 28 AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM
23 EXECUTIVE AS AMENDED YES EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
24 ROLL.

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

4

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

6

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

8

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

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

12

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

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

16

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

18

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

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5
22 TO 0.

23

24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 47, NEW
25 HIGH VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATING



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SUPERVISORS

1 AGREEMENT WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF
2 THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO
3 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I WANNA
6 THANK ALSO, DEO DIRECTOR KELLY LOBIANCO AND HER TEAM FOR
7 BRINGING US TO THIS POINT AND ALL THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE
8 TO HELP, I THINK, ALLEVIATE SOME CONCERNS AND CHALLENGES THAT
9 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY HAS BEEN FACING FOR MANY YEARS. THE TITLE
10 OF THIS ITEM IS ITEM 47, NEW HIGH VILLAGE ENA, FORMERLY
11 CHINATOWN LOT 45. MANY IN THE COMMUNITY HAVE BEEN WAITING VERY
12 LONG TO SEE THIS MOVE ALONG. AND PART OF IT IS LOOKING AT HOW
13 WE USE OUR OWN ASSETS, OUR COUNTY RESOURCES TO HELP PROVIDE
14 HOUSING TO ONE OF THE AREAS THAT IS NOW REPRESENTED IN MY
15 DISTRICT IS VERY, VERY, COULD I SAY, HAS GONE THROUGH MANY,
16 MANY DISPLACEMENTS. WE HAVE A COMMUNITY THERE THAT HAS FACED
17 WITH MANY EVICTIONS, PUBLIC HOUSING. RECENTLY THERE WAS A FIRE
18 THAT JUST DISPLACED 50 RESIDENTS AND WE'VE HAD TO HELP SENIORS
19 FIND VOUCHERS SO THAT THEY COULD BE RELOCATED. THIS IS ONE OF
20 THOSE AREAS IN THE CITY THAT I REPRESENT THAT HAS A HIGH
21 CONCENTRATION I WOULD SAY OVER 13,000 RESIDENTS WITHIN A HALF-
22 MILE RADIUS OF THAT SITE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT LOT 45 WHICH IS
23 ISD PARKING LOT THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE UTILIZING, HOPEFULLY,
24 AS FUTURE HOMES AND RECREATION AND OTHER EXCITING VENUES FOR
25 SENIORS BUT 13,000 RESIDENTS WITHIN A HALF MILE RADIUS OF THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 SITE 65% OF THE HOUSEHOLDS FALL BELOW THE LOW INCOME THRESHOLD
2 FOR A TWO-PERSON HOUSEHOLD IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF LA. 29%
3 OF ALL HOUSEHOLDS HAVE SENIOR RESIDENTS, AND 88% OF THOSE
4 HOUSEHOLDS ARE CONSIDERED VERY LOW OR EXTREMELY LOW INCOME.
5 THE COMMUNITY'S MEDIUM INCOME IS \$37,794 FOR A TWO-PERSON
6 HOUSEHOLD, AND ALMOST 50% OF THE LOCAL LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS
7 DO NOT LIVE IN AFFORDABLE RENT-RESTRICTED HOUSING. THERE'S
8 BEEN A LOT OF GENTRIFICATION THAT HAS OCCURRED THERE IN THE
9 PAST FEW YEARS. WE'RE HAPPY TO BE HERE AT THIS CRITICAL POINT
10 AND WORKING TOGETHER WITH SOME OF OUR OTHER COMMUNITY
11 PARTNERS. WE ARE EXCITED TO BE ABLE TO WORK NOW WITH LINK
12 HOUSING, WHO ARE ALSO WORKING IN THE SIMILAR SURROUNDING AREA
13 WITH PARTNERS SUCH AS THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT AND HOMEBOYS
14 INDUSTRIES AND THE WALTER MEAD PUBLIC HOUSING ON A
15 COMPREHENSIVE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE STRATEGY TO PROVIDE HOUSING
16 FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE AS YOU CAN SEE THAT
17 ARE IN GREAT NEED. THE LINK HOUSING PROPOSAL BEFORE US WILL
18 PROVIDE 300 AFFORDABLE UNITS WITH HALF OF THE UNITS SERVING
19 HOUSEHOLDS AT OR BELOW 30 PERCENT AMI AND THE OTHER HALF
20 SERVING HOUSEHOLDS AT OR BELOW 45% AMI. WE'RE EAGER TO REALIZE
21 THE COMMUNITY'S VISION FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THIS 1.7 ACRE
22 SURFACE COUNTY PARKING LOT TO MAXIMIZE THAT AND PROVIDE
23 CONTINUED CULTURALLY SENSITIVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
24 OPPORTUNITIES AND TO SEE THAT THAT COMMUNITY CAN CONTINUE TO
25 THRIVE TO WHERE IT ONCE WAS BEFORE. IT'S BEEN MY HONOR TO



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 REPRESENT THE AREA, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, TO WORK WITH THE
2 COMMUNITY IN CHINATOWN AND ALL THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN INVOLVED
3 IN THIS ONGOING PROCESS, I THINK, SINCE I STARTED REPRESENTING
4 CHINATOWN, WHICH WAS ALMOST 9 YEARS AGO. I ESPECIALLY WANNA
5 THANK ISD, WHO WORKED WITH OUR OFFICE AND ASSISTED IN
6 LEVERAGING THIS ASSET, AND I'M HAPPY TO REPORT THAT WE DO HAVE
7 SUPPORT FROM ONE OF OUR LOCAL CONGRESSMEN, JIMMY GOMEZ,
8 CONGRESSMAN WHO ALSO PROVIDED A FEDERAL EARMARK TO ASSIST US.
9 THE URGENCY HERE IS IMPORTANT AND THE COMMUNITY OF CHINATOWN
10 DESERVES BETTER. SO, MADAM CHAIR, I THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME
11 TO PRESENT THIS AND I ASK FOR SUPPORT ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER
14 COMMENTS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE
15 PUBLIC WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
18 FORWARD? CECILIA GOH, DONALD HARLAN, ISAAC CHU, JASON LEE,
19 JESSICA SANCHEZ, AND PHYLLIS LEE. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND
20 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON
21 THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM NUMBER 47, IF
22 YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO BE
23 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, WE HAVE THE FIRST
24 REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JULIE RICO. PLEASE MAKE
2 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
3 BEGIN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** I'M A VOLUNTEER WITH THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY
6 COALITION, AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER
7 WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY. WE EAGERLY ANTICIPATE THE DEVELOPMENT
8 OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD-SERVING RETAIL, AND A
9 DYNAMIC, CREATIVE COMMUNITY CENTER WHERE CULTURE AND EDUCATION
10 WILL MEET. WITH LEED HOUSING SELECTED AS THE SITE DEVELOPER,
11 WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THEM DURING THE EXCLUSIVE
12 NEGOTIATING AGREEMENT WHICH WILL INCLUDE MORE COMMUNITY
13 ENGAGEMENT TO DEFINE THE FINAL PROJECT. WE WOULD LIKE TO
14 EMPHASIZE THAT CURRENT ACUTELY LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS OF
15 CHINATOWN ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF HOUSING. WE ARE HOPEFUL
16 THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT EXISTING CHINATOWN
17 RESIDENTS MAY APPLY FOR THE AFFORDABLE UNITS AT NEW HIGH
18 VILLAGE IN A SPECIAL EFFORT OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE
19 CURRENT SYSTEM. WE WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISOR AND DEO FOR
20 GOING BEYOND WITH THE INCLUSION OF THE COMMUNITY TO THE
21 CREATION OF THE COMMUNITY ADVISOR COMMITTEE. THANK YOU.

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
24 SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS IN
2 THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, ITEM 7 IS BEFORE US. MOVED
5 BY, OH, WE HAVE SPEAKERS IN PERSON. MY APOLOGIES. PLEASE DO GO
6 AHEAD.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** CECILIA NGO FOR THE RECORD. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS AND THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. MY
10 NAME IS CECILIA NGO AND I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT OF HOUSING
11 DEVELOPMENT AT LINK HOUSING. I'D LIKE TO EXTEND OUR SINCERE
12 GRATITUDE TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER STEADFAST LEADERSHIP AND
13 COMMITMENT TO THIS PROJECT, AND ESPECIALLY TO THE PEOPLE OF
14 CHINATOWN AND THE SURROUNDING AREA. HER COLLABORATION WITH THE
15 COMMUNITY HAS BEEN INVALUABLE, AND WE ARE THRILLED TO BE A
16 PART OF THIS LONG-AWAITED VISION MOVING FORWARD FOR AFFORDABLE
17 HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD SERVING RETAIL, AND A VIBRANT CREATIVE
18 CULTURAL COMMUNITY CENTER. WE'RE EXCITED TO CONTINUE WORKING
19 WITH DIVERSE COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS TO ENSURE EVEN MORE ROBUST
20 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN DEFINING THE FINAL PROJECT. WE KNOW
21 HOW CRITICAL THIS ENGAGEMENT IS TO THE SUPERVISOR, AND WE
22 DEEPLY APPRECIATE BOTH HER AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
23 OPPORTUNITY FOR GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND IN CREATING THE
24 COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. TOGETHER WE ARE COMMITTED TO
25 SHAPING A PROJECT THE COMMUNITY CAN BE TRULY PROUD OF. THANK



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 YOU.

2
3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. ISAAC CHU WITH THE
6 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY COALITION OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU,
7 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND DEO FOR YOUR EMPHASIS ON A CLOSE
8 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY AND FOR THE CREATION
9 OF THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE WHICH WAS ABLE TO SCORE
10 THE COMMUNITY BENEFITS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH LINK
11 DURING THE NA PERIOD TO DEFINE HOW THE NEW HIGH VILLAGE
12 PROJECT WILL PRESERVE AND BENEFIT OUR UNDER-RESOURCED
13 COMMUNITY. OUR COALITION ALSO LOOKS FORWARD TO A CONTINUED
14 ROLE PROVIDING FEEDBACK TO SD1 AND SEEING HOW OUR FEEDBACK IS
15 INCORPORATED. IN ADDITION TO A COMMUNITY SERVING FULL-SERVICE
16 GROCER, AMPLE SHADE, AND PUBLIC RESTROOMS, WE WANT TO ENSURE
17 THE NEW HIGH VILLAGE PROJECT INCLUDES EXTREMELY AFFORDABLE
18 UNITS AND A HIGH QUALITY CREATIVE CENTER THAT FOCUSES ON
19 CULTURE AND EDUCATION. FINALLY, SINCE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE
20 LOCATION WHERE THE HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES BEGAN, LET'S
21 REMEMBER THE INDIGENOUS ANCESTORS OF THE LAND AND THEIR
22 DESCENDANTS OF TONGVA, EBERLE, AND KIZH. COMMUNITY PROJECTS
23 SUCH AS NEW HIGH VILLAGE AND TCE'S RAW CENTER MUST GO BEYOND
24 MERE GESTURES AND MOVE TOWARDS TANGIBLE RESOURCES TO THE
25 INDIGENOUS POPULATION, SUCH AS PRIORITIZED HOUSING FOR TRIBAL



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SUPERVISORS

1 FOLKS, INCORPORATION OF NATIVE PLANTS. --

2

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

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI, JASON LEE. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I AM
7 SPEAKING TODAY AS A MEMBER OF THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY
8 COALITION OF LOS ANGELES. WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS HILDA
9 SOLIS FOR WORKING CLOSELY WITH OUR COMMUNITY, RECOGNIZING THE
10 DIRE NEED FOR TRULY AFFORDABLE HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD-SERVING
11 RETAIL, AND A CREATIVE CULTURAL COMMUNITY CENTER. THERE'S BEEN
12 FAR TOO MUCH DISPLACEMENT IN CHINATOWN OVER THE YEARS, WHETHER
13 IT'S RESIDENTS OR LONG-TERM SMALL BUSINESSES. WE STRONGLY
14 BELIEVE THAT THE NEW HIGH VILLAGE PROJECT CAN BE A SPACE WHERE
15 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN RESIDE, WORK, AND THRIVE IN.
16 FOR THAT, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT NEEDS TO BE AT THE FOREFRONT OF
17 THE NEXT STEP OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS, THE EXCLUSIVE
18 NEGOTIATION AGREEMENT PERIOD. WE LOOK FORWARD TO ENGAGING WITH
19 THE SUPERVISOR AND THE SELECTED DEVELOPER OF LINK HOUSING TO
20 REFINE THE PROJECT IN MEANINGFUL WAYS TO MEET CHINATOWN'S
21 NEEDS. THANK YOU.

22

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

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS PHYLLIS LING. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN



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SUPERVISORS

1 SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 47, THE NEW HIGH VILLAGE PROJECT. FOR
2 IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES, I'M THE CHAIR OF THE HISTORIC
3 CULTURAL NORTH NEIGHBORED COUNCIL, WHICH REPRESENTS CHINATOWN,
4 EL PUEBLO, SOLANO CANYON, AND VICTOR HEIGHTS IN THE CITY OF
5 LA, AND I'M ALSO THE FOUNDER OF STOP THE GONDOLA. HOWEVER, I'M
6 SPEAKING TODAY AS A MEMBER OF THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY
7 COALITION, WHICH HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH SUPERVISOR
8 SOLIS'S OFFICE AND THE DEO ON THIS PROJECT, AND I'M ALSO A
9 MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE THAT HELPS SCORE THE COMMUNITY
10 BENEFITS AS PART OF THE RFP REVIEW. I WANNA THANK SUPERVISOR
11 SOLIS FOR HER TIRELESS EFFORTS AT BRINGING THIS IMPORTANT
12 PROJECT TO THE STAGE. IT'S SO IMPORTANT FOR PUBLIC LAND TO BE
13 USED FOR PUBLIC GOOD, AND I CAN'T THINK OF A BETTER USE THAN
14 100% AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND ESPECIALLY IN A COMMUNITY LIKE
15 CHINATOWN WHERE THERE'S SO MUCH NEED AND SUPPORT FOR IT. I CAN
16 SPEAK FOR THE MANY MEMBERS OF THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY
17 COALITION THAT WE HOPE TO CONTINUE THIS DIALOGUE AND TO
18 ADVOCATE FOR THIS PROJECT TO INCLUDE EVEN MORE DEEPLY
19 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND EVEN A GROCERY STORE, WHICH HAS BEEN
20 SORELY NEEDED SINCE WE LOST OUR LAST FULL SERVICE. --

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANY OTHER
23 SPEAKERS? OKAY. SEEING NONE, ITEM 47 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE
25 ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.



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1

2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

5

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

7

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

9

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

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

17

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

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

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5
23 TO 0.

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25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO



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1 ITEM 51, REPORT ON INITIATIVES TO PROTECT LOS ANGELES COUNTY
2 RESIDENTS FROM EXTREME HEAT, WHICH I HELD. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
3 PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT
4 ON THIS ITEM. WE'LL WELCOME RITA KAMPALATH, CHIEF
5 SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER, DR. NICHOLE QUICK, DEPUTY DIRECTOR
6 HEALTH PROTECTION BUREAU, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND
7 KEVIN MCGOWAN, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,
8 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, TO MAKE A PRESENTATION. AS I BELIEVE,
9 MARK PESTRELLA, OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND ALAMS
10 SAYEED, SENIOR MANAGER, HOMELESS INITIATIVE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE
11 OFFICE, WHO HAVE BOTH MADE THEIR DEBUTS EARLIER IN TODAY'S
12 MEETING WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS AS WELL AND I'LL NOW
13 TURN IT TO YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION.

14

15 **RITA KAMPALATH:** PERFECT GOOD MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR INVITING US TO PRESENT ON OUR
17 WORK RELATED TO THIS TOPIC AND THANK YOU ALSO FOR YOUR
18 LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE TO PROTECT COUNTY RESIDENTS. TODAY,
19 AS YOU NOTICED, I NOTED I'M JOINED BY COLLEAGUES AT DPH AND
20 OEM AND WE WILL EACH COVER A DIFFERENT ASPECT OF HOW WE ARE
21 COLLECTIVELY APPROACHING THE CHALLENGE OF RESPONDING TO
22 EXTREME HEAT EVENTS AND PREPARING COMMUNITIES FOR THESE
23 EVENTS. I THINK WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. YES. AND SORRY,
24 LET'S FLIP 1 MORE. SORRY ABOUT THAT. UNFORTUNATELY, AS THE
25 BOARD HAS PREVIOUSLY NOTED, GLOBAL TEMPERATURES ARE RISING DUE



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1 TO CLIMATE CHANGE, WHICH IS GONNA RESULT IN GREATER FREQUENCY
2 AND SEVERITY OF HEAT WAVES, MUCH LIKE WHAT WE EXPERIENCED JUST
3 A FEW WEEKS AGO WHEN DAYTIME TEMPERATURE RECORDS WERE BROKEN
4 ALL ACROSS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND TEMPERATURES WERE 10 TO 20
5 DEGREES ABOVE NORMAL. I KNOW MY COLLEAGUES AT PUBLIC HEALTH
6 WILL ELABORATE ON THIS FURTHER, BUT EXTREME HEAT HARMS HEALTH
7 AND WELL-BEING IN MANY WAYS, INCLUDING HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS
8 AND EXACERBATING HEART DISEASE AND OTHER EXISTING CONDITIONS.
9 IN RESPONSE TO THIS AND IN KEEPING WITH THE COUNTY'S
10 COMMITMENT TO BUILD RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE, WHAT I'LL BE
11 SPEAKING TODAY ABOUT IS OUR PART IN THIS, WHICH IS YOUR
12 BOARD'S DIRECTION TO THE CSO IN JULY 2023 TO WORK WITH COUNTY
13 DEPARTMENTS AND EXTERNAL PARTNERS TO DEVELOP THE COUNTY'S
14 FIRST HEAT ACTION PLAN. A POLICY FRAMEWORK AND ACTION PLAN FOR
15 HEAT RESILIENCE. BROADLY SPEAKING, THE PURPOSE OF THE PLAN IS
16 TO DRIVE ACTION, INVESTMENT AND TO DRIVE ACTION, INVESTMENT,
17 AND COLLABORATION FOR REGIONAL HEAT RESILIENCE. THE PLAN WILL
18 PRESENT A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO HEAT RESILIENCE THAT WILL
19 INCLUDE BOTH PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS SUCH AS URBAN GREENING,
20 WHICH CAN ACTUALLY REDUCE TEMPERATURES AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD
21 SCALE, AS WELL AS RESPONSIVE ACTIONS SUCH AS EMERGENCY
22 COMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES. WHILE THE PLAN IS STILL IN EARLY
23 PHASES OF DEVELOPMENT, WE ARE NOT STARTING FROM SCRATCH.
24 FOLLOWING YOUR MOTION IN JULY 2023, WE DID WORK WITH 10 COUNTY
25 DEPARTMENTS TO DEVELOP A PROPOSED FRAMEWORK AND WHILE DOING



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1 SO, WE COMPILED INFORMATION ABOUT DOZENS OF EXISTING COUNTY
2 INITIATIVES WHICH SUPPORT HEAT RESILIENCE, EITHER AS A PRIMARY
3 OBJECTIVE OR A CO-BENEFIT. THIS STRONG COUNTY LEADERSHIP ON
4 THIS ISSUE, SO MUCH OF WHICH HAS BEEN DRIVEN BY YOUR BOARD,
5 HAS INSPIRED OTHER LOCAL DECISION MAKERS AND LAID THE
6 GROUNDWORK FOR A REGIONAL APPROACH, WHICH WE'RE REALLY EXCITED
7 TO SEE REFLECTED IN THE HEAT ACTION PLAN. GOING FORWARD, WE
8 WILL BUILD ON THIS INITIAL PROPOSED FRAMEWORK AND DEVELOP THE
9 ACTION PLAN WITH INPUT FROM COMMUNITIES, TECHNICAL EXPERTS,
10 AND REGIONAL PARTNERS SUCH AS LOCAL CITIES. SO JUST TO BRIEFLY
11 DESCRIBE THE CURRENT FRAMEWORK, IT COVERS 3 BROAD AREAS WHICH
12 ARE EXPRESSED AS GOALS. GOAL 1 AND 2 BOTH RELATE TO PREVENTING
13 HEAT EXPOSURE IN THE PLACES WHERE PEOPLE SPEND A LOT OF TIME,
14 WHERE WE LIVE, WORK, LEARN, AND PLAY. GOAL 1 COVERS HEAT
15 RESILIENCE IN OUTDOOR SPACES AND INCLUDES ACTIONS LIKE TREE
16 PLANTING AND SMART SURFACES. GOAL 2 ADDRESSES HEAT RESILIENCE
17 IN INDOOR SPACES AND CAN INCLUDE THINGS LIKE UPGRADES TO
18 BUILDINGS MANAGED BY THE COUNTY AS WELL AS INCENTIVE SUPPORTS
19 OR REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIVATE BUILDINGS AND THEIR OCCUPANTS.
20 AGAIN, IN BOTH OF THESE CASES THE COUNTY IS ALREADY DOING
21 REALLY GREAT WORK. WE COULD TALK ABOUT THINGS LIKE THE PARKS
22 DEPARTMENT DOING AN ASSESSMENT FOR HIGH PRIORITY LOCATIONS AND
23 NEEDS TO SHORE UP THEIR COOLING FEATURES IN THEIR PARKS, WHICH
24 IS WORK THAT THEY'VE ALREADY DONE, AS WELL AS WORK THAT WE'RE
25 KIND OF IN THE MIDDLE OF EXPLORING AN INDOOR TEMPERATURE



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1 THRESHOLD REQUIREMENT. AND THEN FINALLY, GOAL 3 IS GOING TO
2 COVER RESPONSIVE ACTIONS, INCLUDING EXPANSION OF OUR
3 COMMUNICATIONS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, AS WELL AS NEW
4 PARTNERSHIPS WITH TRUSTED COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND LEADERS.
5 AGAIN, WE'LL BE ENGAGING COMMUNITIES, TECHNICAL EXPERTS, AND
6 REGIONAL PARTNERS TO DEVELOP THE PLAN AND DECIDE ON
7 PRIORITIES. AND WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT THIS COLLABORATIVE
8 APPROACH TO INSPIRE ACTION AGAIN BY LOCAL DECISION MAKERS AND
9 DRIVE INVESTMENTS IN PRIORITIES THAT ARE REALLY ONLY LIMITED
10 BY RESOURCE AVAILABILITY. SO, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, WE'RE
11 STILL IN EARLY STAGES OF THAT PLAN DEVELOPMENT, BUT WE ARE
12 EXCITED TO SHARE THAT WE'VE LAUNCHED SOME ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS
13 TO ENGAGE OUR LOCAL EXPERTS AND THOUGHT PARTNERS THROUGH A
14 STEERING COMMITTEE AS WELL AS WORKSHOPS AND WORK GROUPS. WE'VE
15 STARTED TO GET INPUT AND PRIORITIES FROM ALL OF THOSE
16 PARTNERS. THAT WORK WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE COMING MONTHS TO
17 SURFACE NEW IDEAS AND ALSO FLESH OUT THE FULL ARRAY OF
18 POTENTIAL STRATEGIES. AND THE NEXT YEAR, THROUGH COORDINATION
19 WITH THE CLIMATE READY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE, WE WILL ALSO
20 GET INPUT FROM RESIDENTS IN HEAT VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES ON
21 THEIR EXPERIENCES AND PRIORITIES. NEXT SUMMER, WITH THE
22 GUIDANCE OF OUR STEERING COMMITTEE, WE WILL SYNTHESIZE ALL OF
23 THAT INPUT AND WE'RE HOPING TO ALSO ALIGN THAT WITH THE UPDATE
24 TO OUR COUNTY PLAN. SO, WE'LL BE ABLE TO INCORPORATE AND
25 REFLECT THE COUNTY'S NEW HEAT RESILIENCE COMMITMENTS IN THAT



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1 UPDATE. SO, WITH THAT, THAT'S IT FOR MY PORTION OF THE
2 PRESENTATION AND I WILL PASS IT ON TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

