



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH, 2024

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE AND WELCOME TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IF WE COULD ALL TAKE OUR SEATS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2024. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLIMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE'LL BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING WITH THE 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



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

11
12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING WILL
13 BE LED BY FATHER JOHN CORDERO, PASTOR, HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC
14 CHURCH FROM THE 4TH DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF
15 ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE LED BY JAMES MUMMA, MEMBER VETERANS
16 PEER ACCESS NETWORK FROM THE 5TH DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE,
17 PLEASE STAND.

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19 **FATHER JOHN CORDERO:** ON THIS THANKSGIVING WEEK, I AM GRATEFUL
20 TO PRAY WITH YOU AS YOU START THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
21 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND IN MY FAITH TRADITION, WE
22 BEGIN OUR PRAYER IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND
23 OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN. GOD OUR FATHER AND CREATOR, WE
24 PRAISE AND THANK YOU FOR THE PRIVILEGE TO SERVE YOUR PEOPLE.
25 WE HUMBLY ASK YOU TO BLESS THE PROCEEDINGS OF TODAY WITH YOUR



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1 GUIDANCE, INSPIRATION, AND JOY. GUIDE ALL OF US WITH A VISION
2 TO CONSTANTLY SEEK THE COMMON GOOD. INSPIRE US WITH YOUR
3 CREATIVITY IN FINDING THE BEST PATH IN SOLVING OUR PROBLEMS IN
4 THE COUNTY AND GRANT US THE JOY OF SERVING THE PEOPLE OF LOS
5 ANGELES. IN THIS PRAYER I LIFT UP ALONG WITH THE ASPIRATIONS
6 OF MY FELLOW CATHOLICS IN THE COUNTY. IN THE NAME OF JESUS,
7 OUR LORD, AMEN. IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND THE SON, AND
8 THE HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN.

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10 **JAMES MUMMA:** GOOD MORNING. PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER
11 YOUR HEART. IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A SALUTE. JOIN
12 ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE
13 FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC TO
14 WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH
15 LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** NOW WE'LL HAVE A PRESENTATION
18 FROM SUPERVISOR HAHN.

19

20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** STAND NEXT TO ME. THANK YOU. I'M SO HONORED
21 TODAY TO HAVE FATHER JOHN CORDERO, WHO'S PASTOR OF THE HOLY
22 FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH IN ARTESIA HERE WITH US TODAY. FATHER
23 CORDERO HAS BEEN SERVING AT HOLY FAMILY AS HEAD OF THE PARISH
24 SINCE 2016. HOLY FAMILY WAS FOUNDED IN 1931 AND HAS A LONG
25 RICH HISTORY. IN THE EARLY 1920'S, PORTUGUESE IMMIGRANTS CAME



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1 FROM THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY TO ARTESIA TO WORK THE DAIRY
2 FARMLANDS. AND THEIR LANGUAGE AND TRADITIONS FORM THE EARLY
3 CULTURAL FOUNDATION IN ARTESIA AND THIS CHURCH'S
4 ESTABLISHMENT. TODAY, HOLY FAMILY IN ARTESIA IS THE ONLY
5 PARISH OF THE FOUR HOLY FAMILY CHURCHES WHERE WEEKLY MASS IS
6 CELEBRATED IN PORTUGUESE. THEIR MINISTRY NOT ONLY UPLIFTS THE
7 COMMUNITY, BUT ALSO HELPS MEET THE BASIC NEEDS OF THE HOMELESS
8 AND THE HUNGRY LIVING IN ARTESIA. MY OFFICE PARTNERS WITH HOLY
9 FAMILY, PARTICULARLY DURING THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS, TO
10 GIVE A LITTLE EXTRA TO FEED THE HUNGRY. BUT THEIR VOLUNTEER
11 WORK AND PROGRAMS TO FEED THOSE IN NEED ARE YEAR-ROUND. HOLY
12 FAMILY FEEDS THE HUNGRY DAILY THROUGH THEIR LUNCH PROGRAM. AND
13 THEY ALSO HOST MONTHLY FOOD DRIVES WHERE PARISHIONERS DONATE
14 CANNED FOOD ITEMS, AND THESE DONATIONS SERVE ABOUT 100
15 FAMILIES IN NEED. THANK YOU, FATHER CORDERO AND HOLY FAMILY IN
16 ARTESIA, FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO SERVING AND SUPPORTING THE
17 COMMUNITY AND FOR BEING A BRIGHT LIGHT THAT OFFERS WARMTH AND
18 HOPE OUT THERE IN MY DISTRICT. AND ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF
19 LOS ANGELES WE HAVE A LITTLE CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION OF
20 THAT YOU CAN REMEMBER THAT YOU WERE HERE WITH US THIS MORNING.

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. IT IS NOW TRULY MY HONOR TO
25 INTRODUCE YOU TO MARINE JAMES MUMMA, A PALMDALE RESIDENT AND A



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1 TRUE AMERICAN HERO. JAMES SERVED THE UNITED STATES MARINE
2 CORPS, WHERE HE BRAVELY DEPLOYED TO KUWAIT DURING THE DESERT
3 STORM AND DESERT SHIELD CAMPAIGNS. THROUGH HIS SERVICE, HE
4 EARNED NUMEROUS DECORATIONS, INCLUDING THE COMBAT ACTION
5 RIBBON, NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, AND TWO STARS, AND THE
6 MATERIOUS COMMENDATION WITH TWO STARS, AMONG OTHERS. HIS
7 DEDICATION TO DUTY IN COUNTRY IS TRULY, TRULY COMMENDABLE.
8 AFTER HIS MILITARY SERVICE, JAMES CONTINUED TO OTHERS AS A
9 PEER COORDINATOR FOR THE LA COUNTY VETERANS PEER ACCESS
10 NETWORK WHERE HE WORKS TIRELESSLY TO SUPPORT FELLOW VETERANS.
11 IN HIS FREE TIME, WHEN YOU HAVE IT, JAMES ENJOYS SKYDIVING,
12 SCUBA DIVING, RIDING HORSES, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, HELPING
13 HOMELESS VETERANS IN NEED. I AM PROUD TO CALL YOU A FRIEND AND
14 I WAS THERE WHEN YOU RECEIVED THE KEY TO YOUR HOME, FOR HOMES
15 FOR FAMILIES AND YOU TELL ME THAT THAT COMMUNITY IS THRIVING
16 AND IT IS GIVING BACK TO THE VETERANS WHO HAVE GIVEN SO MUCH
17 TO THIS COUNTRY AND TO ALL OF US. SO MARINE MUMMA, THANK YOU
18 FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND FOR LEADING US IN THE
19 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING AND FOR COMING ALL THE WAY
20 DOWN HERE FROM PALMDALE. THANK YOU. ALL THE WAY.

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND SUPERVISOR BARGER, I BELIEVE
23 YOU HAVE A PET PRESENTATION.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** YES, WE DO. WE HAVE ONE THAT I'M ALSO NOT



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1 GOING TO PICK UP. THIS THANKSGIVING, I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE
2 AMAZING PETS WE'VE GOT TO SPOTLIGHT THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR AND
3 TODAY IS ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTION. THIS IS ANYA, A SEVEN-YEAR-
4 OLD BELGIAN MALINOIS WHO IS STAYING AT THE AGORA ANIMAL CARE
5 CENTER. UNFORTUNATELY, SHE WAS SURRENDERED BY HER OWNERS WHO
6 WERE MOVING AND COULD NOT TAKE CARE OF HER. ANYA IS EAGERLY
7 AWAITING A NEW HOME THAT GIVES HER THE ATTENTION THAT SHE
8 DESERVES. SHE IS GREAT ON A LEASH AND VERY, VERY, VERY
9 AFFECTIONATE AS YOU CAN SEE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE ANYA A
10 NEW LEASH ON LIFE, CALLED THE AGOURA CARE CENTER AT 818-991-
11 0071, AND YOU CAN ADOPT THIS BEAUTIFUL, BEAUTIFUL DOG. AND NOW
12 I'M GONNA DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN FOR OUR NORTH
13 COUNTY PET. IF YOU LIKE THE ACTOR JUDE LAW, YOU'LL LOVE THIS
14 DOG FROM PALMDALE, JUDE PAW. JUDE IS A FOUR-MONTH-OLD GERMAN
15 SHEPHERD PUPPY WHO WAS FOUND EXPLORING OUT IN THE FIELD. HE IS
16 EASYGOING AND LOVES TO EAT. IF YOU'D LIKE TO BRING JUDE PAW
17 HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS, CALL THE PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT 661-
18 575-2888. AND IN HONOR OF THANKSGIVING, THE DEPARTMENT OF
19 ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL IS OFFERING THEIR GOBBLE UP THE LOVE
20 PROMOTION. THERE'S A LOT OF PUNS HERE. FROM NOW UNTIL NOVEMBER
21 30TH, ADOPTION FEES WILL BE REDUCED TO JUST \$22. PLEASE TAKE
22 ADVANTAGE OF THIS DEAL, AND I PROMISE YOU THAT YOU WILL BE
23 THANKFUL EACH AND EVERY DAY. WITH THAT, THERE IS ANYA AND
24 THERE IS JUDE PAW. ANYA.

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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. WITH THAT,
2 WE'LL MOVE ON TO TODAY'S AGENDA. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
3 CALL THE AGENDA.

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
6 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTER. ON
7 PAGE 3, OH ON SET MATTER 1, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT
8 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED 2 WEEKS TO DECEMBER 10, 2024, AS
9 INDICATED ON THE POST OF THE AGENDA. ON PAGE 3, CONSENT
10 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 2 TO 33. ON ITEM 2, THIS
11 INCLUDES AN ADDITION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
12 ON ITEM 5, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR REPORT. ALSO, THIS
13 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
14 ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
15 ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE TO BE RECORDED AS A
16 NO VOTE. ON ITEM 12, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED
17 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 14, THIS INCLUDES A
18 REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 17,
19 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUEST THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS
20 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
21 ON ITEM 19, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
22 ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE
23 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUEST
24 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
25 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 23, SUPERVISOR



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1 HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ALSO INCLUDES A
2 REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 35,
3 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 34 TO 63. ON ITEM 34, SUPERVISOR
4 MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 36,
5 SUPERVISOR BARGER IS RECUSING HERSELF ON THE VOTE PURSUANT TO
6 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308 BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A
7 CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$250 WITHIN THE
8 PAST 12 MONTHS FROM DAVID A PARKER WHO IS A PARTY PARTICIPANT
9 OR AGENT OF A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCEEDING. ON ITEM
10 53 THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE
11 CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 11, 2025, AS INDICATED ON THE
12 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 56 SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE
13 TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON PAGE 57, THIS INCLUDES
14 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
15 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THIS MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE
16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 58, SEPARATE MATTER, ITEM 64 IS A
17 RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF SHORT-TERM BOND
18 ANTICIPATION NOTES IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
19 \$26,000,000 TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITIONS OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT
20 THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAPITAL ASSET LEASING
21 CORPORATION. ON PAGE 59, PUBLIC HEARING, ITEM 65, THIS ITEM
22 WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE 60, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA,
23 THIS IS AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT
24 AUTHORITY ITEMS 1D TO 3D. ON ITEM 2D THIS INCLUDES A REVISION
25 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 63, NOTICES



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1 OF CLOSED SESSION CS1 THROUGH CS3. THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE
2 THROUGH CS3 ARE BEFORE YOU. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
3 AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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



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

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** TODAY WE'LL BEGIN WITH ITEMS 5
17 AND 21, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER. THEN ITEMS 17 AND 19,
18 WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 8, 23, AND
19 34, FINISHING WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NUMBER 65, FOLLOWED
20 BY THE REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD AND GENERAL
21 PUBLIC COMMENTS. SO THAT IS OUR ORDER FOR TODAY. BEFORE WE
22 BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION
23 THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA AND EXPLAIN OUR SPEAKING
24 RULES.



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



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEM 5,
3 PRESENTATION ON LOS ANGELES HOMELESS AUTHORITY AUDIT RESULTS
4 AND UPDATE ON MEASURE A, WHICH WAS HELD FOR REPORT AND ITEM
5 21, FEASIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON
6 HOMELESSNESS REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS NUMBER ONE. ESTABLISH A
7 COUNTY ENTITY DEDICATED TO HOMELESS SERVICE DELIVERY. AND
8 NUMBER THREE. STREAMLINED LAHSA, WHICH I HELD. IF THERE ARE NO
9 OBJECTIONS, WE WILL HEAR THE REPORT. AND FOR MEMBERS OF THE
10 PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT
11 ON THESE ITEMS. COLLEAGUES, SUPERVISOR BERGER AND I HAVE
12 AGENDIZED THESE THREE TOPICS INTO ITEMS RELATED TO THE
13 COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO OUR HOMELESSNESS CRISIS TODAY. FIRST, OUR
14 CEO WILL PRESENT AN UPDATE ON THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE A AND
15 WHAT THAT MEANS FOR OUR COUNTY. SECOND, OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
16 WILL PRESENT ON THE FINDINGS OF THEIR REPORT ON THE LOS
17 ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY. THIRD, WE WILL DISCUSS A
18 MOTION TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE BLUE-RIBBON
19 COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS. WE ARE IN A DECLARED STATE OF
20 EMERGENCY ON HOMELESSNESS AND MADE A PROMISE TO OUR
21 CONSTITUENTS TO DO THINGS DIFFERENTLY, TO ELIMINATE THE
22 BUREAUCRACY THAT STANDS IN THE WAY OF RESULTS. THIS IS THE
23 SPIRIT THAT INFORMS TODAY'S DISCUSSION. TODAY WE HAVE WITH US,
24 OSCAR VALDEZ, AUDITOR CONTROLLER, WHO WILL MAKE A
25 PRESENTATION, ROBERT G. CAMPBELL, ASSISTANT AUDITOR



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1 CONTROLLER. MARIA BECERRA, PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT AUDITOR AND
2 JEFFREY HO, CHIEF ACCOUNT AUDITOR. DR. VA LECIA ADAMS-KELLUM,
3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES
4 AUTHORITY. JANINE TREJO, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. AND RACHEL
5 JOHNSON, CHIEF OF STAFF, LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES
6 AUTHORITY, ALL OF WHOM ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. SUPERVISOR
7 BARGER, I'LL TURN IT TO YOU TO INTRODUCE TODAY'S PRESENTATIONS
8 AND LOOK FORWARD TO OUR FURTHER DISCUSSION REGARDING ITEM 21
9 WHEN WE GET THERE.

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO BEGIN
12 BY THANKING YOU FOR BEING A CO-AUTHOR ON THIS MOTION THAT WE
13 ACTUALLY I THINK PRIOR ABOUT 6 MONTHS AGO WAS IT 6 MONTHS AGO
14 OSCAR THAT WE BROUGHT IN THE MOTION TO ASK FOR AN AUDIT TO
15 ANALYZE THE FISCAL HEALTH OF THE LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES
16 AUTHORITY? AND I WANT TO THANK DR. ADAMS-KELLUM, BECAUSE YOU
17 ACTUALLY REQUESTED THIS AS PART OF BECOMING THE NEW CEO. YOU
18 WANTED TO SEE, YOU KNOW, WHERE WE ARE AND WHAT WE NEED TO
19 CHANGE. SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND
20 WORKING ON THAT. AND ONE THING I SAID WHEN WE BROUGHT THIS
21 MOTION FORWARD WAS THIS WAS NOT, AND I GOT YOU, THIS WAS WE
22 WERE WORKING TO ADDRESS ANY SYSTEMIC ISSUES THAT WERE TAKING
23 PLACE. BUT WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO RESERVE MY COMMENTS UNTIL
24 WE GET A PRESENTATION FROM OUR AUDIT CONTROLLER TO KIND OF LAY
25 IT OUT AND BE IN THE DISCUSSION, IF THAT WOULD BE OKAY.



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2 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. OSCAR VALDEZ, AS YOU
3 MENTIONED, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FEBRUARY 27TH WAS THE ACTUAL
4 BOARD MOTION WHERE THE BOARD REQUESTED US TO IN COLLABORATION
5 WITH THE CEO LAHSA AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS TO BASICALLY COME
6 BACK WITHIN 60 DAYS TO REPORT BACK AND PROVIDE YOU WITH A
7 SCOPE OF THE AUDIT. WE DID THAT PROCESS ON APRIL 23, 2024. I'M
8 NOT SURE IF THERE'S A PRESENTATION, THERE IT IS. SO, ON APRIL
9 23, 2024, THAT'S WHEN WE CAME BACK WITH THE ACTUAL SCOPE. SO,
10 PART OF THAT WAS BASICALLY COLLABORATING WITH CEO, BOARD
11 OFFICES, AND LAHSA TO REALLY IDENTIFY WHAT THE SCOPE OF THE
12 AUDIT WAS GOING TO BE. SOME OF THE AREAS OF THE SCOPE WAS
13 FINANCE, CONTRACTS, RISK MANAGEMENT, GRANTS MANAGEMENT, AND
14 COMPLIANCE. AND AS MENTIONED BEFORE, THE PURPOSE OF THIS AUDIT
15 WAS REALLY TO PROVIDE A USEFUL TEMPLATE OR ROADMAP FOR LAHSA
16 IN ORDER TO BASICALLY STRENGTHEN THE AGENCY'S INTERNAL
17 CONTROLS AND PROCESSES FOR THE NEW ADMINISTRATION THAT WAS
18 COMING IN. SO, WITH THAT, I FIRST OF ALL WANTED TO THANK DR.
19 KELLUM AND HER STAFF, LAHSA, FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE DURING THE
20 AUDIT. I KNOW IT WAS TEDIOUS HAVING US OUT THERE, OTHER
21 AUDITORS, AND JUST THE DAILY OPERATIONS OF THEIR MISSION
22 CRITICAL ACTIVITIES. SO, WITH THAT, I JUST WANTED TO THANK THE
23 TEAM. MOVING ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE, WITH REGARDS TO THE
24 APPROACH AND KEY MILESTONES, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I DO WANNA
25 HIGHLIGHT IS THAT OUR AUDITING STANDARDS REQUIRE US TO BE



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1 OBJECTIVE AND INDEPENDENT. WHENEVER WE GO OUT THERE, IT'S NOT
2 ABOUT POLITICS, IT'S NOT ABOUT DOING A GOTCHA AUDIT OR
3 ANYTHING LIKE THAT, IT'S REALLY GOING OUT THERE AND ASSESSING
4 WHAT THE OPERATIONS ARE BASED ON THE SCOPE THAT HAS BEEN
5 AGREED UPON. FOR US, ANY OF THE FINDINGS THAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED
6 IN THIS REPORT ARE BASICALLY RECOMMENDATION BASED ON BEST
7 BUSINESS PRACTICES TO PROVIDE ACCOUNTABILITY, TRANSPARENCY,
8 SAFEGUARDING OF ASSETS, BASICALLY THE STEWARDSHIP OF FUNDS.
9 THESE ARE PUBLIC DOLLARS. SO, OUR RECOMMENDATIONS WERE
10 SUPPORTED BY EVIDENCE AT THE TIME THAT WE LEFT THE FIELD. SO
11 PART OF OUR PROCESS WAS BEING ON SITE. WE DEFINITELY DEDICATED
12 A TEAM. THIS INCLUDES JEFFREY AND MARIA, WHO'S SITTING BEHIND
13 US, WHO WERE ACTUALLY OUT THERE WITH THEIR TEAM, SO ALSO
14 WANTED TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR COMMITMENT, THEIR CORPORATE
15 KNOWLEDGE IN THE AREAS, AND THE TEAM THAT WE IDENTIFIED TO GO
16 OUT THERE TO COLLABORATE AND WORK WITH LAHSA TO GET THIS DONE.
17 THROUGHOUT THE AUDIT PROCESS, WE PROVIDED ONGOING
18 COMMUNICATION. WE PROVIDED LAHSA WITH A PREAMBLE TO THE
19 FINDINGS AS WE WERE MOVING FORWARD TO MAKE SURE THAT, YOU
20 KNOW, THOSE WERE CLEARLY COMMUNICATED THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS.
21 AND WE ALSO, YOU KNOW, AGAIN, THANKING LAHSA FOR FURTHER
22 COMMITMENT AND ASSISTANCE DURING THE PROCESS. SO ON 9-11-
23 2024, WE PROVIDED A DRAFT OF THAT AUDIT REPORT TO HI AND CEO
24 FOR ANY TYPE OF FEEDBACK IN REGARDS TO OUR PRELIMINARY
25 FINDINGS. WE ACTUALLY MET WITH LAHSA ON 10-8-2024, AND THIS



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1 WAS BASICALLY OUR FORMAL EXIT CONFERENCE, EVEN THOUGH WE HAD
2 COMMUNICATIONS THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS. THIS WAS THE
3 OPPORTUNITY FOR LAHSA TO RAISE ANY ISSUES OR DISAGREEMENTS OR
4 YOU KNOW IF THERE WAS ANY INACCURACY ASSOCIATED WITH THE
5 REPORT THIS WAS THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO DISCUSS THOSE. DURING
6 THAT MEETING THERE WAS REALLY NO MATERIAL OBJECTIONS OR
7 DISAGREEMENTS OR ERRORS IDENTIFIED IN OUR REPORT. SO, 30 DAYS,
8 APPROXIMATELY 30 DAYS LATER, WE DID RECEIVE THE RESPONSES FROM
9 A LOSS ON 11-7-2024. AND WE ISSUED OUR REPORT ON 11-19-2024.
10 SO, MOVING ON TO THE NEXT PAGE. THIS IS A LIST OF THE
11 FINDINGS, AS YOU CAN SEE. AND I'M NOT GOING TO GO, YOU KNOW,
12 FINDING BY FINDING. ROBERT'S GOING TO BASICALLY RECAP SOME OF
13 THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ONES IN THE LATER SLIDES. BUT WE HAD A
14 TOTAL OF 16 FINDINGS. 10 OF THOSE WERE PRIORITY ONES, WHICH
15 BASICALLY REQUIRE A LITTLE BIT MORE IMMEDIATE TYPE OF
16 CORRECTIVE ACTION, YOU KNOW, ANY TYPE OF ADDITIONAL MEDIATION
17 EFFORTS OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF COMPENSATING CONTROLS TO
18 ALLEVIATE SOME OF THOSE ISSUES. WE HAD THREE PRIORITY TWO'S
19 AND WE HAD THREE PRIORITY THREE'S. BUT ONE OF THE MOST
20 SIGNIFICANT ONE OF THOSE WAS REALLY THE LACK OF DOCUMENTATION
21 FOR THE ADVANCES THAT WENT OUT TO INDIVIDUALS FOR WORKING
22 CAPITAL FOR THE PROVIDERS AND ROBERT WILL DISCUSS THAT A
23 LITTLE BIT SHORTER. SO ALSO HERE, YOU KNOW, THERE'S A LIST OF
24 THE 16 AND THE POSITIONS THAT LAWSUIT TOOK ASSOCIATED WITH THE
25 REPORT ITSELF. MOVING ON TO THE NEXT PAGE, I'M GOING TO MOVE



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1 IT OVER TO ROBERT CAMPBELL. HE'S GOING TO PROVIDE A LITTLE BIT
2 MORE INFORMATION ON SOME OF THE KEY FINDINGS.