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4 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR AND BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS NICHOLE QUICK AND I'M HERE FROM PUBLIC
6 HEALTH AND I'M GONNA SPEND A COUPLE OF MINUTES HERE JUST
7 GIVING AN OVERVIEW OF HEAT AS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE AND JUST
8 HIGHLIGHTING SOME OF THE KEY THINGS THAT PUBLIC HEALTH IS
9 DOING. JUST WANNA REITERATE, HEAT IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF
10 WEATHER-RELATED DEATHS, AND THAT'S KINDA TRUE ACROSS THE
11 COUNTRY AND PARTICULARLY HERE IN CALIFORNIA AS WELL. IN LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY, THE ANNUAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS FOR HEAT-
13 RELATED ILLNESS RANGED PER YEAR IN THE RANGE OF ABOUT 790 TO
14 MORE THAN 1300 DEPENDING ON THE YEAR AND THIS IS DATA FROM
15 2016 TO 2021. HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS WERE IN THE RANGE OF 160 TO
16 OVER 400, DEPENDING ON THE YEAR THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT. AND WE
17 DID REPORT A 90 DEATHS FROM HEAT RELATED ILLNESS BETWEEN 2018
18 AND 2024. I WANNA HIGHLIGHT JUST TO TAKE A MINUTE HERE TO TALK
19 ABOUT THOSE FOLKS THAT ARE INCREASED RISK OF HEAT RELATED
20 ILLNESS AND DEATHS. AND THOSE ARE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
21 HOMELESSNESS, OUTSIDE WORKERS, AND THERE'S INDIVIDUALS THAT
22 JUST HAVE A LOWER HEAT TOLERANCE BASED ON UNDERLYING
23 CONDITIONS AND SO FORTH. ALSO WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A KEY POINT.
24 HEAT'S NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS ARE PREVENTABLE, SO WHEN WE'RE
25 THINKING ABOUT THIS WE REALLY WANT TO KEEP THAT IN MIND THAT



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1 WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS PUT THINGS INTO PLACE AHEAD OF TIME
2 SO THAT WE CAN PREVENT THESE HEAT RELATED IMPACTS. SPENDING A
3 MINUTE TALKING ABOUT WHAT PUBLIC HEALTH DOES TO COMMUNICATE
4 HEAT RISK RIGHT NOW, WE DO ISSUE HEAT ADVISORIES AND THOSE ARE
5 WARNINGS AND OR ADVISORIES THOSE ARE POSTED TO PUBLIC HEALTH'S
6 WEBSITE HOME PAGE. IT DOES IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE 19 NATIONAL
7 WEATHER SERVICE LIKE FORECAST ZONES IN THE COUNTY ARE GOING TO
8 BE AFFECTED. THESE HEAT ADVISORIES DO TELL PEOPLE WHAT TO LOOK
9 FOR, FOR HEAT ILLNESS AND SO FORTH, AND ALSO LINKS PEOPLE TO
10 211. ANYBODY WHO WANTS TO SUBSCRIBE TO THOSE, YOU CAN GET TO
11 THOSE FROM OUR PUBLIC HEALTH HOMEPAGE. TREES AND EXTREME HEAT.
12 TREES PROVIDE MANY, MANY PUBLIC HEALTH BENEFITS, INCLUDING
13 SHADE AND COOLING. RIGHT NOW, THE TREE CANOPY IN THE COUNTY IS
14 NOT EQUITABLE OR EVEN ACROSS THE COUNTY. OUR, YOU KNOW, URBAN
15 FOREST, ONE ALSO HIGHLIGHT IS AT RISK FROM MANY SORT OF I'D
16 SAY NEGATIVE IMPACTS THAT'S CLIMATE CHANGE, DROUGHT, PEST,
17 DISEASE, AND MORE IMPACTS. PUBLIC HEALTH HAS A PLACE PROGRAM
18 WHICH IS POLICIES FOR LIVABLE ACTIVE COMMUNITIES' ENVIRONMENT
19 AND THIS PLACE PROGRAM DOES WORK WITH OTHER COUNTY
20 DEPARTMENTS, RESIDENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO PROMOTE, PROTECT
21 AND EXPAND THE TREE CANOPY WHERE IT'S NEEDED MOST IN THE
22 COUNTY. THERE ARE SOME ELEMENTS THAT ARE GOING ON THAT I THINK
23 ARE WORTH HIGHLIGHTING. I'LL HIGHLIGHT ONE MORE THAT THAT
24 PROGRAM IS SPONSORING YOUTH-LED TREE PLANTING AND EDUCATION
25 PROJECTS AND HIGH-NEED UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. WANT TO



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1 SPEND A MINUTE ALSO TALKING ABOUT THE SCHOOL HEAT TOOLKIT.
2 THAT WAS THE RESULT OF A BOARD MOTION IN SEPTEMBER OF 2023 IN
3 THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND CLIMATE HEALTH, WHICH
4 IS UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND PUBLIC HEALTH, DID DEVELOP
5 THAT TOOLKIT. IT IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING FINALIZED. WE HAVE
6 HELD 3 PRESENTATIONS WITH LAUSD TO TALK ABOUT THE SCHOOL HEAT
7 TOOLKIT. AND REALLY, IT'S ESSENTIALLY A RESOURCE SO THAT
8 SCHOOLS ARE PREPARED TO RESPOND TO THIS, BOTH PROACTIVE AND
9 SORT OF AT THE TIME OF HEAT EVENTS, RESPOND AND KEEP THEIR
10 STUDENTS AND FACULTY AND STAFF SAFE. ONE OF THE BIG PUSHES OF
11 THAT IS TO GET THE SCHOOLS TO SIGN UP FOR THOSE HEAT ALERTS
12 THAT WE TALKED ABOUT EARLIER SO THAT THEY ARE IN THE KNOW WHEN
13 PUBLIC HEALTH HAS IDENTIFIED EXTREME HEAT OR OTHER WEATHER-
14 RELATED EVENTS. AND THEN PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
15 AND RESPONSE. OF COURSE, THE COUNTY HAS THE COUNTY AND PUBLIC
16 HEALTH HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO PLAN FOR DISRUPTIONS, EXTREME
17 HEAT, POWDER OUTAGES, WATER SUPPLY DISRUPTIONS AND SO FORTH.
18 SO WE CONTINUE IN PUBLIC HEALTH TO SUPPORT THESE CLIMATE
19 CAUSED EMERGENCY PLANNING AND PREPAREDNESS AND WILL CONTINUE
20 TO DO SO WORKING WITH OUR COUNTY PARTNERS. AND NOW I WILL HAND
21 THIS OFF TO KEVIN.

22
23 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. FOR THE RECORD,
24 KEN MCGOWAN, DIRECTOR FOR THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
25 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY THIS AFTERNOON TO



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1 SHARE OEM'S ROLE IN PREPARING FOR RESPONDING TO AND RECOVERING
2 FROM EXTREME WEATHER AND EXTREME HEAT EVENTS AND THANK YOU TO
3 THE PARTICIPANTS WITH US. THIS IS ALWAYS A BIG COUNTY FAMILY
4 APPROACH. AND SO, LIKE ALL OF OUR HAZARDS AND DISASTERS THAT
5 WE FACE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, WE COME AT THESE WITH A PRETTY
6 STANDARDIZED APPROACH OF AN WHOLE COMMUNITY APPROACH USING OUR
7 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS. THIS IS NO DIFFERENT. SO OEM'S
8 ROLE PRECISELY WHEN RESPONDING TO PREPARING FOR AND RECOVERING
9 FROM THESE EVENTS REALLY IS AROUND THE OPERATIONAL CAPACITY OF
10 COOLING RELIEF AND COOLING CENTERS DURING THE HEAT EVENT. ONE
11 POINT THAT I ALWAYS TRY TO REEMPHASIZE TOO IS WE USUALLY SEE
12 OTHER TYPES OF NATURAL HAZARDS OCCURRING DURING THESE HEAT
13 EVENTS ALSO. SO, A GOOD EXAMPLE WAS RECENTLY DURING THE LAST
14 HEAT WAVE, WE HAD THE BRIDGE FIRE START. BUT THAT WAS JUST ONE
15 OF NUMEROUS FIRES THAT WERE IMPACTING THE COUNTY. THAT GOT A
16 LOT OF THE RECOGNITION, BUT WE HAD MULTIPLE FIRES THROUGHOUT
17 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND SOME OF OUR OTHER HEAT-PRONE AREAS.
18 SO, THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LOOKS AT THIS, NOT JUST
19 THROUGH ONE LENS OF AN EXTREME HEAT EVENT, BUT HOLISTICALLY AT
20 ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT NATURAL HAZARDS AND EMERGENCIES THAT
21 MAY COME. SO SPECIFICALLY, AROUND HOW WE OPERATIONALIZE
22 COOLING RESOURCES, AS NICHOLE KIND OF DISCUSSED ALREADY, THE
23 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CDC DEVELOPED
24 A HEAT RISK TOOL. THAT COMES FROM A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT
25 RESEARCH ANGLES THAT INCLUDES FACTORS RELATED TO WHEN THE HEAT



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1 IS OCCURRING, SO MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES OVER A
2 PERIOD OF TIME. WHAT TIME OF THE YEAR THE HEAT WAVE IS
3 OCCURRING? HEAT WAVES THAT ARE LATE IN SEASON, PEOPLE HAVE
4 BUILT SOME LEVEL OF ABILITY TO ABSORB THOSE HEAT IMPACTS
5 DIFFERENTLY THAN WHEN WE HAVE HEAT WAVES IN APRIL AND MAY. SO,
6 THE TIME OF THE YEAR IS IMPORTANT, HOW THE DURATION OF THE
7 HEAT WAVE OCCURS, AND THEN ALSO JUST THE SUSTAINMENT OF THE
8 HEAT WAVE. THESE ARE ALL FACTORS THAT THE NATIONAL WEATHER
9 SERVICE AND CDC BUILT THEIR HEAT RISK TOOL ON. THEY ALSO TAKE
10 INTO FACTOR THE SOCIAL VULNERABILITY INDEX. SO, WE UNDERSTAND
11 THAT HEAT IMPACTS DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES IN DIFFERENT LEVELS.
12 NICHOLE ALSO MENTIONED THAT THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS A
13 MUCH SMALLER AREA IN WHICH THEY DO THEIR ANALYSIS. THIS IS
14 BENEFICIAL BECAUSE HOW PEOPLE REACT TO LIKE A HEAT EVENT IN
15 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY CAN BE VERY DIFFERENT THAN THE COASTAL
16 AREA. COASTAL COMMUNITIES MAY NOT HAVE AIR CONDITIONERS, THEY
17 MAY NOT HAVE BUILT UP MULTIPLE HEAT EVENT EXPOSURES THROUGHOUT
18 THE YEAR, WHEREAS PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE HIGH DESERT MAY HAVE
19 SOME OF THOSE RESOURCES. ONCE WE GET ACCESS TO THE NATIONAL
20 WEATHER SERVICE AND PUBLIC HEALTH'S ASSESSMENT OF THAT
21 UPCOMING HEAT WAVE, THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GOES
22 THROUGH A VARIETY OF COORDINATION ASPECTS WITH BOTH OUR COUNTY
23 DEPARTMENTS. SO, A BIG SHOUT OUT TO ALL OF OUR COUNTY FAMILY
24 MEMBERS. IT RANGES FROM COUNTY COUNCIL THAT HELPS ADVISE US ON
25 EMERGENCY POWERS AND PROCLAMATIONS, ALL THE WAY THROUGH ISD



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1 GETTING OUR COUNTY FACILITIES READY TO GO THROUGH PARKS AND
2 RECS, LIBRARIES, A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS, PUBLIC
3 WORKS, USES, AIRPORTS, ALL TO STAND UP COOLING CENTERS. AND
4 THEN AS THE MAP INDICATES, WE STAND UP IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A
5 LOT OF OUR CITIES AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS. SO, FOR A POINT OF
6 REFERENCE, OUR LAST HEAT WAVE, WE WERE PROBABLY THE MOST
7 NUMERICALLY AND DENSELY POPULATED HEAT OR COOLING RESOURCE
8 CENTERS IN THE ENTIRE STATE. WHEN LOOKING AT WHAT OTHER
9 COUNTIES DID, WE HAD HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF RESOURCES
10 AVAILABLE. IT'S PHENOMENAL PARTNERSHIP WITH BOTH THE COUNTY
11 DEPARTMENTS AND THE CITIES AS WE STAND UP THESE RESOURCES. AND
12 I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OFFICES, YOU GUYS, YOUR TEAMS
13 DO A GREAT JOB IN HELPING FACILITATE US MAKING THESE
14 PARTNERSHIPS, BUT THEN WHEN IT'S GAME DAY, FINDING NEW
15 RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE AND THEN SENDING THEM TO THE
16 COUNTY DEPARTMENT'S WAYS FOR US TO PARTNER. THE LAST ITEM I
17 WANTED TO DISCUSS WAS COMMUNICATIONS. SO, ON THE FRONT SIDE OF
18 THESE, WE COMMUNICATE THROUGH ALL OF OUR PARTNERS, INCLUDING
19 THE MEDIA TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE KNOWS THAT THE HEAT WAVE IS
20 COMING. BUT THEN WE ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO OUR READY LA
21 COUNTY/HEAT WEBSITE. THAT'S WHERE WE PUT ALL OF OUR ACTIONABLE
22 INFORMATION SO PEOPLE IN THE PUBLIC AND THEN ALSO IN OUR, I
23 WOULD CALL IT LIKE OUR WHOLE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP CAN GO
24 TO THAT WEBSITE. THEY CAN GET ACCESS TO ALL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
25 RESOURCES, BUT THEN ALSO THE BROADER RANGE OF COOLING CENTER



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1 AND COOLING RELIEF RESOURCES. SO REALLY WANNA PLUG EVERYONE,
2 WHEN YOU GET THAT NEWS FORECAST ABOUT HOW BIG THE WEATHER
3 IMPACT'S GONNA BE GO TO THE LACOUNTY.GOV/HEAT WEBSITE THE
4 READY PAGE AND THERE'S JUST A MYRIAD OF RESOURCES THAT WE'VE
5 BUILT OVER THE YEARS AND THEN LASTLY UNDER MOST CIRCUMSTANCES,
6 WE'RE PUSHING OUT REAL-TIME INFORMATION ABOUT THOSE IMPACTS.
7 WE WORK THROUGH THE BOARD OFFICE'S COMMUNICATIONS TEAMS. WE
8 WORK THROUGH ALL THE DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATIONS TEAMS, AND THEN
9 WE PARTNER WITH OUR CITY COMMUNICATIONS TEAMS AND THE MEDIA TO
10 PUSH OUT THAT INFORMATION. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY REMARKS AND
11 I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

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13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I KNOW SUPERVISOR
14 SOLIS REQUESTED THIS PRESENTATION ORIGINALLY, SO I'LL GO TO
15 HER FIRST.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK
18 YOU TO THE PANEL FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. I AM OBVIOUSLY VERY
19 CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT WE HEAR EVERY DAY NOW. I MEAN, AS WAS
20 SAID EARLIER, I THINK DURING OUR BOARD MEETING THAT WE ARE
21 FACED WITH THESE CHALLENGES OF HEAT AND, YOU KNOW, JUST
22 DIFFERENCES IN OUR WEATHER PATTERN, WHETHER IT'S RAINING CATS
23 AND DOGS ONE DAY OR IT'S SIZZLING AND HUMID AND UP TO MAYBE
24 115 IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHERE I LIVE. I THINK A FEW
25 WEEKS AGO IT GOT UP TO OVER 110 FOR MORE THAN A WEEK JUST IN



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1 EL MONTE AND THAT'S MAYBE 10, 15 MINUTES AWAY FROM THE
2 FOOTHILLS. YOU WOULD THINK DIFFERENTLY BUT MY CONCERN IS MORE
3 ABOUT WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF
4 INDIVIDUALS AND HOW THEY'RE GETTING THE INFORMATION REGARDING
5 WHAT THEY NEED TO DO WHEN THESE ALERTS ARE MADE. I WATCH
6 TELEVISION IN THE MORNING AND I'LL SEE, YOU KNOW, THERE'S
7 ALERTS, WHICH IS GREAT. SEE WHAT THE CITY OF LA IS DOING RIGHT
8 AWAY. THEY PUT UP, OH, WE'VE GOT COOLING CENTERS HERE. AND I'M
9 KIND OF RELUCTANT TO SAY, I DON'T SEE ENOUGH FROM OUR OWN
10 COUNTY. AND I DON'T KNOW WHY THAT IS. I KNOW WE HAVE A PORTAL
11 AND THERE'S INFORMATION THAT'S OUT THERE, BUT I WANT TO SAY
12 THAT IN MANY OCCASIONS FOR COMMUNITIES THAT I REPRESENT AND
13 PERHAPS OTHERS HERE IN THE BOARD WOULD FEEL THE SAME, THE
14 INFORMATION ISN'T TRANSLATED IN THEIR LANGUAGES. SO PEOPLE GO
15 TO WORK AND CHILDREN GO TO SCHOOL, BUT THEY MAY NOT BE TOLD BY
16 THEIR PARENTS OR SOMEONE WHO CAN SAY, HEY, GUESS WHAT? IT'S
17 GOING TO BE HOT TODAY. [SPEAKING SPANISH] YOU KNOW, YOU GOT TO
18 MAYBE WEAR A HAT OR SOMETHING TO PROVIDE SHADE. BECAUSE MANY
19 OF THESE PLACES THAT I REPRESENT DON'T HAVE TREES, DON'T HAVE
20 ALL THE THINGS AND LUXURIES THAT OTHER PERHAPS PART OF THE
21 COUNTY HAVE. AND IN MANY WAYS, THESE CHILDREN ARE LIVING IN,
22 AND PARENTS AND SENIORS ARE LIVING IN SAY A 2 BEDROOM, 1
23 BEDROOM APARTMENT, AND THERE MAY BE ONE UNIT, OR NOT EVEN AN
24 AIR CONDITIONING UNIT, PUT IT THAT WAY. AND SO, PEOPLE ARE
25 EXHAUSTED AND THEY'RE GOING THROUGH A LOT. THERE'S A LOT OF



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1 PHYSICAL STRAIN AND OBVIOUSLY I'M CONCERNED ABOUT HOW WE CAN
2 MAKE SURE THAT WE GET INFORMATION OUT TO THEM APPROPRIATELY
3 AND MAKE SURE THAT WE MAKE IT IN READY TIME, BECAUSE I KNOW MY
4 STAFF HAS GONE ON THE WEBSITE AS WELL AND WHAT YOU JUST
5 OUTLINED, I THINK, KEVIN, REGARDING THE INFORMATION THAT YOU
6 PUT UP. SOMETIMES IN REAL TIME, IT'S NOT PUT UP THERE, BECAUSE
7 I'VE HAD MY STAFF GO ON AND TELL ME THAT. AND I WOULDN'T BE
8 RAISING THAT. IT'S MORE OF A CONCERN THAT, YOU KNOW, WHAT CAN
9 WE DO BETTER? BECAUSE YOU ARE DOING YOUR JOB, AND I REALIZE
10 THAT THIS IS A BIG, BIG COUNTY. I MEAN, COME ON, WE ALL KNOW
11 THAT. BUT THE REALITY IS, IS THE CHALLENGES ARE VERY STARK.
12 AND I GET, I GET MORE CONCERNED WHEN, WHEN I HEAR THAT PEOPLE
13 ARE HAVING EPISODES AND THEY MAY BE, THEY MAY BE CLOSE TO NEAR
14 DEATH, AND IT ISN'T REPORTED IN THAT WAY. AND THAT'S THE OTHER
15 THING THAT I'D LIKE TO HAVE OUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT REALLY KIND
16 OF DIVE DOWN INTO MORE SO THAT WE CAN BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT
17 THAT'S ABOUT. I KNOW I'VE MADE IT MY EFFORT TO TRY TO PUSH OUT
18 EMOTIONS AND I HAD SEVERAL THAT I HAD THAT YOU'RE HOPEFULLY
19 ADDRESSING NOW. GREEN SPACES IN SCHOOLS, SO I'M INTERESTED IN
20 HEARING ABOUT THAT AND WHAT HEAT ALERTS AND HEAT EDUCATION THE
21 TK-12 AND EARLY CARE EDUCATION SETTINGS WERE PROVIDING. NOT
22 JUST WITH LA UNIFIED BECAUSE THAT ISN'T THE TOTALITY OF MY
23 DISTRICT. I'VE GOT SEPARATE DISTRICTS ALL THE WAY TO POMONA,
24 AND IT IS HOTTER. IT'S PROBABLY JUST LIKE LANCASTER ON A HOT
25 DAY OUT THERE. AND ALSO LOOKING AT WHAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR



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1 COOLING CENTERS THAT YOU'VE ALREADY MENTIONED, BUT ALSO
2 LOOKING AT EXPANDING SOMETHING THAT I HAVE COME ACROSS. WATER
3 BOXES FOR PEH AND PLACED IN CBOS WHERE PEOPLE GO, EVEN AT OUR
4 LIBRARIES OUTSIDE. WATER BOXES. WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH A GROUP
5 THAT CAN MAKE THEM AVAILABLE AT A VERY LOW COST AND PROVIDE
6 THEIR WATER. THEY PROVIDE, YOU CAN PUT YOUR GALLON OF, YOU
7 KNOW, YOUR SKEPTICAL AND YOU CAN RECEIVE WATER. AND WE HAVE A
8 FEW ON SKID ROW. HELLO. SO, I THINK WE'RE ALSO ENGAGING IN
9 TRYING TO GET MORE CBO'S IN DIFFERENT PLACES IN OUR DISTRICT
10 WHERE WE KNOW THERE ARE PEOPLE THAT ARE EXPERIENCING
11 HOMELESSNESS, BUT NOT JUST THAT, SENIORS. SENIORS DON'T HAVE
12 ACCESS OR SOMETIMES THE AVAILABILITY TO BUY QUALITY WATER IN
13 THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD WHEN IT GETS REALLY HOT. SO HAVING THOSE
14 KINDS OF SPACES AVAILABLE IS SOMETHING I WOULD HOPE THAT YOU
15 CAN HELP EXPLORE WITH US AS WE MOVE DOWN THE LINE ON THIS. AND
16 THEN HOPEFULLY LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN LOOK AT THRESHOLDS FOR
17 INDOOR, YOU KNOW, WHAT THE INDOOR HEATING THRESHOLD IS. I KNOW
18 OUR STAFFS HAVE HAD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THAT, AND THERE CAN BE
19 COSTS FOR LANDLORDS AND OBVIOUSLY RENTERS, BUT THE REALITY IS
20 THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SUFFERING RIGHT NOW, AND WE
21 HEAR IT. PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FOR WHAT REBATES, WHAT
22 OPPORTUNITIES, MAYBE ISD, MAYBE THE COUNTY CAN INTERFACE IN A
23 DIFFERENT WAY HERE TO HELP PROVIDE THOSE KINDS OF APPLIANCES
24 OR REBATES IN SOME WAY. SO, I WANT TO HEAR MORE ABOUT THAT
25 FROM YOU ALL. AND THEN WHAT PARTNERSHIP DO WE HAVE GOING WITH



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1 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? I KNOW AT OUR LAST TRIP IN WASHINGTON
2 WE TALKED ABOUT, I THINK IT WAS THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND
3 COMMERCE THAT WERE PUTTING OUT TREMENDOUS AMOUNTS OF SUPPORT.
4 AND I WANT TO HEAR WHERE WE ARE IN TERMS OF OBTAINING ANY OF
5 THOSE RESOURCES, WHAT THE PROGRESS IS. SO THAT'S QUITE A BIT,
6 BUT I'LL KIND OF STOP THERE. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE
7 ARE WORKING WITH DPW ON LOOKING AT SHADE, BUT ALSO WITH PARKS
8 AND ALSO BUS STOPS, SHELTERS, SHELTERS, AND I KNOW THAT THAT'S
9 SOMETHING THAT I AM VERY MINDFUL OF BECAUSE I THINK WE HAVE
10 THE MOST BUS STOP BENCHES, BUT NO SHELTER. AND I'M TALKING
11 ABOUT EXTREMELY HOT OR WHEN IT'S WINTER, YOU HAVE MANY PEOPLE
12 WHO ARE VERY DEPENDENT ON OUR BUS SERVICE, SENIORS, MOMS AND
13 KIDS GOING TO SCHOOL AND WHAT HAVE YOU. SO WANNA HEAR MORE
14 ABOUT THAT FROM ALL OF YOU. SO, IF YOU COULD PLEASE GO DOWN
15 THE LINE, I'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM
16 CHAIR.

17
18 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I THINK I'LL
19 ADDRESS SOME OF THE FIRST QUESTIONS. THEY'RE KIND OF WITHIN
20 OEM SCOPE AND THEN HAND IT TO MY TEAMMATES OVER HERE FOR THE
21 FOLLOW-ON QUESTIONS. RELATED TO THE COMMUNICATIONS, MORE THAN
22 HAPPY FOR MY TEAM TO WORK WITH ALL THE COMMUNICATIONS DEPUTIES
23 TO MAXIMIZE. WE'RE ALWAYS TRYING TO MAXIMIZE OUTWARD
24 COMMUNICATIONS SO THAT PEOPLE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF WHAT IS A
25 MYRIAD OF RESOURCES ALREADY AVAILABLE. SO HAPPY TO GO BACK TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE TEAMS AND MAKE SURE WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER TO GET AS MUCH
2 INFORMATION OUT TO THE PUBLIC AS POSSIBLE. AS IT RELATES TO
3 THE ACCESSIBILITY OF INFORMATION IN REAL TIME ABOUT CERTAIN
4 SITES, I DO WANT TO RAISE TO EVERYONE'S ATTENTION THERE IS AN
5 INCONGRUENCY AND PART OF THAT INCONGRUENCY IS A LEGITIMATE ONE
6 IN THE SENSE THAT WE AS A COUNTY DO NOT ADVERTISE NON-
7 ACCESSIBLE LOCATIONS. WE ARE FINE IF A CITY CHOOSES TO OPEN UP
8 A FACILITY THAT DOESN'T MEET CERTAIN ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS,
9 BUT IT'S OUR POSITION WITHIN THE COUNTY STRUCTURE THAT ALL OF
10 THE FACILITIES THAT THE COUNTY IS RECOMMENDING PEOPLE TO GO TO
11 MEET ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS. SO, YOU WILL SEE ON A CITY'S
12 WEBSITE OR IN THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS A SITE THAT MAY NOT BE
13 REPRESENTED ON THE COUNTY SITE, BUT THAT IS 100% BECAUSE OF A
14 DETERMINATION ON ACCESSIBILITY. WHAT WE DO, DO IS TRY TO POINT
15 PEOPLE IN THOSE DIRECTIONS. SO, THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE IS NOT
16 THE EXCLUSIVE SITE FOR LOCATIONS THAT SERVE AS COOLING
17 CENTERS. IT IS THE MOST AGGREGATED LOCATION. WHAT WE DO THOUGH
18 IS PUT LINKS TO ALL OF THE OTHER CITY SITES IF THEY PROVIDE
19 THAT INFORMATION TO US. AND THEN THAT WOULD BE THE SECOND PART
20 THAT CREATES SOME OF THIS INCONGRUENCE IS SOME CITIES DO
21 THINGS IN A VERY RAPID FASHION, RIGHTFULLY SO, THEY SEE AN
22 EVENT OCCURRING, AND THEN THEY MOBILIZE RESOURCES IN AN
23 EMERGENCY BASIS ON THEIR PART, THEY SET THAT UP AND THEN THEY
24 COMMUNICATE IT FOR THEIR CITY. THAT MAY NOT BE CHANNELED BACK
25 TO US IN REAL TIME. IT MAY TAKE US 6 HOURS TO GET TO THAT



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1 INFORMATION. ONE OF THE BEST VECTORS OF THAT INFORMATION FOR
2 US IS ACTUALLY THE BOARD DEPUTIES. YOU ALL HAVE A PULSE WITH
3 YOUR CITIES AND YOUR COMMUNITIES THAT EXCEEDS MANY OF WHAT THE
4 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER CAN DEAL WITH. SO, WHEN WE HEAR
5 FROM YOUR OFFICES, WE TRACK THAT INFORMATION DOWN AND POST IT
6 AS FAST AS WE CAN. SO WE LOOK AT THIS AS A PARTNERSHIP WITH
7 ALL OF THE BOARD OFFICES, ESPECIALLY THE FIELD DEPUTIES, IN
8 PROVIDING US THAT REAL-TIME INFORMATION. SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S
9 TEAM SENT SOME INFORMATION LIKE MID-HEATWAVE THAT JUST 2 SITES
10 POPPED UP THAT WERE AWESOME, SO WE PUT THEM ON. THAT IS JUST
11 ONE EXAMPLE OF WHAT EVERY BOARD OFFICE HAS DONE DURING SOME OF
12 THESE HEAT WAVES. SO AGAIN, APPRECIATE THAT, BUT YOU WILL SEE
13 SOMETIMES IF YOU GO TO THE WEBSITE THAT IT IS NOT INCLUSIVE OF
14 EVERY SINGLE SITE OR AVAILABLE RESOURCE. WE ALSO RECOMMEND
15 THAT PEOPLE USE PRIVATE SECTOR RESOURCES AND WE DON'T ALWAYS
16 TRACK ALL OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR RESOURCES. SO, A SHOPPING MALL
17 MAY EXTEND HOURS. WE USUALLY DON'T PUT THAT ON OUR WEBSITE,
18 BECAUSE WE TRY NOT TO ADVOCATE FOR PEOPLE TO GO TO CERTAIN,
19 LIKE, FOR-PROFIT BUSINESSES. BUT THERE'S AN AMPLE AMOUNT OF
20 INFORMATION, I THINK AT THE STARTING POINT AT THE WEBSITE. BUT
21 AGAIN, I WILL MAKE SURE THAT THE OEM TEAM FOLLOWS UP WITH ALL
22 OF THE BOARD OFFICES TO MAKE SURE WE'RE MAXIMIZING ALL OF OUR
23 RESOURCES AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, COMMUNICATING. AND THEN THE
24 LAST BIT IS JUST ON THE SENSE OF COMMUNICATING WITH OUR PEOPLE
25 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND THE MYRIAD OF COMPLEXITIES



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1 AROUND THAT. WE USE THE STRUCTURES THAT ALREADY EXIST THROUGH
2 PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE, LAHSA, THE
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HOST TEAM, PUBLIC WORKS' OUTREACH TEAMS.
4 WE REALLY CHANNEL ALL OF THAT INFORMATION BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT
5 NOT EVERYONE IN CERTAIN, YOU KNOW, CERTAIN CONDITIONS IS GONNA
6 HAVE ACCESS TO WEBSITES AND DIFFERENT COMMUNICATION METHODS.
7 SO, WE DO, DO THAT REALLY HAND IN GLOVE TOUCH APPROACH TO
8 COMMUNICATING WITH DIFFERENT GROUPS. OUR DEPARTMENT OF AGING
9 AND DISABILITIES DOES PHENOMENAL WORK COMMUNICATING TO THEIR
10 CLIENT BASE AND SO WE REALLY PARTNER WITH ALL OF THEM. AND
11 THEN LASTLY, THIS COMES UP EVERY TIME IS OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH
12 DPSS AND THEM REACHING THE DIFFERENT SERVICES THAT THEY
13 PROVIDE AND USING THEIR CHANNELS THAT ALREADY EXIST TO REACH
14 THEIR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS.

15
16 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** I'LL JUST FOLLOW UP A COUPLE COMMENTS
17 TOUCHING ON PUBLIC HEALTH'S COMPONENT WITH THE HEAT ADVISORIES
18 AND SO FORTH, AND WE TOO WILL GO BACK AND LOOK AND JUST MAKE
19 SURE THAT WE ARE DOING WHAT WE CAN TO EXPAND SORT OF THE
20 READERSHIP OF THOSE ADVISORIES AND BACK TO THE POINT ABOUT THE
21 SCHOOLS, THAT IS A BIG PUSH FOR THAT TOOLKIT. AND THAT TOOLKIT
22 IS INTENDED FOR ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTY. WE ARE
23 JUST IN THE PROCESS OF ROLLING THAT OUT AND HAVEN'T MET WITH
24 ALL THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS. THERE'S ESSENTIALLY PRESENTATIONS
25 THAT ARE GONNA BE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE TOO, SO THAT WE CAN



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1 GET REALLY FAR AND WIDE VIEWERSHIP ON THOSE. BUT ONE OF THE
2 THINGS WE'RE TRYING TO DO IN THAT IS TO GET FOLKS TO SIGN UP
3 ACROSS THE BOARD FOR OUR PUBLIC HEALTH ALERTS. SO THAT WOULD
4 BE FAMILY MEMBERS, SCHOOL STAFF, PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS, AND
5 STUDENTS TO SIGN UP JUST SO THAT WE GET WIDE, YOU KNOW, SORT
6 OF PREVALENCE OF THIS ACROSS THE COUNTY FOR FOLKS TO LOOK AT.
7 DID WANT TO TOUCH ON THE SURVEILLANCE PIECE BECAUSE YOU
8 BROUGHT UP A REALLY GOOD POINT. WE DO KNOW THAT HEAT RELATED
9 INJURIES AND DEATHS ARE UNDER REPORTED. SO WE'RE RELYING ON ED
10 DATA TO LOOK AT THOSE, BUT WE DO HAVE A SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM.
11 SO PUBLIC HEALTH IS TRACKING THIS. WE DID SEE IN EARLIER IN
12 SEPTEMBER WITH THE HEAT WAVE, WE DID SEE OUR NUMBERS GO UP AS
13 FAR AS ED VISITS AND ED ADMISSIONS FOR THAT. SO THAT IS
14 SOMETHING THAT WE'RE TRACKING AND OF COURSE RAISING AWARENESS
15 AMONGST PROVIDERS AND THE PUBLIC HELPS US IN THAT IN TRACKING
16 WHAT THE TRUE IMPACT IS OF THAT. ONE OTHER THING I JUST WANTED
17 TO TOUCH ON BECAUSE YOU TOUCHED ON THE INDOOR HEAT. WE ARE IN
18 THE PROCESS, PUBLIC HEALTH IS IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING AN
19 INDOOR HEAT ORDINANCE THAT OF COURSE WOULD BE FOR RENTAL
20 UNITS. SO MORE TO COME ON THAT ONE AS WELL. BUT I'LL HAND IT
21 OFF.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WORKING AT ALL WITH LA COUNTY OFFICE OF
24 EDUCATION AS YOU REACH OUT TO ALL OF THE SCHOOLS? I MEAN, ARE
25 THEY ENGAGED?



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SUPERVISORS

1
2 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** YES. YES.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

7
8 **STEVE BURGER:** YEAH, I THINK I'D LIKE TO TOUCH A LITTLE BIT ON
9 THE BUS SHELTERS. SO YEAH, I'M GLAD YOU BROUGHT THAT UP,
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AMONG THE THINGS THAT WE BELIEVE MAKE AN
11 IMPACTFUL DIFFERENCE TO RESILIENCY FOR HEAT BESIDES STREET
12 TREES, BUS SHELTERS ARE ONE OF THE PRIMARY ONES. IT REALLY IS
13 ONE OF MY FOCUSES. YOU KNOW, I PERSONALLY HAVE BEEN AT BUS
14 STOPS WHERE YOU DON'T HAVE SHADE AND IT SUCKS. IT'S HORRIBLE.
15 AND FOR THOSE THAT WANT TO USE BUSES AND TRANSIT, YOU NEED
16 THAT SHELTER TO ALLOW THEM TO USE IT. EVEN WORSE, FOR THOSE
17 THAT RELY ON THAT SYSTEM FOR TRANSPORTATION, IT REALLY JUST IS
18 SOMETHING WE NEED TO DOUBLE DOWN ON TO PROVIDE THAT. SO, I'VE
19 GOT SOME GOOD NEWS. ONE OF THE THINGS AS PART OF MY
20 ACCELERATING THE INSTALLATION OF BUS SHELTERS, WE JUST
21 WORKING, PARTNERING WITH ISD, WE HAVE A NEW MASTER PROCUREMENT
22 AGREEMENT, WHICH WE THINK WILL GIVE US A CAPACITY FOR 100 BUS
23 SHELTERS A YEAR. I SHOULD MENTION WE CURRENTLY HAVE 2,100 BUS
24 STOPS, 640 OF THEM ARE SHELTERED RIGHT NOW. SO, I WANT TO I
25 WANT TO MOVE FORWARD QUICKLY. THE PLAN THOUGH OR WHAT'S THAT?



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** IS THAT A FOUR-YEAR PLAN, FIVE-YEAR PLAN?

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4 **STEVE BURGER:** WELL AND SO I DO HAVE A FIVE-YEAR PLAN. I WOULD
5 LIKE TO GET 5 IN, BUT CLEARLY THE MORE, THE FASTER WE GET THEM
6 IN, THE 100 IS HOPEFULLY THIS YEAR, 100 PER YEAR.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** BUT THAT'S FOR THE WHOLE COUNTY, THAT'S NOT
9 JUST MY DISTRICT.

10

11 **STEVE BURGER:** THAT'S CORRECT, THAT'S CORRECT.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND THOSE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE THE HIGHEST
14 PRIORITY IN OUR DISTRICTS? I MEAN, HOW ARE YOU DECIDING THAT?

15

16 **STEVE BURGER:** YEAH, SO WE'VE IDENTIFIED A TOTAL OF 278
17 LOCATIONS PARTNERING WITH METRO THAT ARE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY,
18 USING AN EQUITY LENS, KNOWING WHERE THE RIDERS NEED THEM THE
19 MOST AND KNOWING WHERE THE HEAT IMPACTS PEOPLE THE MOST. WE DO
20 HAVE A PRIORITY LIST. WE'RE GONNA BE FOCUSING ON THAT FIRST.
21 BUT LIKE I SAID, I REALLY WANNA MOVE. I WANNA CHALLENGE THAT.
22 100 PER YEAR, I WANNA CHALLENGE THE VENDOR TO TRY TO DO MORE
23 THAN THAT. THE GOOD NEWS IS WE THINK WE HAVE THE MONEY FOR
24 THIS. WE NEED TO GET THE PROCUREMENT CAPACITY. WE'RE CREATING
25 RED TEAMS TO DELIVER THESE. SO, I REALLY THINK IN THE NEXT



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1 YEAR YOU'LL SEE A LOT OF PROGRESS.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** ARE WE DRAWING DOWN FEDERAL MONEY? BECAUSE I
4 KNOW THERE WAS A WHOLE SLEW OF MONEY COMING DOWN. WE HEARD
5 THAT FROM THE WHITE HOUSE.

6

7 **STEVE BURGER:** YEAH, WE'VE GOT SOME EARMARKS. THEY'RE DEDICATED
8 TO THIS. WE'VE GOT LOCAL FUNDING. YEAH.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WE DIDN'T APPLY FOR GRANTS. I MEAN, WE WERE
11 TOLD. YEAH, WE WERE TOLD WHEN WE WENT TO THE WHITE HOUSE THE
12 LAST TIME WE GOT A PRESENTATION. AND THEY SAID SPECIFICALLY
13 THAT THERE WERE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES. AND I BELIEVE MARK WAS IN
14 THE MEETING. MARK, WOULD YOU FOLLOW UP?

15

16 **STEVE BURGER:** YEAH, AND SO YEAH, WE WILL APPLY FOR GRANTS. WE
17 HAVEN'T.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YOU DIDN'T APPLY THEN. YOU HAVEN'T APPLIED.
20 NO. OKAY, THAT'S NOT GOOD. OKAY. YEAH. THAT'S ALL RIGHT, WE'LL
21 FOLLOW UP.

22

23 **STEVE BURGER:** AND YEAH, SO THE GOAL IS TO ACCELERATE THE
24 INSTALLATION OF THESE AND WORK WITH EACH YEAR DISTRICT
25 OFFICES, YOU KNOW, TO DEFINE WHERE THE COMMUNITIES NEED THESE



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1 THE MOST.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I JUST WANT TO UNDERLINE THAT SOMETIMES BUS
4 STOPS AREN'T ALL METRO RELATED. WE HAVE OUR OWN LIKE YOU HAVE
5 EL SOL IN EAST LA. YOU HAVE YOU HAVE DIFFERENT LA COUNTY
6 SPONSORED AND SOME OF THOSE ARE NOT COVERED AND THERE ARE SOME
7 OF THE HOTTEST SPOTS OR AREAS THAT DON'T HAVE ANY CANOPY. I
8 WOULD URGE US TO LOOK AT WHAT OUR OWN HOME BASE LOOKS LIKE
9 TOO.

10

11 **STEVE BURGER:** OF THOSE WE'VE PRIORITIZED 72.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

14

15 **ALMAS SAYEED:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I WANTED TO JUST ADDRESS,
16 EXCUSE ME, OH RITA, DID I SPEAK OVER YOU? I'M SORRY. YOUR NOTE
17 REGARDING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND I KNOW THAT YOU
18 HEARD FROM ME EARLIER TODAY WITH REGARD TO THE COUNTY'S PLAN
19 TO ADDRESS EXTREME HEAT AS IT IMPACTS THOSE WHO ARE UNHOUSED.
20 WHAT I WANTED TO EMPHASIZE IS THAT THE VULNERABILITY, THE
21 NOTES OF VULNERABILITY THAT YOU HEARD FROM OUR COLLEAGUES AT
22 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AS YOU ALL KNOW, DEEPLY
23 IMPACT THOSE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, OF COURSE, AND
24 WE HAVE SEEN MORTALITY RATES INCREASE. IN TERMS OF THE PLAN, I
25 WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF THINGS. THE FIRST IS WE ARE IN



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1 CLOSE PARTNERSHIP WITH LAHSA, WHO SUBCONTRACTS WITH 211, TO
2 ENSURE THAT THOSE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ARE
3 DIRECTED TO RESOURCES, INCLUDING MOTEL VOUCHERS. AND THAT IS
4 CROSS-JURISDICTIONAL. WE PARTNERED CLOSELY WITH THE CITY THAT
5 ALSO FUNDS LAHSA TO ENSURE THAT FOLKS ARE DIRECTED TO
6 RESOURCES. IN ADDITION TO YOUR NOTE ABOUT WATER DISTRIBUTION,
7 THERE ARE SEVERAL PROVIDERS THAT USE A WATER BOX SYSTEM OR USE
8 ICE DISTRIBUTION TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING
9 HOMELESSNESS HAVE ACCESS TO WATER. I ALSO WANT TO ECHO KEVIN,
10 THAT INFORMATION FROM OUR DEPUTIES, INCLUDING YOUR OFFICE, HAS
11 BEEN ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL IN IDENTIFYING WHERE ENCAMPMENTS HAVE
12 NO ACCESS TO RESOURCES. AND OF COURSE, I WANT TO ELEVATE
13 SOMETHING THAT WE DISCUSSED THIS MORNING THAT'S INCREDIBLY
14 IMPORTANT, WHICH IS THE ROLE OF PROVIDERS IN BOTH MAINTAINING
15 COOL INTERIM HOUSING SITES AND ALSO ADDRESSING THE CONCERNS OF
16 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. HERE I WANNA NOTE SOMETHING.
17 AS THE COUNTY'S TEMPERATURE HAS CHANGED, SO HAS THE
18 INFRASTRUCTURE FOR OUR BUILDINGS. SO, WE HAVE PROVIDERS THAT
19 HISTORICALLY HAVE NOT HAD AIR CONDITIONING. AND WE ARE WORKING
20 TO IDENTIFY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT DOLLARS SO THEY CAN DO THAT.
21 BUT WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNERSHIP AS SOME OF THESE
22 ISSUES COME TO LIGHT, AS OUR TEAM ALSO MANAGES A VERY RAPIDLY
23 CHANGING CLIMATE IN LA COUNTY. AND RITA, AGAIN, I'M SO SORRY.

24
25 **RITA KAMPALATH:** IT'S OKAY, I NEED TO WORK ON MY REACTION TIME



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1 CLEARLY. I JUST WANTED TO ADDRESS SUPERVISOR, YOUR QUESTION
2 ABOUT FUNDING. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE REALLY BEEN WORKING ON
3 PARTNERSHIPS TO REALLY TRACK GRANTS THAT ARE COMING AT THE
4 FEDERAL AND STATE LEVEL RELATED TO THESE ISSUES AND TRY TO PUT
5 FORWARD APPLICATIONS WHENEVER WE CAN, WHENEVER WE SEE
6 SOMETHING RELEVANT. AND SO, YOU KNOW, DEVELOPING PARTNERSHIPS
7 WITH THE OFFICE OF EDUCATION IS ONE THING. EXCITED TO SHARE
8 THAT THEY'RE WORKING ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN EPA GRANT
9 DIRECTLY RELATED TO CLIMATE RESILIENCE AT SCHOOLS AND THAT'S
10 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ISD AS WELL. WE WERE ALSO EXCITED THAT WE
11 RECEIVED ABOUT \$8,000,000 IN IRA FUNDING WITH PUBLIC WORKS FOR
12 TREES. WHAT WE'RE EVEN MORE EXCITED ABOUT THAT IS THE REGION
13 OVERALL, I BELIEVE, RECEIVED OVER \$30,000,000. AND SO, WE'VE
14 BEEN WORKING TO CONVENE ALL OF THOSE AWARDEES AND REALLY WORK
15 TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE COORDINATED IN HOW WE'RE ALL
16 USING THOSE FUNDS. AND THAT'S JUST ANOTHER THING THAT I WANTED
17 TO HIGHLIGHT, WE'RE WORKING ON OUR HEAT ACTION PLAN. WE'VE
18 ALSO APPLIED FOR FURTHER STATE FUNDING TO DEVELOP A CITY'S
19 TOOLKIT THAT WILL KIND OF TRANSLATE SOME OF THE WORK THAT
20 WE'RE DOING WITH HEAT ACTION PLAN SO THAT CITIES CAN
21 INCORPORATE THAT INTO THEIR PLANNING AS WELL. SO, I ENCOURAGE
22 YOU, THE MEETING THAT WE HAD WITH THE WHITE HOUSE, THEY TALKED
23 ABOUT A WHOLE SLEW OF REBATES, APPLIANCES FOR HOMEOWNERS AND
24 THINGS OF THAT NATURE ON BUSINESSES. I WOULD THINK OUR DEO AND
25 OUR OFFICES WOULD BE WORKING OUR DEPARTMENTS TO SECURE



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1 INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO APPLY FOR THOSE GRANTS. THAT WAS
2 ALREADY, WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME WE WENT TO D.C.? YOU WERE
3 THERE. SO, I MEAN, YOU HAVE THE INFORMATION. I'M JUST
4 SURPRISED WE HAVEN'T APPLIED. SO, I'D WANT TO GET AN UPDATE ON
5 TO SEE WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE, BECAUSE IT'S, I MEAN, THIS IS
6 ONCE IN A LIFETIME. SO YEAH, ABSOLUTELY. AND WE HAVE APPLIED
7 TO, YOU KNOW, FUNDING THROUGH IRA AND BIL AND LIKE THE EPA
8 GRANT IS LIKE THE SCHOOLS GRANT THAT WE'RE PURSUING. I THINK
9 SOME OF THE REBATES THAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT ARE LIKE A
10 LITTLE BIT MORE COMPLICATED TAX ISSUES, WHICH I KNOW OUR
11 DEPARTMENTS ARE ALSO LOOKING AT ISD AND DEO. SO THAT MAY BE A
12 LITTLE BIT MORE COMPLEX TO IMPLEMENT, BUT IT IS SOMETHING
13 WE'RE LOOKING AT.

14
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAM
16 CHAIR.