3
4 **ROBERT CAMPBELL:** THANK YOU, OSCAR. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS.
5 JUST TO GIVE YOU A RECAP OF SOME OF THE MORE SIGNIFICANT
6 FINDINGS THAT WE HAD DURING OUR AUDIT, ROBERT CAMPBELL,
7 ASSISTANT AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. THE FIRST HAS TO DO WITH WORKING
8 CAPITAL CASH ADVANCES. LAHSA AWARDED APPROXIMATELY \$50,800,000
9 IN MEASURE H WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES TO THEIR SUBRECIPIENTS
10 BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018. AND ONE OF OUR FINDINGS
11 WAS THAT THEY DID NOT ESTABLISH FORMAL AGREEMENTS TO DETERMINE
12 HOW AND WHEN THOSE FUNDS WOULD BE REPAID. LOSS INDICATED
13 DURING OUR AUDIT THEY HAD INITIATED EFFORTS TO RECOUP FUNDS
14 BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 23/24, BUT SOME OF SUBRECIPIENTS
15 CITED CASH FLOW ISSUES AND AS OF THE LAST REPORT WE RECEIVED,
16 ONLY APPROXIMATELY 2,500,000 OR 5% HAD BEEN RECOVERED. OUR
17 RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS AREA WERE FOR LAHSA TO WORK WITH THE
18 SUBRECIPIENTS TO ESTABLISH AGREEMENTS WITH REPAYMENT TERMS FOR
19 ALL THE OUTSTANDING ADVANCES AND TO PROVIDE THE CEO WITH
20 QUARTERLY UPDATES UNTIL ALL THE ADVANCED FUNDS WERE REPAID.
21 THE NEXT KEY FINDING HAS TO DO WITH ANNUAL CASH ADVANCES. WE
22 FOUND THAT LAHSA DID NOT ALWAYS RECOVER THE ANNUAL CASH
23 ADVANCES THAT WERE AWARDED TO SUBRECIPIENTS AT THE END OF THE
24 YEAR AS REQUIRED. AND AS OF JULY 2024, HAD APPROXIMATELY
25 \$8,000,000 IN OUTSTANDING ADVANCES THAT THEY HAD ISSUED TO



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1 SUBRECIPIENTS CARRIED OVER AS FAR BACK AS FROM 2016/17 THROUGH
2 2022/23. OF THAT \$8,000,000, APPROXIMATELY 409,000 WAS
3 ADVANCED TO 6 SUBRECIPIENTS WHO NO LONGER CONTRACT WITH LAHSA.
4 OUR RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS AREA WERE TO WORK WITH THE
5 SUBRECIPIENTS WHO HAVE OVERDUE OUTSTANDING CASH ADVANCES TO
6 RECOVER THE FUNDS, TO ENSURE THAT ANNUAL ADVANCES IN THE
7 FUTURE ARE RECOUPED TIMELY, AND TO CONSULT WITH THEIR LEGAL
8 COUNSEL ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR RECOUPING THE OUTSTANDING
9 ADVANCES WITH SUBRECIPIENTS WHO NO LONGER HAVE A BUSINESS
10 RELATIONSHIP WITH LAHSA. THE NEXT FINDING I'D LIKE TO
11 HIGHLIGHT HAS TO DO WITH THE ABSENCE OF CONTRACT DATA AND SOME
12 RETROACTIVE CONTRACTING ISSUES. DURING OUR AUDIT, ONE OF THE
13 KEY PIECES OF INFORMATION THAT WE ASKED FOR WAS AN INVENTORY
14 OF CONTRACTS. AND LAHSA COULD NOT PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE
15 CONTRACT DATA, SUCH AS A LIST OF CONTRACTS OR EXECUTION DATES,
16 FOR US TO DETERMINE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CONTRACTS THAT WERE
17 EXECUTED EITHER TIMELY OR RETROACTIVELY IN FISCAL YEAR 23/24.
18 WE ALSO FOUND EXAMPLES OF CONTRACTS THAT WERE EXECUTED
19 EXCESSIVELY LATE AND BASED ON OUR OBSERVATIONS MANY OF THOSE
20 DELAYS WERE DUE TO ISSUES WITH LAHSA'S INTERNAL CONTRACTING
21 PROCESSES. OUR RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS AREA INCLUDE LAHSA
22 ENSURING THAT KEY CONTRACT INFORMATION IS ADEQUATELY TRACKED,
23 RELIABLE, AND ACCURATE TO IDENTIFY THE CRITICAL DELAYS IN THE
24 CONTRACTING PROCESS AND IMPLEMENT IMPROVEMENTS TO ENHANCE THE
25 TIMELINESS OF THEIR CONTRACT EXECUTION, AND TO WORK WITH THEIR



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1 FUNDERS WHERE APPLICABLE TO IDENTIFY SOLUTIONS FOR FUNDING
2 APPROVAL DELAYS TO MINIMIZE INSTANCES OF RETROACTIVE
3 CONTRACTING. THE LAST FINDING I WANT TO TOUCH ON HAS TO DO
4 WITH CONTRACT MONITORING ISSUES. LAHSA DID NOT HAVE AN
5 ADEQUATE CONTRACT MONITORING PLAN TO ENSURE EFFECTIVE
6 OVERSIGHT OF SUBRECIPIENTS AND THE CRITICAL SERVICES THEY
7 DELIVER. DUE TO A LACK OF STANDARDS FOR CONDUCTING AND
8 DOCUMENTING THE RESULTS OF THEIR CONTRACT MONITORING REVIEWS,
9 WE COULDN'T DETERMINE WHETHER LAHSA ADEQUATELY MONITORED
10 CONTRACTS TO ENSURE THAT SUBRECIPIENTS COMPLIED WITH CONTRACT
11 TERMS. AND OUR RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS AREA INCLUDE
12 ESTABLISHING A STANDARDIZED RISK ASSESSMENT PROCESS THAT WOULD
13 HELP INFORM THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR ANNUAL CONTRACT
14 MONITORING PLAN, ACTIVELY TRACKING THE STATUS OF THEIR
15 CONTRACT MONITORING REVIEWS AND MEASURING PERFORMANCE AGAINST
16 THEIR CONTRACT MONITORING PLAN AT YEAR END, IMPLEMENTING A
17 NOTIFICATION PROCESS TO ENSURE THAT THE CONTRACT COMPLIANCE
18 UNIT IS AWARE WHEN NEW CONTRACTS ARE EXECUTED SO THEY CAN ADD
19 THEM TO THEIR PLAN. ENSURING THAT SUBRECIPIENTS ARE MONITORED
20 FOR ALL KEY CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS, SUCH AS PROGRAMMATIC
21 REQUIREMENTS AND OUTCOMES. AND ENSURING THAT ADEQUATE WORK
22 PAPERS ARE MAINTAINED FOR ALL CONTRACT MONITORING REVIEWS. AND
23 AS PART OF THAT, THEY COULD CONSIDER USING SOME TYPE OF AN
24 AUTOMATED WORK PAPER SOFTWARE TO PROMOTE CONSISTENCY AND
25 EFFICIENCY ACROSS THAT PROCESS. AND THEN FINALLY, THE CONTRACT



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1 MONITORING REVIEWS ARE PROPERLY SUPERVISED AND THAT THEY
2 RETAIN EVIDENCE AND DOCUMENTATION OF THAT SUPERVISION. THAT
3 CONCLUDES OUR OVERVIEW OF THE AUDIT, AND WE'RE AVAILABLE TO
4 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

5
6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I DO WANT TO
7 RESPOND, BECAUSE ON SOME OF THIS, IT TO ME IS VERY BLACK AND
8 WHITE, AND THAT IS, LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE, DID NOT ESTABLISH
9 AGREEMENTS FOR WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES, AND LASA DISAGREES.
10 BUT EITHER YOU HAVE THE FORMS OR YOU DON'T. SO, I'D LIKE TO
11 KNOW WHERE THE DISAGREEMENT IS ON THAT, BECAUSE THAT ONE SEEMS
12 TO ME TO BE EITHER YOU HAVE IT OR YOU DON'T. AND IF YOU CAN'T
13 PROVIDE IT, THEN YOU'RE NOT DOING IT. SO I JUST WOULD LIKE TO
14 GET A RESPONSE FROM YOU ALL. AND NOT JUST THAT ONE. I MEAN,
15 THERE ARE OTHER ONES THAT YOU DISAGREE INAPPROPRIATE USE OF
16 FUNDS. AGAIN, IS ONE THAT IF YOU CAN SHOW ON THE BALANCE SHEET
17 THAT IT'S BEING PROPERLY MONITORED, THEN IT WOULD BE EASIER TO
18 SHOW THAT DOCUMENTATION.

19
20 **JANINE TREJO:** JANINE TREJO, CFO FOR LAHSA. WE AGREE WITH THE
21 SPIRIT OF THE AUDIT, AND LAHSA DID REQUEST THE AUDIT SO THAT
22 THIS WAY WE COULD UNDERSTAND REALLY WHAT THE SHORTFALLS WERE
23 AND WHERE IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED TO BE MADE. AND WITH THE
24 PARTICULAR ITEM THAT YOU'RE REFERENCING, WE DO AGREE WITH THE
25 FACT THAT THERE WERE NOT AGREEMENTS IN PLACE INITIALLY BY



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1 LAHSA. BETWEEN DECEMBER OF 2023 AND JANUARY OF 2024, LETTERS
2 WERE SENT TO ALL OF THE SERVICE PROVIDERS OUTLINING THE AMOUNT
3 THAT THEY HAD OWED FOR THE WORKING CAPITAL AND THE REPAYMENT
4 SCHEDULES. SO THAT WAS THE ONLY ITEM THAT WE WERE TRYING TO
5 IDENTIFY WAS THAT SUBSEQUENTLY THAT ITEMS HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED
6 AND PUT IN PLACE TO START THE RECOUPMENTS WITH THE SERVICE
7 PROVIDERS.

8
9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, YOU REALLY DON'T DISAGREE. SO IT
10 WOULD BE YOU AGREE WITH THE FINDING, BUT YOU'VE MADE CHANGES?

11
12 **JANINE TREJO:** CORRECT.

13
14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY, BECAUSE DISAGREE SOUNDS LIKE YOU
15 ALL DON'T FEEL THAT THAT'S AN ACCURATE REFLECTION IN THE
16 AUDIT, BUT IN FACT, YOU WOULD AGREE THAT THE AUDIT DID SHOW
17 THAT, THAT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT YOU'VE CORRECTED. AND THAT'S,
18 I THINK, WHAT YOU REFERRED TO, DR. ADAMS-KELLUM, WHEN YOU
19 RESPOND. THERE ARE THINGS THAT WE HAVE FIXED THAT HAVE BEEN
20 FOUND IN THE AUDIT. SO, I GUESS ON THAT ONE, IT WOULD BE MORE
21 AGREE, BUT HAS BEEN RECTIFIED OR HAS BEEN ADDRESSED.

22
23 **DR. VA LECIA ADAMS KELLUM:** CORRECT.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND THEN AS IT RELATES TO, I MEAN, WHEN I



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1 HEAR THE FUNDS, AND LET ME JUST SAY THIS MOTION IS REPORT BACK
2 BECAUSE I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY THIS CAME
3 OUT OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS THAT WE'VE
4 PUT TOGETHER SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I IN RESPONSE TO
5 FRUSTRATIONS THAT SOME CITIES HAD ABOUT NOT BEING ABLE TO
6 ACCESS MEASURE H AND THESE WERE THE FINDINGS AT THAT TIME AS
7 IT RELATES TO CHANGES THAT WERE RECOMMENDED. BUT I WANT TO
8 FIND OUT IF THERE ARE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES MOVING FORWARD
9 AND THAT'S WHY WE'VE GOT A SHORT TURNAROUND. BUT WE WANT TO
10 FIND OUT IF LAHSA, AS IT WAS CREATED TO BE A COC FOR BOTH THE
11 CITY OF LA AND THE COUNTY, IS THE BEST CHARGE FOR THEM RIGHT
12 NOW. AND I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE
13 REPORT BACK TO MAKE THAT ANALYSIS. BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE, THIS
14 BOARD COLLECTS THE MEASURE A NOW, WHAT WAS MEASURE H. SO IT'S
15 NOT REALLY ON LAHSA, IT'S NOT EVEN ON THE CITY OF LA, IT'S ON
16 THIS BOARD TO BE RESPONSIBLE AND REALLY OVERSIGHT AS IT
17 RELATES TO WHERE THE MONEY IS GOING. AND SO, YOU KNOW, I'VE
18 SAID THIS AND PEOPLE HAVE ASKED ME, THE DAYS OF BLAMING LAHSA
19 OR THE CITY HAVE COME TO AN END. THIS BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE.
20 AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE LOOKING AT CREATING A HOMELESS DEPARTMENT
21 BECAUSE MAYBE IT'S TIME FOR US TO STAND UP SOMETHING THAT WILL
22 BE A OVERSIGHT NOT ONLY FOR LAHSA BUT ALSO WITHIN OUR OWN
23 DEPARTMENTS MOVING FORWARD. SO, I WANT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR.
24 THIS IS NOT A BLAME GAME BECAUSE THE BUCK STOPS RIGHT HERE AT
25 THIS BOARD. WE ARE THE ONES THAT ARE ULTIMATELY HELD



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1 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MEASURE A DOLLARS THAT ARE COMING IN AND
2 THE MEASURE H THAT HAVE BEEN COMING IN. BUT I JUST WANT TO
3 MAKE SURE THAT MOVING FORWARD, THERE WERE ISSUES AS IT RELATES
4 TO OUR PROVIDERS SAYING THAT WE WEREN'T PAYING IN A TIMELY
5 FASHION. THEY WERE HAVING TO TAKE OUT LINES OF CREDIT WHICH
6 HAVE HIGH INTEREST RATES, WHICH THEN TAKES MONEY AWAY FROM
7 WHERE THE MONEY SHOULD BE GOING, AND THAT IS TO SERVICES. WE
8 RECTIFIED THAT. NO GOOD DEED GOES UNPUNISHED, BECAUSE WE PUT
9 THE MONEY OUT THERE, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, IT SOUNDS LIKE WE
10 DIDN'T HAVE PROPER MECHANISMS IN PLACE TO ENSURE THAT THE
11 INVOICES WERE COMING IN TO ACCURATELY REFLECT THE MONEY THAT
12 WAS BEING PAID OUT. UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE OF A GOOD ACTION
13 THAT WAS NECESSARY FOR OUR PROVIDERS. I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A
14 ROADMAP MOVING FORWARD, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO
15 FULLY VET WHERE YOU DISAGREE, BECAUSE IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOU
16 DON'T NECESSARILY DISAGREE. YOU DISAGREE MOVING FORWARD, BUT
17 YOU RECOGNIZE THE ERRORS OF THE PAST. CORRECT? I FOR 1, YOU
18 KNOW, AM LOOKING FORWARD TO THE REPORT. I WANT TO WORK WITH
19 YOU. I WANT TO WORK TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GIVE YOU ALL THE
20 TOOLS TO SUCCEED, BUT AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE ARE BEING
21 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FUNDING THAT IS GOING OUT BECAUSE THE
22 ACCOUNTABILITY IS GOING TO BE ON THIS BOARD. SO, THANK YOU,
23 MADAM CHAIR.

24
25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE WE CONTINUE



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1 WITH DISCUSSION, I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE WE GET THE
2 INFORMATION ON MEASURE A AS WELL. SO, I'M GOING TO TURN IT TO
3 OUR CEO FOR THAT PRESENTATION.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WE DO HAVE A
6 POWERPOINT IF YOU CAN BRING THE POWERPOINT UP. AND WE HAVE
7 WITH US TODAY CHERI TODOROFF WHO WILL GIVE THE DETAILS ON
8 MEASURE A.

9

10 **CHERI TODOROFF:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THANK
11 YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. I'M CHERI TODOROFF,
12 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LA COUNTY HOMELESS INITIATIVE
13 AND I'M GOING TO DO AN UPDATE ON MEASURE A THIS MORNING. SO I
14 WANT TO BEGIN BY PROVIDING SOME BRIEF BACKGROUND ON THE
15 RECENTLY PASSED MEASURE A ALSO KNOWN AS THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
16 HOMELESS SOLUTIONS AND PREVENTION NOW TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX
17 ORDINANCE WHICH IS AN INITIATIVE PASSED BY A MAJORITY OF THE
18 VOTERS IN LA COUNTY ON NOVEMBER 5TH. THE ORDINANCE WILL OPPOSE
19 IMPOSE A HALF CENT SALES TAX COUNTYWIDE TO FUND COUNTY
20 HOMELESS SERVICES AND THE L.A. COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING
21 SOLUTIONS AGENCY, ALSO KNOWN AS LA CASA, AND ALSO REFERRED TO
22 IN THE ORDINANCE AS THE HOUSING AGENCY. THE MEASURE A TAX WILL
23 BEGIN ON APRIL 1, 2025. THE TAX WILL REPEAL AND REPLACE
24 MEASURE H, WHICH IS THE EXISTING QUARTER CENT SALES TAX IN THE
25 COUNTY, WHICH HAS SET TO EXPIRE, WHICH HAD BEEN SET TO EXPIRE



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1 IN 2027. AS SHOWN ON THIS SLIDE, THERE ARE 5 OUTCOME GOALS
2 THAT ARE CODIFIED WITHIN MEASURE A, WHICH INCLUDE INCREASE THE
3 NUMBER OF PEOPLE MOVING FROM ENCAMPMENTS INTO PERMANENT
4 HOUSING TO REDUCE UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS, REDUCE THE NUMBER
5 OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS
6 WHO EXPERIENCE HOMELESSNESS, INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE
7 PERMANENTLY LEAVING HOMELESSNESS, PREVENT PEOPLE FROM FALLING
8 INTO HOMELESSNESS, AND INCREASE THE NUMBER OF AFFORDABLE
9 HOUSING UNITS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE
10 BREAKDOWN OF MEASURE A ALLOCATIONS TO EACH ENTITY AS SPECIFIED
11 IN THE ORDINANCE. THE TAX IS ESTIMATED TO GENERATE
12 APPROXIMATELY \$1,070,000,000 IN REVENUE IN FISCAL YEAR 25/26.
13 OF THAT TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE, 0.5% IS ALLOWED FOR COST
14 ASSOCIATED WITH COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE TAX ITSELF.
15 SO THAT IS THAT APPROXIMATELY \$5,400,000 LISTED ON THIS TABLE.
16 THE REMAINING REVENUE IS SPLIT INTO 4 CATEGORIES. THE FIRST IS
17 COMPREHENSIVE HOMELESS SERVICES, WHICH MAKES UP 60% OF THE
18 REMAINING REVENUE, OR ABOUT \$642,000,000 ANNUALLY, AND IT WILL
19 BE DIRECTLY ADMINISTERED BY THE COUNTY. WITHIN THIS
20 COMPREHENSIVE HOMELESS SOLUTIONS CATEGORY, THERE ARE 3
21 SUBCATEGORIES. THE FIRST SUBCATEGORY IS THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS
22 FUND OF JUST OVER \$96,000,000, WHICH WILL ALLOCATE FUNDS TO
23 CITIES, COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT, AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS FOR
24 PROGRAMS INCLUDING HOMELESS PREVENTION AND SERVICES OR
25 AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS. APPROXIMATELY \$60,000,000 AT THIS



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1 ANNUALLY IS ESTIMATED TO BE GOING TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
2 THE ORDINANCE SPECIFIES THAT THESE FUNDS SHOULD BE DISTRIBUTED
3 VIA A FORMULA BASED ON THE POINT IN TIME COUNT AND OR SIMILAR
4 MEASURES OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AS THE BOARD
5 DETERMINES IN CONSULTATION WITH CITIES AND WITH THE COUNTY. WE
6 WILL BE PROVIDING YOUR OFFICES WITH SOME OPTIONS TO CONSIDER
7 FOR THE DISTRIBUTION AND ALLOCATION OF THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS
8 FUND IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS. AT LEAST 1.65% OF THE FUNDS,
9 OR ABOUT 10,600,000, WILL BE ALLOCATED TO HOMELESSNESS
10 SOLUTIONS INNOVATIONS TO FUND NEW OR ENHANCED STRATEGIES AND
11 DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS. AGAIN, THESE FUNDS ARE ADMINISTERED
12 DIRECTLY BY THE COUNTY. THE THIRD SUBCATEGORY AND THE
13 REMAINING FUNDING IN THIS CATEGORY IS THE COMPREHENSIVE
14 HOMELESS SERVICES SUBCATEGORY OF APPROXIMATELY \$535,000,000,
15 WHICH WILL BE ALLOCATED TO PROVIDE A CONTINUUM OF SERVICES TO
16 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, INCLUDING OUTREACH, INTERIM
17 HOUSING, PERMANENT HOUSING, AND A RANGE OF SUPPORTIVE
18 SERVICES. THIS IS WHAT WE ARE CURRENTLY MANAGING. THIS IS MOST
19 CLOSELY ALIGNED TO WHAT IS CURRENTLY BEING FUNDED WITH MEASURE
20 H, THIS CATEGORY IS. FOR AWARENESS, THIS, BECAUSE OF THE
21 DISTRIBUTION MECHANISM, THIS IS A BIT LESS FUNDING THAN WHAT
22 THE MEASURE H REVENUE IS THIS FISCAL YEAR FOR THIS PARTICULAR
23 CATEGORY. ALL RIGHT. NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CATEGORY OR
24 NUMBER 2 HERE ON THE SLIDE. 1.25% OR APPROXIMATELY \$13.400,000
25 WILL GO TO THE COUNTY TO ADMINISTER FOR ACCOUNTABILITY DATA



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1 AND RESEARCH TO PROMOTE ACCOUNTABILITY OVERSIGHT UNIVERSAL
2 DATA OUTCOME EVALUATION AND TO EXPAND CAPACITY FOR DATA
3 COLLECTION AND REPORTING BY THE FUNDING RECIPIENTS CONTRACTORS
4 AND SERVICE PROVIDERS. NEXT NUMBER 3 WE WILL GO TO FUNDING
5 THAT WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE LA COUNTY DEVELOPMENT
6 AUTHORITY, LACDA. THIS IS FOR LOCAL HOUSING PRODUCTION. IT IS
7 3% OF THE FUNDS, APPROXIMATELY JUST OVER \$32,000,000. AND THIS
8 IS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OR PRESERVATION OF HOUSING IN WHICH THE
9 HOUSING UNITS ARE AFFORDABLE TO LOWER INCOME HOUSEHOLDS. AND
10 THEN LAST IN THE ALLOCATION FORMULA WE HAVE 35.75% OR JUST
11 UNDER \$383,000,000 WHICH WILL GO TO LA CASA AND WILL FUND
12 HOUSING AND WILL INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THINGS LIKE THE
13 CONSTRUCTION OF NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AFFORDABLE HOUSING
14 PRESERVATION, TENANT PROTECTION AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS, AND
15 PLANNING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RELATED TO AFFORDABLE
16 HOUSING AND LAND USE. THIS SLIDE CONTAINS THE COUNTY'S ROLE
17 AND NEW RESPONSIBILITIES WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION AND
18 OVERSIGHT OF MEASURE H. I AM NOT GOING TO GO OVER ALL OF
19 THESE. I WILL HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE. THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE
20 FOR COLLECTING AND DISTRIBUTING THE TAX, FOR DIRECTLY
21 ADMINISTERING ALL COMPONENTS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE HOMELESSNESS
22 SERVICES FUNDING AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY DATA AND RESEARCH
23 FUNDING FOR EVALUATING AND ADOPTING A REGIONAL PLAN NO LATER
24 THAN APRIL 1, 2025, TO ESTABLISH A MANAGEMENT ANNUAL
25 EVALUATION AGENDA, TO ESTABLISH A LABOR COUNCIL BY JUNE 30,



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1 2025, WHICH WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD ON
2 COMPENSATION, WAGES AND BENEFITS, AND APPROPRIATE PAY RANGES,
3 AS WELL AS THE ALLOWANCE OF COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS, AND
4 ALSO CONDUCT AN ANNUAL AUDIT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES THAT
5 IS MADE AVAILABLE PUBLICLY AND THAT IS TRANSPARENT. NEXT WE
6 WILL TALK FOR A MINUTE ABOUT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND
7 REGIONAL TABLE FOR REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT. I'M SORRY,
8 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND LEADERSHIP TABLE FOR REGIONAL HOMELESS
9 ALIGNMENT. THESE WERE ESTABLISHED THROUGH A MOTION ADOPTED BY
10 YOUR BOARD ON AUGUST 8, 2023, BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS FROM
11 THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS. THAT MOTION
12 DIRECTED THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO ESTABLISH THE EXECUTIVE
13 COMMITTEE OF ELECTED OFFICIALS TO DEVELOP ONE PLAN TO ADDRESS
14 HOMELESSNESS, TO ESTABLISH A COMMON SET OF PERFORMANCE
15 INDICATORS, TO ALIGN RESOURCES, AND TO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT. IT
16 ALSO DIRECTED THE CEO TO PARTNER WITH PHILANTHROPY TO
17 ESTABLISH THE LEADERSHIP TABLE TO ACT AS AN ADVISORY BODY
18 SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. AS IT RELATES
19 TO MEASURE A, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
20 EVALUATING PROGRESS TOWARD GOALS WITH AN EMPHASIS ON GOALS 1,
21 2, AND 3. LA CASA WILL BE FOCUSING ON GOALS 4 AND 5 AS THEY
22 ARE RELATED TO HOUSING AND PREVENTION. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
23 IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR FORMULATING BASELINE AND TARGET
24 METRICS, NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2025, MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS
25 TO THE COUNTY ON THE REGIONAL PLAN, DEVELOPING BEST PRACTICES



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1 FOR STANDARDIZATION OF CARE, OVERSEEING AND MAKING
2 RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS ALLOCATED
3 TO THE COUNTY AND LACDA, AND MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
4 BOARD AND LA CASA TO REDIRECT FUNDS OR TO OR AWAY FROM
5 SPECIFIC PROGRAMS FOR WHICH TARGET METRICS HAVE NOT BEEN
6 ACHIEVED BY DECEMBER 31, 2030. IN ADDITION, THE EXECUTIVE
7 COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR FORMULATING NEW BASELINE AND
8 TARGET METRICS INFORMED BY ANNUAL EVALUATIONS AND PROGRAM
9 PERFORMANCE NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 1, 2031, AND EVALUATING
10 PROGRESS TOWARD THESE NEW METRICS AT LEAST EVERY 5 YEARS
11 THEREAFTER AND MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD AND LA
12 CASA. AND WE WILL FINISH UP WITH THE LEADERSHIP TABLE. THE
13 LEADERSHIP TABLE FOR REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT AS IT RELATES
14 TO MEASURE A IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING INPUT TO THE
15 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND LA CASA ON BASELINE AND TARGET
16 METRICS, PROVIDING INPUT TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON BEST
17 PRACTICES FOR STANDARDIZATION OF CARE, INPUT TO THE EXECUTIVE
18 COMMITTEE REGARDING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE
19 COUNTY AND LACDA. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

20
21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** DID YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS
22 FOR THAT, SUPERVISOR BURGER?

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** NO, NOT AT THIS POINT. I'LL LET MY
25 COLLEAGUE SPEAK.



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

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4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.
5 FIRST OF ALL, WITH REGARD TO MEASURE A, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE,
6 HAVING SEEN THIS PRESENTATION AND HEARD MANY OTHERS THE LIFE-
7 CHANGING IMPACT IT WILL HAVE ON THE RESIDENTS OF THE DISTRICT
8 I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTING AND FOR THOSE REASONS IT
9 WAS MY PRIORITY THIS ELECTION CYCLE AND I'M THRILLED EVEN
10 AFTER DOING THE DEEP DIVE IN TERMS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT
11 RESIDENTS VOTING PATTERNS. I'M GLAD THEY GOT THE ASSIGNMENT
12 AND UNDERSTOOD ALSO THE LIFE-CHANGING IMPACT IT WILL HAVE ON
13 THEIR AND OUR FAMILY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. I'M DEEPLY PROUD
14 THAT MEASURE A WAS GOALS CENTERED VERSUS TIME LIMITED AND THAT
15 IT'S SPECIFIC, IT'S TRANSPARENT, AND AGAIN WILL CHANGE LIVES.
16 SO CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THOSE WHO DID ALL THE WORK FROM THE
17 GROUND UP, THE PROCESS BY WHICH IT WAS CRAFTED, I THINK IS A
18 REFLECTION OF WHY IT WAS A PAST AND THE NATURE OF THE MEASURE,
19 HAVING SERVED AND CONTINUE TO SERVE ACTIVELY ON LA CASA BUT AS
20 THE CHAIR FOR ITS FIRST YEAR VERY PROUD THAT THE COUNTY WILL
21 HAVE AN ONGOING FUNDING SOURCE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND THE
22 PROTECTION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THAT IS A HUGE DEAL FOR
23 WHICH ALL OF US SHOULD REALLY BE DEEPLY PROUD. BUT AGAIN, I
24 WANT TO TIP MY HAT TO THE VOTERS. YOU GOT THAT RIGHT WITHOUT
25 QUESTION. THANK YOU TO THE PRESENTERS. I WANT TO SHIFT NOW TO



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1 THE AUDIT PIECE, IF I MAY. I'VE GOT A FEW QUESTIONS FOR BOTH
2 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. I'M
3 CLEAR THAT AUDITS ARE AN ESSENTIAL PART OF MANAGING ANY
4 ORGANIZATION AND IRONICALLY COLLEAGUES AS I LISTENED TO THIS
5 REPORT SO MANY OF ITS ELEMENTS SOUNDED VERY FAMILIAR LIKE TO
6 THE FORENSIC AUDIT THAT THE COUNTY GOT RECENTLY ON OUR OWN
7 CONTRACTING PROCESS. SO APPARENTLY EVERYBODY HAS WORK TO DO TO
8 IMPROVE HOW WE MANAGE CONTRACTS. PERHAPS LAHSA, THE COUNTY AS
9 WELL. MANY OF THOSE ELEMENTS WE HEARD IN TERMS OF OUR OWN
10 LACKING. AND I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
11 PARTICULARLY THE PUBLIC HAS AN ACCURATE UNDERSTANDING ABOUT
12 THE PURPOSE OF THE AUDIT AND WHAT IT'S ACTUALLY CALLING
13 ATTENTION TO. I KNOW WE'VE GOT MEMBERS OF THE PRESS HERE TODAY
14 AND THE PUBLIC, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT, AND THEY, YOU
15 KNOW, AUDITS ARE UNIQUE. AUDITORS ARE SPECIAL PEOPLE TO BE
16 ABLE TO DRILL DOWN AT A POINT IN TIME AND COME UP WITH ALL
17 THOSE THINGS, AND IT'S NOT SOMETHING MANY OF US DO ON A DAILY
18 BASIS. AND SO, I WANT TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE WALK AWAY WITH AN
19 ACCURATE UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WAS IDENTIFIED, BECAUSE I'M
20 CONCERNED BASED ON HOW SOME OF THE INFORMATION IS BEING
21 PRESENTED THAT IT'S LEADING TO A MISCHARACTERIZATION OF OUR
22 SERVICE PROVIDERS AS A WHOLE, AND I THINK THAT'S UNFORTUNATE.
23 THE AUDIT IS ON LAHSA, THOUGH THE MAJORITY OF THE FUNDS ARE
24 PASSED THROUGH TO ACTUAL SERVICE PROVIDERS. SO, WITH THAT, TO
25 THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER, THE AUDIT REVIEWED LOSSES, OPERATING



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1 CONTROLS, AND PROCESSES. IS THAT CORRECT?

2

3 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** THE AUDIT ITSELF WAS BASICALLY SERVICES FROM
4 LOSS TO THE THIRD PARTY PROVIDERS, NOT THE INTERACTION BETWEEN
5 LA COUNTY TO LAHSA.

6

7 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OH, I'M CLEAR. SO THAT'S WHY I SAID IT
8 REVIEWED LAHSA'S OPERATING CONTROLS AND PROCESSES TO
9 PROVIDERS, NOT TO US, BUT THAT'S WHAT YOU REVIEWED. CORRECT.
10 SO, DID THE AUDIT REVIEW WHETHER THE FUNDS WERE ACTUALLY USED
11 FOR HOMELESS SERVICES EITHER BY LAHSA OR BY THE PROVIDERS? IS
12 THAT WHAT YOUR AUDIT REVIEWED?

13

14 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** ROBERT I'LL DEFER THAT ONE TO YOU.

15

16 **ROBERT CAMPBELL:** NO, WE DID NOT WE DO NOT REVIEW THAT.

17

18 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, THE AUDIT RESULTS IS NOT SAYING
19 THAT FUNDS WERE USED FOR—YOU'RE NOT SAYING THAT FUNDS WERE NOT
20 USED FOR HOMELESS SERVICES? SORRY FOR THAT DOUBLE NEGATIVE,
21 BUT YOU FOLLOW ME?

22

23 **ROBERT CAMPBELL:** CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. WE DID NOT EXAMINE
24 WHETHER ANY PARTICULAR EXPENDITURE WAS USED FOR ITS INTENDED
25 PURPOSE OR NOT. WE WERE LOOKING AT THE BUSINESS PROCESSES AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 CONTROLS AT LAHSA AND HOW THOSE SUPPORT MANAGEMENT'S DECISION
2 MAKING.

3
4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I RAISE THESE
5 QUESTIONS BECAUSE IT HAS ALREADY BEEN REPORTED AND SUGGESTED,
6 AND I'VE HEARD FROM THE PUBLIC WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR
7 UNDERSTANDING OF THE AUDIT AND THE PROCESS WAS THAT THE FUNDS
8 WERE INAPPROPRIATELY USED. SO, I WANTED TO GET THAT ON THE
9 RECORD THAT THAT IS NOT WHAT THIS AUDIT FOCUSED ON. AND MY
10 UNDERSTANDING FROM SERVICE PROVIDERS IS THAT THE INITIAL
11 WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES WERE GIVEN TO BOTH PROVIDERS AND
12 LAHSA SO THE HOMELESS RESPONSE SYSTEM COULD SCALE UP QUICKLY
13 AND ESTABLISH NEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE AFTER THE PASSAGE OF
14 MEASURE H IN 2017. AND THE CAPITAL WAS CONSIDERED DEFERRED
15 REVENUE WITH NO EXPECTATION OF REPAYMENT UNTIL THE END OF
16 MEASURE H. THAT EXPLAINS THE ABSENCE OF A REPAYMENT PLAN OR A
17 SCHEDULE REQUIRED BY LAHSA OR THE COUNTY. SO CAN YOU EXPLAIN
18 HOW THE ADVANCES WORK AND THE FINDINGS IN THE AUDIT ABOUT
19 ORGANIZATIONS NEEDING TO REPAY ADVANCES.

20
21 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** ROBERT, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO JUMP ON THIS
22 ONE.

23
24 **ROBERT CAMPBELL:** SURE. WELL, YOUR CHARACTERIZATION OF THE
25 WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES IS CORRECT. OUR OBSERVATION PRIMARILY



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1 WAS THAT WITH ANY DISBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS, INCLUDING AN
2 ADVANCE THAT, IN THIS CASE, WE DIDN'T PRESCRIBE OR REQUIRE A
3 PARTICULAR REPAYMENT TERM. WE NOTED THAT THERE WAS THE ABSENCE
4 OF AN AGREEMENT, THE ABSENCE OF A WRITTEN DOCUMENT FORMALLY
5 MEMORIALIZING THOSE DISBURSEMENTS AND PROVIDING FOR THE
6 BENEFIT BOTH OF THE PROVIDERS AND LAHSA THE EVENTUAL TERMS OF
7 THAT REPAYMENT. THAT WAS WHAT WAS MISSING AND WE BELIEVE THAT
8 THAT'S CRITICAL BOTH TO SUPPORT THE NEEDS OF THE PROVIDERS AND
9 LAHSA AS IT ADMINISTERS ITS BUSINESS OF DELIVERING THESE
10 SERVICES THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTNERS.

11
12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY WOULD THAT
13 HAVE BEEN TO HAVE SUCH A DOCUMENT TO CHRONICLE THAT AGREEMENT?
14 WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR?

15
16 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** THAT RESPONSIBILITY WOULD FALL ON LAHSA, AGAIN.

17
18 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE FUNDS, THEY
19 WERE TO?

20
21 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** THEY'RE BASICALLY DOING THE ALLOCATION TO THEIR
22 CONTRACTING PROVIDERS. SO AGAIN, NOW MEASURE H WAS TECHNICALLY
23 SCHEDULED TO SUNSET IN 27. THAT'S JUST RIGHT AROUND THE
24 CORNER. I THINK IT'S JUST BEST BUSINESS PRACTICES TO ENSURE
25 THAT YOU HAVE SOMETHING WELL DOCUMENTED IN ADVANCE, EVEN IF



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1 IT'S LADDERED OUT INTO THE 9TH OR 10TH YEAR, WHAT THAT PROCESS
2 IS GOING TO BE IN ORDER FOR THOSE PROVIDERS TO BE PREPARED TO
3 START, YOU KNOW, REFUNDING THOSE DOLLARS IF THEY HAVEN'T SPENT
4 THAT ADVANCE PRIOR TO THE SUNSETTING OF THE MEASURE RANGE. SO,
5 IT'S REALLY HAVING SOMETHING UPFRONT TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE
6 IS AWARE, AGAIN, BACK TO TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND
7 MAKING SURE THAT FUNDS ARE BEING RECOUPED AT THE END OF THE
8 MEASURE.

9

10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, I'M CURIOUS TO HEAR FROM LAHSA AND
11 MAYBE THE CEO, IF IT'S YOUR PERCEPTION THAT LAHSA WOULD HAVE
12 BEEN THE RESPONSIBLE ENTITY TO COMMUNICATE THAT EXPECTATION. I
13 DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS DOCUMENTED IN MEASURE H, I MEAN, I DON'T
14 KNOW WHERE THAT CAME FROM, BUT WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY WAS IT TO
15 FORMALIZE THAT UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT? I HEAR THE AUDITOR
16 SAYS IT'S LAHSA. I'M JUST CURIOUS WHAT LAHSA'S PERSPECTIVE IS.

17

18 **JANINE TREJO:** JANINE TREJO, CFO FOR LAHSA. WHAT I CAN SAY IS
19 THAT I BELIEVE IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF BOTH PARTIES TO
20 ESTABLISH AN AGREEMENT THAT OUTLINES WHAT THE EXPECTATIONS ARE
21 BETWEEN THE FUNDER AND THE ENTITY THAT IS RECEIVING THE
22 FUNDING AND BETWEEN THE THEN PASSING THROUGH THE FUNDS FROM
23 LAHSA TO THE SERVICE PROVIDERS. AND I DO AGREE WITH THE FACT
24 THAT THAT WAS NOT INITIALLY SET UP AND THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT
25 THE ADMINISTRATION RECOGNIZED AND THEN IMMEDIATELY ADDRESSED



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1 BY SENDING OUT THE SERVICE PROVIDER NOTIFICATIONS OUTLINING
2 THE RECOUPMENT PLAN AND PROCESS. AND THAT WAS ONE OF THE ITEMS
3 THAT WAS JUST NOTED IN THE AUDIT AS PART OF THE RESPONSES IS
4 THE, THE IDENTIFICATION OF REPAYMENT, IT DIDN'T IDENTIFY THE
5 SPIRIT OF THE, WHAT THE WORKING CAPITAL WAS. AND THE WORKING
6 CAPITAL WAS ESTABLISHED TO GIVE THE SERVICE PROVIDERS THE
7 OPERATIONAL DOLLARS SO THAT THIS WAY THEY COULD EXPAND THE
8 SYSTEM SINCE THERE WAS A LARGE INFLUX OF DOLLARS TO THE SYSTEM
9 WITH THE ONSET OF MEASURE H. SO, THIS IS, THAT IS MY
10 PERSPECTIVE. I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU WANNA ADD.

11
12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT. CEO, DO YOU HAVE
13 ANY COMMENT?

14
15 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I THINK THERE ARE A
16 FEW THINGS TO POINT OUT, I THINK, THAT WOULD HELP
17 CONTEXTUALIZE THIS CONVERSATION. ONE IS THE NATURE OF THE
18 FUNDS, WHICH WERE CALLED AN ADVANCE. AND I THINK UNDER GENERAL
19 ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES, ADVANCE IS NOT A GIFT. AND SO IT
20 CONTEMPLATES WITHIN THE WORD ITSELF, SOME SORT OF REPAYMENT OR
21 RECOUPMENT, ET CETERA. I THINK THE SECOND POINT THAT IS
22 IMPORTANT HERE IS EVEN IN THE OPERATING AGREEMENT, FROM WHAT I
23 UNDERSTAND, THE ORIGINAL VERSION OF THE OPERATING AGREEMENT,
24 THERE IS A CLAUSE THAT SAYS, COUNTY SHALL RECONCILE AND OR
25 RECOUP ALL ADVANCES BY THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR, WHICH AGAIN



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1 CONTEMPLATES THAT THERE WOULD BE SOME SORT OF REPAYMENT. SO
2 THAT'S THE WHAT. IN TERMS OF THE HOW, I AGREE THAT THERE IS
3 NOT CLEAR DOCUMENTATION THAT SAID THIS IS EXACTLY HOW THIS
4 WOULD HAPPEN, BUT I DO THINK THAT THERE WAS AN EXPECTATION
5 THAT IT WOULD HAPPEN. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT WE ARE SENDING
6 MEASURE H FUNDING THROUGH LAHSA DIRECTLY TO THE PROVIDERS,
7 THEN THAT'S WHERE LAHSA WOULD PLAY THEIR ROLE TO START THAT
8 RECOUPMENT PROCESS SO THAT THEN FUNDS COULD BE, YOU KNOW,
9 ACCOUNTED FOR WITH THE COUNTY. SO, I THINK MY TWO OVERARCHING
10 POINTS IS IT WAS IN ADVANCE. AND I DON'T THINK THERE WAS EVER
11 AN EXPECTATION THAT IT WOULD NEVER BE RECOUPED. AND THEN
12 SECONDLY, IT DOES TALK ABOUT DOING THIS RECONCILIATION EVERY
13 FISCAL YEAR.

14
15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT CLARIFICATION AND
16 THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BASIC ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES. SO HOW DID
17 WE GET HERE FROM 2017 TO 2024? IS THIS THE FIRST AUDIT ON FOR
18 LAHSA OF MEASURE H DOLLARS?

19
20 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** NO.

21
22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** NO. SO HOW DID WE GET HERE THAT THIS
23 IS JUST COMING TO FRUITION NOW, ALL THESE YEARS LATER, IF THE
24 EXPECTATION WAS THAT IT WOULD BE EVERY FISCAL YEAR, AND IF IT
25 WERE FOLLOWING BASIC ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES, HOW DO WE GET HERE



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1 TO 2024 AND IT'S JUST BEING ELEVATED?

2

3 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** WELL, WHAT I WOULD SAY TO THAT SUPERVISOR IS
4 IT'S NOT THAT THIS IS SOMETHING NEW IN TERMS OF OUR
5 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WAS HAPPENING. THE SECOND THING I WOULD
6 POINT OUT IS THAT MOST OF THE PEOPLE ON THAT DAIS OR ON THIS
7 DAIS WERE NOT INVOLVED IN THE EARLY YEARS OF IMPLEMENTATION
8 WHEN MEASURE H WAS PASSED. AND I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT THE
9 PRIOR AUDITS OF LAHSA, EVEN PRIOR TO THE CURRENT
10 ADMINISTRATION, THERE WERE CONSTANT CHALLENGES AND FINDINGS
11 RELATED TO CONTRACTING AND CASH FLOW. AND SO MY ASSESSMENT IS
12 THAT THERE WASN'T NECESSARILY A THOUGHT THAT WE WOULD WAIVE
13 THE REQUIREMENT, BUT THAT THERE WERE OTHER THINGS THAT KEPT
14 GETTING IN A WAY THAT REQUIRED MORE URGENT ATTENTION, WHICH
15 HAS BEEN CALLED OUT, I THINK, MULTIPLE TIMES IN PRIOR AUDITS.

16

17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, AS WE THINK ABOUT JUST WHAT IT
18 WILL TAKE, YOU KNOW, WHAT WOULD IT TAKE FOR THE COUNTY TO
19 ENSURE THAT EVERY RECEIPT IS SUBMITTED BY EVERY SERVICE
20 PROVIDER THAT LAHSA OR FOR THAT MATTER EVERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT
21 IS FOLLOWING UP AND TRACKING ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF
22 EACH FUNDING SOURCE. THAT, YOU KNOW, HAVING BEEN A NON-PROFIT
23 LEADER WITH A VERY LARGE COUNTY CONTRACT, I KNOW WHAT THE
24 COUNTY REQUIRED OF ME IN MANAGING MY CHILD CARE STAGE ONE
25 CONTRACT AND WHAT THE STATE REQUIRED OF ME AND WHAT THE



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1 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REQUIRED WITH ME AND WHAT WAS MADDENING WAS
2 THEY WERE ALL DIFFERENT REQUIREMENTS, BUT IT WAS
3 ACCOUNTABILITY. AND SO, IN THIS CASE, YOU KNOW, WHAT WOULD
4 THAT TAKE?

5
6 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, I THINK ONE OF OUR TENDENCIES, WHEN WE
7 FIND OURSELVES IN A SITUATION, WE START LAYERING ON MORE AND
8 MORE PROCESSES. PROCESSES HAVE TO BE MONITORED AND WRITTEN
9 DOWN, THEN THEY HAVE TO BE SUPERVISED AND THEN REPORTED, ET
10 CETERA, ET CETERA. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE, AND I'LL
11 ASK CHERI TO TALK TO THIS, IS WHEN THE BOARD DIRECTED US TO
12 CHANGE AND FRONT LOAD THE ADVANCE PAYMENT MODEL THAT WAS DONE
13 MAYBE LIKE APRIL OR MAY OF THIS YEAR. WE TRIED TO DO THE
14 ADVANCES IN A WAY THAT WOULD NOT REQUIRE A BUNCH OF PAPERWORK
15 AND PROCESSING BECAUSE WE KNEW THAT PEOPLE WHO WERE DOING THE
16 PAPERWORK AND PROCESSING, WE ALSO NEEDED THEM TO FOCUS ON
17 PROVIDING SERVICE DELIVERY. AND WE ALSO THINK THAT IF THIS
18 BOARD WERE TO ADOPT THE ITEM ON THE NEW DEPARTMENT, WE'VE
19 ALREADY STARTED TO THINK ABOUT SOME STREAMLINED PROCESSING
20 THAT WE KNOW THAT WORKS. HOUSING FOR HEALTH IS A GREAT EXAMPLE
21 THAT'S LOCATED IN DHS. HOUSING FOR HEALTH IS PROBABLY THE 3RD
22 OR 4TH LARGEST PROVIDER OF HOMELESSNESS SERVICES IN THE
23 COUNTRY. AND I THINK IN MANY REGARDS, THEY ARE A GREAT EXAMPLE
24 OF CONTRACTING EFFICIENCY. SO, I DO THINK THAT THERE IS A WAY
25 TO DO THIS WITHOUT DOUBLING DOWN ON A LOT OF ADMINISTRATIVE



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1 AND I DON'T WANT TO SAY BUREAUCRATIC IN A NEGATIVE WAY, BUT
2 THOSE PROCEDURES THAT ARE DESIGNED TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY.

3
4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO BE IN A
5 POSITION WHERE THIS BOARD HEARS FROM PROVIDERS, DIRECTS YOU TO
6 GET THE MONEY OUT QUICKLY, THEN THE AUDITOR COMES BACK 1 YEAR,
7 6 YEARS, 20 YEARS LATER AND SAYS, BASIC ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES
8 WEREN'T FOLLOWED WHEN THE POLICY SAID GET THE MONEY OUT
9 BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO HOUSE PEOPLE. AND COMMUNICATION FROM
10 WHEREVER IT SHOULD HAVE COME FROM DIDN'T HAPPEN FROM EITHER
11 LAHSA, COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDERS IN TERMS OF THE STRINGS
12 ATTACHED TO THESE RESOURCES. ANY COMMENTS FROM THE AUDITOR
13 BEFORE I...

14
15 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** I WOULD SAY WITH REGARDS TO WHAT CAN BE DONE IN
16 THE FUTURE, I THINK IT'S EMBEDDED IN THE AUDIT REPORT. IT'S
17 CONTINUOUS MONITORING OF YOUR CONTRACTORS RISK ASSESSMENT,
18 MAKING SURE THAT YOU REALLY HAVE SOME TYPE OF METHODOLOGY TO
19 ASSESS RISK AND THAT YOU DEVELOP A PROCESS TO GO OUT THERE AND
20 REALLY ENSURE THAT THE DOLLARS THAT ARE BEING PROVIDED TO
21 THOSE CONTRACTORS ARE BEING MAXIMIZED AND USED FOR THEIR
22 INTENDED PURPOSES. AGAIN, THESE ARE PUBLIC FUNDS.

23
24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND AGAIN, THAT'S NOT WHAT THIS AUDIT
25 DID. YOU DID NOT DETERMINE WHETHER THE DOLLARS WERE USED FOR



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SUPERVISORS

1 INTENDED PURPOSES.

2
3 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** CORRECT. THAT WAS NOT PART OF THE SCOPE.

4
5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE
6 THAT IT'S CRYSTAL CLEAR TO EVERYBODY BECAUSE WE ARE NOT IN A
7 POSITION, I DON'T THINK ANY OF US WANT TO DEMONIZE THE
8 PROVIDERS. WE CAN'T HOUSE PEOPLE WITHOUT THE PARTNERSHIP WITH
9 THE PROVIDER COMMUNITY. WE HAVE HEARD REPEATEDLY FROM THE
10 PROVIDER COMMUNITY THAT WE CONTINUE TO COMPROMISE THEIR
11 ABILITY TO BE SUCCESSFUL WITH OUR GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRATIC LATE
12 PAYMENTS. SO, WE ARE ASKING THEM TO DO THE WORK, FINANCE IT,
13 WHILE WE FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET THEM PAID. AND NOW HOW TO MAKE
14 SURE THAT THE GIFT OF PUBLIC FUNDS WAS AN ACCURATE ONE AND
15 APPROPRIATE WITH APPROPRIATE TRACKING AND RECEIPTS AND RECORD-
16 KEEPING. BASED ON THE EQUITY AND COUNTY CONTRACTING WORK, AND
17 WE'VE BEEN HEARING FOR YEARS IN THE WORK LED BY THE CENTER FOR
18 NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT, THE ORGANIZATIONS CONTRACTING WITH THE
19 COUNTY NEED STREAMLINED APPLICATIONS AND REPORTING. THEY NEED
20 INCREASED ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL FUNDING. WE LIKE TO
21 FUND DIRECT SERVICE, BUT WE ALSO HAVE THIS LAYER OF
22 ADMINISTRATIVE WORK THAT WE NEED TO HELP THESE NONPROFIT
23 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS PAY FOR THAT TOO. IT'S NOT CHEAP
24 TO HAVE APPROPRIATE BACK-OF-THE-HOUSE SUPPORT, CFO, TO HELP US
25 MANAGE THESE MULTIPLE FUNDING STREAMS, SO I GET THAT. WHAT HAS



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1 THE COUNTY DONE IN THIS REGARD AS WE LOOK AT THE ONGOING
2 MEASURE A FUNDING AND THE NEED TO CONTINUE A PRIVATE PUBLIC
3 MODEL OF SERVICE DELIVERY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF LA COUNTY
4 RESIDENTS? THAT'S EITHER TO THE CEO OR TO THE AUDITOR. IN
5 TERMS OF STREAMLINING THE CONTRACTING PROCESS SO WE DON'T
6 CONTINUE TO BURDEN COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND NOT PAY
7 FOR THAT WORK.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** MS. SUPERVISOR, I'M GOING TO ASK CHERI
10 TODOROFF TO SPEAK TO WHATEVER MEASURES WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED
11 UNDER OUR EMERGENCY DECLARATION.