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

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21 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** JUST ON THAT LAST PIECE, AQMD IS ALSO
22 OFFERING REBATES. AND WHAT I APPRECIATE IN SOME OF THE
23 PROGRAMS THEY'RE PUTTING FORWARD, YOU DON'T HAVE TO BUY THE
24 ITEM AND THEN WAIT TO GET YOUR CHECK IN 6 OR 8 WEEKS,
25 WHATEVER. SOME OF THEM YOU CAN GET THAT ARE INCOME-BASED, YOU



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1 CAN GET THE MONEY AHEAD OF TIME, WHICH IS HELPFUL, I THINK,
2 FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AS WELL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR,
3 AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR HAVING THE PRESENTATION TODAY.
4 IT'S BEEN A COMMON THREAD THROUGHOUT OUR ENTIRE BOARD MEETING
5 TODAY IN TERMS OF OUR NEW NORMAL AROUND THE CLIMATE AND HOW WE
6 HAVE TO WORK HARD AS THE SAFETY NET LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT TO
7 PROTECT VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. JUST THIS PAST SATURDAY I
8 HOSTED A MOCK BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING HERE IN THE HEARING
9 ROOM WITH ABOUT 100 COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS FROM THE SECOND
10 DISTRICT, EL CAMINO, WEST LA, AND COMPTON. WEST LA AND EL
11 CAMINO HAVE NEW ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUSED CURRICULUM AND PROGRAMS
12 WHERE THEIR STUDENTS WERE READY TO TALK ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE
13 AND EXCESSIVE HEAT AND WROTE MOTIONS THAT TALKED ABOUT THE USE
14 OF COOLING TILES AND THERMAL REFLECTIVE PAINTS, THINGS THAT I
15 LEARNED, AS WELL AS OF COURSE TREE CANOPY WAS A REALLY COMMON
16 CONVERSATION SINCE THESE YOUNG STUDENTS WERE LARGELY BORN AND
17 RAISED IN THE SECOND DISTRICT AND THEY KNOW THAT PATHETICALLY
18 THE SECOND DISTRICT HAS TREE CANOPY COVERAGE AT A RATE OF
19 2.4%. AND THEN WHEN I THINK ABOUT THE SECOND DISTRICT, IF OUR
20 TREE CANOPY RATE IS 2.4%, IF I THINK IF I TAKE OUT HANCOCK
21 PARK AND SOME OF THE COASTAL COMMUNITIES THAT PROBABLY HAVE
22 THE MAJORITY OF THAT, WHERE DOES THAT LEAVE THE REST OF THE
23 CENTER OF THE DISTRICT? FAR LESS THAN 2.4%. SO, A COUPLE OF
24 QUESTIONS IF I MAY. PERHAPS FOR KEVIN, IF YOU COULD TELL ME,
25 WHAT DID WE LEARN FROM OUR LAB ABOUT THE COUNTY'S



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1 VULNERABILITIES AFTER THIS LAST HEAT WAVE? WHAT WERE THE NEW
2 TAKEAWAYS? WE KNOW TREE CANOPY, SOME OF THAT STUFF YOU ALL
3 HAVE BEEN WORKING ON, WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON. BUT WERE THERE
4 ANY NEW TAKEAWAYS FROM THIS LAST EXCESSIVE HEAT EXPERIENCE IN
5 TERMS OF OUR VULNERABILITIES?

6
7 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** THANKS, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I MEAN, ONE OF THE
8 KEY VULNERABILITIES AT THE STRATEGIC LEVEL IS THAT THESE HEAT
9 EVENTS DON'T JUST HAPPEN AS JUST HEAT EVENTS. WE HAVE WILDLAND
10 FIRES. WE HAVE OTHER TYPES OF EMERGENCIES THAT TAKE PLACE. IF
11 YOU RECALL. ALL AT THE SAME TIME. EXACTLY, SO IT BECOMES A
12 LAYERED, A LAYERED HAZARD PROFILE AND PORTFOLIO THAT THEN HAS
13 TO BE MANAGED. THAT STRAINS RESOURCES, AND THEN WE'RE ALREADY
14 IN A CONDITION THAT'S NOW STRAINING RESOURCES, AND THEN WE
15 START SEEING KIND OF THE SECONDARY AND TERTIARY EFFECTS OF
16 POWER OUTAGES AND OTHER ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE MANAGED THROUGH
17 CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE. AND SO, THIS EVENT WAS NO DIFFERENT
18 THAN THOSE. THAT'S NOT A NEW 2024. WE STARTED SEEING THAT IN
19 THE LATE TEENS, EARLY 20'S, WHEN THAT STARTED TAKING PLACE. SO
20 NOW IT'S NOT AN UNCOMMON OCCURRENCE THAT WE START HEARING FROM
21 CAL ISO ABOUT ROLLING OUTAGES POTENTIALLY. SO REALLY, WE'RE IN
22 A POSITION WHERE WE HAVE TO BE VERY STRATEGIC IN OUR
23 APPROACHES TO THIS BECAUSE OUR RESOURCES BECOME STRAINED RIGHT
24 AWAY, AND THEN IT BECOMES A PRIORITIZATION OF SCARCE
25 RESOURCES. SO, I WOULD SAY THAT IS PROBABLY THE MOST



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1 SIGNIFICANT LESSON LEARNED COMING OUT OF ALL OF THESE EVENTS
2 IN THE NEAR TERM, AND THAT'S VERY OPERATIONAL, BUT THE
3 CONDITIONS ARE AT THAT STRATEGIC LEVEL.

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5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND AS A RESULT, WHAT ARE WE DOING
6 DIFFERENT, IF ANYTHING? WELL, IN REAL TIME, THE MOST IMPORTANT
7 THING IS TO REALLY DOUBLE DOWN ON OUR RESPONSE EFFORTS, AND
8 THAT MANAGES US THROUGH THAT PARTICULAR EMERGENCY. BUT, AND I
9 BELIEVE YOU BROUGHT IT UP AT OUR PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING WHEN
10 WE WERE PROCLAIMING THE, OR WHEN WE WERE RATIFYING THE
11 PROCLAMATION OF THE BRIDGE FIRE, WHICH WAS HAVING A STRATEGIC
12 APPROACH TO HOW WE ARE GOING TO ADDRESS IN THE BIG PICTURE,
13 WHAT IS THE NATION'S NUMBER ONE MOST VULNERABLE COUNTY? WE
14 HAVE THE HIGHEST RISK PROFILE OF ANY COUNTY IN THE COUNTRY.
15 AND THAT'S GOING TO TAKE CONTINUED CONCERTED EFFORTS IN HOW WE
16 INVEST IN RESOURCES TO BUILD RESILIENCE, WHICH IS THE MOST
17 IMPORTANT THING. WE SHOULD TRY AND PREVENT ISSUES FROM
18 HAPPENING THROUGH RESILIENCE. AND THEN HAVING THAT, BECAUSE WE
19 ARE THE SAFETY NET, HAVING THE CAPACITY AND THE CAPABILITY TO
20 RESPOND AND RECOVER WHEN NEEDED. AND IT TAKES RESOURCES TO DO
21 THAT. I'M CURIOUS ABOUT OUR OWN COUNTY-OWNED INFRASTRUCTURE
22 AND IF WE'RE PREPARED TO QUICKLY RESPOND TO THE INCREASING
23 HEAT. AND THIS CAME ABOUT BECAUSE AT THE BRAND SPANKING NEW
24 JACQUELINE AVANT FAMILY AND CHILD CARE CENTER IN MY DISTRICT.
25 THE HVAC SYSTEM BROKE. THE BRAND-NEW BUILDING, NEW BUILDING.



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1 THIS SUMMER, SO MY TEAM INTERVENED AND WE BROUGHT IN PORTABLE
2 COOLING UNITS FOR PATIENT ROOMS AND STAFF. I WANT TO THANK ISD
3 FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO TRY TO FIX IT, BUT THAT EXPERIENCE
4 PROMPTED THIS QUESTION AND CONCERN I HAVE. AND SO, I DON'T
5 KNOW IF IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THE CEO OR PUBLIC WORKS, WHICH IS
6 REALLY, WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF OUR HVAC SYSTEM THROUGHOUT
7 COUNTY-OWNED INFRASTRUCTURE, ESPECIALLY THOSE SERVING THE
8 PUBLIC? YOU KNOW, HVAC SYSTEMS TRAGICALLY ARE INCREDIBLY
9 EXPENSIVE AND AGE FAST. GIVEN THE MAGNITUDE AND THE DURATION
10 OF THESE HEAT OCCURRENCES, WE PUT EXTRA STRAIN ON THEM. ARE
11 THE COOLING CENTERS, LIKE, BUT DON'T HAVE A COOLING CENTER
12 WHERE THE HVAC GOES OUT. ARE THE COOLING CENTERS EQUIPPED WITH
13 HVAC SYSTEMS THAT ARE CURRENT OR POWERFUL ENOUGH OR EQUIPPED,
14 HAVE BEEN MAINTAINED TO DO WHAT THEY NEED TO DO? SO, WHOEVER
15 CAN ANSWER THE QUESTION IN TERMS OF OUR COUNTY-OWNED BUILDINGS
16 AND OUR OWN INFRASTRUCTURE, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT SERVE THE
17 PUBLIC?

18
19 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** SO, YOU KNOW, WE AS THE RESPONSE STRUCTURE,
20 WE'RE HAND-IN-HAND. ISD IS A PART OF THAT. SO, IN DISCUSSIONS
21 WITH ISD, FOR EXAMPLE, OVER THE COURSE OF, YOU KNOW, THIS
22 SUMMER, THEY'VE DONE 3,000+ PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE. AS WE GO
23 INTO THE SUMMER MONTHS, SO PRIOR TO THAT, LIKE IN THE LATE
24 WINTER, EARLY SPRING, WHEN WE START REVISITING THE OPERATIONAL
25 CAPACITY OF COOLING CENTERS AND COOLING RESOURCES, WE BRING



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1 ALL OF THE COUNTY PARTNERS TOGETHER TO START TROUBLESHOOTING
2 ANY OF THESE ISSUES TO TRY AND PREVENT HVAC FAILURES OR THE
3 MYRIAD OF OTHER RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE. SO, I THINK
4 THERE'S ALWAYS WORK TO BE DONE. WE HAVE A LOT OF AGING
5 INFRASTRUCTURE, SO THINGS ARE JUST GOING TO BE IMPACTED, AND
6 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FIX THOSE IN REAL TIME. BUT FROM A
7 HOLISTIC STANDPOINT, ISD IS SHOULDER AND SHOULDER IN THE
8 RESPONSE TO ALL OF THIS AND BENDS OVER BACKWARDS TO TRY AND
9 RESPOND IN REAL TIME TO FIX THOSE ISSUES THAT DO OCCUR.

10

11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND AS WE TALKED ABOUT, AS WE DID AT
12 LENGTH IN THE FIRST AGENDA ITEM, ITEM 26, IF WE'RE STANDING UP
13 THESE NEW REGIONAL CENTERS, I THINK WE BETTER STAND THEM UP
14 AND BUILD THEM WITH THE UNDERSTANDING OF THESE PROLONGED
15 EXCESSIVE HEAT EXPERIENCES TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PUTTING IN
16 SYSTEMS THAT CAN HANDLE THAT. I KNOW WE HAVE A MEMBER OF THE
17 PUBLIC WHO I APPARENTLY IRRITATE WHEN I TALK ABOUT RACE AND
18 STRUCTURAL RACISM THAT WE'VE EXPERIENCED IN HOUSING, IN STREET
19 SAFETY, ALL OF THAT, BUT THE FACTS REMAIN. AND SO INCREASING
20 TREE CANOPY AND BUS CANOPIES AND ALL THOSE THROUGHOUT THE
21 COUNTY, IT'S GOING TO REQUIRE INVESTMENTS BEYOND JUST THE TREE
22 PLANTING AND YOU KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TALK ABOUT
23 DEPRAVING AS WELL AS PLANTING AND ESTABLISHING LONG-TERM
24 STRATEGIES AND CARE FOR EXPANDING TREE CANOPY. AND I DON'T
25 KNOW THAT WE CAN DO IT ONLY IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AND ON



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1 PUBLIC PROPERTY. SO, WE'RE GONNA NEED TO SUPPORT THE EXPANSION
2 OF TREE PLANTING ON PRIVATE PROPERTIES AS A COOLING STRATEGY
3 AS WELL. AND I KNOW ALL OF US IN OUR DISTRICT DO THAT. I
4 WORKED WITH SOUTHERN CAL EDISON THIS SUMMER AND THE ARBOR DAY
5 FOUNDATION TO DO TREE GIVEAWAYS FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTS. SO, I
6 JUST, AND WE HEARD ABOUT SCHOOLS. SO, IN ORDER TO EXPAND TREE
7 CANOPY IN AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN HISTORICALLY LEFT BEHIND, IN
8 AREAS THAT RESEARCH AND STUDIES ARE SHOWING, BECAUSE OF THE
9 LACK OF TREE CANOPY, IT'S HOTTER. I'M HOPING THAT WE ARE
10 PARTNERING ACROSS THE BOARD WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
11 AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR, IF WE WILL, TO BE ABLE TO DO ALL THAT
12 WE CAN TO PLANT TREES. AND MAYBE WITH HI, AS WE BUILD
13 SHELTERS, PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, JUST LIKE FOR ALL
14 COUNTY STRUCTURES WE HAVE PUBLIC ART REQUIREMENTS, WE SHOULD
15 PROBABLY TALK ABOUT REQUIRING X NUMBER OF TREES BASED ON THE
16 SIZE OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE. I DON'T MEAN TO ADD TO YOUR PLATE,
17 BUT WHEN WE THINK ABOUT HEAT AND THE MAGNITUDE OF THIS
18 PROBLEM, WE SHOULD PROBABLY TRY TO BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION
19 TOO AND MAKING SURE THAT TREE CANOPY IS ESTABLISHED IN THOSE
20 AREAS WHERE WE'RE STANDING UP THAT INFRASTRUCTURE AS WELL. AND
21 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I REALLY, BASED ON THE AVON CENTER
22 EXPERIENCE, YOU KNOW, WAS WORRIED, LIKE, OKAY, ARE WE READY?
23 LIKE, FOR REAL, FOR REAL? SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWER AND
24 HOPE THAT THOSE SYSTEMS ARE PREPARED AND READY.

25



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

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. WELL, THIS HAS BEEN A GREAT
4 DISCUSSION AND THERE'S BEEN SOME A LOT OF GOOD QUESTIONS FROM
5 MY COLLEAGUES. GREAT PRESENTATION. YOU KNOW, I'M JUST SITTING
6 HERE, KEVIN, AND I'M OF COURSE THINKING ABOUT MY THE CITIES I
7 REPRESENT ON THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA RIGHT WHO YOU KNOW
8 SOMETIMES WE THINK THE ONLY PEOPLE THAT ARE SUFFERING FROM
9 DEVASTATING HEAT CONDITIONS MAYBE ARE THE UNHOUSED OR CERTAIN
10 PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND YET THESE RESIDENTS, I THINK WE HAVE
11 OVER 200 NOW WHO HAVE LOST THEIR POWER. AND I REMEMBER WHEN I
12 WAS WALKING UP THERE IN RANCHO PALOS VERDES 3 OR 4 SUNDAY
13 AFTERNOONS AGO, WE HAD ONE OF THOSE VERY EXTREME HOT DAYS. AND
14 BESIDES EVERYTHING ELSE HAPPENING TO THEM, THEN THEIR POWER
15 COMPANY TURNS OFF THEIR POWER WITHOUT ANY BACKUP MITIGATION
16 FOR THEM TO, YOU KNOW, REMAIN, TURN ON AIR CONDITIONING. SO I
17 THINK, YOU KNOW, AND I KNOW, I JUST THINK GOING FORWARD, YOU
18 KNOW, BECAUSE I WILL SAY, YOU KNOW, KEVIN, YOU AND YOUR FOLKS
19 HAVE BEEN SO GOOD AND HAVE BEEN JOHNNY ON THE SPOT EVERY TIME
20 WE'VE HAD A DISASTER. AND I JUST THINK WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO
21 LIFT UP THESE KINDS OF SITUATIONS AS WELL WHEN WE TALK ABOUT
22 THOSE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING SEVERE HEAT PROBLEMS. YOU KNOW, I'M
23 THINKING THAT, YOU KNOW, IT WOULD ALSO BE THE SAME IF IT WAS
24 EXTREME COLD AT THAT TIME. SO, I THINK WE NEED TO ELEVATE THIS
25 ISSUE OF UTILITY COMPANIES WHO ARE TURNING OFF PEOPLE'S POWER.



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1 THEY'RE LOOKING AT THEIR LIABILITY AND THEIR RISK, AND YET I
2 THINK THEY'RE, I MEAN, I KNOW THAT THEY'RE THROWING PEOPLE
3 INTO SOME EXTREME, DANGEROUS SITUATIONS WITHOUT ANY BACKUP. I
4 MEAN, I FEEL LIKE POWER COMPANIES, BY THE WAY, PEOPLE HAVE NO
5 CHOICE IN WHO THEY CHOOSE AS THEIR POWER COMPANY, RIGHT?
6 THEY'RE MONOPOLIES. AND IF YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR GIVING
7 PEOPLE THEIR POWER, I THINK YOU NEED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR
8 GIVING THEM THEIR POWER. AND WHEN YOU TURN IT OFF FOR WHATEVER
9 REASONS, IT SHOULD BE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO RECONNECT WITH
10 THEM TO SOME SORT OF ENERGY. BUT ANYWAY, WHAT DO YOU THINK?
11 HOW WE CAN JUST ADD THIS MAYBE TO OUR DISCUSSIONS?

12

13 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. I DEFINITELY 100%
14 AGREE THAT WE NEED TO CONSISTENTLY LOOK AT THE CASCADING
15 IMPACTS THAT ARE OCCURRING ALONG THE PENINSULA AND MAXIMIZE
16 THE RESOURCES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY AND ALL THE
17 EFFORTS, ESPECIALLY THAT YOU'VE BEEN DOING WITH THE STATE AND
18 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO MOBILIZE RESOURCES. SO, I'LL TAKE THAT
19 BACK FOR SURE TO WORK ON SOME SOLUTION SETS FOR THAT. AND YOU
20 BRING UP A GOOD POINT ON THE WINTER WEATHER SIDE, BECAUSE
21 WE'RE GOING TO SOON LEAVE THE WARMTH SIDE AND WE'RE GOING TO
22 END UP IN A RAINY, COLD WINTER, POTENTIALLY. THAT COULD ALSO
23 CREATE PROBLEMS. SO, I'M HAPPY TO BRING THAT BACK.

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I THINK IT'S ONE MORE CONDITION OF THESE



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1 FOLKS THAT WE SHOULD ELEVATE. AND I'D STILL THINK, YOU KNOW, I
2 THINK I WAS SURPRISED THE FACT THAT WE AS A COUNTY DON'T
3 NECESSARILY WAREHOUSE GENERATORS. AND I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING
4 WE SHOULD LOOK AT. I DON'T KNOW THE INS AND OUTS OF
5 GENERATORS. IS IT STORING THEM NOT A GOOD IDEA OR THEY HAVE A
6 SHELF LIFE OR, BUT I THINK IN THE EVENT OF A MAJOR EMERGENCY,
7 THIS ONE IS A SMALLER EMERGENCY COMPARISON TO IF WE HAD A
8 MAJOR DISASTER IN THE COUNTY OF LA WHERE PEOPLE'S POWER WAS
9 OUT, I WOULD THINK WE WOULD WANT, IF IT WERE AN EARTHQUAKE, I
10 THINK WE WOULD WANT TO HAVE A STASH OF GENERATORS.

11
12 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** SO, WE DO MAINTAIN GENERATORS. ISD HAS A
13 GENERATOR PROGRAM, BUT THEREFORE BIGGER PIECES OF
14 INFRASTRUCTURE THAN LIKE A RESIDENTIAL HOUSE ARE, YOU KNOW,
15 KIND OF THE NATIONAL LEVEL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM, WHICH WE ALSO
16 CONVEY IS THAT INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY
17 TO ALSO INVEST IN THEIR PREPAREDNESS AND GENERATORS WOULD BE
18 ONE COMPONENT OF IT. I KNOW AT SCALE AND DEPENDING ON
19 DIFFERENT, YOU KNOW, SOCIAL CONDITIONS, THAT MAY NOT BE
20 AVAILABLE. SO, IT'S SOMETHING THAT I WOULD, I'LL DEFINITELY
21 TAKE BACK TO DO RESEARCH. BUT I DO WANNA MAKE SURE THAT THE
22 BOARD, THE CEO, EVERYONE IS ASSURED THAT WHEN IT COMES TO
23 LARGE INFRASTRUCTURE, THERE IS GENERATORS AVAILABLE. CORRECT.

24
25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** FOR INSTANCE, THE SEWER PUMP, YOU WERE ABLE



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1 TO IMMEDIATELY GET THE GENERATOR TO KEEP THAT GOING. BUT I DO
2 THINK INDIVIDUALS, AND MANY PEOPLE DON'T, AGAIN, IT HAPPENS SO
3 SUDDENLY, PARTICULARLY AS A MAJOR DISASTER, BUT I WOULD THINK
4 EVEN IN THE HEAT CLIMATE, IF SOMEBODY'S POWER GO OUT, IT MIGHT
5 BE SOMETHING WE COULD, LIKE A LENDING LIBRARY, WE CAN LET
6 PEOPLE BORROW GENERATORS. I WAS JUST SURPRISED THAT WE DIDN'T
7 HAVE A STORE HOUSE FULL OF GENERATORS IN CASE OF A MAJOR
8 DISASTER. MIGHT BE SOMETHING YOU WANNA LOOK AT. AND TELL US
9 WHAT THAT WOULD, WHAT WOULD THAT LOOK LIKE IN TERMS OF COST OR
10 AVAILABLE LAND. BUT I JUST THINK THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING AGAIN
11 IN A MAJOR DISASTER THAT WE WOULD WANT TO HAVE THAT FOR
12 PEOPLE. AND THANK YOU FOR ELEVATING THE BUS SHELTERS. THAT'S
13 SOMETHING THOSE OF US THAT SIT ON THE METRO BOARD OF
14 DIRECTORS, WE'VE DONE A COUPLE OF MOTIONS, SPECIFICALLY AS IT
15 RELATES TO THE SHADING OF BUS SHELTERS. BUT AS YOU BROUGHT UP,
16 THEY'RE NOT ALL METRO BUS STOPS, THEY'RE NOT ALL CERTAIN CITY
17 BUS SHELTERS. THERE'S A COMBINATION, BUT I THINK IT'S VERY
18 KEY. I KNOW SOME, WE HAVE HEARD STORIES OF PEOPLE WHO MISSED
19 THE BUS BECAUSE THEY HAD TO, THEY WERE FARTHER AWAY JUST SO
20 THEY COULD BE UNDER A TREE OR UNDER OR FIND SOME SHELTER AND
21 THEN THEY COULDN'T MAKE IT WHEN THEY SAW THE BUS COMING. SO,
22 LOTS OF UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF HEAT. AND I DON'T THINK
23 MARK IS HERE, RIGHT? BUT I KNOW WHEN I WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL
24 WAY BACK 20 YEARS AGO, THERE WAS SOME SORT OF A EXPLORATION
25 ABOUT MOVING FROM BLACKTOP TO, I DON'T WANT TO SAY WHITE TOP,



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1 BUT IT WAS GETTING AWAY FROM BLACKTOPPING. I KNOW WE'VE MOVED
2 AWAY FROM IT ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS, BUT THERE IS SUCH AND IT
3 IS LIKE I WANT TO SAY 15, 16, 17 DEGREES IT ADDS TO THE
4 TEMPERATURE IN TERMS OF BLACK TOP. AND IT'S SURPRISING TO ME
5 IN 2024 THAT OUR ROADS FOLKS HAVE NOT COME UP WITH A BETTER
6 MATERIAL THAT DOESN'T - I MEAN, YOU CAN SEE THE HEAT WAVES
7 RISING OFF OF BLACKTOP. I'M WONDERING WHY WE HAVEN'T WORKED
8 HARDER TO, YOU KNOW, HAVE SMARTER MINDS LOOK AT DEVELOPING A
9 DIFFERENT KIND OF MATERIAL BECAUSE THAT ADDS AN AMAZING AMOUNT
10 OF HEAT TO LA COUNTY.