12

13 **CHERI TODOROFF:** YES, THANK YOU. I THINK WE HAVE SEEN A MODEL
14 OF CONTRACTING AND PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT THAT HAS BEEN
15 EFFECTIVE UNDER THE HOUSING FOR HEALTH MODEL, AND THAT IS ONE
16 THAT WE HAVE LEARNED FROM. IT'S ALSO ONE THAT LAHSA HAS LOOKED
17 AT AND LEARNED FROM AS WELL. I THINK THE MOST NOTABLE ACTIVITY
18 THAT'S HAPPENED THAT HAS IMPACTED OUR ABILITY TO SUPPORT
19 PROVIDERS WOULD HAVE BEEN THIS BOARD'S DECISION TO DO THE
20 ADVANCE TO PROVIDERS FOR THEIR CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FUND
21 STARTING IN 2024/25. AND SO THAT IS AN ADVANCE IN WHICH WE
22 GIVE 80% OF ONE QUARTER OF THE BUDGET TO LAHSA ON A QUARTERLY
23 BASIS. AND LAHSA THEN PROVIDES ADVANCES TO THE PROVIDERS ON A
24 MONTHLY BASIS. THOSE ADVANCES ARE PROVIDED BEFORE THE START OF
25 EACH MONTH IN WHICH THEY WOULD INCUR THE COST SO THAT THEY



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1 WILL HAVE THE FUNDS ON HAND AS THEY'RE INCURRING THOSE COSTS.
2 THIS NEW ADVANCE IS ALSO ONE OF THE CONSIDERATIONS RELATED TO
3 THE TIMING OF THE RECOVERY OF THAT ORIGINAL \$82,000,000
4 ADVANCE BECAUSE THOSE DOLLARS HAVE CONTINUED TO BE USED BY
5 PROVIDERS TO SUPPORT THAT ORIGINAL STARTUP AS WELL AS ONGOING
6 CASH FLOW BY LAHSA AS WELL. SO, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW
7 ADVANCE MODEL ALSO PROVIDED AND CREATED THE NEED TO BEGIN THE
8 PROCESS RELATED TO THE PROCEDURE FOR RECOVERING THE ORIGINAL
9 \$82,000,000 ADVANCE. I WOULD LIKE TO ADD THAT THE NEW ADVANCE
10 MODEL THAT WENT INTO PLACE IN THIS CURRENT FISCAL YEAR DOES
11 QUARTERLY RECONCILIATION AND WILL DO FULL RECOUPMENT ON AN
12 ANNUAL BASIS.

13
14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS. IT'S NOT
15 KIND OF THE SAME OLD SAME OLD.

16
17 **CHERI TODOROFF:** IT IS NOT.

18
19 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU.

20
21 **OSCAR VADEZ:** SUPERVISOR, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK
22 WITH REGARDS TO BEING PROACTIVE, AUDITOR CONTROLLER, OR
23 PARTICIPATE IN SOME OF THE DISCUSSIONS. YOU KNOW, DEFINITELY
24 CREATING STANDARDIZED TEMPLATES, PROCESSES, YOU KNOW, TO
25 FACILITATE THE PROVIDERS TO START CAPTURING DATA. THAT WAY WE



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1 DON'T HAVE TO GO BACK TO THEM AND FACILITATE THAT
2 RECONCILIATION PROCESS FOR THE ADVANCES. BUT ROBERT, IF YOU
3 WANT TO.

4
5 **ROBERT CAMPBELL:** YEAH, JUST TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR, ABOUT,
6 YOU KNOW, THE FUTURE STATE OF THINGS. I MEAN, WE ARE ALL
7 COGNIZANT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN OF AUDITS AND OVERSIGHT
8 ACTIVITIES. THEY ARE NECESSARY, BUT TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY
9 CAN BE ENGINEERED AT THE FRONT END, BUILT INTO CONTRACTS, SO
10 THAT EVERYBODY IS COLLECTING USABLE, COMPARABLE DATA, AND THEY
11 UNDERSTAND HOW THAT DATA IS GOING TO BE USED TO ASSESS
12 OUTCOMES. WE THINK THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES TO REDUCE THE
13 ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN WHILE ALSO PROVIDING MORE USEFUL
14 INFORMATION TO POLICYMAKERS AND THAT IS OUR COMMITMENT TO THIS
15 PROCESS GOING FORWARD.

16
17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT VERY MUCH FROM MY
18 PERSPECTIVE THAT IS THE SOLUTION I APPRECIATE THAT. MADAM
19 CHAIR SINCE THIS WAS HELD WITH ITEM 21 SHOULD I SPEAK TO ITEM
20 21 OR LATER? NOW? OKAY, GREAT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR
21 PERMISSION. THIS WAS HELPFUL. I APPRECIATE THOSE LAST COMMENTS
22 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, AUDITS ARE A SNAPSHOT IN TIME IN THE PAST
23 AND THE GOAL SHOULD BE HOW DO WE CREATE SYSTEMS TO IMPROVE
24 GOING FUTURES INTO THE FUTURE SO I APPRECIATE YOUR POINT. I AM
25 IN KEEPING WITH MY PAST PRACTICE AROUND BLUE-RIBBON



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1 COMMISSION, I WILL BE ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE TODAY ON ITEM
2 21, WHICH IS BASED ON BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS 1
3 AND 3. I'VE CONSISTENTLY RAISED THAT THE CHALLENGES ARE NOT TO
4 OUR HOMELESSNESS WORK AND AGENCY ARE NOT DUE TO GOVERNANCE OR
5 ORGANIZATIONAL FORM. THE CHALLENGES THAT THE AUDIT AND SERVICE
6 PROVIDERS RAISE ARE ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL. CREATING A
7 NEW ENTITY AND OR EMERGING DEPARTMENTS DOES NOT RESOLVE WHAT
8 SERVICE PROVIDERS SAY THEY NEED TO DELIVER HIGH QUALITY
9 SERVICES TO OUR UNHOUSED FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.
10 FURTHER, THE BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS REPORT
11 RECOMMENDED EXPLORING DIFFERENT FORMATIONS, INCLUDING A JPA,
12 WHICH IS WHAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE. THIS COULD HAVE REAL IMPACT
13 FOR ALL ANGELENOS IF THE COUNTY'S EQUITY IN CONTRACTING WORK
14 WERE FURTHER ALONG AND DEMONSTRATING THE IMPACT OF INCREASING
15 ACCESS TO RESOURCES FOR A LARGER POOL OF PUBLIC NON-PROFIT AND
16 FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, SERVICE PROVIDERS HAVE REPEATEDLY
17 TOLD US THEY ARE FACING DIRE CIRCUMSTANCES BECAUSE OF THE
18 BACKLOG OF THEIR PAYMENTS. AND SO NOW BECAUSE OF THE AUDIT,
19 SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE CONFRONTED WITH EITHER FINDING ALL OF
20 THEIR RECEIPTS GOING BACK TO 2017 OR PAYING MILLIONS OF
21 DOLLARS BACK. AGAIN, THIS AUDIT DID NOT INVESTIGATE WHETHER
22 THEY SPENT THOSE DOLLARS INCORRECTLY. THAT WAS NOT THE NATURE
23 OF THIS AUDIT. SO AS A BOARD, I THINK WE SHOULD BE ADDRESSING
24 HOW TO IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENT THE NEEDED ADMINISTRATIVE
25 CAPACITY TO RESOLVE THESE PAYMENT ISSUES. INSTEAD, WHAT IS



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1 BEFORE US IS CREATING A NEW ENTITY THAT WILL FOLLOW PERHAPS
2 THE SAME INTERNAL CONTRACTING RULES AND PROCEDURES, THE SAME
3 FUNDING REQUIREMENTS, AND THE SAME RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE
4 UNDERCUTTING OUR PROVIDERS CURRENTLY. I DO NOT SEE HOW
5 SHIFTING ALL THE HOMELESS SERVICES FUNDING AND PROGRAMS TO ONE
6 DEPARTMENT ADDRESSES THE TRUE CHALLENGES THAT SERVICE
7 PROVIDERS ARE FACING. AND FINALLY, OVER THE LAST 2 YEARS,
8 WE'VE CREATED A NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS, AND WE'RE ABOUT TO GO
9 THROUGH ANOTHER MONUMENTAL SHIFT IN HOW WE OPERATE, INCLUDING
10 CREATING NEW DEPARTMENTS AND BOARD OFFICES. AND SO I'M NOT
11 SURE THAT THIS IS THE TIME OR IF IT'S TRULY EFFICIENT AN
12 ENDEAVOR TO MAKE THIS TRANSITION WHEN THERE ARE OTHER REMEDIES
13 THAT CAN BE PUT IN PLACE, AS WE'VE HEARD TODAY, TO MAKE THE
14 LAHSA EXPERIENCE MORE EFFICIENT WITH OUR SHARED ULTIMATE GOAL
15 OF GETTING PEOPLE HOUSED AND PAYING PROVIDERS AND OUR
16 PARTNERSHIP WITH PROVIDERS AND STANDING UP THESE NONPROFIT
17 ORGANIZATIONS IS THE WAY IN WHICH WE DO THAT. IF THE HEALTH
18 FOR ALL MODEL IS WORKING, IF THESE IF THE SUGGESTED CHANGES
19 BASED ON WHAT WE'VE LEARNED FROM THE AUDIT IS WORKING, HOW
20 ABOUT WE DO THAT VERSUS A MAJOR SHIFT IN HOW THE COUNTY AND
21 THE SERVICE PROVIDERS EXPERIENCE THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH US
22 FOR THE LAST SEVERAL DECADES? IF WE HAVE LEARNED FROM THIS
23 AUDIT, IF WE'VE ALREADY PUT NEW POLICIES IN PLACE, LET'S
24 CONTINUE TO PUSH ON THOSE, AS OPPOSED TO REALLY CREATE A
25 DISRUPTION THAT THIS KIND OF TRANSITION WOULD CREATE. THANK



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1 YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

2

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

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK THE AUDITOR-
6 CONTROLLER, HI, AND LAHSA AND STAFF FOR BEING HERE. FOR ME, I
7 JUST WANT TO SAY THAT A LOT OF THE INFORMATION THAT WAS
8 PRESENTED IN THE AUDIT HAS NOT BEEN A SHOCK TO ME. AND I MEAN
9 THAT IN MORE OF JUST MY HISTORY ON THE BOARD AND KNOWING WHAT
10 LAHSA HAS FACED IN TERMS OF CHALLENGES AND WHAT I'VE HEARD
11 FROM OUR PROVIDERS. AND I THINK FOR ME, THIS GOES BACK TO
12 THINKING ABOUT HOW WE WERE GOING TO BE DISTRIBUTING MEASURE H
13 MONIES A LONG TIME AGO, A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, WITH RESPECT TO
14 OUR COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND OUR SMALLER CITIES, AND OF
15 COURSE, UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SO FOR ME, I GO BACK TO THAT
16 PREMISE OF HOW MONIES WERE ALLOCATED, WHAT PROVIDERS WERE
17 AVAILABLE AND HAVING TO KIND OF REFORMAT WITHIN OUR OWN
18 STRUCTURE AND LOSSES TO TRY TO GET OUT THERE IMMEDIATELY
19 BECAUSE WE DID GET THIS INFLUX OF FUNDS AND CLEARLY THE
20 INFRASTRUCTURE, I REMEMBER EVEN HEARING WHEN WE STARTED TO PUT
21 UP OUR INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SOME OF THE PROVIDER STAFF WERE
22 COMING TO THE COUNTY BECAUSE WE PAID BETTER. I HEARD THAT A
23 LOT. THAT WAS JUST A REACTION TO WHAT WE WERE DOING. BUT WHAT
24 I'M CONCERNED ABOUT TODAY IS THAT MANY OF OUR PROVIDERS STILL
25 ARE NOT GETTING THE KINDS OF SERVICES THAT WE KNOW THEY NEED,



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1 AND THAT IS MAKING SURE THAT THEY'RE PAID IN A TIMELY MANNER.
2 AND ALSO, FOR SOME OF THOSE PROVIDERS WHO ARE KIND OF
3 STRETCHING THEIR CAPACITY IN TERMS OF STAFF TO EXTEND
4 THEMSELVES ALL THE WAY OUT. FOR EXAMPLE, THERE ARE MANY
5 PROVIDERS THAT ARE FROM PRIMARILY LOS ANGELES CITY. WE'VE
6 ASKED SOME OF THEM TO EXTEND THEIR SERVICES ALL THE WAY OUT TO
7 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, EAST LOS ANGELES, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY.
8 AND THAT IS A BIG HIT, I SEE, ON OUR PROVIDERS. AND MAKING
9 SURE THAT THEY HAD TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND PERHAPS MORE, I
10 DON'T WANT TO SAY JUST MONITORING, BUT GUIDANCE, MENTORING OF
11 HOW TO EXTEND THEIR SERVICES AND TO ALSO BE ABLE TO PUT IN
12 PLACE ALL THE BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATIVE NUANCES THAT WERE
13 GOING TO BE REQUIRED THAT PERHAPS SOME OF US WEREN'T REALLY
14 FOCUSED ON AT THE TIME BECAUSE WE WERE SO IMMEDIATELY FOCUSED
15 ON GETTING SERVICES OUT. WHEN I THINK BACK IN RETROSPECT,
16 THAT'S WHY SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I PUT FORWARD THE BLUE-RIBBON
17 COMMISSION, BECAUSE WE WANTED TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHERE THE GAPS
18 WERE. SO FOR ME, THAT'S WHERE THIS STARTS, AND TRYING TO
19 RECTIFY THAT. AND I DON'T HOLD ALL OUR PROVIDERS AT FAULT BUT
20 I DO AGREE THAT I DO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS WITH RESPECT TO
21 CONTINUANCE OF FUNDS TO MAYBE SUB AS YOU OUTLINED OUT AS YOU
22 OUTLINE IT HERE SOME OF THE SUB WHAT DO THEY CALL SUB
23 RECIPIENTS THAT ARE STILL WE'RE STILL RECEIVING MONIES AND
24 DON'T HAVE A CONTRACT WITH US. CAN YOU EXPLAIN THAT TO ME,
25 PLEASE?



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2 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** I WOULD SAY, AND I CAN ASK STAFF TO JUMP IN, BUT
3 FOR CLARIFICATION, IT'S SUBRECIPIENTS OR CONTRACTORS THAT ARE
4 NO LONGER DOING BUSINESS WITH LAHSA THAT HAVE UNREQUITED
5 ADVANCES SO IT'S NOT THAT THEY'RE STILL RECEIVING ONGOING
6 PAYMENTS

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** BUT WE'RE TRYING TO CLAW BACK THAT MONEY?
9 THEY'VE BEEN PAID.

10

11 **JEFFREY HO:** HI THERE, JEFFREY HO WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.
12 IT'S THAT THEY RECEIVED ADVANCES IN THE PAST WHEN THE
13 PROVIDERS DID HAVE CONTRACTS WITH LAHSA, BUT LAHSA DID NOT
14 RECOUP THOSE ADVANCES BEFORE THE CONTRACT ENDED.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO ARE THOSE SUB-RECIPIENTS OR FOLKS IN ANY
17 WAY STILL INVOLVED WITH PROVIDING SERVICES IN THE COUNTY
18 THROUGH OUR COUNTY CONTRACTING?

19

20 **JEFFREY HO:** IT'S POSSIBLE, BUT WE DO NOT HAVE AN ANSWER TO
21 THAT.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WOULD LIKE TO GET INFORMATION ON THAT AND
24 THAT WAY WE CAN AVOID THIS FROM HAPPENING AGAIN. I DON'T PUT
25 EVERYTHING ON LAHSA BUT I DO THINK THAT WE ALSO HAVE A



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1 RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE PRACTICES ARE NOT
2 CONTINUED. OBVIOUSLY, WHEN WE KNOW THERE'S A BAD ACTOR, WE
3 EITHER PUT THEM ON A LIST AND SAY, WE'RE NOT GOING TO CONTRACT
4 WITH YOU OR YOU'RE ON A CARE, YOU'RE ON A PROGRAM THAT YOU'RE
5 GOING TO HAVE TO RECTIFY YOURSELF BEFORE YOU COME BACK IN. SO
6 I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THAT. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT THERE ARE
7 SOME OF OUR PROVIDERS WHO REALLY BELIEVED THAT THEY DID NOT
8 HAVE TO PAY BACK THIS FUND MONIES, THAT THEY WERE ADVANCED
9 UNTIL THE END OF MEASURE H. AND THAT, YOU KNOW, AS SUPERVISOR
10 MITCHELL RAISED, THAT'S WHAT I'VE HEARD, NOT FROM ALL OF OUR
11 PROVIDERS, BUT CERTAINLY FROM MOST. AND I WANT TO ASK THE
12 CONTROLLER THEN HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THAT FROM THE GET-GO THAT
13 DOES NOT HAPPEN, EVEN WITH THE NEW MONEY COMING IN FROM
14 MEASURE A? WE'VE HEARD A LITTLE BIT OF WHAT CHERI TODOROFF HAS
15 SAID, BUT MY SENSE IS THAT WE REALLY, THIS HAS TO BE SOMEHOW
16 CODIFIED IN SOME MANNER.

17
18 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AND I THINK IT'S DEFINITELY DEVELOPING THE
19 UPFRONT PROCESS BEFOREHAND. AGAIN, IF IT'S GOING TO BE IN THE
20 OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT, PROVIDING ADDITIONAL DETAIL TO THE
21 CONTRACTORS OR TO LAHSA. SAME THING FROM LAHSA TO CONTRACTORS,
22 YOU KNOW, WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS ARE GOING TO BE. I KNOW WITH
23 THE EXPECTATION OF NEW REVENUE STREAMS COMING IN, I KNOW
24 THERE'S GOING TO BE AN OVERSIGHT. SO, I THINK IT'S REALLY
25 GOING TO BE COMMUNICATION, YOU KNOW, TO THOSE PROVIDERS AND



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1 MAKING SURE THAT THINGS ARE BAKED INTO ANY FUTURE TYPE OF
2 AGREEMENT WITH LAHSA OR THE CONTRACTORS. I'LL DEFER ALSO TO
3 ROBERT FOR ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.

4
5 **ROBERT CAMPBELL:** SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU. I WOULD JUST ADD THAT
6 THE OBSERVATION, THE RECOMMENDATION THAT WE HAD SURROUNDING
7 THE LACK OF AGREEMENTS MEMORIALIZING THE ADVANCES AND THE
8 TERMS OF THEM, I THINK SPEAKS DIRECTLY TO YOUR QUESTION. THOSE
9 WOULD HAVE BEEN THE IDEAL VEHICLE TO COMMUNICATE EXPECTATIONS
10 AND TO CLARIFY WHEN AND THE MANNER UNDER WHICH THOSE ADVANCES
11 WOULD BE RECOUPED. AND IN THE ABSENCE OF THOSE, IT PROVIDED A
12 LACK OF CLARITY TO EVERYONE, LAHSA AND THE PROVIDERS, ON THAT
13 POINT.

14
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND DOES LAHSA CONCUR WITH THAT?

16
17 **JANINE TREJO:** I AGREE, BECAUSE THERE WAS NOTHING ESTABLISHED
18 BETWEEN IN THE OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT THAT LAHSA HAS WITH THE
19 COUNTY AS TO THE WORKING CAPITAL AND HOW THAT WAS GOING TO BE
20 REPAID AND THE LENGTH AND THE TIME SPAN FOR THAT. AND IN TURN,
21 LAHSA DID NOT PUT THAT INTO THE SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT. I
22 THINK THAT CREATED SOME CONFUSION BETWEEN LAHSA AND THE COUNTY
23 AND BETWEEN LAHSA AND THE SERVICE PROVIDERS. AND IF THAT WAS
24 IN THE AGREEMENTS UP FRONT AND OUTLINED HOW THE WORKING
25 CAPITAL WAS GOING TO BE OPERATIONALIZED, I DON'T THINK WE



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1 WOULD BE IN THE SITUATION THAT WE ARE TODAY. BUT WE ARE AND WE
2 HAVE TO LEARN FROM THE LESSONS AND MAKE IMPROVEMENTS GOING
3 FORWARD.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THE AUDITOR, CAN I ASK YOU THAT SAME
6 QUESTION?

7

8 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** YES. AND, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I DID
9 WANT TO CLARIFY IN REGARDS TO THE SCOPE OF THE AUDIT, IT DID
10 NOT ACCOUNT FOR THE OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY
11 NOR LOSSES. SO AGAIN, OUR PROCESS WAS SPECIFICALLY FOCUSED ON
12 THE OPERATIONS FROM WELL-SET WITH THEIR PROVIDERS. BUT YEAH, I
13 THINK IT'S JUST A GOOD BUSINESS SENSE TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU
14 MEMORIALIZE, YOU KNOW, WHAT THE EXPECTATIONS ARE. I KNOW THE
15 PREVIOUS MAYBE DID NOT ENCAPSULATE EVERYTHING, BUT AND YOU
16 PROBABLY DON'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BASICALLY PUT EVERY
17 SINGLE DETAIL, BUT I THINK INDIVIDUALS, YOU KNOW, AGENCIES
18 STILL HAVE OWNERSHIP WITH REGARDS TO BUILDING THEIR OWN
19 INTERNAL CONTROLS, THEIR OWN PROCESSES, THEIR OWN
20 COMMUNICATIONS TO, YOU KNOW, PROVIDERS ON WHAT ADDITIONAL
21 EXPECTATIONS THEY HAVE OF THEIR PROVIDERS. SO YEAH, I WOULD
22 SAY JOINTLY, BUT I THINK EVERYONE NEEDS TO ENSURE THAT WE
23 PROPERLY COMMUNICATE FROM ALL SIDES.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND CHERI, YOU MENTIONED THIS EARLIER IN



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1 YOUR REPORT ON MEASURE A ABOUT SETTING UP CRITERIA FOR METRICS
2 AS WE MOVE FORWARD. SO, I'M ASSUMING THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE A
3 COLLABORATIVE PROCESS WITH LAHSA. AND IS THERE, COULD YOU
4 ELABORATE ON THAT?

5

6 **CHERI TODOROFF:** THAT IS CORRECT. THE LEADERSHIP TABLE HAS BEEN
7 WORKING ON METRICS ALONG WITH GOALS AND ANNUAL TARGETS. DR.
8 ADAMS KELLUM HAS BEEN LEADING SOME OF THAT WORK ON THE
9 LEADERSHIP TABLE. IT IS INCLUSIVE OF THE WORK THAT LAHSA HAS
10 DONE ON METRICS AND KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS. AND THAT WILL
11 BE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT GO TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ALSO
12 TO THE BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** DR. KELLENS, DID YOU WANNA?

15

16 **DR. VA LECIA ADAMS KELLUM:** THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THAT. WHEN I STARTED AT LAHSA WITH A NEW
18 TEAM, WE IMMEDIATELY PUT FORTH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR KEY
19 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND ADAPTED OUR CONTRACTING TO HAVE
20 MORE ACCOUNTABILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND METRICS. WE KNEW THAT
21 THAT WOULD NOT BE ENOUGH FOR LAHSA TO IMPLEMENT ALONE, AND WE
22 TURNED TO THE COUNTY CO, HI AND FOUND AGREEMENT ON KEY
23 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS. IT HAS ALSO BEEN MY PASSION TO LEAD
24 WITH DATA AND FOR US TO INVEST BASED ON WHAT WORKS AND TO SEE
25 THAT WE CAN SHARE WITH THE EXECUTIVE TABLE FOR MEASURE A WHAT



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1 WE SHOULD BE PURSUING AS A TEAM AROUND WHAT WORKS IS WHAT IS
2 REALLY EXCITING AND GIVING US HOPE IN THE MOMENT THAT WE'RE
3 IN. SO, WE DEFINITELY ARE DRIVING PERFORMANCE AND WE'RE REALLY
4 HAPPY TO SAY THAT THE PROVIDERS ARE ALSO WELCOMING THIS MOMENT
5 OF LOOKING AT PERFORMANCE AND INFORMING ALL OF YOU AROUND
6 WHAT'S WORKING, WHAT'S NOT, OUR DATA DASHBOARDS, WHICH LAHSA
7 HAS BEEN TALKING ABOUT DATA FOR YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS. BUT
8 IN ONE YEAR, MY NEW TEAM HAS DEVELOPED DASHBOARDS THAT WILL
9 LOOK RIGHT INTO THE WORK, WHAT EVERY TEAM IS DOING, WHAT EVERY
10 PROVIDER IS DOING, AND WE'RE ALSO GOING TO PUT OUR FINANCES IN
11 THE DASHBOARD SO YOU HAVE AN EYE TO THE WORK WE'RE DOING AT
12 LAHSA.

13
14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** JUST ONE QUESTION FOR CEO I KNOW WE HAVE
15 TALKED A LOT OVER THE YEARS ABOUT THE STRUGGLES WE HAVE
16 COUNTY, LAHSA AND JUST THE WHOLE EFFORT TO TRY TO DELIVER
17 SERVICES. AND ONE OF YOUR MOVES WAS TO ACTUALLY PUT IN PLACE
18 CHERI TODOROFF, BRINGING HER ON BOARD SO THAT WE COULD HAVE A
19 BETTER COORDINATED LOOK INTO HOW THESE DOLLARS WERE DISPERSED.
20 AND I THINK FOR ME, I'M THINKING BACK THAT WE HAD HEARD THAT
21 THERE WERE A LOT OF TECHNICAL AND FUNDING ISSUES WITH LAHSA
22 BECAUSE OF THEIR LACK OF ABILITY TO COLLECT ALL THE DATA TO
23 BEGIN WITH AND THAT'S KIND OF BEEN THE HISTORY IS MY
24 UNDERSTANDING AND NOW AS WE'RE MOVING FORWARD AND WE HAVE
25 MEASURE A MONEY'S COMING IN HOW WILL WE WORK WITH THE CITY? IF



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1 AT ALL IN HOW I KNOW WE WILL BUT I'M JUST I WANT TO GET A
2 SENSE OF HOW THAT IS GOING TO WORK AND PERHAPS CEO AND CHERI
3 TODOROFF COULD TALK ABOUT THAT.

4
5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, I'LL TAKE A FIRST STEP. WE OBVIOUSLY,
6 SUPERVISOR, WANT TO CONTINUE TO PARTNER WITH THE CITY OF LOS
7 ANGELES. OF COURSE, THEY ARE THEIR OWN GOVERNMENTAL
8 JURISDICTION, AND WE CAN'T TELL THEM WHAT TO DO. BUT THE HOPE
9 IS, IS BY TAKING A REGIONAL APPROACH THROUGH THE EXECUTIVE,
10 THE ECRHA TABLE, AND THE LEADERSHIP TABLE, THAT THE COUNTY,
11 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE OTHER 87 CITIES CAN COME INTO
12 ALIGNMENT ON THE TYPES OF STRATEGIES THAT WE SHOULD BE
13 PURSUING, THE ONES THAT WORK, THE ONES THAT DON'T WORK AND
14 THAT ARE MORE SOLUTIONS DESIGNED TO MEET THE MOMENT BUT ARE
15 NOT SUSTAINABLE IN TERMS OF REDUCING HOMELESSNESS IN THE LONG
16 RUN. THE CITY WILL ALSO RECEIVE ITS OWN ALLOCATION UNDER
17 MEASURE H TO THE TUNE OF ABOUT \$60,000,000 A YEAR. AND THE
18 HOPE IS, IS AS WE IDENTIFY BEST PRACTICES AND AS THE CITY
19 IDENTIFIES BEST PRACTICES, THAT THERE IS THAT ABILITY TO LEARN
20 AND SHARE WITH EACH OTHER.

21
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO, RIGHT. AND I THINK IT WAS POINTED OUT ON
23 THE MEASURE A CHART THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUND THE PORTION I
24 GUESS IS 60% FOR LA CITY IS THAT CORRECT? CHERI, I THINK YOU
25 SAID THAT.



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2 **CHERI TODOROFF:** THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUND PROVIDES THE BOARD
3 WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER USING THE HOMELESS COUNT TO
4 HELP INFORM THE ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY ALONG WITH OTHER DATA
5 POINTS AT THE BOARD'S DISCRETION. SO, IF YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE
6 HOMELESS COUNT, YES, THAT WOULD BE CORRECT, ABOUT 60%. WE WILL
7 BE PROVIDING THOSE OPTIONS TO YOUR OFFICES VERY SOON.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND THAT'S WHAT LAHSA'S MISSION HAS BEEN,
10 RIGHT? TO HELP US OUT WITH THE HOMELESS COUNT AND TO DO A
11 BETTER JOB OF COLLABORATING, I THINK, WITH OUR CITIES. I HAVE
12 TO RAISE THAT BECAUSE I KNOW SOME OF OUR CITIES, THIS PAST
13 COUNT, WERE NOT FEELING THAT THERE WAS CONSISTENCY. AND WE
14 TALKED ABOUT IT WITH LAHSA. SO I'M HOPING THAT THAT'S REALLY
15 WHERE LAHSA'S MISSION STARTED I BELIEVE BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT
16 YOU ARE KIND OF CHARTERED TO DO IS TO HELP US WITH THE COUNT,
17 IS THAT CORRECT? AND THEN WORKING WITH OUR CITIES.

18

19 **DR. VA LECIA ADAMS LELLUM:** YES, SUPERVISOR, I FOUND THAT WHEN
20 I CAME TO LAHSA, THERE WAS SOME LACK OF CLEAR GUIDANCE IN THE
21 RELATIONSHIP THAT WE SHOULD HAVE TO EACH OF YOU, AS WELL AS
22 THE UNINCORPORATED CITIES. THAT IS WHY I PUT TOGETHER A MULTI-
23 DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE TEAM THAT WOULD GO OUT TO THOSE CITIES
24 AS THEY CALL AND ASSIST IN GETTING PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS INTO
25 HOUSING. SO THAT IS A PART OF IT. BUT LAHSA IS ALSO IN OUR



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1 MISSION TO DRIVE SOLUTIONS TO THE CRISIS OF HOMELESSNESS,
2 WHICH ALSO MEANS IMPROVING THE REHOUSING SYSTEM OVERALL.
3 RESPONDING TO THE EMERGENCY, YES. IMPROVING THE EXTENT TO
4 WHICH PEOPLE MOVE FROM UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS TO HOUSING AND
5 ALL IN BETWEEN, AS WELL AS ENSURING THERE IS DATA AND METRICS
6 AROUND WHAT WORKS AND WHAT DOESN'T. THOSE ARE ALL THINGS THAT
7 WE ARE CALLED TO DO IN OUR MISSION AND WHAT I INSTITUTED WHEN
8 I CAME. AND OBVIOUSLY IT'S JUST A SHORT WHILE SINCE I'VE BEEN
9 THERE OF COMING LAST YEAR, BUT CERTAINLY YES, IN ADDITION TO
10 THE PIT COUNT, WE ARE TO DRIVE SOLUTIONS.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** RIGHT. OKAY, MADAM CHAIR, I DON'T HAVE ANY
13 FURTHER QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU.

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

16
17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SO, AS WE NAVIGATE
18 THESE 2 ITEMS, SO 5 IS THE MEASURE A UPDATE AS WELL AS THE
19 AUDIT AND 21 WE'RE HOLDING TOGETHER TO TALK ABOUT THE CONCEPT
20 OF CREATING OUR OWN COUNTY DEPARTMENT ON HOMELESSNESS. FIRST
21 OF ALL MEASURE A THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU TO THE VOTERS
22 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO ONCE AGAIN RECOGNIZE THE HUGE CRISIS
23 THAT THE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS THAT WE ARE IN WITH THOSE WHO ARE
24 ON OUR STREETS. I THINK WE HAVE ABOUT 52,000 PEOPLE WHO ARE
25 UNSHELTERED AND ABOUT ANOTHER 20,000 THAT ARE EITHER IN



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1 SHELTERS, INTERIM HOUSING, ON ANY GIVEN NIGHT IN LA COUNTY.
2 AND I KNOW EVERY TIME IT GETS A LITTLE COLD OR IT GETS A
3 LITTLE RAINY, THAT'S MY FIRST THOUGHT ARE THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE
4 SLEEPING ON OUR STREETS. AND THESE ARE WOMEN, THEY'RE
5 CHILDREN, THEY'RE SENIORS, THEY'RE VETERANS, THEY'RE PEOPLE
6 WHO HAVE SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS. THERE ARE SO MANY REASONS THAT
7 PEOPLE FIND THEMSELVES ON OUR STREETS, BUT I HAVE ALWAYS FELT
8 FOR THE 8 YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN A SUPERVISOR THAT WE REALLY
9 SHOULD ADDRESS THIS LIKE THE EMERGENCY THAT IT IS. I'VE ALWAYS
10 THOUGHT, MAN, IF WE'D HAD A FIRE OR A FLOOD OR AN EARTHQUAKE
11 OR LAND MOVEMENT THAT DISPLACED 52,000 PEOPLE, THERE WOULD BE
12 NO END TO THE ATTENTION, THE FEMA HELP, THE CONCENTRATED
13 EFFORTS THAT WE WOULD HAVE UNTIL WE SAW EVERY ONE OF THOSE
14 PEOPLE ON A COT SOMEWHERE WITH A ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS. THAT
15 HAS NOT SEEMED TO BE THE FEELING THAT WE'VE HAD. THANK YOU TO
16 OUR CHAIR, LINDSAY HORVATH. WHEN YOU BECAME THE CHAIR, YOU
17 THOUGHT THE SAME THING AND SAID, LET'S HAVE A, LET'S DECLARE A
18 STATE OF EMERGENCY. THE CITY OF LA UNDER MAYOR BASS HAD
19 ALREADY DONE THAT. AND I LIKED THAT ATTITUDE. I LIKED THAT
20 APPROACH. AND I AM SO THANKFUL TO THE VOTERS. I'M GOING TO SAY
21 IT AGAIN. YOU KNOW, WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT'S VERY RARE THAT
22 PEOPLE WILL LOOK AT A PROBLEM AND AGREE TO TAX THEMSELVES.
23 THAT IS VERY RARE. WE'VE SEEN IT FOR SOME OF OUR
24 TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AND WE'VE SEEN IT FOR THIS
25 HUMANITARIAN CRISIS AND THAT IS UNUSUAL. THERE'S A LOT OF



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1 JURISDICTIONS THAT JUST COMPLAIN ABOUT HIGH TAXES. LA COUNTY
2 SEES A PROBLEM AND THEY DECIDE TO TAX THEMSELVES. IT'S VERY
3 RARE. AND LOOKING AT MEASURE A, IF SALES ARE STRONG AND
4 ROBUST, WE'RE LOOKING AT A \$1,000,000,000 A YEAR THAT WE WILL
5 SEE TO HELP SOLVE THIS PROBLEM. I KNOW THERE'S NOT A PERSON
6 OUT THERE THAT PROBABLY DOESN'T THINK A \$1,000,000,000 A YEAR.
7 SURELY, YOU WILL ADDRESS THIS CRISIS AND SOLVE THIS PROBLEM,
8 YOU KNOW, SOONER THAN LATER. BUT THERE ARE SO MANY CHALLENGES
9 TO THAT. SO THAT IS GREAT NEWS ON MEASURE A. WE LOOK FORWARD
10 TO CHERI, YOU COMING AROUND TO OUR OFFICES AND HELPING US
11 UNDERSTAND THE FORMULA, THE CRITERIA, AND HOW WE CAN BEGIN TO
12 MAKE SURE THOSE FUNDS GET TO OUR CITIES, OUR COGS, AND OF
13 COURSE ULTIMATELY WHAT WE ALL WANT IS IT GETS TO THE, YOU
14 KNOW, THE GROUND ZERO EFFORT OF PULLING PEOPLE INSIDE. AND I
15 WAS AROUND WHEN MEASURE H WAS PASSED, AND I REMEMBER THE IDEA
16 WAS, WE WEREN'T GONNA CREATE A NEW BUREAUCRACY, WE WERE GONNA
17 TAKE THE MONEY THAT THE VOTERS GAVE US AND WE'RE GOING TO
18 DISTRIBUTE TO THE SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT WERE ALREADY DOING
19 THE WORK. I MEAN, THAT WAS THE IDEA. THERE ARE ALREADY PEOPLE
20 ON THE GROUND DOING THAT WORK. WE WERE GOING TO JUST SUPPORT
21 THEM, GIVE THEM MORE RESOURCES, BECAUSE THAT WAS ONE OF THEIR
22 COMPLAINTS ALWAYS, WAS IF WE ONLY HAD MORE RESOURCES, WE WOULD
23 BE ABLE TO DO A BETTER JOB. AND THAT WAS THE CONCEPT BEHIND
24 MEASURE H. AND THEN OF COURSE, LAHSA BECAME THE VEHICLE WHERE
25 THAT BECAME THE REALITY OF HOW WE DISTRIBUTED THOSE DOLLARS.



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1 AND I KNOW, WE KIND OF, I'M LISTENING TO THIS WHOLE REPORT,
2 THE AUDIT, AND I UNDERSTAND, NUMBER ONE, THESE ARE TAXPAYER
3 DOLLARS AND WE ALL TAKE THE OATH TO PROTECT OUR TAXPAYER
4 DOLLARS AND TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING WE DO IS TRANSPARENT
5 AND EFFICIENT AND WE USE THEM WISELY. AND THAT'S IMPORTANT,
6 BUT I'M GLAD, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU KIND OF POINTED OUT THE
7 SCOPE OF THIS AUDIT, AND IT REALLY WAS ABOUT BUSINESS
8 PRACTICES OF LAHSA. IT WAS NOT AN INDICTMENT ON THE PROVIDERS.
9 AND I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, I KNOW THIS IS
10 IMPORTANT, BUT BOTTOM LINE IS, IN THE BEGINNING, I'M GLAD WE
11 DID THOSE CASH ADVANCES, RIGHT? I THINK THAT WAS HUGE
12 IMPORTANT TO GETTING THE DOLLARS OUT THERE TO THE PROVIDERS TO
13 HELP THOSE ON THE STREETS. AND I THINK IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR
14 THE VOTERS TO SEE THAT WE WERE NOT HOLDING THOSE DOLLARS UP.
15 AND I THINK THAT'S THE NUMBER ONE THING WHEN VOTERS TAX
16 THEMSELVES AND TRUST US TO USE THEIR MONEY. WE'VE GOT TO SPEND
17 IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO BEGIN HELPING THE VERY PEOPLE THAT
18 THEY ARE TRUSTING US TO HELP. YOU KNOW, DR. ADAMS KELLUM, I
19 KNOW YOU, I REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE SWORN IN OR WE HAD THAT
20 PRESS CONFERENCE AND THE MAYOR SAID THAT YOU WERE THE PERSON
21 THAT SHE WAS TRUSTING. I REMEMBER EVEN MY COMMENTS THAT DAY I
22 WAS LIKE I'M SKEPTICAL BUT I'M GONNA LEAN IN BECAUSE I THINK
23 ALSO THE PUBLIC WANTS THE COUNTY AND THE CITY TO WORK
24 TOGETHER. THAT WAS THE WHOLE IMPETUS OF THE LAWSUIT THAT
25 CREATED LAHSA, WAS THAT THE ACTIVISTS, THE PUBLIC DIDN'T THINK



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1 WE WERE WORKING TOGETHER TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM. SO THAT KIND
2 OF FORCED US INTO A RELATIONSHIP. BUT I REALLY APPRECIATE, I
3 JUST WANT TO SAY, I APPRECIATE SINCE YOU'VE BEEN THERE, HOW
4 YOU'VE GONE OUT AND YOU'VE LISTENED. YOU'VE GONE TO MANY OF MY
5 CITIES. YOU'VE HEARD WHAT THE CONCERNS WERE, WHAT THE
6 COMPLAINTS WERE. AND I THINK YOU'VE DONE A REAL GOOD JOB. AND
7 I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU A MOMENT IN JUST A SECOND TO MAYBE
8 GLOBALLY RESPOND TO THE AUDIT AND MAYBE JUST SOME OF THE
9 FRUSTRATIONS I KNOW YOU KNOW WE'RE ALL HEARING. BUT I WILL
10 SAY, YOU KNOW, IT'S, I HAD AN EXPERIENCE ON THE FRONT STEPS OF
11 THE CHURCH I ATTEND A COUPLE OF SUNDAY MORNINGS AGO AND THERE
12 WAS A HOMELESS GUY WHO WAS THERE AND I LOVE IT THAT SOMETIMES
13 CHURCHES, THEY'RE THE LAST PLACE TO REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT
14 THEY NEED TO DO. YOU KNOW, THEY WERE LIKE USHERING PEOPLE IN
15 ANOTHER DOOR AND THEY WERE LIKE, NO, NO, NO, THIS IS WHAT
16 WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING. BUT INSTEAD OF CALLING GOD, I
17 CALLED LAHSA. AND YOU KNOW, YOUR WEEKEND OUTREACH TEAM, THERE
18 WAS 2 AMAZING WOMEN THAT SHOWED UP IN ABOUT 30 MINUTES AND I
19 STOOD, I LEFT THE SANCTUARY, DOESN'T SEEM LIKE A GREAT SERMON
20 ANYWAY, AND I WAS ON THE PORCH THE WHOLE TIME WATCHING HOW
21 THEY WORKED AND WATCHING THE TRUST THAT THEY CREATED WITH THIS
22 MAN ON THE PORCH STEPS. I WATCHED THE WHOLE THING AND I WAS
23 ABSOLUTELY AMAZED AT THEIR SKILL, AT THEIR TENDERNESS. IT WAS
24 AN AMAZING THING AND THEY EARNED THE TRUST OF HIM AND HE WENT
25 WITH THEM. AND I'M ASKING IVAN TO FOLLOW UP TO SEE HOW HE'S



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1 DOING. BUT THOSE ARE THE MOMENTS THAT I DON'T KNOW IF
2 EVERYBODY SEES OR EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS THAT IT IS STILL SUCH
3 A PERSON TO PERSON, ONE ON ONE EFFORT. AND IT'S MASSIVE. THOSE
4 NUMBERS I JUST QUOTED IN THE BEGINNING, IT IS STILL A MASSIVE
5 HUMANITARIAN CRISIS. AND WHETHER OR NOT, YOU KNOW, WE REPLACE
6 ONE BUREAUCRACY WITH ANOTHER, I'M NOT SO SURE ABOUT. AND I'LL
7 STOP HERE AND SAY ONE OF THE THINGS, COLLEAGUES, I WOULD OFFER
8 A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO EXTEND THE TIMING OF THIS REPORT BACK.
9 I WOULD LIKE TO SEE 90 OR 100 DAY REPORT BACK. WE'VE GOT THE
10 HOLIDAYS COMING. AND I THINK IF WE'RE GOING DOWN THAT ROAD, WE
11 NEED THE TIME TO GET THIS REPORT RIGHT. AND I FEEL THROWING IT
12 ON STAFF RIGHT BEFORE THANKSGIVING, RIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS,
13 THE HANUKKAH HOLIDAYS, IS A LITTLE, NOT UNFAIR, THAT'S NOT THE
14 RIGHT WORD I'M THINKING, BUT JUST I DON'T THINK IT'S GONNA
15 GIVE US ENOUGH TIME. SO, I WOULD ASK FOR MAYBE 90 DAYS. BUT
16 DR., AND I JUST THREW THAT ON THE FLOOR SO SOMEBODY WANTS TO
17 SUPPORT THAT. DR. ADAMS-KELLIN, WOULD YOU LIKE TO JUST GIVE A
18 GLOBAL RESPONSE TO THE AUDIT AND MAYBE TO SOME OF THE ITEMS
19 THAT HAVE BEEN FIXED.

20
21 **DR. VA LECIA ADAMS KELLUM:** WELL, THANK YOU. AS I'VE SAID TO
22 MANY, I THINK WE COULD HAVE WRITTEN SOME OF THE AUDIT REPORT A
23 COUPLE OF YEARS AGO BECAUSE THESE HAVE BEEN LONGSTANDING
24 ISSUES AND I THINK ALL OF YOU HAVE SAID THAT LAHSA HAS
25 STRUGGLED IN SOME OF THESE AREAS FOR SOME TIME. AND



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1 UNFORTUNATELY, EVEN IN THE AUDITOR CONTROLLED REPORT OF
2 2017/2018, WE SAW SOME OF THESE ISSUES. AND IT ALLOWED ME,
3 WHEN I TOOK ON THE APPOINTMENT, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
4 HAHN, YOU WEREN'T EASY ON ME THAT FIRST DAY WE MET AND YOU
5 DEFINITELY SAID YOU WERE GOING TO RESERVE SUPPORT IN FULL AND
6 I PROMISED YOU THAT I WOULD KEEP MY PROMISES. AND ONE OF THE
7 THINGS WE DID, WE DID RESTRUCTURE THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT. WE
8 HAVE A NEW CFO. WE HAD TO MAKE SOME SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO GET
9 TO THE BOTTOM OF SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES. AND YET, IT DOES
10 TAKE SOME TIME TO REBUILD. AND I'M VERY PLEASED WITH HOW
11 JANINE TREJO HAS TAKEN ON THE ADVANCES AND DISCUSSING THOSE
12 WITH PROVIDERS TO GET THEM ON A PATH, NOT KNOWING WHETHER
13 THERE WOULD BE A MEASURE A, SO WE KNEW THAT THAT TIMING, AS
14 THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER POINTED OUT, WE NEED TO HAVE THAT
15 DISCUSSION. THE FACT THAT OUR CONTRACTING WAS CAUSING UNDUE
16 DELAYS, SO WE WORKED THROUGH EGMS AND WE REDUCED THE AMOUNT OF
17 IT OF ADJUSTMENTS AND AMENDMENTS, WHICH IS A VERY BUREAUCRATIC
18 PROCESS. WE WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH COHI AND THE AUDITOR
19 CONTROLLER TO HAVE THE FIRST PAYMENT PROCESS THAT IS NOW BASED
20 ON ADVANCES AND RECRUITMENT ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. IT'S A GAME
21 CHANGING APPROACH. AND ALL THESE YEARS WE'VE SEEN THE
22 PROVIDERS COMPLAIN ABOUT FUNDING AND THE COST REIMBURSEMENT
23 MODEL IN JUST LESS THAN A YEAR. WE TOGETHER CAME UP WITH A
24 SOLUTION AND WE HAVE ASKED THE CITY TO PICK THAT UP AND DO THE
25 COUNTY'S LEADERSHIP. THAT IS UNDERWAY. SO SOME OF THE ELEMENTS



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1 IN THE AUDIT WERE THINGS THAT WE HAD ALREADY TAKEN ON AND I'M
2 HAPPY TO SEE THAT BECAUSE I DID HEAR SUPERVISOR BARGER THAT
3 YOUR RECOMMENDATION WAS THAT WE WOULD USE THIS AUDIT AS A
4 BLUEPRINT TO PRODUCE CHANGE AND THAT MY CHAIR, SUPERVISOR
5 HORVATH, ASSURED ME THAT THE AUDIT WOULD BE USED TO GIVE ME A
6 SORT OF A RUNWAY, IF YOU WILL, TO GET SOME VERY SERIOUS THINGS
7 UNDERWAY AND TO CHECK WHETHER WE WERE ON TRACK. AND I FOUND IT
8 TO BE A VERY IMPORTANT GUIDEPOST TO WHERE WE NEED TO GO. BUT
9 AS YOU SAID, WE'RE HERE TODAY BECAUSE THERE IS SERIOUS
10 FRUSTRATION ABOUT THE PROGRESS TOWARD ENDING HOMELESSNESS IN
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND ALL OF YOU ON THE DAIS ARE FRUSTRATED.
12 THE PUBLIC IS FRUSTRATED AND I AM FRUSTRATED TOO. I CAME TO
13 LAHSA LAST YEAR BECAUSE I WANTED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT
14 RATHER THAN JUST BE FRUSTRATED. OVER THE LAST 21 MONTHS MY NEW
15 LEADERSHIP TEAM AND I HAVE TAKEN ON THESE CHALLENGES WITH A
16 GREAT DEAL OF ACTION. WITHIN 4 MONTHS OF JOINING LAHSA WE
17 IMPROVED LASA'S ON-TIME CONTRACT APPROVAL RATE FROM 10% WHEN
18 THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION LOOKED AT IT TO 80%. JUST A FEW
19 MONTHS AGO, AS I SAID, WE CAME BEFORE YOU WITH CONCERNED
20 PROVIDERS TO CHANGE THE REIMBURSEMENT MODEL SO WE COULD ENSURE
21 PROVIDER SURVIVAL AND KEEP OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS ON A PATH TO
22 COMING HOME. WHILE MUCH OF TODAY'S CONVERSATION CIRCLES AROUND
23 FINANCES AND CONTRACTING, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER
24 THAT OVER THE LAST 2 YEARS, THE UNITY AROUND ADDRESSING
25 HOMELESSNESS HAS BEGUN TO YIELD UNPRECEDENTED RESULTS THAT WE



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1 ALL WANT. A MEANINGFUL REDUCTION IN UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS.
2 DURING THIS TIME, THE CITY AND COUNTY INTRODUCED PROGRAMS THAT
3 TACKLED ENCAMPMENTS HEAD-ON. AT LAHSA, WE'VE INNOVATED TO OPEN
4 UP NEW TYPES OF HOUSING AND REMOVE ROADBLOCKS TO INCREASE THE
5 EFFICIENCY OF OUR SYSTEM. THIS UNPRECEDENTED COORDINATION HAS
6 PRODUCED RESULTS THAT SHOW WE'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK. AND FY
7 23-24 OUTREACH TEAMS ACROSS THE COUNTY PLACE 45% MORE PEOPLE
8 DIRECTLY INTO PERMANENT HOUSING THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR. AND
9 THANK YOU SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR LOOKING INTO THE HUMANITY OF
10 THOSE TEAMS. I AM SO PROUD THAT YOU COULD MAKE A CALL AND IN
11 30 MINUTES YOU SEE A TEAM BEFORE YOU TO ADDRESS THE NEED. I
12 ASKED MY TEAM TO STEP UP STEP UP THAT WAY WHEN I CAME TO
13 LAHSA. AND I'M GLAD THAT YOU SEE THE CHANGES ALREADY UNDERWAY.
14 FEW YEARS AGO, YOU KNOW, AND IVAN KNOWS, THAT WOULD NOT HAVE
15 TAKEN PLACE.