11
12 **STEVE BURGER:** YEAH, WE'VE ACTUALLY LOOKED INTO AND ACTUALLY
13 PILOTED COOL PAVEMENT PROJECTS WHERE WE DO PUT THE SURFACE OF
14 MORE OF A GRAY COLOR AND IT REFLECTS THE HEAT. RESULTS HAVE
15 BEEN MIXED. WE HAVEN'T HAD, YOU KNOW, LIKE A LOT OF NEW
16 TECHNOLOGIES, WE HAD SOME PROBLEMS WITH ADHESION ON THE
17 SURFACE. THE TIRES QUICKLY TURNED IT DARK AGAIN AND IT BECAME
18 MAINTENANCE. SO, WE'RE STILL WORKING WITH THE FOLKS ON KEEPING
19 OUR EYE ON THAT TECHNOLOGY AND TRYING TO FIND WAYS THAT IT
20 DOES BECOME VIABLE LARGE-SCALE. RIGHT NOW, LIKE I SAID, WE'VE
21 REALLY TRIED AND ESPECIALLY ON OUR ROADWAYS WHERE THERE'S A
22 LOT OF TRAFFIC, IT DOESN'T SEEM TO HOLD UP.

23
24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, MAYBE IT WOULD HOLD UP. IT'S CERTAINLY
25 IN THE SCHOOLYARDS BECAUSE YOU DON'T YOU WOULDN'T HAVE CARS



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1 DRIVING OVER IT AND IT MIGHT NOT BE AS WE SHOULD PUSH TO OUR
2 SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO AT LEAST EXPLORE THAT BECAUSE I KNOW WE'RE
3 GETTING AWAY FROM LARGE SWATHS OF BLACKTOP AT SCHOOLS. WE'RE
4 LOOKING TO GREEN THEM, BUT THIS ALSO SEEMS AGAIN, PEOPLE
5 SHOULD JUST TRY HARDER TO COME UP WITH THE MATERIAL THAT
6 ACTUALLY WORKS. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR
9 DISTINGUISHED PANEL FOR BEING HERE WITH US AND FOR YOUR
10 PRESENTATION AND ALL THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING TO KEEP US
11 SAFE FROM DANGEROUS CLIMATE CHANGE-INDUCED HEAT. IT'S THE MOST
12 DANGEROUS RISK POSED BY CLIMATE CHANGE IN LA COUNTY. IT CLAIMS
13 MANY LIVES EVERY YEAR AS WE'VE DISCUSSED AND THE WHITE HOUSE
14 EVEN DROPPED A NEW STRATEGY ON THIS I THINK A COUPLE OF WEEKS
15 AGO AS WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE ROLE THE WHITE HOUSE CAN
16 PLAY IN OUR RELATIONSHIP TO EXTREME HEAT AND PUBLIC HEALTH. AS
17 WE'VE BEEN DISCUSSING, OUR DATA TRENDS ARE GETTING WORSE WITH
18 HOTTER AND LONGER HEAT WAVES REACHING INTO AREAS THAT EVEN A
19 DECADE AGO WERE MUCH COOLER. AND OUR LATEST HEAT WAVES THIS
20 MONTH SET MULTIPLE DAILY RECORDS, INCLUDING RIGHT HERE IN
21 DOWNTOWN LA. THIS IS AN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUE BECAUSE
22 THE TEMPERATURE, HEALTH, AND TREE CANOPY DATA ALL SHOW THAT
23 OUR LOWEST INCOME AREAS BEAR THE BRUNT. I KNOW THAT MY
24 CONSTITUENTS IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, WHERE IT RECENTLY
25 REACHED A RECORD TEMPERATURE OF 121 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT, ARE



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1 CLEARLY AT RISK. OLDER RESIDENTS ON THE WEST SIDE,
2 HISTORICALLY COOLER COMMUNITIES, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN RENT
3 STABILIZED BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN SOUNDING THE ALARM AS WELL. AND
4 ALL OF MY CONSTITUENTS HAVE BEEN SHARING WITH ME HOW THE
5 RECENT SUMMER HEAT HAS BECOME UNBEARABLE. CRACKING THE WINDOW
6 IS NO LONGER AN OPTION. REGARDING OUR COOLING CENTERS, AS
7 WE'VE DISCUSSED EARLIER TODAY, AS WAS MENTIONED, I APPRECIATE
8 THE EFFORTS OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. OBVIOUSLY, THERE'S MORE
9 WORK TO DO, AND I KNOW WE'RE INVESTING IN THAT. WE SHOULD BE
10 PARTNERING WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, HOUSES OF WORSHIP, OR
11 EVEN MALLS TO PROVIDE RELIABLE COOLING TO OUR MOST VULNERABLE
12 IN PLACES, IN MORE PLACES ESPECIALLY THE PLACES WHERE PEOPLE
13 ARE ALREADY FREQUENT. BECAUSE SO MANY ARE STILL AT RISK, WE'RE
14 ALSO FOCUSED ON BRINGING BACK AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD
15 ESTABLISH PUBLIC HEALTH TENANT PROTECTIONS FOR HEAT AND THIS
16 POLICY AS DIRECTED BY THE BOARD IN JANUARY WILL ESTABLISH
17 MAXIMUM INDOOR TEMPERATURE STANDARDS FOR ALL RENTAL UNITS IN
18 UNINCORPORATED LA COUNTY AND PROVIDE A CLEAR PATHWAY THROUGH
19 THE COUNTY'S HEALTH CODE TO BRING THOSE PROTECTIONS TO
20 UNINCORPORATED CITIES COUNTYWIDE. SO, I WANNA THANK PUBLIC
21 HEALTH, COUNTY COUNCIL, THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE, AND
22 OTHER DEPARTMENTS FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND COMMITMENT ON MAKING
23 THAT HAPPEN. I ALSO KNOW THAT CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE WILL LAUNCH
24 A FREE OR HEAVILY DISCOUNTED AIR CONDITIONER PROGRAM FOR ITS
25 LOW INCOME CUSTOMERS AND AN ADVISORY PROGRAM TO HELP LANDLORDS



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1 AND PROPERTY OWNERS IDENTIFY TECHNICAL STRATEGIES AND REBATES
2 TO THEIR PROPERTIES. THIS WILL COMPLEMENT ISD'S EQUITABLE
3 BUILDING DECARBONIZATION PROGRAM, WHICH RECENTLY RECEIVED MORE
4 THAN \$300,000,000 TO SUPPORT AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILDINGS WITH
5 UPGRADES THAT WILL ADDRESS ENERGY EFFICIENCY. AND I'M EAGER
6 FOR OUR BOARD TO CONSIDER THE URBAN FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PLAN,
7 I THINK NEXT MONTH, THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON TO GUIDE US
8 TOWARD PLANTING AND BETTER CARING FOR OUR TREES AND
9 NEIGHBORHOODS FACING GREATEST HEAT ISLAND EFFECT. AND FINALLY,
10 I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE FRAMEWORK OF OUR HEAT ACTION
11 PLAN, WHICH WILL ENSURE OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ARE COORDINATED
12 AND APPROPRIATELY PRIORITIZING THIS ISSUE. SO JUST TO BUILD ON
13 A COUPLE OF THINGS, WHAT ARE SOME OF THE RESOURCES THAT OUR
14 PUBLIC SHOULD BE AWARE OF AS IT RELATES TO INSURANCE PLANS OR
15 OTHER SUBSIDIES FOR EQUIPMENT LIKE AIR CONDITIONERS, AIR
16 FILTRATION DEVICES TO ADDRESS THE IMPACTS OF EXTREME HEAT. ARE
17 THERE OTHER PROGRAMS BESIDES THE ONES I'VE ALREADY MENTIONED?

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19 **RITA KAMPALATH:** YEAH, I MEAN, I THINK THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE
20 ONE IS GREAT. WE'VE ALSO BEEN WORKING WITH THE LA REGIONAL
21 CLIMATE COLLABORATIVE, WHICH I THINK WAS WORKING WITH PUBLIC
22 HEALTH TO KIND OF COMPILE RESOURCES FOR HOMEOWNERS ON THOSE
23 KINDS OF REBATES. SO THERE ARE A FEW DIFFERENT SOURCES OF
24 INFORMATION, A LOT OF THOSE THROUGH UTILITIES THAT PEOPLE CAN
25 ACCESS.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO THEY SHOULD GO TO THEIR
3 RESPECTIVE UTILITY WEBSITE. IS THERE A PLACE ON THE COUNTY
4 WEBSITE OR ANYWHERE THAT SORT OF CENTRALIZES ALL OF THAT FOR
5 PEOPLE TO GET THAT INFORMATION?

6

7 **RITA KAMPALATH:** SO, I THINK, YEAH, THE REGIONAL CLIMATE
8 COLLABORATIVE, LIKE THEIR GOAL WAS REALLY TO CENTRALIZE THAT
9 AND WE WERE WORKING WITH THEM TO KIND OF PULL THAT TOGETHER.
10 THEY, YOU KNOW, DO A LOT OF CLIMATE WORK AND PULL TOGETHER ALL
11 THE CITIES OF THE COUNTY.

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY.

14

15 **RITA KAMPALATH:** AND I THINK THEY WERE DOING A --

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** REGIONAL CLIMATE COLLABORATIVE.

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19 **RITA KAMPALATH:** YEAH, LARC FOR SURE.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** LARC, SO IF PEOPLE GOOGLE THAT,
22 THEY'RE GOING TO FIND MORE RESOURCES.

23

24 **RITA KAMPALATH:** YES.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** BOTH HOMEOWNERS AND RENTERS.

2

3 **RITA KAMPALATH:** I THINK THAT'S RIGHT, YEAH.

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND THEN CAN YOU PROVIDE AN
6 UPDATE ON STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PROCESS FOR THE INDOOR HEAT
7 TENANT PROTECTIONS AND HOW INTERESTED PARTIES WHO AREN'T
8 ALREADY INVOLVED CAN LEARN A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT THAT?

9

10 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** YES, I CAN PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THAT. WE
11 WILL HAVE ADDITIONAL WEBINARS THAT WE ARE SCHEDULING AND WE
12 WILL BE IN TOUCH FROM PUBLIC HEALTH WITH EACH OF THE
13 SUPERVISORS TO KIND OF HAVE DATES AND SO FORTH AND HOW
14 INDIVIDUALS CAN JOIN AND JOIN IN. THERE'LL BE LANDLORD,
15 THERE'LL BE TENDON WEBINARS THAT WILL BE UPCOMING IN THE
16 COMING MONTHS.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND SO IF PEOPLE ARE
19 INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT THAT, WHERE SHOULD THEY
20 GO TO GET THAT INFORMATION?

21

22 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** WE WILL GIVE YOU; WE HAVE NOT SCHEDULED
23 THOSE YET. WHEN THE SCHEDULE IS OUT, WE WILL GET THAT TO YOU
24 SO THAT YOU CAN KIND OF BROADCAST THAT AND WE WILL AS WELL ON
25 OUR END. SO RIGHT NOW, WE ARE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF



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1 DEVELOPING THE ORDINANCE AND SO ONCE THAT PROCESS IS DONE, WE
2 WILL HAVE STAKEHOLDER INPUT WEBINARS THAT ARE UP AND COMING.

3
4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND FINALLY, HOW ARE OUR
5 STREET TREES HANDLING THE HOTTER TEMPERATURES FROM CLIMATE
6 CHANGE? WHEN I WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN WEST HOLLYWOOD, I
7 HAD A RESIDENT WHO WOULD GO AROUND AND CHECK THE WATER BAGS ON
8 THE TREES TO MAKE SURE THERE WAS SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF WATER
9 FOR THE TREES, ESPECIALLY ON THE VERY HOT DAYS. SO, I'M SURE
10 WE CAN'T DO EXACTLY THAT, HAVING SOMEBODY GO OUT AND CHECK
11 THEM. SO HOW ARE WE MAKING SURE THAT THEY'RE SURVIVING? HOW
12 ARE WE MONITORING THAT? WHAT IS OUR STATUS UPDATE?

13
14 **STEVE BURGER:** AND WE, YOU KNOW, AS PART OF OUR MAINTENANCE
15 PROGRAM FOR THE STREET TREES, WE DO PERIODIC INSPECTIONS WITH
16 OUR ARBORISTS, OUR LICENSED ARBORISTS, AND WE DO HAVE A TWO-
17 YEAR MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE INCLUDES TRIMMING. SO WE'VE BEEN
18 REVIEWING THAT, WE'VE BEEN KEEPING AN EYE ON THE TREES WHERE
19 WE NEED TO ADD SUPPLEMENTAL WATER, WE DO. THE GOOD NEWS IS
20 OVERALL THE TREES ARE DOING WELL. THEY EITHER HAVE
21 SUPPLEMENTAL WATER FROM THE ADJACENT HOUSES THAT WATER THEM OR
22 LIKE I SAID WE KEEP AN EYE ON THEM. SO, ALTHOUGH THEY DO GET
23 STRESSED AND THEY DO EXPERIENCE LEAF DROP AND THINGS LIKE
24 THAT, OUR ARBORS ARE SAYING THOUGH THEY'LL SURVIVE IT, THEY'LL
25 MAKE IT THROUGH IT.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, JUST MAKING SURE, YOU KNOW,
3 AS WE'RE PLANTING THEM AND INVESTING IN THAT, WE WANT TO MAKE
4 SURE THEY LIVE TO BE LIKE OLD GLORY. MY FAVORITE TREE. VERY
5 GOOD. SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
6 THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS
7 ITEM.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
10 FORWARD? DONALD HARLAN AND JESUS ROJAS, PLEASE COME FORWARD
11 AND THE STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR
12 PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS
13 ITEM 51. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0
14 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATE AND WE HAVE
15 THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHRIES. PLEASE MAKE
18 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
19 BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** OH, YES. THANKS TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS, ON THE BUS
22 COMMENT AND NOTICE THAT THE SUPERVISORS, HAHN AND SOLIS, AND
23 THEIR STAFF KNOW ROY HUMPHREY'S, ROWLAND HEIGHTS EFFORTS TO
24 BRING FOOTHILL TRANSIT FROM BRAIN-DEAD MANAGEMENT TO
25 TRANSPORTATION A LA JAPAN, SINGAPORE, CHINA, AND EVEN FRANCE.



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1 CHECK IT OUT WHETHER IT'S BUSES OR METRO IT'S AWESOME AND
2 CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN AND ALSO WHEN IT RAINS IT RAINS ON BOTH
3 SIDES OF THE STREET AS WELL AS THE SUNSHINE AND WE'RE STILL
4 WAITING FOR THE WALNUT YARD TO CLEAN THE FILTH AT THE RITE AID
5 BUS STOP. THANK YOU.

6

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GABRIELLA EDDY. PLEASE MAKE
10 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
11 BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I'M A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER IN SUPPORT OF
14 ITEM 51. I WANT TO EXTEND MY GRATITUDE FOR ALL SUPERVISORS OF
15 THE SOLIS-HARR WORK THAT WENT INTO ORCHESTRATE THIS BRIEFING
16 TO ADDRESS EXTREME HEAT AMONG OTHER IMPORTANT TOPICS THAT THE
17 PUBLIC WOULD GREATLY BENEFIT. SUPPORT FROM OUR BOARD REGARDING
18 CLIMATE CHANGE WILL EXPEDITE PROGRESS TOWARDS FUTURE
19 SOLUTIONS. UNFORTUNATELY, THOSE WHO ARE VULNERABLE ARE
20 ESPECIALLY PRONE TO EFFECTS OF EXTREME HEAT AND CLIMATE
21 CHANGE. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNTY PLEASE CONTINUE
22 TO TAKE MEASURES TO PROTECT THOSE IN NEED FROM THE EFFECTS OF
23 CLIMATE CHANGE IN ORDER TO PROTECT OUR FUTURE AS A COMMUNITY.
24 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MUCHAS GRACIAS.

25



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

2

3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ. PLEASE
4 MAKE SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT.
5 YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ AND I'M
8 THE CEO OF ALMA. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR
9 REQUESTING THIS PUBLIC BRIEFING TO HIGHLIGHT THE NEED FOR THE
10 COUNTY TO CONTINUE ADDRESSING EXTREME HEAT AND TO APPRECIATE
11 ALL THE LIFE-SAVING WORK BEING DONE, WHICH WAS DESCRIBED
12 TODAY. AS A SERVICE PROVIDER, I HAVE SEEN HOW RISING
13 TEMPERATURES THREATEN THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH OF
14 INDIVIDUALS OF ALL AGES, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN, SENIORS, THE
15 UNHOUSED, AND THOSE WITH UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS. I URGE
16 THE BOARD TO SUPPORT ONGOING INITIATIVES AND TO EXPAND THIS
17 EFFORT TO OFFER IMMEDIATE RELIEF AND GREATER LONG-TERM
18 ASSISTANCE FOR INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED BY EXTREME WEATHER. AS A
19 COUNTY, WE HAVE THE CAPACITY AND THE CRITICAL NEED TO GO
20 FURTHER TO PROTECT THE MOST VULNERABLE AMONG US. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KERRY CHE. PLEASE MAKE SURE
25 YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY



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1 BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, I'M KERRY CHE. I'M A VOLUNTEER WITH HEART EAST
4 LA. I WANT TO THANK HILDA SOLIS OF THE WAY FOR CHAMPIONING
5 THIS MOTION. EAST LA IS AN ADDRESS CALLED HEAT DOME, RUN BY
6 FREEWAY TO EXCHANGES PARKING, HEART CHILDREN, LA, AND
7 INDIVIDUALS WITH SEVERE HEALTH DISORDERS. NEED SOLUTIONS TO
8 MAKE IT HEAT IN A DAILY WAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
9 SUPPORT.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MADAM
12 CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS IN THE QUEUE TO
13 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS IN
16 PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS JESUS ROJAS. I'M FROM THE APARTMENT
19 ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. WE URGE THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS TO RECONSIDER THE DEFINITION OF COOLING READY TO
21 BE EXPANDED TO THE PASSIVE COOLING, AS WELL AS ALTERNATE FORMS
22 OF ACTIVE COOLING, INCLUDING EVAPORATOR COOLERS. THE RECENT
23 BLACKOUTS HAVE SHOWN THAT THE GRID CANNOT HANDLE MORE AC UNITS
24 AND HEAT PUMPS THAT ARE ON 24/7. WE NEED MORE CENTRALIZED
25 COOLING VIA COMMUNITY COOLING CENTERS, LIBRARIES, SENIOR



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1 CENTERS, RECREATION CENTERS, AND OTHER PUBLIC FACILITIES WITH
2 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR THOSE IN NEED. THANK YOU.

3
4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
5 SPEAKERS? SEEING NONE, THIS REPORT IS RECEIVED AND FILED.
6 THANK YOU TO OUR PANELISTS FOR YOUR PRESENTATION AND HEARING
7 NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO
8 ITEM 90G, REDUCING FIELD INTERVENTION TEAM DISPATCH TIMES TO
9 ENHANCE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S ALTERNATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE
10 SYSTEM, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
11 PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT
12 ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR HAHN, I WILL TURN IT TO YOU.

13
14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
15 COLLEAGUES, THE MOTION TODAY IS ABOUT CONTINUING TO REDUCE THE
16 RESPONSE TIMES OF OUR COUNTYWIDE FIELD INTERVENTION TEAMS THAT
17 RESPOND IN PERSON TO PEOPLE EXPERIENCING A MENTAL HEALTH
18 CRISIS WITH UNARMED MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. I WANT TO
19 START BY TALKING ABOUT THE PROGRESS THAT LA COUNTY HAS MADE
20 OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS. WHEN I FIRST INTRODUCED THIS MOTION
21 IN 2020 TO LOOK INTO COORDINATING ALTERNATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE,
22 DMH HAD FEWER THAN 30 PSYCHIATRIC MOBILE RESPONSE TEAMS FOR
23 THE ENTIRE COUNTY. AND THEY ONLY OPERATED DURING BUSINESS
24 HOURS. ON AVERAGE, PEOPLE HAD TO WAIT OVER 7 HOURS FOR A
25 RESPONSE FROM ONE OF THESE TEAMS. AND SINCE THEN, OUR



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1 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND THIS BOARD HAVE GREATLY
2 EXPANDED AND ENHANCED OUR SYSTEM. WE NOW HAVE A TOTAL OF 70
3 FIELD INTERVENTION TEAMS THAT OPERATE 24/7 ALL ACROSS THE
4 COUNTY. THIS MEANS THAT NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE, WHAT TIME IT
5 IS, AND WHAT INSURANCE YOU HAVE, YOU CAN CALL AND REQUEST A
6 FIELD INTERVENTION TEAM IF SOMEONE IS HAVING A MENTAL HEALTH
7 CRISIS. THESE TEAMS CAN BE REACHED BY CALLING OUR DEPARTMENT
8 OF MENTAL HEALTH HELPLINE, OR IF YOU HAVE A LOCAL AREA CODE,
9 YOU CAN EVEN CALL 988 AND REQUEST A TEAM. THIS EXPANSION HAS
10 NOT BEEN EASY. IT'S COME AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE FACED A
11 GLOBAL PANDEMIC AND NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIAN SHORTAGE.
12 TO EXPAND OUR TEAMS, WE HAD TO GET CREATIVE AND THEN WE
13 IMPLEMENTED VARIOUS TYPES OF BONUSES AND WE CONDUCTED SAME-DAY
14 HIRING FAIRS. AS A RESULT OF THESE EFFORTS, THE AVERAGE
15 RESPONSE TIME HAS DROPPED ALMOST 70% AND IS NOW 2 HOURS. AND I
16 RECOGNIZE THAT GOING DOWN FROM THE AVERAGE OF 7 HOURS TO 2
17 HOURS IS A BIG ACCOMPLISHMENT BECAUSE THIS DECREASE HAPPENED
18 AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE EXPANDED 24/7 AND BEGAN RECEIVING
19 MORE PHONE CALLS AND DISPATCH REQUESTS. BUT I THINK YOU WOULD
20 AGREE THAT 2 HOURS IS STILL TOO LONG TO WAIT FOR A RESPONSE
21 WHEN SOMEONE IS HAVING A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS. IF OUR FIELD
22 INTERVENTION TEAMS ARE GOING TO BE TRUE ALTERNATIVES TO LAW
23 ENFORCEMENT AND PARAMEDICS, THEY HAVE TO ARRIVE MORE QUICKLY.
24 OF COURSE, THINGS LIKE TRAFFIC AND DISTANCE ARE GOING TO MAKE
25 RESPONSE TIMES CHALLENGING, BUT THERE ARE STILL WAYS WE CAN



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1 REDUCE THE AVERAGE RESPONSE TIMES. THE MOST RECENT QUARTERLY
2 UPDATE FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH REVEALED THAT ON
3 AVERAGE IT TAKES 52 MINUTES JUST TO DISPATCH A TEAM. THAT
4 MEANS THAT FROM THE TIME A TEAM IS REQUESTED, IT TAKES ALMOST
5 AN HOUR BEFORE A TEAM IS IDENTIFIED AND EVEN BEGINS DRIVING
6 OUT TO THE CRISIS SCENE. I THINK THAT'S TOO MUCH TIME. IF WE
7 CAN DECREASE THE TIME TO DISPATCH, THEN WE WOULD LOWER THE
8 OVERALL RESPONSE TIME. SO, THIS MOTION IS FOCUSED ON THAT
9 DISPATCH TIME TO UNDERSTAND WHY IT'S TAKING SO LONG TO
10 DISPATCH TEAMS, THEN ANALYZE HOW IF IT'S POSSIBLE TO SHORTEN
11 THAT PROCESS. AND I'M SPECIFICALLY ASKING OUR DEPARTMENT OF
12 MENTAL HEALTH TO BRING US A PLAN THAT WILL REDUCE THAT AVERAGE
13 DISPATCH TIME TO UNDER 20 MINUTES. AGAIN, THAT'S JUST THE TIME
14 THEY START ROLLING OUT TO GET TO THE PERSON WHO NEEDS THEIR
15 HELP. AND THEN IF WE CAN ACCOMPLISH THAT, THE 20 MINUTES, THEN
16 WE WILL SEE THOSE RESPONSE TIMES OVERALL DECREASE AND MORE AND
17 MORE PEOPLE WILL FEEL COMFORTABLE CALLING TO REQUEST A FIELD
18 INTERVENTION TEAM BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT THEY WILL GET THE
19 HELP THAT THEY NEED WHEN THEY NEED IT. SO SUPERVISOR HORVATH
20 THANK YOU FOR ASKING TO CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION AND I'LL TURN IT
21 BACK TO YOU.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, I WAS REALLY EXCITED TO SEE
24 THIS MOTION. THANK YOU FOR INTRODUCING IT. WHEN SOMEONE IS
25 HAVING A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS, FIELD INTERVENTION TEAMS WITH