16
17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NOT ON A WEEKEND.

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19 **DR. VA LECIA ADAMS KELLUM:** NOT ON A WEEKEND. DURING THE SAME
20 PERIOD, 29% MORE PEOPLE MOVED FROM INTERIM HOUSING INTO
21 PERMANENT HOMES. AND THE LAST HOMELESS COUNT, AS YOU KNOW,
22 SHOWS THAT UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS DROPPED BY 10% IN LOS
23 ANGELES AND 5% ACROSS THE COUNTY. WE DID THAT TOGETHER. IN
24 2023, THERE WERE OVER 27,000 PERMANENT HOUSING PLACEMENTS, AND
25 THAT WAS A RECORD. AND IN 2023, THE REHOUSING SYSTEM MADE OVER



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1 40,000 INTERIM HOUSING PLACEMENTS. DATA DASHBOARDS THAT TRACK
2 PERFORMANCE AND EFFICACY OF OUR REHOUSING SYSTEM ARE BEING
3 USED AS I SPEAK. THAT'S A FIRST. AND CHANGES IN CONTRACTING
4 THAT ENSURE INCREASED ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ARE
5 ALREADY IN PLACE. THE MOTION UNDER CONSIDERATION TODAY IS THE
6 FIRST STEP IN A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT TO CONTINUE
7 MOVING FORWARD WITH THE UNITY AND PROGRESS WE HAVE ACHIEVED SO
8 FAR. THESE ARE BIG DECISIONS THAT HAVE TO BE MADE AND I LOOK
9 FORWARD TO THE CONVERSATIONS TO COME. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING
10 ME TO SPEAK TODAY.

11
12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I THINK WE WOULD ALL
13 AGREE THAT WE NEED A SYSTEM THAT IS TRANSPARENT, THAT IS
14 ACCOUNTABLE, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT'S A SYSTEM THAT WORKS.
15 BECAUSE WHEN THE SYSTEM DOESN'T WORK, WHEN IT BREAKS DOWN AT
16 ANY LEVEL, THE PEOPLE THAT SUFFER ARE THOSE WHO ARE SLEEPING
17 ON OUR STREETS. FESIA AND CHERI, IF THIS MOTION PASSES AND YOU
18 ARE DEVELOPING THIS FEASIBILITY REPORT TO CREATE THE FRAMEWORK
19 FOR THIS DEPARTMENT, THAT WE MUST, YOU MUST LOOK AT THE PAST
20 ISSUES, WE MUST LEARN FROM THAT AND MAKE SURE THAT IF WE DO
21 CREATE THIS, IT'S A DEPARTMENT THAT WOULD HAVE THE ABILITY TO
22 BE FLEXIBLE, TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES AS THEY COME UP. AND AGAIN,
23 I THINK WE NEED TO TAKE TIME TO REALLY LOOK AT WHAT THIS WOULD
24 BE, HOW IT WOULD IMPACT THE CURRENT STRUCTURE OF LAHSA, HOW IT
25 WOULD IMPACT THIS UNITY THAT THE ORIGINAL LAWSUIT DEMANDED



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1 BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY. AND I AGREE, I THINK IT'S
2 NEVER BEEN BETTER AND I WOULDN'T WANT TO DO SOMETHING THAT
3 WOULD IN ANY WAY, YOU KNOW, CRACK THAT RELATIONSHIP BECAUSE I
4 THINK THAT ULTIMATELY MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN HOW WE DELIVER
5 SERVICES. MY ONE QUESTION IS WHEN THE REPORT IF THIS MOTION
6 PASSES AND WE GET A REPORT BACK AND THE REPORT BACK COMES I
7 AGAIN I WOULD LIKE TO SEE 90 DAYS. DO WE HAVE ANOTHER VOTE ON,
8 AND I'VE ASKED THIS BEFORE WHEN WE DO SOME OF THESE, IS THIS
9 AN IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS WITH THE VOTE OR DOES IT COME BACK
10 AND WE GET TO LOOK AT THE REPORT AND GET ALL THE INFORMATION
11 AND THEN TAKE ANOTHER VOTE ON WHETHER OR NOT THIS IS THE ROAD
12 WE WANT TO GO?

13
14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** IT'S A REPORT BACK AS ONE OF THE AUTHORS
15 THAT WROTE IT WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS WITH CHAIR HORVATH.

16
17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO, IT'S A REPORT BACK THAT THEN WE WOULD
18 HAVE ANOTHER SOMEBODY WOULD HAVE TO MAKE ANOTHER MOTION TO
19 CREATE THE DEPARTMENT. OKAY, SO WELL IT BOILS DOWN FOR ME IS
20 WHETHER A NEW COUNTY DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO BE IS GOING TO FIX
21 WHAT'S BROKEN AND I'M NOT SURE YET SO I WILL I WOULD BE
22 INTERESTED IN OBVIOUSLY LOOKING AT THIS REPORT. THANK YOU. IT
23 DOES NOT GO UNNOTICED, THE HARD, HARD, HARD WORK THAT ALL OF
24 THOSE TEAMS OUT THERE EVERY DAY ARE DOING THE GREAT
25 HUMANITARIAN WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I, TOO, WANT TO THANK
3 THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS EVERYONE WHO LED THE EFFORT TO PASS
4 MEASURE A TO ENSURE WE HAVE THE RESOURCES TO DO THE WORK
5 THAT'S NECESSARY AS WELL AS BUILD THE HOUSING THAT IS SO
6 DESPERATELY NEEDED AND WHICH HAS BEEN MISSING FROM THE WAY
7 THAT WE'VE BEEN APPROACHING SERVICE DELIVERY THUS FAR. AND SO
8 I'M GLAD TO SEE MEASURE A PASS, THAT WE CAN PROVIDE BOTH
9 SERVICES AND HOUSING SOLUTIONS, AND THAT WE DO SO WITH
10 ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY AT THE CORE OF HOW WE PROCEED.
11 THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION ON MEASURE A AND HOW THE COUNTY
12 EXPECTS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH IMPLEMENTING THE WILL OF THE
13 VOTERS AND WHAT THAT WILL LOOK LIKE ROLLING OUT. THANK YOU
14 ALSO FOR THE PRESENTATION ON THE AUDIT. I WANTED TO ADDRESS A
15 COUPLE OF THINGS THAT WERE CALLED OUT IN THE AUDIT WITH THE
16 AUDITOR CONTROLLER. I KNOW THAT ONE OF THE RESPONSES FROM
17 LAHSA ADDRESSED CONTRACTING LANGUAGE THAT THE COUNTY, AND WE
18 TOUCHED ON THIS A LITTLE BIT, THAT THE COUNTY CONTRACTING
19 LANGUAGE DIDN'T REQUIRE FORMAL WRITTEN AGREEMENTS WITH SUB-
20 RECIPIENTS. SO, IS THAT A PRACTICE THAT THE COUNTY DOESN'T
21 TYPICALLY LIKE HOW DOES THE COUNTY NAVIGATE THAT TYPICALLY DO
22 WE EXPECT THOSE INTERNAL CONTROLS TO BE STANDARD OPERATING
23 PROCEDURE FOR OUR CONTRACTORS OR DO WE PROVIDE THAT IN
24 EXPLICIT LANGUAGE IN ALL OF OUR CONTRACTS AT THE COUNTY?

25



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1 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** AS MENTIONED BEFORE, THE OPERATING CONTRACT
2 ITSELF WAS NOT PART OF OUR SCOPE SO WE DID NOT LOOK AT THOSE.
3 FOR US, WE WERE BASICALLY PROVIDING RECOMMENDATIONS, YOU KNOW,
4 BASED ON OUR OBSERVATIONS ON HOW TO IMPROVE THOSE
5 DEFICIENCIES, MAKING SURE THAT THERE WAS LANGUAGE TO COVER
6 THAT. SO, COMMUNICATION IS ALWAYS GOING TO BE KEY. I THINK
7 IT'S MAKING SURE THAT YOU COMMUNICATE EXPECTATIONS WITH YOUR
8 PROVIDERS AND SAME THING FOR THE COUNTY TO COMMUNICATE
9 EXPECTATIONS. SO I WOULD SAY IF WE NEED TO--

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I'M CLEAR IT WASN'T PART OF THE
12 SCOPE OF YOUR AUDIT, BUT I'M TALKING ABOUT WHAT WE TYPICALLY
13 DO AS A COUNTY. SO MAYBE I'LL ASK THE CEO. CEO, CAN YOU HELP
14 US UNDERSTAND, IS THAT SOMETHING WE TYPICALLY OUTLINE IN OUR
15 CONTRACTS WITH OUR WITH THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES?

16

17 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SUPERVISOR THE WAY THAT I WOULD ANSWER THAT
18 QUESTION IS IF YOU LOOK AT A TYPICAL COUNTY CONTRACT IT
19 EXCEEDS A HUNDRED PAGES IF YOU LOOK AT THE OPERATING
20 AGREEMENT, THE OPERATING AGREEMENT HERE MIGHT BE LESS THAN,
21 MIGHT BE LESS THAN 20 PAGES. AND SO, WHAT I WOULD SAY IS THE
22 CONCEPT IS EMBEDDED IN THE OPERATING AGREEMENT. IT'S THE
23 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE WHAT AND THE HOW. AND SO EVEN FROM MY
24 PERSPECTIVE, EVEN IF IT WAS NOT SPECIFICALLY CAUGHT OUT, THERE
25 ARE CERTAIN GENERAL ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES THAT



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1 YOU EXPECT LIKE ALL, NOT JUST LAHSA, LIKE ALL OF OUR PROVIDERS
2 TO ABIDE BY. THAT'S NUMBER ONE. AND NUMBER TWO, THE FACT THAT
3 SOMETHING ISN'T SPECIFICALLY PRESCRIPTIVE IN TERMS OF HOW YOU
4 SHOULD DO IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN THAT IT SHOULDN'T BE
5 DONE. SO, I THINK IT'S SOMEWHAT OF A NUANCE DISCUSSION THERE.
6 SO, THIS IS NOT ONE OF THE COUNTY'S CONTRACTS THAT'S OVER 100
7 PAGES, SUPER PRESCRIPTIVE, YOU KNOW, TELLS THE OTHER
8 CONTRACTING PARTY HOW TO DO EVERY SINGLE THING.

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. JUST FOR POINT OF
11 COMPARISON, I SIT ON THE BOARD OF THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE AND
12 THE COUNTY HAS PROVIDED THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE LOANS IN 2
13 CIRCUMSTANCES. SO, CAN YOU TELL ME HOW MUCH THOSE LOANS WERE
14 AND WERE THEY PAID BACK? HOW DID THAT HAPPEN?

15

16 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YES, SO THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE WAS
17 ESTABLISHED, I THINK IN LIKE 2017/2018. THERE WERE TWO LOANS
18 PROVIDED TO THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE. ONE WAS ABOUT
19 \$10,000,000. THERE WAS A SECOND LOAN FOR ABOUT \$30,000,000.
20 THERE WERE TERMS OF REPAYMENT SPECIFIED IN THE AGREEMENT WITH
21 THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. I JUST REFERENCED THAT TOO
24 BECAUSE I KNOW WE HAVE ANOTHER ITEM ON OUR AGENDA THAT DIDN'T
25 EXPLICITLY CALL OUT CERTAIN THINGS THAT, GIVEN THE



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1 CONVERSATION WE'RE HAVING NOW, I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
2 EXPLORED. SO, I REACHED OUT TO THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO MAKE
3 SURE THAT WE'RE SETTING OURSELVES ON A GOOD PATH IN THAT WAY.
4 AND I THINK IT'S HELPFUL TO HEAR FOR POINTS OF REFERENCE HOW
5 THE COUNTY TYPICALLY ENGAGES IN CONTRACTING AND WHAT KIND OF
6 LANGUAGE IS PRESCRIBED AND RECOMMENDED SO WE DON'T END UP IN A
7 SITUATION WHERE THERE'S CONFUSION OR LACK OF REPAYMENT OR ANY
8 OTHER ISSUE.

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I WOULD SAY THAT THAT IS THE CURRENT, I
11 THINK, COUNTY PRACTICE, IS THAT WE HAVE MOVED TO A MODEL THAT
12 IS MORE PRESCRIPTIVE AND MORE SPECIFIC.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. THAT'S HELPFUL. AND THEN
15 THE OTHER QUESTION I HAD FOR THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER IS THAT
16 YOUR AUDIT IDENTIFIED THAT LAHSA WAS MAKING PAYMENTS ON
17 CONTRACTS USING MONEY FROM ONE FUNDER TO PAY A CONTRACT
18 AUTHORIZED BY A DIFFERENT FUNDER. AND SO, I JUST WANTED TO
19 UNDERSTAND IF THAT IS A TYPICAL PRACTICE THAT HAPPENS WITH
20 OTHER JPA'S, IF THAT'S A BEST PRACTICE OR HOW WE SHOULD BE
21 INTERPRETING THAT.

22

23 **OSCAR VALDEZ:** I WOULD SAY IN THEORY, AGAIN, THESE ARE SPECIFIC
24 DOLLARS FROM THE COUNTY. I KNOW LAHSA RECEIVES DOLLARS FROM
25 THE CITY OR FROM OTHER ENTITIES. I THINK BEST PRACTICE WOULD



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1 BE FOR THE FOR LAHSA TO ESTABLISH SOME TYPE OF OPERATING
2 CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR SPECIFIC DOLLARS FOR THE COUNTY,
3 EARMARKING THOSE SPECIFICALLY FOR OUR PROGRAMS. UNDER THIS
4 SITUATION, MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT THERE WAS A FEDERAL
5 PROGRAM WHERE DOLLARS THAT WERE ADVANCED FROM THE COUNTY WERE
6 USED TO PAY FOR A FEDERAL PROGRAM PRIOR TO THAT BEING
7 REIMBURSED BY THE FEDS. SO AGAIN, THAT'S BASICALLY USING
8 SOMEONE ELSE'S FUNDING TO PAY FOR SOMETHING ELSE. TIMING-WISE,
9 THE MONEY'S ALL GOING TO BASICALLY COME BACK IN. AND I THINK
10 IT'S, I DON'T WANT TO CALL IT COMMINGLING OF FUNDS, BUT I
11 THINK YOU DO NEED TO HAVE, YOU KNOW, SEPARATE FUNDS, STRUCTURE
12 FOR OPERATIONS. I UNDERSTAND THAT, YOU KNOW, SOME OF THE
13 SERVICES THAT ARE BEING PROVIDED ARE THE SAME CONTRACTOR. IT
14 MAKES IT A LITTLE BIT MORE DIFFICULT, BUT I THINK IT'S STILL
15 GOOD PRACTICE TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S A SEGREGATION OF
16 FUNDING STREAMS.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT'S HELPFUL. IT WAS
19 ADDRESSED BY THE PRESS, SO I JUST WANTED TO HEAR FROM YOU WHAT
20 YOUR RECOMMENDATION IS, WHAT WE DID SURFACE, AND HOW WE SHOULD
21 BE PROCEEDING WITH THAT INFORMATION. FOR OUR CEO, I KNOW OUR
22 OFFICE WORKED WITH YOU ON THE DRAFTING OF THIS REPORT, AND I
23 BELIEVE WE GOT THE DIRECTION ON THE TIMEFRAME FOR THE REPORT
24 BACKS FROM YOU. SO, TO ADDRESS SUPERVISOR HAHN'S CONCERN, ARE
25 YOU ABLE TO DELIVER THE REPORTS ON THE PROPOSED TIMELINE?



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO WE BELIEVE THAT WE CAN. WE'VE ASKED FOR
3 THE REPORT BACKS TO BE SEPARATED. SO, ONE IS REALLY AN
4 OVERALL, JUST GIVE US A CONCEPT. WE DON'T NEED EXCESSIVE
5 PRECISION, WHETHER THIS CAN BE DONE OR NOT. AND IF SO, HOW
6 WOULD YOU DO IT? AND THEN THE SUBSEQUENT REPORTS ASK FOR MORE
7 DETAIL.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, AND SO ON THE PROPOSED
10 TIMELINES, THE GENERAL VERSUS THE SPECIFIC, YOU THINK THE
11 PROPOSED TIMELINES CAN WORK OR YOU DO NEED MORE TIME BECAUSE
12 OF THE HOLIDAYS?

13

14 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, THE FIRST REPORT BACK, I THINK, IS 60
15 DAYS. AND SO YES, THAT FIRST REPORT IS GOING TO BE A HIGH-
16 LEVEL OVERVIEW, CONCEPTUAL, WHERE WE WILL TALK ABOUT
17 SEQUENCING, PHASING, AND THE CURRENT STATE. WHAT IS THE AMOUNT
18 OF HI STAFF, STAFFING, FUNDING, ET CETERA? AND SO, SOME OF THE
19 INFORMATION THAT'S REQUIRED THAT WE WOULD USE TO PUT IN THAT
20 FIRST REPORT, WE HAVE ALREADY STARTED TO COLLECT FOR REASONS
21 WHOLLY UNRELATED TO THE MOTION.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. I APPRECIATE THAT. THANK
24 YOU. I GUESS I WOULD SAY WHEN I WAS ELECTED TO THIS SEAT, I
25 PUT MYSELF AT EVERY DECISION-MAKING TABLE TO SEE THE CRISIS



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1 AND THE BUREAUCRACY THAT RESPONDS TO IT FROM ALL ANGLES, TO
2 UNDERSTAND AND THEN TO TAKE ACTION. AND TODAY'S MOTION TO
3 CREATE A NEW DEPARTMENT TO CENTRALIZE PROGRAMS AND OPTIMIZE
4 ACCOUNTABILITY ON HOMELESSNESS IS THE ACTION THAT I BELIEVE
5 THIS MOMENT REQUIRES. LAST WEEK WHEN WE RECEIVED THE AUDITOR
6 CONTROLLER'S REPORT DETAILING THE FINANCIAL EFFICACY OF THE
7 LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY, A BODY THAT IS HALF
8 US, THE COUNTY, AND HALF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WE ARE
9 LAHSA. LAHSA ISN'T A SEPARATE ENTITY, AND I'VE SAID THIS
10 CONSISTENTLY. THIS IS US, AND THAT'S WHY WE HAVE TO TAKE
11 ACTION. AND I'M REALLY GLAD TO HEAR LAHSA SAY TODAY THAT THE
12 AUDIT WAS WELCOMED. MY EXPERIENCE WAS THAT AT FIRST THE TOPIC
13 WAS A LITTLE BIT FRAUGHT AND MET WITH A LITTLE BIT OF
14 RESISTANCE, EVEN THOUGH I BELIEVED AT THE TIME THAT THIS WOULD
15 PROVIDE US WITH A ROADMAP ON WHAT WE NEEDED TO BE DOING
16 BETTER, EXACTLY WHERE AND HOW WE COULD BE IMPROVING. AND THE
17 CURRENT AUDIT DOES MAKE CLEAR, AS DID THE AUDITS DONE IN 2018
18 AND 2021, THAT WE MUST IMPROVE OUR OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL
19 CONTROLS TO ENSURE THAT EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED IN OUR
20 HOMELESSNESS SERVICES SYSTEM IS ACCOUNTED FOR AND PRODUCING
21 RESULTS. THE PUBLIC EXPECTS THAT. AND THAT'S WHY IT'S
22 IMPORTANT, I THINK, TO TREAT THIS MOMENT DIFFERENTLY. AS
23 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL NOTED, THIS HAS BEEN AN ISSUE BEFORE, THAT
24 THIS ISN'T NEW TODAY. SO DOING THE SAME THING OVER AND OVER
25 AND EXPECTING DIFFERENT RESULTS DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. SINCE



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1 1993, A WHOLE LOT HAS CHANGED, NAMELY THE SCALE OF THE CRISIS
2 THAT WE FACE AND LAHSA'S MISSION HAS CHANGED, I BELIEVE,
3 WITHOUT AN INTENTIONAL CONVERSATION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THAT
4 MAKES SENSE. THEY DO PLAY A VERY CRITICAL ROLE AND WILL
5 CONTINUE TO PLAY A VERY CRITICAL ROLE OVERSEEING THE ANNUAL
6 POINT IN TIME HOMELESS COUNT, SERVING AS THE CONTINUUM OF
7 CARE, RECEIVING OUR STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS, MANAGING THE HMIS
8 DATABASE AND OTHER ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY FUNCTIONS LIKE THE ONES
9 THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN NOTED THAT SHE EXPERIENCED OVER THE
10 WEEKEND. THAT KIND OF RESPONSE WILL STAY WITH LAHSA AND I
11 THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT. BUT I WANNA BE VERY CLEAR THAT THIS
12 MOTION IS MUCH BIGGER THAN LAHSA. LAHSA IS NOT IN CHARGE OF
13 THE ENTIRE HOMELESS SYSTEM. OUR STRUCTURE IS BIGGER THAN THAT
14 AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENTS IN TOTALITY REPRESENT
15 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF INVESTMENT TOWARDS HOMELESSNESS AND WE
16 NEED TO STRUCTURE OUR FUNDING AND OUR PROGRAMS IN A WAY THAT
17 IS BETTER COORDINATED. THE CITY IS CONSIDERING THE SAME. A
18 REPORT IS DUE BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL IMMINENTLY WITH A
19 RECOMMENDATION ON A NEW DEPARTMENT. GLOBALLY, WE NEED TO
20 STRUCTURE COUNTY FUNDING AND PROGRAMS SO THEY'RE BETTER
21 COORDINATED. 15 LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND DOZENS OF
22 PROGRAMS ARE MEANINGFULLY INVOLVED IN ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS
23 AND I AGREE WITH ALL OF THE COMMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ABOUT
24 THE CRITICAL NATURE OF THE SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED. WE HAVE
25 AN OBLIGATION TO INTEGRATE THESE EFFORTS, TO STREAMLINE



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1 PROGRAMS, AND TO ACCELERATE RESULTS. THIS HUMANITARIAN CRISIS
2 DESERVES THE FULL WEIGHT OF OUR NEARLY \$50,000,000,000
3 GOVERNMENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MY FIRSTHAND EXPERIENCE OVER
4 THESE PAST TWO YEARS WITH THE COUNTY AND ON LOSS OF COMMISSION
5 AFFIRMS THAT CHANGE IS NECESSARY. THESE ARE NOT NEW IDEAS.
6 WHAT SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I ARE ASKING TO MOVE FORWARD TODAY,
7 ALIGNS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS MADE YEARS AGO BY THE BLUE-RIBBON
8 COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS. THE BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION SPENT A
9 YEAR AND A HALF DEEPLY INVESTIGATING THE REGIONAL HOMELESS
10 SERVICES SYSTEM. I AGREE WITH THEIR WORK ON THESE DIRECTIVES,
11 WORK SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS INITIATED, AND I APPRECIATE
12 SUPERVISOR BARGER JOINING ME ON THIS MOTION TODAY. TODAY'S
13 MOTION SEEKS TO IMPLEMENT TWO OF THE BIRCH RECOMMENDATIONS.
14 THE FIRST IS TO ESTABLISH A COUNTY ENTITY DEDICATED TO
15 HOMELESS SERVICE DELIVERY, AND THE SECOND IS TO STREAMLINE
16 LAHSA, NOT END LAHSA. CHANGE AND STRUCTURAL REFORM IS HARD. IT
17 IS TIME TO TAKE THE HARD BUT NECESSARY STEPS TO DOUBLE DOWN ON
18 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ON HOMELESSNESS BY CREATING A
19 COUNTY DEPARTMENT WHERE WE HAVE DIRECT OVERSIGHT. THIS IS EVEN
20 MORE IMPORTANT GIVEN THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE A. DESPITE IMMENSE
21 PUBLIC FRUSTRATION, VOTERS STILL BELIEVE IN A DIFFERENT
22 FUTURE, SO MUCH SO THAT THEY AGREED TO INVEST THEIR TAX
23 DOLLARS IN OUR WORK TO SOLVE THIS CRISIS. SO TODAY, I'M ASKING
24 FOR YOUR SUPPORT TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF UNTANGLING THE
25 SPAGHETTI, AS JUDGE CARTER HAS CALLED IT, TO WISELY INTEGRATE