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1 UNARMED, TRAINED MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND PEER SUPPORT
2 SPECIALISTS ARE NOT ONLY MORE EFFECTIVE IN DEESCALATING A
3 SITUATION, BUT ARE MORE COMPASSIONATE AND LEAD TO BETTER
4 OUTCOMES FOR THOSE IN CRISIS. IN FACT, ACCORDING TO THE CENTER
5 FOR POLICING EQUITY, ALTERNATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE TEAMS HAVE
6 BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH FEWER HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND REDUCED
7 INCARCERATION OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH
8 EMERGENCIES. I'M PLEASED TO HEAR THAT WE ARE NOW AT 70 FIELD
9 INTERVENTION TEAMS, AND ALTHOUGH THERE'S BEEN A 37% INCREASE
10 IN CALLS BETWEEN 2023 AND 2024, THE WAIT TIME, AS SUPERVISOR
11 HAHN INDICATED, HAS DECREASED TO ABOUT 2 HOURS, WHICH IS
12 SIMPLY TOO LONG TO WAIT WHEN PEOPLE REALLY NEED THAT HELP. AND
13 I LOOK FORWARD TO UNDERSTANDING WHY IT TAKES ALMOST AN HOUR
14 FOR A TEAM TO BE IDENTIFIED AND DISPATCHED TO THE CLIENT'S
15 LOCATION FROM THE TIME THAT A CALL IS PLACED FOR HELP. AND
16 MORE IMPORTANTLY, I LOOK FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITIES TO
17 REDUCE THE WAIT TIME THE DEPARTMENT IDENTIFIES. WE MUST AT A
18 MINIMUM MEET AND HOPEFULLY EXCEED THE ONE-HOUR RESPONSE TIME
19 BENCHMARK, NOT ONLY BECAUSE IT'S A STATE MANDATE, BUT BECAUSE
20 IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO AND BECAUSE IT CAN SAVE LIVES. AND
21 FOR THOSE WHO ARE FOCUSED ON OUR FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, I
22 WOULD ALSO SAY FROM MY EXPERIENCE ON THE LIABILITY TRUST FUND
23 CLAIMS BOARD AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, WE ALSO GOT A GREAT
24 COUNSEL FROM INSURANCE CARRIERS THAT THIS KIND OF INTERVENTION
25 IS EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN THOSE WAYS AS WELL WHEN WE'RE LOOKING



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1 AT LIABILITY AND THE RIGHT KIND OF WAYS TO RESPOND TO SOME OF
2 THESE ISSUES. COMPLEMENTING OUR FIRST RESPONDERS IN LAW
3 ENFORCEMENT WITH THIS KIND OF ALTERNATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE
4 SYSTEM ALLOWS FOR A LOT OF SUCCESS AND DOLLARS SAVED. SO, WITH
5 THAT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
6 WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

7
8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL DONALD HARLAN PLEASE COME FORWARD? AS
9 A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU
10 WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 90G, YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO,
11 PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
12 MODERATOR, WHEN WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S CURRENTLY NO ONE IN THE QUEUE
15 RIGHT NOW TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. OKAY. AND NO PERSON, NO ONE IN
16 THE HALL. SO, ITEM 90G AS REVISED IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
17 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
18 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

21
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?
25



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

2

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

4

5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

6

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

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

10

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

12

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

14

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

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE
19 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE
20 POSTED AGENDA TO BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED TO STAFF OR PLACED
21 ON A FUTURE AGENDA. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SUPERVISOR
22 BARGER HAS A READ IN MOTION.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** YEAH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. ON
25 SEPTEMBER 10TH, THERE WAS ANOTHER FIRE THAT WAS STARTED BY



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POTENTIALLY CONTAMINATED MULCH IN THE WESTERN ANTELOPE VALLEY. THE FIRE BURNED MORE THAN 500 ACRES OF LAND, DESTROYED ONE HOME AND DAMAGED ANOTHER. THIS ISSUE OF ILLEGAL DUMPING AND ILLEGAL LAND APPLICATION OF CONTAMINATED MULCH CONTINUES UNDETERRED. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, WITH THE BEST INTENTIONS, HAS CREATED A REGULATORY STRUCTURE FOR ORGANIC WASTE DIVERSION AWAY FROM LANDFILLS THAT HAS LED TO SEVERE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES. ILLEGAL DUMPING IS AN ISSUE THAT HAS BEEN PLAGUING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR DECADES. HOWEVER, WE ARE NOW SEEING COMMERCIAL AND LARGE-SCALE ORGANIC WASTE DUMPING MIXED WITH CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS AND OTHER HARMFUL CONTAMINANTS. I PREVIOUSLY AUTHORED MOTIONS ASKING OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS TO DEVELOP LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO PUT AN END TO THIS CONDUCT. THE ILLEGAL DUMPING OF MULCH AND OTHER WASTE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IS NOT JUST A PROBLEM OF SCATTERED TRASH OR IMPROPERLY PLACED DEBRIS, IT'S AN AFFRONT TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND DIGNITY OF THE PEOPLE WHO CALL THIS PLACE HOME. THIS IS NOT JUST AN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE, IT'S AN ISSUE OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE. FOR TOO LONG, THESE COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN TREATED AS A DUMPING GROUND. LARGE ILLEGAL STOCKPILES OF MULCH AND HAZARDOUS CONSTRUCTION WASTE CONTINUE TO BE DUMPED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, CREATING SERIOUS HAZARDS THAT THREATEN THE AIR RESIDENTS BREATHE AND THE WATER THAT THEY DRINK. THESE STOCKPILES ARE TINDERBOXES AT RISK OF CATCHING ON FIRE AND SPREADING TOXINS INTO THE AIR,



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1 THREATENING THE HOMES, FAMILIES, AND LIVELIHOODS OF ALL WHO
 2 LIVE NEARBY. THE CONTAMINATED MULCH PILES ALSO CREATE
 3 CONDITIONS THAT COULD LEAD TO TOXIC RUNOFF LEACHING INTO THE
 4 SOIL CONTAMINATING LOCAL WATER SOURCES. THE CULPRITS BEHIND
 5 THIS DUMPING ACT WITH IMPUNITY, DISREGARDING THE LONG-TERM
 6 DAMAGE THEY CAUSE TO OUR COMMUNITY'S HEALTH AND WELLBEING.
 7 THESE DANGERS DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACT THE MOST VULNERABLE
 8 MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, THE ELDERLY, CHILDREN, AND THOSE
 9 WITH PREEXISTING HEALTH CONDITIONS. IT IS TIME FOR
 10 ACCOUNTABILITY. WE MUST DEMAND STRICTER REGULATIONS, BETTER
 11 ENFORCEMENT, STRONGER DETERRENCE, AND INCREASED PENALTIES FOR
 12 THOSE WHO ILLEGALLY DUMP WASTE IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE MUST
 13 PRIORITIZE THIS ISSUE AS A COUNTY AND WORK WITH THE STATE TO
 14 ENSURE THAT THIS ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE IS STOPPED. THEREFORE,
 15 I'M GOING TO READ AN EMOTION FOR THE OCTOBER 8, 2024 BOARD
 16 MEETING. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
 17 SUPERVISORS DIRECT COUNTY COUNCIL IN COORDINATION WITH LOS
 18 ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH,
 19 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
 20 PLANNING TO DEVELOP LOCAL ORDINANCE TO REGULATE LAND
 21 APPLICATION OF MULCH. THIS INCLUDES REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO
 22 ZONING, MAXIMUM DURATION OF STORAGE, MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF STORAGE
 23 PILES, AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO PHYSICAL
 24 CONTAMINATION. THIS DIRECTIVE ALSO DIRECTS UPDATES TO THE
 25 COUNTY'S FIRE CODE TO ENSURE THE DEPARTMENT CAN UTILIZE ITS



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1 AUTHORITY TO PROTECT OUR COMMUNITIES AND DEVELOP A MECHANISM
2 FOR COST RECOVERY. THERE IS MORE WORK THAT MUST BE DONE FROM
3 AN ENFORCEMENT PERSPECTIVE, BUT WE MUST ACTIVATE ALL THOSE
4 LEVERS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

5
6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THIS MOTION, AS YOU
7 INDICATED, WILL BE PLACED ON OUR OCTOBER 8, 2024, AGENDA. AND
8 I JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT MIKE AGUILERA-GAUDET, WHO'S ON MY
9 TEAM, AND HIS HUSBAND, JEREMY, WELCOMED THEIR NEW BABY,
10 AGUILERA, SINCE WE HAVE STARTED THIS MEETING. SO, I JUST
11 WANTED TO CONGRATULATE THEM. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF
12 THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS
13 NOT HELD BY SUPERVISORS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR
14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0
15 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS YOU MUST INDICATE THE AGENDA
16 ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS INCLUDING GENERAL PUBLIC
17 COMMENT IN ORDER FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF
18 TIME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION
19 AND CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
20 SPEAK ON THE REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO
23 3 MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND
24 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU WILL HAVE 1 MINUTE FOR 1 ITEM, 2
25 MINUTES FOR 2 OR MORE ITEMS AND 1 ADDITIONAL MINUTE FOR



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1 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CLEARLY
2 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING YOU
3 MAY ONLY ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THESE ITEMS WE WILL NOW CALL IN
4 PERSON SPEAKERS AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD WE WILL TAKE
5 TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
8 FORWARD. YVONNE SANDOVAL, EDDIE TORRES, IRUV PENA, SEAN
9 WASHINGTON, JESUS ROJAS, NICK COLIV, DEBORAH RANDALL, AND
10 NICOLE DEQUIT. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND THE STAFF WILL ASSIST
11 YOU. MODERATOR, WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHREYS. PLEASE MAKE
14 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** YOU MAY BE... OKAY, THANK YOU. AS TO RACISM, I REFER
17 YOU TO DR. THOMAS SOWELL. HE'S BLACK. KANSAS OWENS, SHE'S
18 BLACK. AND CHARLES CLARK, HE'S WHITE. AND SHERIFF DAVID CLARK,
19 HE'S BLACK. THE FACT IN THE UNITED STATES, ASIANS, INCLUDING
20 INDIANS, HAVE THE HIGHEST MEDIUM INCOME AND ARE A MINORITY,
21 MINORITY WHICH WAS EXCLUDED FROM THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND
22 HAD TO GO TO SUPREME COURT TO BREACH THE INSTITUTIONAL RACISM.
23 MY RELATIVE WILL NEVER GET OVER HAVING, WHEN APPLYING FOR A
24 GRANT UNDER THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION FROM MINORITIES, WHO HAS
25 TOLD HONEY, YOU'RE JUST NOT DARK ENOUGH. SHE'S CHINESE. THANK



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1 YOU.

2

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

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LYNN PLOMBECK. PLEASE MAKE
6 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** HI, LYNN PLOMBECK, SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR
10 PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT, SPEAKING ON ITEM 13 AND ITEM 31
11 TO DO WITH OAKS. AND AFTER YOUR DISCUSSION ABOUT TREE CANOPY,
12 I KNOW YOU ALL SUPPORTED THESE 2 PROPOSALS, SO I WANNA THANK
13 YOU FOR THAT BECAUSE PROTECTING OUR NATIVE OAKS IS ONE OF THE
14 WAYS OF KEEPING OUR TREE CANOPY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
15 AND I WANTED TO SAY OUR FIRST ACTION AS A GROUP IN 1993 WAS A
16 PARTIALLY SUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO PROTECT THE VALLEY OAK
17 SAVANNAH SEA 64. SO, IT'S PRETTY EXCITING THAT NOW DECADES
18 LATER YOU'RE GOING TO PROTECT THAT MAGNIFICENT OAK, THE OLD
19 GLORY OAK IN PICO CANYON PARK. THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND WE BEGAN
20 WORKING ON THE IDEA OF MAKING A LANDMARK ABOUT 2 YEARS AGO TO
21 BRING THE ATTENTION OF EVERYONE ABOUT THIS INCREDIBLE TREE.
22 IT'S A WAY TO HONOR THE PEOPLE THAT SAVED IT AND TO ALSO
23 INCLUDE ABOUT HOW, I MEAN, TO ENSURE THAT THE IMPORTANCE OF
24 OAKS AND THE PART THEY PLAY IN CLEANING OUR AIR AND PROTECTING
25 US AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE. IT WAS REALLY HIGHLIGHTED. AND OAKS



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1 ARE, AS YOU ALL KNOW, A BASELINE SPECIES THAT ARE NECESSARY
2 FOR SURVIVAL OF MANY OF OUR LOCAL BIRDS, ANIMALS, AND PLANTS.
3 AND THEY PROVIDE ALSO THE COOLING CANOPY THAT YOU WERE JUST
4 TALKING ABOUT THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IF WE WOULD JUST
5 NOT CUT THEM DOWN IN THE FIRST PLACE, IF THE PLANNING
6 DEPARTMENT WOULD BE MORE STRINGENT ABOUT NOT ALLOWING OAKS TO
7 BE REMOVED AND PLANTING AROUND THEM INSTEAD, IT WOULD BE
8 HELPFUL. IN OUR AREA THERE'S A PROPOSAL TO CUT DOWN 350 TREES.
9 I HOPE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WON'T APPROVE THAT IN THE
10 FUTURE WITH ALL THIS CONCERN OVER TREES. THANK YOU.

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

13
14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS VICTOR REYES. PLEASE MAKE
15 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HI, HELLO. MY NAME IS VICTOR REYES. I'M HERE ON
19 BEHALF OF VICA, THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSOCIATION,
20 AND WE ARE HERE TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 9, SPECIFICALLY TO
21 SUPPORT PROPOSITION 36, THE HOMELESSNESS, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND
22 DEBT REDUCTION ACT. THIS PROPOSAL ADDRESSES CRITICAL
23 CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE AS A COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY THE RISE
24 IN ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT AND THE ESCALATING CRIME THAT
25 THREATENS THE SAFETY AND STABILITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES.



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1 PROPOSITION 36 PROPOSES STRICTER PENALTIES FOR THOSE INVOLVED
2 IN ORGANIZED THEFT RINGS WHILE ALSO OFFERING RESOURCES TO HELP
3 INDIVIDUALS REINTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY. THIS BALANCED APPROACH
4 WILL PROTECT LOCAL BUSINESSES FROM REPEAT OFFENDERS WHILE
5 ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSES OF THESE ISSUES. LAST YEAR ALONE
6 RETAIL THEFT COST LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESSES OVER A
7 \$100,000,000 IN LOSSES, THREATENING LOCAL ECONOMIES AND JOBS.
8 PROPOSITION 36 WILL MAKE IT A TANGIBLE DIFFERENCE BY PROVIDING
9 STRONGER DETERRENTS AND BETTER SOLUTIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY AND
10 ENSURING THAT BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS FEEL SAFER ALIKE. --

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
13 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MIA DANIELS. PLEASE MAKE
16 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY
17 BEGIN.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MAYA DANIELS WITH THE TRANSATINA
20 COALITION. I'LL BE DISCUSSING MOTION 9. I WOULD FIRST LIKE TO
21 START OFF BY SAYING THANK YOU TO SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND ALSO
22 SOLIS FOR BRINGING UP THIS MOTION AND SUPPORTING THE GENERAL
23 PUBLIC'S DESIRE TO OPPOSE PROP 36. THIS PROP WAS CREATED AS
24 BACKLASH FOR THE PASSING OF PROP 47 PASSING, WHICH SECURED
25 PRISON SPENDING TO BE FOCUSED SOLELY ON VIOLENT AND SERIOUS



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1 OFFENSES, ALSO ENSURING ALTERNATIVES FOR NON-SERIOUS CRIME.
2 SINCE PROP 47 PASSED, THERE HAS BEEN A 60% DECREASE IN
3 HOMELESSNESS, AN 87% DECREASE IN RECIDIVISM, AND A 183%
4 INCREASE TO EMPLOYMENT. IF PROP 36 IS TO PASS, WE WILL LOSE
5 ALL THIS HARD WORK THAT SPREADS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY SO THAT
6 STAKEHOLDERS FOR THESE PRISONS CAN RECOUP THEIR VIEWED LOST
7 FUNDS. PROP 36 WILL RE-INSTITUTE LONG MANDATORY PRISON TERMS
8 FOR NON-VIOLENT OFFENSES. THIS PROP WANTS TO INCREASE SPENDING
9 IN JAILS BY \$49,000,000,000 AND COMPLETELY ELIMINATE ALL THE
10 HARD WORK THAT HAS BEEN PUT FORWARD BY THE PEOPLE.

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

13
14 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RONETTE. ROWAN,
15 PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
16 IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS RENETTE. I'M CALLING FROM THE WEST
23 ATHENS UNINCORPORATED AREA. I'M REPRESENTING THE WEST ATHENS
24 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. WE'RE HAVING PROBLEM RECEIVING
25 ASSISTANCE FROM HOLLY J. MITCHELL'S OFFICE IN REGARD TO THE



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1 HOMELESS RVS BEING ALLOWED TO PARK FOR LONG DURATIONS IN FRONT
2 OF OUR HOMES. AND WHEN WE CALLED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
3 WHEN WE CALLED PARKING ENFORCEMENT, THEY ARE BEING, WE ARE
4 BEING TOLD THAT BY HOLLY J. MITCHELL'S DIRECTION THAT THEY ARE
5 NOT ALLOWED TO COME OUT AND TICKET AND REMOVE THESE HOMELESS
6 RVS FROM IN FRONT OF OUR HOMES. SO, WE ARE REQUESTING THAT
7 PARKING ENFORCEMENT DO THEIR JOBS, COME OUT, TICKET THESE RVS
8 AND THEN RED TAG THEM ACCORDING TO THE PARKING ORDINANCE THEY
9 HAVE ONLY HAVE 72 HOURS. --

10

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

13

14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS NAMA PALISSO. I APOLOGIZE FOR
15 THAT LAST NAME. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED AND
16 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

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

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE CONTINUE.

21

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** THEY JUST REMOVED THEMSELVES FROM QUEUE, BUT YOU
25 SHOULD BE ABLE TO HEAR THEM,



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SUPERVISORS

1
2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN WE'LL ARE YOU THERE.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** YES, SORRY ABOUT THAT GOOD AFTERNOON FOR ALL
5 SUPERVISORS MY NAME IS MAMA PALACIOS AND I AM THE POLICY
6 COORDINATOR FOR THE DRUG POLICY ALLIANCE AND I'M THE RESIDENT
7 OF THE 4TH DISTRICT. I'M HERE TO CALL YOU TO ORDER TO POST
8 PROP 36. PROP 36 IS THE WRONG APPROACH. IT WILL NOT ADDRESS
9 THE OVERDOSE CRISIS, AND IT WON'T EXPAND RESOURCES FOR
10 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT. INSTEAD OF PROVIDING MORE
11 CAPACITY FOR TREATMENT OF HARM REDUCTION SERVICES, PROP 36
12 WILL DIVERT FUNDS INTO DETAINING AND INCARCERATING MORE
13 PEOPLE, AND IT'S GOING TO DRIVE PEOPLE AWAY FROM SERVICES
14 BECAUSE OF THE INCREASED THREAT OF FELONY PUNISHMENT. INSTEAD
15 OF CRIMINALIZATION, WE NEED MORE INVESTMENT IN HARM REDUCTION
16 SERVICES, INCREASED ACCESS TO VOLUNTARY ADDICTION TREATMENT,
17 MORE COMMUNITY-BASED RESPONSES, AND MORE ACCESS TO LOW-
18 BARRIER, AFFORDABLE, AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. OUR URGE IS FOR
19 236. THANK YOU.

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

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BYRON JOSE. PLEASE MAKE
24 SURE YOUR PHONE IS UNMUTED ON YOUR END AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
25 IT. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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1

2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THIS IS BYRON
3 JOSE WITH THE TRANS-LATINAS COALITION AND REIMAGINE LA. THANK
4 YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SOLIS, AND THE REST OF THE BOARD FOR
5 UPLIFTING SOME OF THE COMMUNITY REQUESTS AROUND OPPOSING PROP
6 36. WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH YOUR OFFICE TO
7 ENSURE THAT NOT JUST OUR ALIGNMENT AROUND POLICY AT THE STATE
8 LEVEL, BUT ALSO THE COUNTY'S WORK CONTINUES TO ADVANCE TOWARDS
9 THE CARE FIRST MODEL. AND AS WE MOVE INTO THE SUPPLEMENTAL
10 BUDGET, ENSURING THAT THOSE PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES ARE BEING
11 UPLIFTED, NOT JUST COMMUNICATION OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK
12 YOU.

13

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

15

16 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS IN
17 THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. OKAY, WE WILL CLOSE THE
18 VIRTUAL LINE AND GO TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** YES, I WILL BE SPEAKING ABOUT 90A. SO, HELLO
21 EVERYBODY, GOOD AFTERNOON. SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I'M HERE ON
22 BEHALF OF MALI NALI'S AND WE WILL BE CELEBRATING OUR
23 INDIGENOUS DAY ON OCTOBER 31ST. AND ONE THING FOR SURE IS THAT
24 WHAT I FOUND WHEN I FOUND THIS PLACE WAS A NUTRIENT DENSE
25 FOODS THAT HAS DEFINITELY BETTERED AND NOURISHED ME WITH A



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SUPERVISORS

1 HIGHER LEVEL LIKE GOOD MEDICINE. SO, I AM HERE ON SUPPORTING
2 ALL THE EFFORTS OF HAVING OUR INDIGENALITY, AND THANK YOU FOR
3 HELPING US CLOSE THE STREET, AND WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT, SO
4 THANK YOU, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

5

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

7

8 **SPEAKER:** I'M SPEAKING ON PUBLIC HEARING, PUBLIC OPEN COMMENTS,
9 AND ON 90-A, SO I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET 2 MINUTES. SUPERVISOR
10 SOLIS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOTION TO MAKE AN INDIGENOUS DAY
11 OFFICIAL IN 2017. IN 2022, IN EAST LOS ANGELES, OUR BUSINESS
12 OWNER AND EAST L.A. RESIDENT, HALDANADI SUPERFOODS, STARTED
13 THE FIRST ANNUAL INDIGENOUS DAY WITH STRONG COMMUNITY SUPPORT.
14 NOW IN 2024, WE ARE APPLYING FOR A STREET CLOSURE AND
15 EVERYTHING'S GOING GREAT. THE EAST L.A. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
16 HAS ASSISTED IN THIS PROCESS TO EXPAND THE EVENT. WE ARE FACED
17 WITH EXTREME EXPENSES. WE RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR FIRST
18 DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT. SUPERVISOR, WE RECENTLY HAD 25
19 TO 30 INDIVIDUALS, PERSONS, TO COME DOWN TO THANK YOU
20 PERSONALLY. TODAY, WE WERE FACED WITH A CROWD OF INDIVIDUALS
21 AND WE WERE TOLD THAT WE COULDN'T COME IN. HALF OF THE
22 INDIVIDUALS, THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE LEFT, SO WE WERE LEFT WITH
23 10. THEN DUE TO TIME CIRCUMSTANCES, THEY LEFT. WELL, WE HAVE 3
24 STRONG PEOPLE. WE HAVE 4 STRONG PEOPLE HERE THAT ARE
25 INDIGENOUS PEOPLE. AND ALSO, THE FOUNDER OF THE FIRST ANNUAL



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1 INDIGENOUS DAY IN EAST LOS ANGELES. SO, IT'S WITH BIG LOVE
2 THAT THEY WOULD HAVE COME DOWN HERE TO THANK YOU PERSONALLY,
3 AND I'M LEARNING BY THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE, EVERYTHING'S BIG.
4 IT'S BIG MEDICINE, BIG REWARDS, AND BIG LOVE. SO THAT MEANS A
5 LOT. AND LASTLY, THE EAST LOS ANGELES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
6 OFFICIALLY SUPPORTS THE MOTION 90-A FOR INDIGENOUS DAY
7 CELEBRATION, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, ON THE 14TH OF OCTOBER. GOD
8 BLESS. THANK YOU.