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1 THE SYSTEMS OF CARE THAT CAN NO LONGER REMAIN SILOED. THE
2 MOTION ASKS OUR CEO TO REPORT BACK TO OUR BOARD WITH CRITICAL
3 INFORMATION TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF CREATING A NEW COUNTY
4 DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE AND INCREASE TRANSPARENCY AND
5 ACCOUNTABILITY AND CENTRALIZED FUNCTIONS NOT DUPLICATE TO
6 EXPEDITE RESULTS. THE REPORT WILL SHARE THE FOLLOWING. FUNDING
7 AND STAFFING WITHIN OUR HOMELESS INITIATIVE AND HOUSING FOR
8 HEALTH, AS WELL AS A PRELIMINARY EVALUATION OF LOSS OF
9 STAFFING LEVELS. VACANCIES, RATES OF ATTRITION, MEMORANDA OF
10 UNDERSTANDING WITH LABOR ORGANIZATIONS, AND OTHER KEY
11 INFORMATION TO INFORM THE TRANSITION PLAN. A HIGH-LEVEL
12 SCHEDULE FOR THE CREATION OF THE NEW DEPARTMENT AND THE
13 TRANSITION OF PROGRAMS AND FUNDING WITH A FOCUS ON CRITICAL
14 PATH MILESTONES TO ENSURE THE PUBLIC CAN STAY ENGAGED TOO. A
15 SUMMARY OF COUNTY AND LAHSA PROGRAMS AND FUNCTIONS THAT WILL
16 TRANSITION TO THE NEW COUNTY DEPARTMENT INCLUDING A FUNCTIONAL
17 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART AS WELL AS BEST PRACTICES TO ADOPT GOING
18 FORWARD. AND AS I SAID PREVIOUSLY, IT'S WORTH NOTING WEEKEND
19 AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE WOULD STAY WITH LAHSA. A DESCRIPTION OF
20 PROGRAMS THAT WILL OPERATE OUT OF THE NEW DEPARTMENT,
21 DESCRIBING ANY PROPOSED PHASING OF DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS,
22 FUNDING TRANSFERS, DEPARTMENTS PROJECTED STAFFING NEEDS,
23 NECESSARY CLASSIFICATIONS, AND JOB DUTIES, INCLUDING HOW
24 PROVIDERS WILL WORK WITH THE COUNTY. AND I WANT TO SAY THAT
25 OUR CURRENT SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE THE FRONT LINES. THEY HAVE



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1 BEEN UNDERPAID FOR FAR TOO LONG, AND FOCUSING ON THEM ENTIRELY
2 MISSES THE POINT OF WHAT THIS MOTION IS ABOUT. ENSURING, I
3 WILL ALSO SAY THIS REPORT ALSO WILL ENSURE THAT LAHSA STAFF
4 HAVE PRIORITY IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS SHOULD THEY CHOOSE
5 FOR POSITIONS IN THE NEW DEPARTMENT. IN CLOSING, I WANT TO
6 SPEAK DIRECTLY TO LAHSA STAFF LEADERSHIP AND ALL OF OUR LINE
7 STAFF, AS WELL AS EVERY PERSON WHO WORKS WITHIN THE HOMELESS
8 SERVICES SYSTEM. MY TIME ON THE LAHSA COMMISSION HAS SHOWN ME
9 DIRECTLY THE INTEGRITY, THE CARE, AND THE COMMITMENT YOU
10 PERSONALLY BRING TO YOUR WORK. AND IT'S NOT FOR YOU, IT'S NOT
11 WORK FOR YOU, IT'S A CALLING. I'VE SEEN IT FIRSTHAND. I VALUE
12 THE WORK THAT YOU DO AND SPECIFICALLY THE LEADERSHIP THAT DR.
13 ADAMS KELLUM HAS BROUGHT TO LAHSA. THERE ARE EXCEPTIONALLY
14 TALENTED PEOPLE LEADING THIS IMPORTANT WORK, AND I HAVE SEEN
15 THAT FIRSTHAND. THIS MOTION, HOWEVER, IS ABOUT STRUCTURAL
16 REFORM THAT IS LONG OVERDUE AND CALLED FOR LONG BEFORE MY TIME
17 ON THIS BOARD. IF NOT NOW, WHEN? OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS AND
18 EVERY MEMBER OF OUR HOMELESS SERVICES WORKFORCE DESERVE A
19 STRUCTURE THAT BETTER FUNDS AND SUPPORTS THEIR ESSENTIAL WORK.
20 THIS INCLUDES THE TEAMS WHO POWER LAHSA. AND OUR UNHOUSED
21 NEIGHBORS DESERVE HOUSING AND CARE. OUR COMMUNITIES AND
22 DIVERSE NEIGHBORHOODS DESERVE MEANINGFUL SOLUTIONS TO THE
23 DAILY HEARTBREAK THAT WE ALL EXPERIENCE. HOMELESSNESS IS A
24 SOCIETAL FAILURE THAT WE HAVE THE OBLIGATION TO FIX. WE NEED A
25 DEDICATED COUNTY DEPARTMENT TO CENTRALIZE AND STREAMLINE



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1 INVESTMENTS AND PROGRAMS TO MOVE FASTER AND MORE INTENTIONALLY
2 TOWARDS A FUTURE WHERE 75,000 PLUS ARE SAFE IN HOUSING AND
3 SUPPORTED. AND THAT ANGELENOS HAVE CONFIDENCE NOT ONLY THAT
4 WE'RE SOLVING THE PROBLEM, BUT WE'RE DOING SO RESPONSIBLY WITH
5 THEIR DOLLARS AND TRUST. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

6
7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. I JUST, SOMETHING THAT CAME UP
8 OR CAME TO ME AND I WANTED TO POINT OUT AND I, WHEN WE DID THE
9 ENCAMPMENT CLEANUP UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, I TALKED TO THE
10 PROVIDERS AND WE GOT LETTERS OF SUPPORT ON OUR MOTION FROM
11 PROVIDERS WHO FEEL THAT THE SYSTEM AS IT'S PLAYING OUT RIGHT
12 NOW IS NOT WORKING FOR THEM. AND I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THAT'S
13 TRUE OR FALSE. WHEN I TALKED TO PROVIDERS UP IN THE ANTELOPE
14 VALLEY, ONE OF THEM SAID THAT SERVICES WERE BEING BROUGHT BACK
15 TO LAHSA THAT THEY WERE PROVIDING, AND IT WAS IMPACTING THEIR
16 PERFORMANCE AS IT RELATES TO THE ENCAMPMENT. MY SUGGESTION IS,
17 NO MATTER WHAT, THAT THE PROVIDERS HAVE A SEAT AT THE TABLE,
18 AND I KNOW YOU AGREE WITH THIS BECAUSE WE'VE TALKED ABOUT IT,
19 AS IT RELATES TO THINGS THAT WE'RE DOING, BECAUSE I SAY THIS,
20 AND THAT'S WHY I REPORT BACK TO SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND IN THE
21 BOARD LETTER, I KNOW THAT IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO MAKE THAT
22 CLEAR, THAT WE ARE GOING TO HEAR THE PROS AND CONS AND HOW
23 THIS WOULD ROLL OUT. BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO FURTHER
24 COMPLICATE WHAT'S ALREADY A VERY COMPLICATED SYSTEM, AND JUDGE
25 CARTER CALLED IT SPAGHETTI. THAT'S BEING KIND IN TERMS OF



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1 WHO'S IN CHARGE AND WHAT ACTION IS BEING TAKEN BY WHOM AND
2 HOW'S THE MONEY BEING PUT OUT THERE. THE OTHER 87 CITIES ARE
3 SAYING, WHY IS LA CITY GETTING ALL THE MONEY? WHY AREN'T WE
4 GETTING A PIECE OF IT? WHICH IS WHY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS
5 AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT TO THIS BECAUSE WE ACTUALLY HAVE
6 CITIES, BUT ONE COG IS NOT APPOINTED ANYONE YET, AND I'M
7 HOPING THAT THEY DO SO THAT THEY HAVE A SEAT AT THE TABLE. BUT
8 YOU KNOW SAN GABRIEL VALLEY FELT THAT THEY WERE NOT BEING
9 HEARD THE COG. NOW EVERYONE HAS A SEAT AT THE TABLE SO
10 EVERYBODY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN ON MEASURE A AS IT
11 RELATES TO THE USE OF THE FUNDS AND HOW THEY ARE DISTRIBUTED
12 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. BUT I WOULD ASK YOU TO TALK TO THE
13 PROVIDERS AND SEE IF MAYBE THEY HAVE DIFFERENT INSIGHT BECAUSE
14 WE APPROVE THINGS ON ANY GIVEN TUESDAY. AND ON PAPER IT SOUNDS
15 GOOD, BUT IN REALITY SOMETIMES IT'S NOT PLAYING OUT THE WAY WE
16 APPROVED IT. AND SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO DO CHECKS
17 AND BALANCES. SO, I WOULD ASK YOU TO DO THAT. AND THEN I WOULD
18 SAY ON THE CONTRACTING, WHAT IS THE ONE ENTITY OR WHOM IS THE
19 ONE ENTITY THAT LOOKS AT HOW WE CONTRACT OUT? BECAUSE I
20 REFLECT BACK ON BEFORE I WAS SUPERVISOR THINGS WERE DONE IN
21 REAL TIME AND I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BECAUSE WHEN SOME WE FIND
22 SOMETHING OUT WE PUT ANOTHER PROVISION IN TO MAKE IT EVEN MORE
23 DIFFICULT TO CONTRACT YOU KNOW OR TO DO RFP'S BUT TAKE LAHSA
24 OUT OF IT TAKE THE HOMELESS SHUT THIS IS A PROBLEM ACROSS THE
25 BOARD. I TALKED TO PROVIDERS WHO SAY THAT IT TOOK THEM LIKE 9



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1 MONTHS TO GET ON BOARD. AND IT'S LIKE SOMETHING THAT WE NEEDED
2 8 MONTHS AGO. AND I JUST FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT IN THIS
3 COUNTY, WE CANNOT STREAMLINE THE PROCESS AND MAKE IT
4 ACCOUNTABLE, CHECKS AND BALANCES FOR THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO
5 MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT DOING GIFT FUNDS, BUT AT THE SAME
6 TIME, NOT AN ACT OF CONGRESS TO GET SOMETHING COMPLETED. IT'S
7 FRUSTRATING TO ME, AND THIS IS A CONVERSATION WE'VE HAD TIME
8 AND TIME AGAIN. SO, WHO IS THE ENTITY OR WHAT IS THE ENTITY?

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, SUPERVISOR, WE DO HAVE A COUNTYWIDE
11 CONTRACTING MANUAL THAT PROVIDES BASICALLY A TEMPLATE AND ALL
12 OF THE YOU KNOW THE RULES THAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO FOLLOW IN
13 TERMS OF COUNTY CONTRACTING. I BELIEVE THAT THAT MANUAL IS,
14 AND I WANT TO SAY THIS AND THEN CONTEXTUALIZE IT, I BELIEVE
15 THAT THAT MANUAL IS ISSUED BY ISD, BUT MANY OF YOUR
16 DEPARTMENTS RECEIVE FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING. AND SO, THE
17 FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING ALSO ADDS ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS. I
18 THINK TO THE SPIRIT OF YOUR QUESTION IS HOW DO WE FIND THE
19 RIGHT BALANCE BETWEEN EFFICIENCY BUT STILL BE ABLE TO
20 DISCHARGE OUR OBLIGATION TO BE GOOD STEWARDS OF PUBLIC
21 DOLLARS. SO THAT'S ONE PART IS THE PROCESS, THE PAPER PROCESS.
22 I THINK ANOTHER PART OF THE PROCESS IS THEN THE NEGOTIATIONS.
23 AND SO THERE MIGHT BE, I'LL JUST TAKE INSURANCE, FOR EXAMPLE,
24 THERE MIGHT BE AN INSURANCE REQUIREMENT IN THE CONTRACT, IN
25 THE PROPOSED CONTRACT. THE COUNTY AND THAT PROVIDER, THAT



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1 VENDOR FOR SERVICES, WE MIGHT GO BACK AND FORTH, YOU KNOW,
2 BACK AND FORTH IN A NEGOTIATION. AND SO, I THINK THERE'S TWO
3 PARTS TO THIS EQUATION. ONE IS HOW IS THE PROCESS DESIGNED TO
4 WORK? IS EFFICIENCY BUILT INTO IT? BUT EVEN IF YOU HAVE AN
5 EFFICIENT PROCESS AND YOU HAVE A VENDOR THAT WANTS TO
6 NEGOTIATE, YOU KNOW, THAT NEGOTIATION CAN HAPPEN OVER TIME OR
7 IT CAN HAPPEN VERY QUICKLY. SO I THINK THERE'S TWO PIECES TO
8 IT, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE CAN'T DO BETTER.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, TAKE THE FEDERAL AND STATE OUT OF IT.
11 I KNOW THE WEINGART FOUNDATION PUT TOGETHER SOMETHING AND
12 IDENTIFIED THE FACT THAT IF YOU'VE GOT A CONTRACT WITH 4
13 DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS, EACH ONE HAS THEIR OWN STYLE OF
14 MONITORING. AND CAN'T WE BLEND THAT MONITORING TOGETHER
15 BECAUSE THE OVERALL FUNDAMENTAL UMBRELLA OF THE COUNTY IN
16 TERMS OF REQUIREMENTS IS IN PLACE. WHERE ARE WE ON THAT? HAS
17 THAT BEEN DONE? IF I ASK PROVIDERS WHO HAVE THREE DIFFERENT
18 CONTRACTS WITH THREE DEPARTMENTS, ARE WE STREAMLINING IT SO
19 THAT IT MAKES IT USER-FRIENDLY FOR THEM, EVEN TAKE OUT THE
20 STATE AND FEDERAL.

21

22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** RIGHT. NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF. THE EFFORT THAT
23 I RECALL WAS AN EFFORT REGARDING INDIRECT COST RATES. AND WHAT
24 WE WANTED TO DO WAS STANDARDIZE THE INDIRECT COST RATES,
25 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER A PROVIDER HAD A CONTRACT WITH ONE



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1 DEPARTMENT OR FOUR, THERE WAS A LOT OF WORK DONE ON THAT
2 EFFORT, BUT IT WAS NEVER ACTUALLY IMPLEMENTED AND BROUGHT TO
3 SCALE COUNTYWIDE.

4
5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, I WOULD ASK, BECAUSE I DO REMEMBER
6 THAT BEING ONE PART, BUT I ALSO REMEMBER TALKING TO PROVIDERS,
7 AND YOU WERE ONCE IN THIS POSITION, WHERE MENTAL HEALTH MAY
8 HAVE A DIFFERENT SET OF STANDARDS THAT NEED TO BE MONITORED,
9 AND THEY HAD TO HIRE INDIVIDUALS TO DO IT WHEN IT COULD BE
10 STREAMLINED AND ADDRESSED WITH ONE MONITOR. SO, I WOULD ASK
11 THAT WE REVISIT THAT AND I'LL TRY TO PULL UP MY PAPERWORK
12 BECAUSE I REMEMBER THAT BEING DISCUSSED AT THE BOARD AND I
13 THOUGHT IT MADE SENSE. AND IF WE CAN'T DO IT, WE ARE THE
14 COUNTY AND WE ARE THE OVERSIGHT AS RELATES TO ALL THESE
15 DEPARTMENTS. WHY CAN'T WE WORK TO HAVE THAT PROCESS
16 STREAMLINED? BECAUSE THAT'S A COST. I THINK YOU SAID IT. IT'S
17 EXPENSIVE TO NOT ONLY RESPOND TO AN RFP, BUT ALSO TO COMPLY
18 WITH THE REQUIREMENTS WHEN YOU GET A CONTRACT.

19
20 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, WE WILL FOLLOW UP, SUPERVISOR, AND WE CAN
21 BRIEF YOUR OFFICES AND THEN IF DESIRED, WE CAN DO A REPORT
22 BACK AT A PUBLIC, AT A FUTURE BOARD MEETING.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND THEN IN CLOSING, I'LL JUST SAY THAT,
25 I CAN'T REMEMBER WHO SAID IT, BUT THE JPA WAS SET UP IN THE



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1 CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS
2 NOW LAHSA. NEVER ENVISIONED WAS IT TO HAVE THIS HUGE INFLUX OF
3 DOLLARS. THAT HAS BEEN WHY WE DID THE BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION,
4 BECAUSE IT IS CITY-CENTRIC, BECAUSE THAT'S HOW IT WAS SET UP.
5 THAT IS, IT'S NOT A CRITICISM AT ALL. THAT'S HOW IT WAS SET
6 UP. AND I KNOW THAT WE HAVE PUT PEOPLE ON THAT COMMISSION THAT
7 REPRESENT DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE COUNTY IN ORDER TO ADDRESS
8 THE FACT THAT SOME FEEL THAT THEY'RE NOT, THEY DON'T HAVE A
9 VOICE. I KNOW THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT WE PUT ON ARE NOT CITY
10 OF LA-CENTRIC. SO, I FEEL THAT THIS BOARD HAS ADDRESSED THAT
11 TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS MORE THAN
12 JUST CITY OF LA VOICE. BUT THE CITY OF LA SUED THE COUNTY, AND
13 THIS WAS PART OF THE SETTLEMENT, A JPA. THIS WAS IN 1986, 87,
14 AND SO THIS WAS A SETTLEMENT. THIS JPA WAS CREATED TO ADDRESS
15 SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT WERE GOING ON PRIOR TO MAYOR BASS
16 GETTING ON BOARD, AND THAT IS THE CITY DIDN'T FEEL THEY WERE
17 GETTING THEIR FAIR SHARE, AND HOW CAN WE DO IT BETTER, AND DA-
18 DA-DA-DA-DA. I MEAN, I COULD GO ON AND ON, HISTORY REPEATING
19 ITSELF. BUT I JUST WANTED TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THIS BOARD HAS
20 ADDRESSED THE ISSUE OF REPRESENTATION ON LAHSA BY ENSURING
21 THAT REPRESENTATIVES DO REFLECT ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND I
22 JUST WANTED TO GET THAT ON THE RECORD AS WELL. BUT THANK YOU
23 FOR BEING HERE. I KNOW THAT YOU'VE GOT INCREDIBLE STAFF. AND
24 AT MY LAST LAHSA MEETING, YOU WERE ONE OF THE LAST, YOU
25 BROUGHT A CONTRACT FORWARD WHERE YOU FOUND THAT THEY WERE NOT



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1 ONLY NOT IN COMPLIANCE, THE QUESTION IS, WAS IT BORDERING ON
2 CRIMINAL, WHAT THEY WERE DOING? THAT CAME BECAUSE YOU WERE
3 MONITORING AND TAKING A CLOSE LOOK. SO, I KNOW YOU ARE
4 COMMITTED TO ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE, AND WE WILL WORK TOGETHER.
5 WHATEVER THAT LOOKS LIKE, WHAT THE REPORT COMES BACK WITH, WE
6 WILL DISCUSS. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO LOOK AT IT
7 WITH AN OPEN MIND AND UNDERSTAND THAT AT THE END OF THE DAY,
8 IT'S IN THE BEST INTEREST OF WHO? THE UNHOUSED. AND WE WANT TO
9 DO WHAT'S RIGHT FOR THEM. SO THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR BEING
10 HERE AND THANK YOU TO YOUR STAFF.

11
12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND NOW WE HAVE A COUPLE OF
13 DISTANT SPEAKERS. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU WANTED TO WEIGH IN
14 BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT?

15
16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED
17 TO PICK UP ON SOMETHING SUPERVISOR BARGER SAID, BECAUSE AGAIN,
18 I'M VERY AWARE OF WHAT EXACTLY IS COMING BACK TO US. AND YOU
19 SAID, WE'LL SEE THE PROS AND CONS. AND I SORT OF DIDN'T HEAR
20 THAT IN THE LITANY THAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH, YOU WERE
21 DESCRIBING WHAT'S GOING TO - IT SOUNDED MORE LIKE IT WAS A
22 FAIT ACCOMPLI. IT WAS LIKE, THIS IS HOW WE'RE GOING TO
23 TRANSFER THINGS FROM LAHSA TO OUR DEPARTMENT. THIS IS HOW
24 WE'RE GOING TO OFFER JOBS TO PEOPLE FROM. SO, IT SOUNDED VERY
25 MUCH LIKE IT WAS A DONE DEAL. SO I PICKED UP ON WHAT YOU SAID.



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1 AND SO I GUESS THIS WOULD BE FOR FESIA AND CHERI, WHEN YOU'RE
2 PUTTING THIS REPORT TOGETHER, WILL THERE BE SOMETHING THAT
3 WOULD BE HOW WOULD A COUNTY DEPARTMENT BE BETTER FOR THE
4 PROVIDERS? HOW WOULD A COUNTY DEPARTMENT WORK BETTER FOR
5 CONTRACTING? IN OTHER WORDS, WE COULD REALLY, I MEAN, ONE PART
6 IS CERTAINLY THE FEASIBILITY, AND IF WE CHOOSE TO DO THAT,
7 YOU'RE GOING TO LAY OUT THE FRAMEWORK ON HOW IT WORKS. BUT IS
8 THERE A SECTION, BECAUSE SOMETIMES WE DON'T GET THOSE PROS AND
9 CONS IN REPORT BACKS. IT'S ALMOST LIKE IT'S A NEUTRAL FEELING.
10 SO, I WOULD LIKE, I MEAN, I THINK FOR ME, I'M GONNA WANNA KNOW
11 HOW WOULD THIS DEPARTMENT FIX WHAT'S BROKEN? HOW WOULD THIS
12 DEPARTMENT ULTIMATELY PUT OUR PROVIDERS FRONT AND CENTER, PUT
13 OBVIOUSLY THE PEOPLE ON THE STREETS FRONT AND CENTER, HOW
14 WOULD THIS DO A BETTER JOB OF SOLVING THIS CRISIS, WHICH I
15 THINK WE ALL WANT TO DO BECAUSE IT'S CLEAR NOW, AND I SAID ALL
16 THAT TO SAY, NOBODY LIKES THE STATUS QUO RIGHT NOW, RIGHT?
17 IT'S JUST NOT WORKING LIKE I THINK THE PUBLIC WANTS IT TO, NOR
18 IS IT WORKING LIKE WE WANT IT TO. BUT AGAIN, I HOPE THAT
19 REPORT GIVES US, YOU KNOW, I WANT TO TAKE THE FINAL VOTE WITH
20 MY EYES WIDE OPEN ON WHAT EXACTLY THAT THIS WOULD MEAN.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** IS THAT A STATEMENT OR A QUESTION?

23
24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BOTH.



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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, IN RESPONSE TO THE QUESTION, WHAT WE HAD
2 INITIALLY CONTEMPLATED IS WHAT WE DO IN ALL SIMILAR MOTIONS
3 WHERE WE WOULD, IF THE BOARD IS MAKING THE POLICY DECISION
4 THAT WE WANT TO MOVE IN THIS DIRECTION, THAT'S THE WHAT, AND
5 THEN WE WOULD COME IN WITH THE HOW. I DO THINK THAT THERE IS
6 ROOM FOR US TO PROVIDE IN THE REPORT BACK SINCE WE KNOW WHAT
7 SOME OF THE KNOWN ISSUES ARE, IF WE SEE CHALLENGES IN TERMS OF
8 WHAT WE'RE THINKING ABOUT, IN TERMS OF IMPLEMENTATION, IN SORT
9 OF NOT REPEATING THE CURRENT STATE, IF THAT MAKES SENSE. SO,
10 WE WOULD NOT, IN THE REPORT, SPECIFICALLY SAY, UNLESS WE
11 THOUGHT IT WAS NOT FEASIBLE BECAUSE OF COST OR BECAUSE OF SOME
12 LEGAL PROHIBITION, BUT ON THE POLICY QUESTION, I FEEL LIKE THE
13 QUESTION ON THE TABLE IS HOW CAN THIS HAPPEN? WE WOULD ISSUE A
14 PLAN THAT SAYS HERE IS HOW IT CAN HAPPEN AND BASED ON THE
15 KNOWN ISSUES THAT WE'RE TRYING TO ADDRESS HERE IS WHAT WE NEED
16 TO BE MINDFUL OF IN TERMS OF THE DESIGN AND THE DEVELOPMENT SO
17 THAT WE DON'T REPLICATE IT.