9

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** TLAAS OKAMATLI. MY NAME IS YONSEI MALINALI. I WOULD
13 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD MEMBERS WHO VOTED ON CHANGING THE NAME
14 FROM COLUMBUS DAY TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY. THAT TYPE OF
15 MOTION GIVES INSPIRATION TO PEOPLE WHO ARE FINDING THEMSELVES.
16 FOR A LONG TIME, I DIDN'T KNOW WHO I WAS UNTIL I FOUND THIS
17 ROAD. IT HAS GUIDED ME AND HAS LED ME TO START A COMMUNITY
18 EVENT INSPIRED BY YOUR MOTION. SO, I APPRECIATE ALL YOUR HELP
19 AND EFFORTS. WE'VE BEEN HAVING IT. NOW THIS WILL BE OUR THIRD
20 YEAR WHERE OVER A 1,000 PEOPLE AND MANY VOICES COME FROM
21 ACROSS TURTLE ISLAND, FROM AS FAR AS CANADA AND MEXICO. SO, WE
22 ARE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS A SAFE EVENT, AS WELL AS
23 SPEAKING ON MOTION 9A AND COMPLETELY IN SUPPORT OF THAT EVENT
24 AS WELL. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR BRAVERY AND
25 YOUR LOVE AND RECOGNIZING INDIGENOUS PEOPLE. THANK YOU SO



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1 MUCH.

2
3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CHRISTY. I'M HERE
6 SPEAKING ON ITEM 90A. I AM A LOS ANGELES NATIVE, A DESCENDANT
7 OF LENCA NAWA PIPIL AND THEN SALVADOR. I'M PART OF THE PEACE
8 AND DIGNITY ORGANIZATION AND A VOLUNTEER AT MALINALE
9 SUPERFOODS. I'M HERE SUPPORTING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY AT
10 MALINALE SUPERFOODS IN EAST LA, ON WHITTIER BOULEVARD AND
11 DUNCAN STREET. WE WILL BE CELEBRATING, LIKE THEY HAVE
12 MENTIONED ALREADY, THE THIRD EVENT, AND WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL
13 SUPPORT TO HELP US CLOSE THE STREET ON DUNCAN STREET, AND WE
14 REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HI, DEAR CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SEAN WASHINGTON. I HAVE WORKED IN LA
20 COUNTY AS A SECURITY OFFICER FOR SECURITAS ABOUT A YEAR. WE
21 PROTECT LA COUNTY BUILDINGS. ME, MYSELF, I PROTECT A PUBLIC
22 HEALTH COUNTY BUILDING. WE PROTECT YOU, THE COUNTY, THE STAFF,
23 AND THE RESIDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY. WE OFTEN HAVE TO PUT OUR
24 SAFETY AND LIVES ON THE LINE. AS FOR MYSELF, I HAVE TO DEAL
25 WITH DIFFICULTIES OF TRANSIENTS, HOMELESSNESS, AND SIMPLY JUST



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SUPERVISORS

1 PROTECTING THE COUNTY STATE AND JUST DIFFICULTIES, DIFFICULT
2 AND AGGRESSIVE INDIVIDUALS THAT I DO HAVE TO INTERACT WITH ON
3 A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PLANS TO PUT OUT
4 A CONTRACT FOR SECURITY SERVICES. UNFORTUNATELY, THE COUNTY'S
5 BIDDING PROCESS HAS NO PROTECTIONS FOR OFFICES. IT DOESN'T
6 PREVENT COMPANIES WHO WANT TO LOWER OUR PAY AND BENEFIT --

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IF YOU'D
9 LIKE TO SHARE THE REST OF YOUR STATEMENT WITH OUR STAFF SO IT
10 CAN BE CIRCULATED TO US YOU'RE WELCOME TO DO THAT IF YOU'D
11 LIKE. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** DEAR CHAIRS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
14 MY NAME IS JUAN ROMERO AND I HAVE WORKED IN LA COUNTY AS
15 SECURITY OFFICER FOR SECURITAS FOR 2 YEARS. WE PROTECT LA
16 COUNTY BUILDINGS AT DMH FACILITIES. WE PROTECT YOU, THE COUNTY
17 STAFF, AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITY. WE OFTEN HAVE TO
18 PUT OUR SAFETY AND LIVES ON THE LINE. FOR EXAMPLE, I HAVE TO
19 PUT MYSELF IN BETWEEN FIGHTS AND TRY TO DE-ESCALATE THE
20 SITUATION PUTTING MY SAFETY AND INTEGRITY IN DANGER. THE
21 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PLANS TO PUT OUT CONTRACT FOR SECURITY
22 SERVICES. UNFORTUNATELY, THE COUNTY BIDDING PROCESS HAS NO
23 PROTECTIONS FOR OFFICERS. IT DOESN'T PREVENT COMPANIES WHO
24 WANT TO LOWER OUR PAY AND BENEFITS OR TAKE AWAY OUR UNION.
25 THIS ISN'T RIGHT. WE RECENTLY SAW HOW COUNTY'S BIDDING PROCESS



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1 IMPACTED JANITORS' CONTRACT BY INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.
2 MANY LOST BENEFITS AND UNION REPRESENTATION. WE ASKED THE
3 BOARD AND SHERIFFS TO TAKE ACTION TO ENSURE THAT ANY COMPANY
4 HIRED BY THE SHERIFF AGREES TO RECOGNIZE OUR UNION AND PROVIDE
5 BASIC BENEFITS. --

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IF YOU'D
8 LIKE TO SHARE THE REST OF YOUR STATEMENT, WE CAN TAKE IT AND
9 CIRCULATE IT FOR YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS RICHARD HERNANDEZ, AND I HAVE INFORMATION
12 FOR YOU ALSO TO FOLLOW WITH ME, BECAUSE ONE OF THE PAGES WILL
13 SHOW YOU WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT AS FAR AS SAVING MONEY. I AM
14 CEO OF ESTABLOS CONTIGO, SAFE HARBOR, AND I WILL BE SPEAKING
15 ON ITEMS 89, 88, AND PUBLIC COMMENT. AS A FORMER SENIOR
16 FINANCIAL LOAN OFFICER FOR 20 YEARS FOR BANK OF AMERICA,
17 COUNTRYWIDE, IN WELLS FARGO, I REALIZED THE COUNTY HAS NO
18 KNOWN SECTOR THAT DOES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT NEEDED FOR
19 YOUR DEBT REDUCTION, WHICH IS WHY I WROTE THE GUIDE TO SAVING
20 FOR MUNICIPALITIES, WHICH IS A PLATFORM FOCUSED ON THE
21 ANALYTICS OF RAPID ELIMINATION OF DEBT. TO ILLUSTRATE, AND I
22 HAVE THE PAPERWORK HERE, A QUARTERLY BOND DEBT ANALYSIS WAS
23 DONE BY ME FOR MAY, JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST, WHICH WAS
24 ACCOMPLISHED BY THE BOARD. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS IN OUR
25 QUARTERLY ANALYSIS IS \$3,900,000,000. THE COST OF FINANCING TO



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1 THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE LA DISTRICTS IS \$4,389,000,000.
2 IMPACTING FUTURE SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATORS FOR 35 YEARS WITH A
3 DEBT LOAD OF RAISING FROM \$3,900,000,000 TO \$8,300,000,000.
4 SO, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BIGGEST EXPENSE THAT ONLY THE BOARD
5 OF DIRECTORS CAN ADDRESS IS THE COST OF INTEREST. OUR PLATFORM
6 IN 5 YEARS IS GUARANTEED TO INCREASE THE COUNTY'S EQUITY BY
7 \$411,000,000. AND THIS ADVANCES THE PAYMENT FROM PAYMENT 64 TO
8 PAYMENT 141, ERASING 77 PAYMENTS FOR THE COUNTY AND THE
9 SCHOOLS. THAT SAVES YOU \$1,500,000,000. IT'S A LITTLE KNOWN
10 FACT OF HOW IT'S DONE, AND THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO SHARE WITH
11 YOU. I RESPECTFULLY SUBMIT THAT THE AMOUNT OF SAVINGS IS
12 ACCURATE AND CAN BE VALIDATED, WHICH IS THE PAPERWORK HERE,
13 DONE BY A SIMPLE LOAN CALCULATOR. AND SO, I COPIED THAT SO I
14 COULD GIVE IT TO YOU. I HAVE A LOAN BROKER WHO IS WILLING TO
15 COME DOWN HERE AND MEET WITH YOU AT ANY TIME AND TO FORM THE
16 PROPER WAY TO STOP HAVING US PAY SO MUCH TO THE BANKS, BECAUSE
17 THE BANKS ARE REALLY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF YOU, AND THEY REALLY
18 DON'T WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW THEY DO IT. ONE OF THE BOOKS THAT I
19 READ WAS THE HOW TO PROFIT FROM THE BANK'S BIGGEST COST, FROM
20 THE BANKING'S BIGGEST SECRET. SO, THIS IS INFORMATION THAT IF
21 YOU DON'T KNOW, YOU WON'T MOVE ON AND IT'LL COST YOU. --

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PLEASE DO
24 SHARE THE INFORMATION WITH US IF YOU WOULD. THANK YOU. NEXT
25 SPEAKER PLEASE.



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2 **SPEAKER:** I'M HERE FOR ITEMS 20 AND 21. MADAM CHAIR, EVERYBODY
3 HERE, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS NICK KOLEFF, CIVIL ENGINEER,
4 CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST. I AM HERE TO SUPPORT AND TO THANK YOU,
5 SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR REWARDS TO THE PUBLIC FOR PARTICIPATING
6 AND PROVIDING INFORMATION FOR 2 MURDER CASES. VERY OFTEN,
7 BASED ON MY OWN EXPERIENCE AS A CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST, THIS IS
8 THE CHEAPEST AND THE FASTEST WAY TO ACHIEVE JUSTICE. I WILL
9 SUGGEST MAYBE TO CREATE A SEPARATE SITE FOR THIS KIND OF
10 INFORMATION WHERE THE PUBLIC AND LARGE CAN ACCESS IT DIRECTLY
11 WITHOUT GOING TO ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF INFORMATION ON THE BOARD
12 OF SUPERVISORS SITE OR EVEN THE SHERIFF'S SITE. I AM ALSO HERE
13 TO REQUEST TO REQUEST A STAY, A CLAIM FOR LEAVE TO AMEND AFTER
14 MY ORIGINAL CLAIM WAS ANSWERED TO BE LATE, MORE THAN 6 MONTHS.
15 WHAT HAPPENED IN 2009, APRIL 2ND, I WAS KIDNAPPED, ABDUCTED
16 FROM MY HOUSE BY A GROUP OF 11 PEOPLE UNDER THE ORDER OF THE
17 CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL. ALL THIS, THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT, THE
18 WHOLE OF ADMINISTRATION, SECURITY DETAIL, AND THE OMBUDSMAN OF
19 THE COUNTY REFUSED TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION. THAT'S WHY IT
20 TOOK ME MANY YEARS TO FIND. --

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOUR TIME
23 HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU FOR COMING TODAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS NICOLE



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1 DUQUETTE, AND I AM PROUD TO SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
2 AND SUPERINTENDENT OF EXTERRA PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT EAST LOS
3 ANGELES. WE HAVE HAD OUR ITEM DEFERRED UNTIL OCTOBER 29TH, SO
4 WE ARE VERY EAGER TO SPEAK WITH ALL OF YOU IN A FEW WEEKS TO
5 SHARE WHY THIS IS A RELOCATION PROJECT FOR OUR SCHOOL
6 DISTRICT. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF KEY
7 COMPONENTS THAT ARE GENERAL MISCONCEPTIONS SO THAT YOU CAN
8 MAKE THE MOST INFORMED VOTE POSSIBLE ON OCTOBER 29TH. EXTERRA
9 IS NOT A NEW CHARTER AND THIS IS NOT AN EXPANSION. AS A MATTER
10 OF FACT, THIS IS A CONTRACTION AND A RELOCATION PROJECT FOR
11 US. WE HAVE BEEN RENTING ACROSS PROP 39 SITES IN EAST LOS
12 ANGELES AND BOYLE HEIGHTS SINCE 2011. AND BY ALLOWING US TO
13 RELOCATE TO THE OASIS OF MERCY CHURCH, WE ARE GOING TO
14 CONSOLIDATE AND GO FROM 3 LOCATIONS TO 1. I LOOK FORWARD TO
15 SHARING MORE WITH YOU ON OCTOBER 29TH.

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

18
19 **SPEAKER:** HI, EVERYBODY. I'M KIND OF NERVOUS TO BE HONEST WITH
20 YOU, BUT I'M DEBORAH RANDALL. I HAVE A LONG, FULL STORY, KIND
21 OF CUT AS SHORT AS I CAN. I'M TRULY BLESSED TO BUY FROM MANNY
22 ROSEN WHEN I WAS 26 YEARS OLD. I'VE JUST HAD A BIRTHDAY. I'VE
23 JUST TURNED 64 YEARS OLD. AND BEAUTIFUL CAREER, GRAPHIC ARTS,
24 PHOTOGRAPHY. AND WHEN I GOT HURT, PASSED OUT AT WORK, THAT WAS
25 A NEVER RETURN BACK. AND I HAVE BENEFITS, GOT ON HOUSING. CITY



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1 OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, CUT IT SHORT. I HAVE PROBLEMS WITH
2 DISTURBING NEIGHBORS NEXT DOOR FOR ME. AND I'VE BEEN KIND,
3 HUMBLE A LONG TIME. TAKE IT EASY WITH THE KIDS. IT'S HORRIBLE.
4 I CAN'T EVEN SLEEP. TOLD THE LANDLORD HE'S NOT HELPING. THIS
5 IS GOING ON 5 YEARS NOW. I CAN'T EVEN GET HARDLY THAT MUCH
6 REST AT ALL. AND IT'S PRETTY BAD. I HAVE TO GO FORWARD AND DO
7 SOMETHING ABOUT IT BECAUSE IT'S NOT FAIR TO ME. LANDLORD GET
8 HIS RENT AND HE DOES IT. HE TELLS ME, WHY DON'T YOU JUST MOVE
9 IN A SENIOR BUILDING. IT'S NOT FAIR TO ME BECAUSE I HAVE
10 RIGHTS TO. SO THAT'S THE REASON I'M TRYING TO FILE COMPLAINTS
11 ABOUT IT AND TRY TO GET ME SOME HELP.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING
14 TODAY. HAPPY BIRTHDAY. I WANT TO CONNECT YOU WITH OUR
15 CONSTITUENT ADVOCATE TO WORK ON THIS ISSUE WITH YOU IF YOU'RE
16 INTERESTED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BEATRIZ RIVAS, AND I'M
19 CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF PROCESSING COMPLAINTS THROUGH
20 HOLLY MITCHELL'S OFFICE, THE SECOND DISTRICT. I AM ALSO AN
21 IHSS PROVIDER. I'VE BEEN A BOOKKEEPER FOR SOME TIME, AND I CAN
22 NO LONGER BE A BOOKKEEPER DUE TO THE HARASSMENT THAT LAPD, FBI
23 THUGS HAVE AGAINST ME. I'VE BEEN SUBMITTING TIME SHEETS FOR 3
24 YEARS. I ALSO DO WANT TO COMMENT ON THE CS4 ISSUE AND I HAVE
25 BEEN HARASSED. I CAN NO LONGER TURN IN TIME SHEETS THROUGH THE



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1 INTERNET. SO, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE VOICE MY OPINION AND MAKE
2 SURE YOU KNOW THAT THE FACILITY SHOULD BE SOMETHING EASY TO
3 USE. I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO PROCESS OR BEEN PAID FOR OVER A
4 YEAR, AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TREAT ME MORE SERIOUS AND
5 RESPECT MY RIGHTS.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING TODAY. WE
8 CAN CONNECT YOU WITH A CONSTITUENT ADVOCATE IF YOU WOULD LIKE
9 TO BE CONNECTED. WE PROVIDED HER A MINUTE ON GENERAL PUBLIC
10 COMMENT AND NOW SHE'S SPEAKING ON AN AGENDA ITEM. OKAY, SO WE
11 SHOULD HAVE ANOTHER MINUTE FOR YOU. MY APOLOGIES. PLEASE GO
12 AHEAD.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. SO, I SPOKE TO ONE OF THE
15 COUNCIL MEMBERS. HIS NAME IS TERRENCE GOMEZ IN REGARDS TO THE
16 ISSUE OF HARASSMENT WITH LAPD. I WOULD LIKE HIM TO BE
17 CORRECTED BY YOUR PANEL IF POSSIBLE. I DON'T THINK THIS PERSON
18 IS SENSITIVE, YOU KNOW.

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** UNFORTUNATELY, THAT'S NOT WHAT
21 CS4 IS, SO YOU'LL NEED TO FOCUS YOUR COMMENTS.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** IT'S MENTAL HEALTH, RIGHT? TO ADDRESS MENTAL HEALTH
24 IMMEDIATELY.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT'S NOT WHAT ITEM CS4 IS,
2 UNFORTUNATELY.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** CS4? YES. OKAY, WELL THAT'S WHAT I REALLY WANTED TO
5 COMMENT ON. I DO, I WOULD LIKE TO ADD.

6
7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOU'VE HAD A MINUTE FOR GENERAL
8 PUBLIC COMMENT. IF YOU'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM, YOU
9 CAN, BUT OTHERWISE WE CAN CONNECT YOU WITH A CONSTITUENT
10 ADVOCATE TO TALK ABOUT THE ISSUE THAT YOU'RE DISCUSSING.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT THERE'S CURRENTLY NO
13 CHECKS AND BALANCES WHEN --

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE CAN CONNECT YOU WITH A
16 CONSTITUENT ADVOCATE BECAUSE UNFORTUNATELY YOUR GENERAL
17 COMMENT TIME IS OVER BUT WE CAN FOLLOW UP WITH YOU IN THAT
18 WAY. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? OKAY WITH THAT OUR TIME FOR
19 PUBLIC COMMENT IS CONCLUDED. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE INDICATE
20 THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE'LL BE VOTING. THE
21 FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** 1, 3 THROUGH 689, WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN
24 STATING FROM THE VOTE AND SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTING NO. 11 WITH
25 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL STATING FROM THE VOTE AND SUPERVISOR



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1 BARGER VOTING NO. 11 WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ABSTAINING FROM
2 THE VOTE AND SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTING NO. 12 THROUGH 14, 15 AS
3 REVISED, 16 THROUGH 18, 20 THROUGH 25, 29 THROUGH 46, 48, 50,
4 52 AND 53, 55 THROUGH 89, 98 THROUGH 90C, 90E, 90F AS REVISED,
5 90H AS REVISED, 90I, 93, 96, 2D THROUGH 4D. THESE ITEMS ARE
6 FOR YOU.

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8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MOVE BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED
9 BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE
10 EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER EXECUTIVE OFFICER
11 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

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

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

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

22

23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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



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1
2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. I MOTION CARRIES 5
9 TO 0.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ
12 THE RECUSAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE REMAINING ITEMS.

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14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 54, DUE TO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,
15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NO LONGER HAS A QUORUM OF MEMBERS
16 NECESSARY TO MAKE A DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 54. UNDER THE RULE
17 OF NECESSITY, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO HAVE A
18 CONFLICT WILL BE CHOSEN BY RANDOM MEANS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
19 DECISION UNTIL A QUORUM IS OBTAINED. ON ITEM NUMBER 54,
20 SUPERVISORS MITCHELL, HORVATH, AND HAHN RECUSE THEMSELVES FROM
21 THE VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308 BECAUSE
22 THEY EACH RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE
23 THAN \$250 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM GLENN DAKE, WHO IS A
24 PARTY PARTICIPANT OR AGENTS OF A PARTY OR A PARTICIPANT IN THE
25 PROCEEDING. THE RECEIPT OF THESE CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRES



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1 SUPERVISORS MITCHELL, HORVATH, AND HAHN TO RECUSE THEMSELVES.
2 HOWEVER, THE PARTICIPATION OF 1 DISQUALIFIED MEMBER IN THE
3 DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON ITEM NUMBER 54 IS LEGALLY REQUIRED
4 BECAUSE THERE IS NO ALTERNATIVE SOURCE FOR THE DECISION OF AN
5 UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 25502.5 THE NAMES OF THE
6 DISQUALIFIED MEMBERS SUPERVISORS MITCHELL, HORVATH, AND HAHN
7 HAVE BEEN PLACED IN A BAG I WILL NOW SELECT ONE MEMBER AT
8 RANDOM. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS BEEN DRAWN. ITEM 54 IS NOW
9 BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR HAHN RECUSING
10 THEMSELVES FROM THE VOTE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

13

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

15

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

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
19 BARGER?

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 3-0
24 WITH 2 RECUSALS.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** DOES THAT COVER THE REMAINING
2 ITEMS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THAT COVERS ITEM 54. THE REMAINING ITEMS
5 WERE ALREADY APPROVED WITH THE PRIOR.

6
7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, GREAT. AT THIS TIME THEN,
8 IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS
9 WILL BEGIN.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE
12 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GREG
13 MEREDITH. GREG WAS BORN IN THE BRONX, NEW YORK, AND SPENT HIS
14 CHILDHOOD MOVING AROUND AS PART OF A MILITARY FAMILY. GREG
15 SETTLED IN LOS ANGELES IN 1975 AND MOVED TO EAGLE ROCK IN
16 1985. AS A LONGTIME PUBLIC SERVANT WHO SPENT MANY YEARS AS THE
17 SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS FOR THE LOS ANGELES
18 PLANNING DEPARTMENT, GREG HAD A PASSION FOR LAND USE AND
19 UTILIZED HIS EXPERTISE TO HELP GUIDE LOCAL ADVOCACY WITHIN
20 EAGLE ROCK. IN 2012, GREG JOINED THE EAGLE ROCK ASSOCIATION,
21 KNOWN AS TERA. HE SERVED AS TERA'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR OVER
22 12 YEARS, INCLUDING SERVING AS TERA'S PRESIDENT FOR THE PAST 7
23 YEARS UNTIL PASSING 2 WEEKS AGO ON SEPTEMBER 11TH. GREG WAS
24 UNIQUELY SKILLED IN FOSTERING PRODUCTIVE CONVERSATIONS ON
25 LOCAL ISSUES AND INTRODUCING NEW PERSPECTIVES TO HELP GUIDE



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1 THOUGHTFUL DECISION MAKING. ONE OF GREG'S PROUDEST
2 ACHIEVEMENTS OF LOCAL ADVOCACY WAS HELPING TO GARNER COMMUNITY
3 SUPPORT FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE HISTORIC EAGLE THEATER,
4 WHICH NOW SERVES AS A MAJOR ENTERTAINMENT DESTINATION WITHIN
5 EAGLE ROCK AND A NEW HOME FOR THE VIDYAT FOUNDATION. GREG HAD
6 A PASSION FOR SUPPORTING EAGLE ROCK SMALL BUSINESSES. HE
7 HELPED CHAMPION TERRA'S ROCK THE BOULEVARD PROJECT FOR EAGLE
8 ROCK BOULEVARD, SEEKING TO MAKE THE STREET MORE PEDESTRIAN
9 FRIENDLY, SAFE AND GREEN. UNDER GREG'S LEADERSHIP, TERRA ALSO
10 WORKED TO ACHIEVE A SIGNIFICANT ADJUSTMENT TO THE METRO'S
11 NORTH HOLLYWOOD TO PASADENA BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT TO
12 ENSURE IT ENHANCED DOWNTOWN EAGLE ROCK BUSINESSES. AFTER
13 COVID-19 IN 2020, GREG CREATED AND MAINTAINED HAPPENING IN
14 EAGLE ROCK, A SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNT THAT PROVIDED FREE
15 PROMOTION FOR EAGLE ROCK BUSINESSES. ASIDE FROM HIS
16 INVOLVEMENT WITH TERRA, GREG WAS ALSO AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY
17 OF LOS ANGELES FOR NEARLY 4 DECADES. HE WAS A MANAGER OF
18 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE CITY'S BUREAU OF CONTRACT
19 ADMINISTRATION AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN IMPROVING THE QUALITY
20 OF LIFE OF COMMUNITIES IN NORTHEAST LOS ANGELES THROUGH
21 GRASSROOTS DEMOCRACY. HE WAS AN ANCHOR FOR THE COMMUNITY
22 COALITION IN NORTHEAST LA, PASADENA, AND GLENDALE. HE WAS A
23 KIND FRIEND, COLLEAGUE WHO ADVOCATED FOR EQUALITY, HUMAN
24 RIGHTS, FREEDOM IN HIS COMMUNITY, INCLUDING THE LGBTQ+, AND
25 IMMIGRANT POPULATION IN LOS ANGELES. GREG IS SURVIVED BY HIS



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1 WIFE MING MEREDITH, PARENTS GWEN AND JIM, SISTERS SHERRY AND
2 ANGIE, NIECE JAYLEN, MEREDITH AND NEPHEWS BROOKS AND BLAKE. HE
3 WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY MANY. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. THANK
4 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

9 COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
10 THE MEMORY OF LILLAURIE ROSEMARY DUROUSSEAU. MRS. DUROUSSEAU
11 WAS BORN IN MARCH OF 1946 AND PASSED AWAY AUGUST 5TH OF THIS
12 YEAR AT HER HOME IN BALDWIN HILLS. SHE LEFT BERMUDA IN 1960 AT
13 THE AGE OF 14. SHE GRADUATED WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
14 NURSING FROM LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY IN 1966. WHILE ATTENDING
15 NURSING SCHOOL, SHE MET DR. WILBUR DUROUSSEAU AND OBGYN AT ST.
16 FRANCIS HOSPITAL AND THEY MARRIED IN AUGUST OF 1968. 3
17 DAUGHTERS WERE BORN AT THAT UNION, KATHLEEN, SHARON AND
18 ROSEMARY. IN 1982, MRS. DUROUSSEAU BEGAN HER CAREER WITH THE
19 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, WORKING AT 39TH STREET
20 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR 8 YEARS AS A SCHOOL NURSE FOCUSING ON
21 CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES. SHE THEN PROMOTED TO JOHN
22 BURROUGHS MIDDLE SCHOOL WHILE WORKING TOWARDS A MASTER'S
23 DEGREE IN NURSING. IN 2009, SHE RETIRED FROM LA UNIFIED.
24 FAMILY AND FRIENDS DESCRIBED MRS. DUROUSSEAU AS A LOVER AND
25 SUPPORTER OF THE OPERA. SHE WAS A GIFTED SOPRANO SINGER WHO



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1 ALSO ENJOYED WRITING POETRY, READING BOOKS, EXPLORING NATURE,
2 AND TRAVELING. SHE VISITED OVER 50 COUNTRIES. SHE WAS A PROUD
3 BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF LOS ANGELES, AS WELL
4 AS AN AFFILIATE OF THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA. HER
5 LEGACY LIES IN THE PROFOUND EFFECT THAT SHE HAD ON THE
6 COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS WHO KNEW HER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY AND
7 WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER BELOVED HUSBAND, DR. WILBURN
8 DUROUSSEAU, THEIR 3 DAUGHTERS, 4 GRANDCHILDREN, 4 SIBLINGS,
9 AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS. COLLEAGUES, I ASK
10 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
11 ADDIE MAE PHILLIPS, AND I WOULD ASK THAT THE ENTIRE BOARD JOIN
12 IN. MRS. PHILLIPS WAS BORN DECEMBER 19, 1935, IN APPLING,
13 GEORGIA. SHE PASSED AWAY ON THE 13TH OF SEPTEMBER AT THE AGE
14 OF 88, SURROUNDED BY HER FAMILY. SHE WAS THE ELDEST OF 14
15 CHILDREN AND WAS THE MOTHER OF JACKIE LACEY, THE FIRST WOMAN
16 AN AFRICAN AMERICAN TO SERVE AS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
17 DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND CAROL PHILLIPS, WHO WORKS AS A HOUSING
18 SPECIALIST FOR THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. IN
19 1953, MS. PHILLIPS RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES TO LIVE WITH HER
20 AUNTS. 3 YEARS LATER SHE MARRIED LOUIS WHO SERVED AS A
21 SANITATION WORKER FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE AND LOUIS
22 WERE MARRIED FOR 52 YEARS BEFORE HIS PASSING IN 2008. MRS.
23 PHILLIPS' EDUCATION IN GEORGIA WAS SPORADIC, AS SHE WAS
24 FREQUENTLY TAKEN OUT OF SCHOOL TO WORK IN THE FIELD TO HELP
25 SUPPORT HER FAMILY. AS A RESULT, SHE DIDN'T FINISH HIGH



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SCHOOL, BUT IN HER LATE 20S, SHE ENROLLED AT DORSEY HIGH SCHOOL AND OBTAINED HER GENERAL EQUIVALENT DEGREE. MRS. PHILLIPS WORKED AS A SEAMSTRESS IN THE GARMENT DISTRICT FOR SEVERAL YEARS BEFORE BECOMING A FOOD SERVICE WORKER FOR LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT WORKING AT CRESCENT HEIGHTS CHILD CARE CENTER. SHE RETIRED FROM LAUSD AFTER 35 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. MRS. PHILLIPS WAS A PROUD AND DEVOTED MEMBER OF THE TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH FOR 60 YEARS. SHE LOVED SEWING AND GARDENING AND TOOK PRIDE IN GROWING HER OWN COLLARD GREENS. SHE ALSO LOVED TO DRESS UP AND ALWAYS MADE SURE THAT HER POCKETBOOK, SHOES, AND HAT WERE COORDINATED WITH HER OUTFITS. MRS. PHILLIPS WILL BE FONDLY REMEMBERED AS A LOVING WIFE, MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER, GREAT-GRANDMOTHER, AND SISTER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY, AGAIN, HER DAUGHTERS JACKIE AND CAROL, HER 3 GRANDCHILDREN, APRIL, LAIDALE AND KAREEM, 3 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, LAYLA, MALACHI AND MICAH, 4 SIBLINGS, AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HER DEARLY. THANK YOU ALL FOR JOINING IN ON THAT ADJOURNING MEMORY.

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE RICHARD C. HUBBELL, RETIRED SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF BRENTWOOD. JUDGE HUBBELL EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND LAW DEGREE FROM UCLA. AFTER BEING ADMITTED TO THE BAR IN 1959, HE WAS A DEPUTY



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1 COMMISSIONER FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND
2 LATER A TRIAL LAWYER FOR SEVERAL FIRMS IN LA COUNTY. IN 1970,
3 HUBBELL WAS APPOINTED A COMMISSIONER OF THE LOS ANGELES
4 MUNICIPAL COURT. IN 1985, HE WAS ELEVATED TO THE SUPERIOR
5 COURT BY FORMER GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN. JUDGE HUBBELL WAS A
6 MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA JUDGES ASSOCIATION, THE SUPERIOR
7 COURT PROBATE COMMITTEE, AND THE COMMITTEE ON APPROVED JURY
8 INSTRUCTIONS. THE HONORABLE RICHARD HUBBLE DIED AND RETIRED IN
9 2003 AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER CHRISTINA HUBBLE. WE
10 EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES TO THEIR ENTIRE FAMILY.

11 AND TODAY, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
12 MEMORY OF REBECCA CHEPTEGEI, UGANDAN OLYMPIAN WHO DIED ON
13 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH AT THE AGE OF 33. LAST MONTH, REBECCA
14 COMPETED FOR HER HOME COUNTRY IN THE WOMEN'S MARATHON AT THE
15 PARIS OLYMPIC GAMES AND WAS A SOURCE OF GREAT PRIDE FOR HER
16 NATION, AN EXAMPLE OF RESILIENCE, ENDURANCE, AND DEDICATION.
17 TRAGICALLY, REBECCA DIED AFTER SHE WAS BRUTALLY ATTACKED BY
18 HER PARTNER WHO LIT HER ON FIRE DURING AN ARGUMENT. REBECCA'S
19 STORY IS A TRAGIC ONE, A REMINDER OF THE VIOLENCE MANY WOMEN
20 STILL FACE ACROSS THE WORLD AT THE HANDS OF A TRUSTED PARTNER,
21 A REMINDER OF HOW WE MUST CONTINUE TO FIGHT GENDER-BASED
22 VIOLENCE. REBECCA IS SURVIVED BY HER FATHER JOSEPH, WHO
23 PRAISED HER TALENTS AND MOURNS THE LOSS OF SUCH A SPECIAL
24 PERSON. MAY REBECCA REST IN PEACE. AND THIS STORY REALLY
25 STRUCK ME AND I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR US TO



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1 RECOGNIZE HER FAMILY AND EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES TO THEM.

2 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE

5 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LINDA BENSON, A

6 RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER A BATTLE WITH

7 CANCER. LINDA RETIRED FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S

8 DEPARTMENT AFTER 25 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AS A COURT

9 SERVICES SPECIALIST. SHE TOUCHED THE HEARTS OF MANY, LEAVING

10 BEHIND A LEGACY OF LOVE, WARMTH AND KINDNESS. SHE WILL BE

11 REMEMBERED FOR HER COMPASSION, HER GENEROSITY AND POSITIVE

12 IMPACT SHE MADE ON EVERYONE SHE MET. HER MEMORY WILL BE

13 FOREVER CHERISHED BY HER FAMILY, FRIENDS AND ALL WHO KNEW HER.

14 LINDA IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND MIKE, HER DAUGHTER, AND HER

15 SIBLINGS JIM AND SUE. I THINK SINCE SHE WAS PART OF OUR LA

16 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE THAT WE HAVE ALL

17 MEMBERS ADJOURNED FOR HER MEMORY. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE

18 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF EVANGELINE GONZALEZ

19 FLEETWOOD. EVANGELINE WAS THE MOTHER OF MY PROBATION OVERSIGHT

20 COMMISSIONER, DOLORES CANALES. EVANGELINE WAS BORN MAY 20,

21 1938, AND PASSED PEACEFULLY IN HER SLEEP THE MORNING OF AUGUST

22 1ST. SHE SPENT HER LIFE SURROUNDED BY HER LARGE AND LOVING

23 FAMILY AND DEAR FRIENDS. EVANGELINA SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN,

24 JOHNNY, CARMEN, AND DOLORES, 10 GRANDCHILDREN, 25 GREAT

25 GRANDCHILDREN, 1 GREAT, GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER, AND BROTHER



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1 RICHAR AND COLLEAGUES, I DON'T HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION ON
2 HIM, BUT I WAS INFORMED THAT THE RED CHIEF HUNT PASSED AWAY.
3 SO, I WANT TO SAY IT WAS LIKE 2 WEEKS AGO, I THINK. SO I'M
4 TRYING TO GET MORE INFORMATION. I KNOW. BUT OBVIOUSLY WE COULD
5 PROBABLY DO IT TODAY, BUT IF WE WANT TO WAIT AND GET MORE
6 INFORMATION, WE COULD PROBABLY ALL HAVE A GOOD STORY ABOUT
7 HIM. BUT I THOUGHT IT WAS APPROPRIATE, OF ALL PEOPLE, IT WOULD
8 BE APPROPRIATE TO ADJOURN OUR MEETING IN HIS MEMORY, BECAUSE
9 WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME WITH HIM IN THESE MEETINGS. AND I FOUND
10 HIM TO ALWAYS BE A GENTLEMAN AND ALWAYS EVEN TRY TO CALM THE
11 CROWD SOMETIMES. WHEN THE CROWD WAS A LITTLE BOISTEROUS, HE
12 ALWAYS TRIED TO BE A PEACEMAKER. BUT WE DON'T HAVE TO DO IT
13 TODAY. MAYBE I CAN GET SOME MORE INFORMATION OR MAYBE SOME OF
14 YOU HAVE SOME MORE INFORMATION SO WE CAN SAY SOMETHING MORE
15 MEANINGFUL ABOUT HIM. BUT MAYBE AT A FUTURE MEETING. THANK
16 YOU.

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18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, I DID NOT HEAR THAT,
19 THANK YOU FOR SHARING. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TRUE.

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** I'M ALIVE. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
24 TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF ELLEN DAIGLE, A LONG-TIME
25 RESIDENT OF SOUTH PASADENA WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83 ON



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1 SEPTEMBER 12TH. IN 1963, ELLEN GRADUATED FROM NURSING SCHOOL
2 AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOSPITAL. IN 1984, SHE MARRIED JOE,
3 AND HER BUSINESS, ELLEN SILK SCREENING, COMPLETED SUBSTANTIAL
4 WORK FOR THE 1984 LOS ANGELES OLYMPIC GAMES. ELLEN WAS ACTIVE
5 AND HIGHLY RECOGNIZED IN THE COMMUNITY AS A CIVIC LEADER AND
6 RECEIVED MANY HONORS, INCLUDING THE TOP 100 WOMEN-OWNED
7 BUSINESSES IN LA COUNTY, SOUTH PASADENA WOMAN OF THE YEAR, AND
8 SMALL BUSINESSWOMAN OF THE YEAR. SHE SERVED AS CHAIR FOR BOTH
9 THE PARKS AND REC COMMISSION AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
10 IN SOUTH PASADENA. SHE HELPED FORM SPRIG, A GROUP DEDICATED TO
11 RESPONSIBLE AND INTELLIGENT GROWTH IN SOUTH PASADENA, WAS A
12 CO-FOUNDER OF WISPA, A GROUP THAT PROMOTES TRANSPARENCY IN
13 GOVERNMENT AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, AND AN EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER
14 OF LEADERSHIP, WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP, VITAL VOICES DEDICATED TO
15 EDUCATION INVOLVEMENT AND PUBLIC POLICY. AND SHE WAS SOMEONE
16 THAT ON ALMOST EVERY SATURDAY, MY FATHER WOULD GO AND GO TO
17 HER SHOP AND SIT AND HAVE THINGS MADE FOR DIFFERENT NONPROFITS
18 THAT HE WAS INVOLVED WITH, WHETHER IT BE A CANVAS BAG, A T-
19 SHIRT, AND SHE WAS SOMEONE I'VE KNOWN PRACTICALLY MY WHOLE
20 LIFE. AND I KNOW THAT SHE IS GOING TO BE DEEPLY, DEEPLY MISSED
21 BY HER FRIENDS, ESPECIALLY IN SOUTH PASADENA, BUT HER LONGTIME
22 CUSTOMERS WHO COULD ALWAYS COUNT ON HER ALL THE TIME. SHE IS
23 SURVIVED BY HER ADORING HUSBAND, JOE, HER 3 DAUGHTERS, RACHEL,
24 DIANA, AND ANGIE. I'M SORRY, RAQUEL, DIANA, AND ANGIE, HER 4
25 GRANDCHILDREN, AVI, ASHER, YOSEF, AND VIVIAN, AND HER STEPSON



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1 MICHAEL, AS WELL AS HER 2 SIBLINGS. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.
2 I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF
3 DENNIS DUARTE, WHO PASSED AWAY AUGUST 29TH AT THE AGE OF 77
4 AFTER A DIFFICULT BATTLE WITH STAGE 4 COLON CANCER. DENNIS WAS
5 BORN ON JULY 3, 1947, TO PETRA AND JULIUS DUARTE. DENNIS
6 ENJOYED WATCHING BASEBALL, TEACHING HIS DAUGHTERS AND GRANDSON
7 ABOUT FISHING, FIREARM SAFETY, CARPENTRY, AND MOST
8 IMPORTANTLY, INTEGRITY. DENNIS WAS A PROUD VIETNAM VETERAN,
9 SENIOR INVESTIGATOR, HUSBAND, FATHER, AND TATA. HE WILL TRULY
10 BE MISSED. DENNIS IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE CINDY, HIS DAUGHTERS
11 LAUREN AND MICHELLE, AND HIS 4 GRANDSONS AND THAT WOULD BE A 5
12 SIGNATURE. DENNIS WAS A FORMER DA INVESTIGATOR. ALSO, THAT WE
13 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARTHA HAUS, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COMMUNITY
14 LEADER WHO PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER 7TH AT THE AGE OF 85. SHE
15 WAS BORN NOVEMBER 25TH, 1938 IN WILMAR, ARKANSAS. SHE
16 GRADUATED FROM DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL AT THE REMARKABLE AGE OF 15.
17 SHE THEN ENROLLED AND SPENT ONE YEAR AT ARKANSAS BAPTIST
18 COLLEGE PURSUING A MAJOR IN BUSINESS. IN 1960, SHE MOVED TO
19 CALIFORNIA AND MARRIED THE LOVE OF HER LIFE, CHARLES.
20 TOGETHER, THEY BUILT A BEAUTIFUL LIFE, RAISING 2 DAUGHTERS AND
21 SUPPORTING EACH OTHER'S DREAMS. WITH UNWAVERING DETERMINATION
22 AND THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF HER FAMILY, MARTHA EARNED HER
23 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ACCOUNTING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
24 REDLANDS WHILE BALANCING WORK AND FAMILY COMMITMENTS. SHE WAS
25 ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN HER COMMUNITY, PARTICIPATING IN CHURCH



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1 AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS. SHE SERVED AS A BOARD TRUSTEE AT
2 MOUNT SAN ANTONIO COMMUNITY COLLEGE FROM 1993 TO 2001, AND WAS
3 PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN
4 FROM 2004 TO 2005. HER COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE WAS EVIDENT IN
5 ALL HER ENDEAVORS. SHE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED. MARTHA IS
6 SURVIVED BY HER LOVING HUSBAND, CHARLES AND HER 2 DAUGHTERS.
7 AND LAST I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
8 LEON MAYER, RESIDENT OF GLENDALE WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
9 98 ON SEPTEMBER 5TH. HE WAS BORN IN 1926 IN CLEVELAND, OHIO.
10 AT THE AGE OF 10, HE WAS PLACED IN THE CARE OF THE BELAFARE
11 ORPHAN HOME FOR JEWISH CHILDREN. HE GRADUATED FROM GLENVILLE
12 HIGH SCHOOL AND ENLISTED IN THE NAVY SOON AFTER. LEON SERVED
13 AS A RADIO OPERATOR IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC DURING WORLD WAR II.
14 HE WAS AWARDED THE VICTORY MEDAL AND THE AZTEC PACIFIC
15 CAMPAIGN MEDAL. AFTER THE WAR, LEON EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S FROM
16 UCLA AND HIS JURIST DOCTORATE FROM USC. HE SERVED IN LOS
17 ANGELES DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND LATER BECAME DEPUTY
18 DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE GLENDALE AREA. HE MET AND MARRIED
19 HIS WIFE MARGARET IN 1963 AND TOGETHER THEY HAD 4 CHILDREN.
20 THEY MOVED TO GLENDALE IN 1975. LEON WAS ACTIVE IN HIS
21 COMMUNITY, WORKING AS A COLUMNIST FOR THE GLENDALE NEWS PRESS,
22 THE PROGRAM CHAIRMAN FOR THE KIWANIS CLUB, AND THE DIRECTOR OF
23 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY AUTHOR SERIES. LEON CHERISHED TIME WITH
24 HIS GRANDCHILDREN AND ENJOYED HIS RETIREMENT IN THE GLENDALE
25 COMMUNITY. HE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. HE IS



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1 PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE MARGARET. LEON IS SURVIVED BY
2 HIS SECOND WIFE YOLANDA, HIS 4 CHILDREN AND HIS 2
3 GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL TAKE
6 ALL THE MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A
7 UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
8 AND COLLEAGUES, WE'RE NOW GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION. AND WHILE
9 WE ARE IN CLOSED SESSION, WE'LL BE SHOWING VIDEO
10 PRESENTATIONS. I HAVE A VIDEO PRESENTATION HONORING
11 CONGRESSMAN CARDENAS FOR HIS MANY YEARS IN ELECTED SERVICE
12 DURING LATINO HERITAGE MONTH AND A VIDEO RECOGNIZING UNITED
13 AGAINST HATE WEEK. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE READ US INTO
14 CLOSED SESSION.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
17 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
18 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS1,
19 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION.
20 ITEM NUMBER CS2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
21 ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. ITEM NUMBER CS3, PUBLIC EMPLOYEE
22 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, AND ITEM NUMBER CS4, CONFERENCE WITH
23 LABOR NEGOTIATORS, THESE ARE THE DATA REPORT AND DESIGNATED
24 STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE POST SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I RECENTLY HAD
2 THE GREAT PRIVILEGE TO HONOR CONGRESSMAN CARDENAS FOR HIS MANY
3 YEARS OF SERVICE IN ELECTED OFFICE. HE HAS SERVED AT MULTIPLE
4 LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, ALWAYS FIGHTING FOR THE NORTHEAST SAN
5 FERNANDO VALLEY AND NEVER FORGETTING WHERE HE CAME FROM. IT'S
6 BEEN AN INCREDIBLE HONOR TO SERVE IN THIS REGION AND HAVE HIM
7 AS A PARTNER IN SERVING OUR SHARED CONSTITUENTS. FOR THESE AND
8 SO MANY REASONS, WE HONORED CONGRESSMAN CARDENAS AND ARE PROUD
9 TO BE CELEBRATING LATINO HERITAGE MONTH.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** HELLO, I'M
12 LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THIS WEEK
13 WE COME TOGETHER FOR UNITED AGAINST HATE WEEK, A TIME TO STAND
14 IN SOLIDARITY AGAINST HATE, BIGOTRY, AND INTOLERANCE IN ALL
15 ITS FORMS. IN A WORLD WHERE DIVISION AND PREJUDICE ARE STILL
16 ALIVE AND WELL, IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER THAT WE COME
17 TOGETHER TO CREATE A COMMUNITY WHERE EVERYONE FEELS SAFE,
18 VALUED, AND RESPECTED. HATE HAS NO PLACE IN LA COUNTY. WE'RE
19 COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT ALL IN OUR COMMUNITIES ARE WELCOMED
20 AND INCLUDED, WHERE DIVERSITY IS CELEBRATED AND WHERE
21 EVERYONE, NO MATTER THEIR RACE, RELIGION, GENDER, OR
22 BACKGROUND, CAN LIVE FREE FROM FEAR AND DISCRIMINATION. THIS
23 WEEK IS NOT JUST ABOUT RAISING AWARENESS. IT'S ABOUT TAKING
24 ACTION. IT'S ABOUT SPEAKING OUT AGAINST HATE WHEN WE SEE IT,
25 STANDING UP FOR THOSE WHO ARE TARGETED, AND EMBRACING THE



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1 DIVERSITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES. TOGETHER WE CAN CREATE A
2 STRONGER, MORE UNITED LOS ANGELES. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO GET
3 INVOLVED, TO LEARN, AND TO BE AN ACTIVE PART OF THIS MOVEMENT
4 FOR CHANGE. THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF UNITED AGAINST HATE
5 WEEK. WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER.

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ
8 THE REPORT OF ACTION.

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10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN
11 IN CLOSED SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2024. ITEM NUMBER CS1,
12 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION.
13 NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN. ITEM NUMBER CS2, CONFERENCE
14 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. NO
15 REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN. ITEM NUMBER CS3, PUBLIC EMPLOYEE
16 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN. ITEM
17 NUMBER CS4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, FESIA DAVENPORT
18 AND DESIGNATED STAFF. NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN. THANK
19 YOU.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING.
22 THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE A POLICY PRESENTATIONS
23 MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024, AT 9:30 A.M.
24 THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE
25 HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024, AT 9:30 A.M. WE ARE



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23 I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
24 qualified in and for the State of California, do
25 hereby certify:



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1 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
2 Angeles County Board of Supervisors September 24, 2024 were
3 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
4 supervision;

5 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
6 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
7 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
8 me.

9 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
10 related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise
11 interested in the outcome thereof.

12 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
13 7th day of October 2024, for the County records to be used
14 only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
15 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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17 KATHRYN J. ROBSON

18 CA CSR No. 5439
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