18
19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE VOTE TODAY. IF WE
20 VOTED TO APPROVE THIS REPORT BACK, THAT THIS WOULD BE SORT OF
21 A POLICY DECISION, THAT WE'RE SAYING, YES, WE WANT TO GO IN
22 THIS DIRECTION. BECAUSE THAT'S, IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

23
24 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YES. SO, MY REPORT BACK IS NOT WHETHER THE
25 BOARD SHOULD DO IT, BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE IN SOME WAYS, I'M



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1 BEING TOLD FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO IT. I WOULD COME BACK WITH A
2 HOW, AND THEN IN THE HOW, WE WOULD TRY TO, IN THE TIMEFRAME
3 THAT WE HAVE, EXPLAIN HOW THIS NEW DESIGN OF A NEW DEPARTMENT
4 WOULD ADDRESS, WE COULD INCLUDE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WERE
5 CALLED OUT IN THE AUDIT. WE HAVE STARTED TO THINK ABOUT THINGS
6 LIKE THAT. FOR EXAMPLE, WE TALKED EARLIER ABOUT HOW HOUSING
7 FOR HEALTH HAS A STREAMLINED, PROBABLY SORT OF UNIQUE WITHIN
8 THE COUNTY, A STREAMLINED CONTRACTING PROCESS. HOW WE WOULD
9 BRING THAT TO BEAR IN THIS NEW DEPARTMENT. THAT IS SOMETHING
10 THAT WE COULD CALL OUT.

11
12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AGAIN, YOU KNOW, THAT'S ALWAYS KIND OF BEEN
13 MY RUB A LITTLE BIT, SOMETIMES WITH OUR REPORT BACK, BECAUSE I
14 WOULD BE OPEN TO REPORT BACK, BUT I REALLY WANT THEN TO SEE
15 WHETHER WE THINK THIS IS A GOOD IDEA OR NOT, AND THEN TAKE
16 ANOTHER VOTE ON YES, BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE ASSUMING THAT
17 WE ARE ASKING YOU TO CREATE THIS NEW DEPARTMENT?

18
19 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** WELL, THE QUESTION IS WHETHER IT'S FEASIBLE.
20 AND SO MY REPORT BACK WILL SAY EITHER YES, THIS IS FEASIBLE OR
21 NO, IT'S NOT FEASIBLE. AND THEN I WOULD EXPLAIN WHY,
22 WHICHEVER, YOU KNOW, WHEREVER WE LANDED ON THAT. AND THEN I
23 THINK THE OTHER THING THAT WE CAN ADD IS WE UNDERSTAND THAT
24 CONTRACTING AND TIMELINES FOR CONTRACTING IS AN ISSUE. HERE
25 ARE SOME THINGS THAT WE NEED TO BE MINDFUL OF IN THE



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1 DEVELOPMENT OF THIS NEW DEPARTMENT NOT TO REPLICATE THAT.

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND AGAIN, FOR ME, I WOULD LIKE IN THIS
4 REPORT BACK, HOW IS THIS BETTER FOR OUR PROVIDERS? HOW IS THIS
5 BETTER FOR SOLVING THIS HOMELESS CRISIS? HOW WOULD THIS,
6 INSTEAD OF JUST THE FEASIBILITY AND THE MECHANICS OF CREATING
7 THIS DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE THIS WOULD BE ONE OF THE LARGEST
8 DEPARTMENTS I THINK WE MIGHT BE EMBARKING ON CREATING. AND I
9 JUST BESIDES THE MECHANICS, FOR ME ANYWAY, I WOULD HOPE THAT
10 THERE IS SOMETHING IN THIS REPORT BACK THAT GIVES ME A BETTER
11 SENSE OF WHETHER OR NOT I WANT TO CONTINUE TO GO DOWN THE
12 PATH.

13

14 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I THINK WE CAN TOUCH ON. YES, IT MAKES SENSE.
15 AND IF THAT'S THE WILL OF THE BOARD, I THINK WE CAN TOUCH ON
16 YES, IT MAKES SENSE AND IF THAT'S THE WILL OF THE BOARD, I
17 THINK WE CAN TOUCH ON SOME OF THAT IN THE REPORT PACK.

18

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

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL AMBER SHEIK, JOHN ERICKSON, PAIGE
24 KULUDAROVIC, BRITTANY WISEMAN, DARRELL HICKS, DONALD HARLAN,
25 DR. KRIDIKEL TRUTH BEY, GRACE WELTMAN, KATHLEEN ROSSIN,



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1 CHRISTIAN HULING, SHANNON MURRAY, AND VERONICA LEWIS, PLEASE
2 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER
3 FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
4 ADDRESS ITEMS 5 AND 21, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO,
5 PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
6 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS SEAN MCNORRIS. IF YOU'RE
9 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
10 MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. YES, I MEANT TO SPEAK ON ANOTHER ITEM I DON'T
13 NEED TO SPEAK ON THAT SIDE.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER
16 PLEASE.

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18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TEODORA REYES IF YOU'RE
19 MUTED PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE YOU MAY
20 BEGIN.

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22 **SPEAKER:** SENATOR CAROL RAY-MENDELVAR TO DO PUBLIC COMMENT. CAN
23 YOU ALL HEAR ME?

24

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. THE SENATOR, THROUGH VARIOUS POSITIONS,
3 HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ALONGSIDE LAHSA AND HAS
4 WITNESSED FIRST-HAND OR HOMELESS OPERATIONS IN THE COUNTY. SHE
5 STRONGLY SUPPORTS A SYSTEM THAT OVERHAULS THE STATUS QUO AS
6 WE'VE SEEN FROM REPORTS IT IS NOT WORKING. THIS DEPARTMENT
7 AIMS TO STREAMLINE EFFORTS CUT THROUGH RED CAPE AND THE
8 FINANCIAL BUREAUCRATIC INEFFICIENCIES THAT OFTEN HINDER TIMELY
9 AND EFFECTIVE ACTION ON THIS CRITICAL ISSUE WHICH SHE FULLY
10 SUPPORTS TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S ALSO INCORPORATED AND SECOND
11 AND TOO OFTEN TAXPAYER DOLLARS MEANT FROM URGENT SERVICES ARE
12 TIED UP IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES OR ALLOCATED INEFFICIENTLY
13 TO MAKE THE INTENDED IMPACT ON THE GROUND. THE SENATOR
14 BELIEVES THAT CREATING A CENTRALIZED DEPARTMENT WILL FOSTER
15 GREATER TRANSPARENCY AND ENSURE THAT RESOURCES ARE YOU USED
16 EFFICIENTLY

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

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21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TANISHA SANDERS OR SAUNDERS
22 YOUR LINE IS OPEN IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE SPEAK
23 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN. TANISHA SAUNDERS,
24 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE.

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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** COMMISSIONER SAUNDERS, ARE YOU
2 THERE?

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4 **SPEAKER:** YES, I'M HERE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. SO, I REALLY
5 APPRECIATE THE GREAT ROBUST CONVERSATION THAT HAS BEEN HAD
6 TODAY. AND I'D LIKE TO SHARE MY COMMENTS AS A LOS ANGELES
7 COMMISSIONER AND, OH, SORRY, AS SOMEONE WHO WORKS IN THE REC
8 SERVICE, WORKING IN THE SYSTEM TODAY, I URGE THE BOARD TO FIX
9 OUR SYSTEM RATHER THAN DISMANTLING IT. WE'VE SEEN COMMUNITIES
10 ACROSS THIS NATION WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY ADDRESSED
11 HOMELESSNESS THROUGH A UNIFIED APPROACH. AND I THINK THAT THE
12 RECENT EFFORTS MADE BY THE CITY AND COUNTY HAVE PRODUCED
13 SUCCESS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS. BUT THE CITY OR EVEN THE
14 COUNTY GOING IN THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL DIRECTION AND THEIR OWN
15 DEPARTMENT WOULD BE TAKING A HUGE STEP BACKWARD.

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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 KATIE HILL YOUR LINE IS
21 OPEN IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
22 YOUR PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN.

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24 **SPEAKER:** HELLO SUPERVISORS THIS IS SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO
25 ITEM 5. I APPRECIATE THAT MANY OF YOU ALREADY UNDERSTAND THIS,



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SUPERVISORS

1 BUT I WANT TO REITERATE THAT FOCUSING ON REPAYMENT OF WORKING
2 CAPITAL BY PROVIDERS IS PROBLEMATIC. IT IS IMPORTANT TO
3 UNDERSTAND WHAT PROVIDERS ARE TRULY FLOATING ON BEHALF OF THE
4 GOVERNMENT ENTITIES THAT FUND LAHSA, INCLUDING THE COUNTY, AND
5 THE NOTION OF REQUIRING ANY REPAYMENT AT THIS MOMENT IS NOT
6 ONLY MISGUIDED BUT ABSOLUTELY DANGEROUS TO THE FRAGILE
7 INFRASTRUCTURE OF OUR SYSTEM OF CARE. THE ORGANIZATION FOR
8 WHICH I'M THE INCOMING CEO, UNION STATION, HAS \$26,000,000
9 ANNUALLY IN CONTRACTS FROM LAHSA. WE'VE RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY
10 \$4,000,000 IN ADVANCES BETWEEN WORKING CAPITAL AT THE
11 BEGINNING OF MEASURE H AND CURRENT ANNUAL ADVANCES IN PRE-
12 PAYMENTS. HOWEVER, WE HAVE \$2,200,000 IN OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS
13 RECEIVABLE FROM LOS ANGELES THROUGH CTOBER, AN ADDITIONAL
14 \$1,800,000 WE CAN'T EVEN BILL YET BECAUSE OF CONTRACTING
15 DELAYS OR OTHER CONSTRAINTS IN EGMS, AND WE'VE ALREADY PAID
16 OUT \$1,600,000 ON LOS ANGELES CONTRACTS JUST IN NOVEMBER THAT
17 WE WILL NOT HAVE FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER 60 DAYS TO SOME BILLING
18 TIMELINES AND HISTORIC TRENDS. SO, THE OUTLAY OF FUNDS AT ANY
19 GIVEN POINT IN TIME IS SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER THAN THE COMBINED
20 ADVANCES REQUIRING US TO BORROW FROM A LINE OF CREDIT AND
21 SPEND PRIVATE DOLLARS ON INTEREST IN ORDER TO RECOUP ADVANCES
22 FROM THE SYSTEM --

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



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SUPERVISORS

1

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

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVIN AND I, WHAT CAN I SAY,
7 THIS IS, I'D LIKE TO THANK STAFF FIRST OF ALL AND CERTAINLY
8 COUNTY COUNSEL GETS A LOT OF THE CREDIT FOR THESE SCREWED UP
9 CONTRACTS AND THE VARIABLE CONTRACTS? WHETHER TO DO IT NOW OR
10 HOW TO DO IT, THAT'S A, I THINK YOU NEED TO VOTE ON IT AGAIN,
11 PROBABLY, BECAUSE IT'S CONFUSING. AND I THINK WE SHOULD MAKE
12 SURE THAT THERE'S MENTAL HEALTH AVAILABILITY FOR STAFF AND FOR
13 THE SUPERVISORS AS WELL BECAUSE THIS IS REALLY YET ANOTHER
14 SERIES OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND ENORMOUS CONFUSION FOR THOSE OF
15 US OUT IN THE PUBLIC. WE WANT IT TO BE STREAMLINED. IF THIS IS
16 THE PROCESS, THAT'S WONDERFUL. YOU KNOW, WE'RE A LITTLE
17 CONCERNED THAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH IS BEING, YOU KNOW, HANDS-ON
18 RIGHT UP FRONT, IS GOING TO STICK HERSELF IN AS THE ELECTED
19 CEO BECAUSE, FOR REASONS LIKE, WOULDN'T THE CURRENT CEO BE
20 COORDINATING A COUNTY DEPARTMENT? THAT'S KIND OF WHAT A CEO
21 DOES IN THE REAL WORLD. SO HOPEFULLY, DAVENPORT WILL GET
22 ACCESS IF NECESSARY TO THE MENTAL HEALTH. LET'S MAKE SURE THAT
23 THIS DOESN'T TURN INTO MEASURE H WITH MARK RIGLEY THOMAS'
24 BABY, AND IT WAS HE WHO SAID PUSH ALL THE MONEY OUT THE DOOR.
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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 NICKY PEREZ. YOUR LINE IS
6 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
7 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN. THEY REMOVED THEMSELVES FROM QUEUE.
8 OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT NOW IS MARCEL RODERID. YOUR LINE IS
9 OPENING. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
10 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.
11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING OR GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND
13 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M MARCEL RODARTE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
14 OF THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION. I WAS ALSO A
15 MEMBER OF THE BIRCH AND WHOLE HEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE
16 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE BIRCH, INCLUDING ACCOUNTABILITY,
17 PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS AND MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO HOW WE ADDRESS
18 HOMELESSNESS IN LA COUNTY. COMPARATIVE OF THE RESIDENTS IN LA
19 COUNTY ARE GIVEN ASSURANCE THEIR TAXPAYER DOLLARS ARE BEING
20 USED EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY TO POSITIVELY IMPACT THE
21 REDUCTION OF HOMELESSNESS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THE PASSAGE
22 OF MEASURE A WAS A TESTAMENT TO THOSE EXPECTATIONS. OUR
23 MEMBERS APPLAUD THE BOARD FOR KEEPING YOUR PROMISE TO MAKE
24 CHANGES WHERE NEEDED TO IMPROVE THE WASTE SERVICES AND
25 PROGRAMMING ARE FUNDED. THE BERKS RECOMMENDATIONS WERE THE



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1 RESULT OF 100 HOURS OF WORK TO IDENTIFY AREAS IN NEED OF
2 ATTENTION AND IMPROVEMENT. THE UNANIMOUS DECISION WAS THAT WE
3 CANNOT KEEP DOING THINGS THE SAME WAY AND EXPECT IMPROVED
4 RESULTS. ON BEHALF OF OUR 80 MEMBER CITIES AND NEARLY
5 8,000,000 RESIDENTS, I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE AN AYE VOTE ON ITEMS
6 5 AND 21 TODAY. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THIS IMPORTANT
7 WORK WITH YOU ALL. THANK YOU.

8

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

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11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHRIES. YOUR LINE IS
12 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
13 YOUR PHONE.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** YOU MAY BEGIN. LASHA WAS BORN IN 1993, AND HERE WE
16 ARE, 2024, WITH THIS GRAND EXPOSE ABOMINATION. YES, WE NEED
17 NEW JAILS, A LA SHERIFF ARPAIO IN BARGERLAND, TO HOUSE THOSE
18 RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CRIMINAL ENTERPRISE, WHICH EXPLAINS THE
19 LAHSA ARROGANCE IN CLEARING THE ROLAND HEIGHTS STATER
20 BROTHERS' TRANSIENTS. I TRIED TO GET ROLAND HEIGHTS RESIDENTS
21 TO ENGAGE THIS BOARD, WHICH IS PROBABLY ILL-ADVISED,
22 CONSIDERING THE RIOTING THAT MIGHT RESULT AFTER WAKING THE
23 LIVING DEAD. THIS MEASURE IS BETTER LATE THAN NEVER. AND THANK
24 GOD FOR THE ELECTION OF DONALD J. TRUMP, WHO IS GOING TO BRING
25 PRIDE AND JUSTICE BACK TO THIS COUNTRY, STATE, AND COUNTY. WE



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1 NEED ELON TO STAY IN CALIFORNIA AND GET US OUT OF THIS MUCK
2 AND MIRE THAT WE'RE EMBROILED IN. THANK YOU.

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

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

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

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

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14 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. OKAY, SO FOR THE BLUE-RIBBON
15 COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS RECOMMENDATIONS, THIS BOARD, THIS
16 BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION HAD EIGHTS SEATS, I BELIEVE, AND ONE OF
17 THEM WAS HELD BY A GIBSON-DUNN ATTORNEY NAMED DEANNE VANGELIS.
18 SO, THE WOMAN WHO LITERALLY STOOD IN FRONT OF THE SUPREME
19 COURT RECENTLY REPRESENTING GRANTS PASS, OREGON, AND ARGUED
20 SUCCESSFULLY THAT UNHOUSED PEOPLE DO NOT DESERVE CIVIL RIGHTS
21 SUCH AS THE RIGHT TO SLEEP IN PUBLIC. LAHSA WAS CREATED, YES,
22 IN THE 90'S AS A RESULT OF WELFARE LAWSUITS IN THE 80'S. SO
23 BASICALLY, LASA WAS CREATED AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO DIRECTLY
24 AIDING PEOPLE WITH THINGS LIKE GENERAL RELIEF OR WHAT THEY NOW
25 CALL UBI AND STUFF. IF WE ACTUALLY GOT DIRECT HELP, WE COULD



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SUPERVISORS

1 JUST HELP OURSELVES, THERE WOULD BE NO NEED TO DO AN AUDIT
2 LATER. --

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

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

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11 **SPEAKER:** THE FIRST PROBLEM WAS NOT RECOGNIZING THAT HOUSING
12 ALONE WILL NOT ADDRESS WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE STREETS. PLEASE
13 ADVOCATE TO THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR MORE
14 INPATIENT PSYCHIATRIC FACILITIES. NOW REGARDING THIS
15 DISCUSSION, ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT THE HOMELESS INDUSTRIAL
16 COMPLEX WOULD NOT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY
17 BY THE COUNTY? WHAT? I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS WORSE, THE TAKING
18 ADVANTAGE OR THE COUNTY FAILING TO FORESEE THE UNINTENDED
19 CONSEQUENCES? SUPERVISORS, PLEASE BE CLEAR THAT YOUR
20 EXPERIENCE REGARDING CONTACTING LAHSA CANNOT BE COMPARED TO
21 THAT OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC. NEXT TIME IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS JOE
22 PUBLIC AND THEN COMPARE THE RESPONSIVENESS. THANK YOU.

23

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

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SUPERVISORS

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

4
5 **SPEAKER:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

8
9 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M COLIN CAMPBELL REPRESENTING U.S. CYBER
10 COMMAND UNDER ORDERS FROM PRESIDENT BIDEN, HARRIS, NEWSOM,
11 SENATOR DODD, U.S. SENATE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, SELECT
12 COMMITTEES OF INTELLIGENCE PRESENTED THE FEDERAL BUDGET OF
13 \$238,500,000,000 FOR ORACLE FEDERAL AI FOR HEALTHCARE AND
14 JUSTICE, L.A. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 9/10, 11 WEEKS AGO. CAN
15 WE USE CYBERCOMMANDS, NASA, JPL'S GENERAL INTELLIGENCE THAT
16 LET US TALK, LISTEN, AND MONITOR EVERYONE HELPING HOMELESS
17 PEOPLE AS WELL AS ORACLE FEDERAL HAS CONTRACT MANAGEMENT
18 MODULE THAT WAS INITIALLY REPORTED TODAY BY MR. ROBERT
19 CAMPBELL, BY DR. VA LECIA KELLUM, DR. JANINE TREJO AND CEO
20 DAVENPORT. THE FEDERAL BUDGET RELEASED ON THE AI
21 ACCOUNTABILITY ACT SIGNED INTO LAW ON 9-30-2024, 8 WEEKS AGO
22 BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM AND SENATOR DODD, HAS A BUDGET OF
23 \$2,590,000,000 THIS YEAR FOR HOMELESS. CAN WE TRY THIS AT
24 PASADENA HOMELESS SHELTER UNDER CAPTAIN BARGER'S OFFICE? MY
25 NAME IS COLIN CAMPBELL. THANK YOU.



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

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

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8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND HONORABLE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JESUS GARCIA AND I'M A SENIOR
10 LEGISLATIVE ANALYST FOR THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA. ON BEHALF OF
11 OUR CITY COUNCIL, WE EXPRESS OUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR AGENDA
12 ITEMS 5 AND 21 WHICH WILL IMPLEMENT KEY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM
13 THE BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS. WE THANK THE BOARD
14 FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP AND WORK TOWARDS IDENTIFYING SOLUTIONS
15 FOR THIS PROBLEM WHICH WE BELIEVE TO BE ONE OF THE LARGEST, IF
16 NOT THE LARGEST ISSUE WE FACE IN THE REGION TODAY, WHICH IS TO
17 PROVIDE CRITICAL SERVICES TO THE UNHOUSED AND THOSE AT RISK OF
18 BEING UNHOUSED, WHILE ALSO PRIORITIZING ACCOUNTABILITY,
19 EFFICIENCY, AND TRANSPARENCY. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE NOW GOING TO GO
22 TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON. COMMISSIONER SHEIKH, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** HI EVERYONE. I CURRENTLY SERVE AS LAHSA COMMISSIONER.
25 SO, I ABSOLUTELY SEE ALL SIDES OF THIS ISSUE. AND AT THE VERY



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1 CORE, THIS HOMELESSNESS IS REALLY JUST THE MANIFESTATION OF
2 ALL OF OUR SYSTEMIC FAILURES. AND NO ONE BUREAUCRATIC
3 STRUCTURE IS GONNA FIX THIS. I KNOW LAHSA HAS HAD ITS
4 CHALLENGES, THE COUNTY HAS HAD CHALLENGES, BUT I'M ACTUALLY
5 NOT HERE TO DEFEND ANY PARTICULAR ORGANIZATION OR STRUCTURE. I
6 URGE US TO CONTINUE TO FOCUS ON THE ACTUAL WORK AND CENTERING
7 OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS AND FOLKS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN
8 OUR DECISION. SO, I ACTUALLY, SUPERVISOR HAHN MADE TWO GOOD
9 POINTS THAT WERE ALSO MY POINTS, THAT WE NEED TO REALLY MAKE
10 SURE WE ARE UNDERSCORING IN THESE THIS FINDINGS REPORT WHAT IS
11 GOING TO IMPACT OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS AND OUR ACTUAL METRICS.
12 ALSO, THAT WE SPEND A LITTLE MORE TIME ON THE REPORT. AND THE
13 LAST THING IS THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT THE REPORT IS BASED ON
14 ACTUAL ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD OF 10 TO 15% AND NOT WHAT LAHSA
15 IS CURRENTLY USING, WHICH IS AROUND 5. THANK YOU, WE CAN DO
16 THIS TOGETHER.

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

19
20 **SPEAKER:** HELLO SUPERVISORS, MAYOR JOHN ERICKSON FROM THE CITY
21 OF WEST HOLLYWOOD. NORMALLY ON A FRIDAY, I SHOULD BE PREPARING
22 TO SEE WICKED, WHICH I'VE SEEN TWICE. HOWEVER, I FOUND MYSELF
23 READING THE AUDIT REPORT FOR LAHSA AT A LOCAL COFFEE SHOP AND
24 WAS AGHAST. NOT ONLY AGHAST BY THE FAILURE OF, I THINK,
25 SYSTEMATIC THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN SET UP TO HELP PEOPLE, BUT A



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1 FAILURE OF, I THINK, ALL OF US. AND IT'S SO GREAT TO SEE THE
2 ROBUST DISCUSSION HERE BY EVERYONE THAT DEEPLY CARES ABOUT
3 THIS ISSUE TO TRY TO FIND A PATHWAY FORWARD. I WOULD ALSO
4 INVITE LAHSA TO ACTUALLY ENGAGE THE 87 OTHER CITIES THROUGHOUT
5 THE COUNTY. I CANNOT, I WAS TRYING TO TEXT OUR CITY MANAGER
6 WHILE I WAS WAITING HERE TO SAY HAS LAHSA EVER COME TO WEST
7 HOLLYWOOD TO FIND OUT THE 5 TO \$10,000,000 WE TAKE OUT OF OUR
8 ANNUAL BUDGET TO HELP RECOUP AND DO THE WORK THAT THEY SHOULD
9 OR WOULD BE DOING AND THE ANSWER WAS A NO AND SO I INVITE THAT
10 CONVERSATION I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE UP HERE FOR THE WORK
11 THAT YOU'RE DOING FOR THIS ISSUE. AND IT'S REALLY GREAT TO SEE
12 THE COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BEING PUT FORTH FOR OUR CITIES. THANK
13 YOU SO MUCH.

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

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17 **SPEAKER:** YES. MY NAME IS PAIGE KALUDEROVIC. I AM MAYOR PRO TEM
18 IN REDONDO BEACH. I SERVE REPRESENTING THE SOUTHWEST CITIES ON
19 THE ECRA COMMITTEE. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION
20 TODAY. IT'S AN INTERESTING SITUATION. THIS IS A TRUE EMERGENCY
21 AFFECTING TENS OF THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS IN LA COUNTY, BUT
22 IT'S NOT TREATED LIKE AN EMERGENCY. IT'S ONE OF VERY FEW. SO,
23 THIS RECOMMENDATION WAS MADE 2 ½ YEARS AGO TO CREATE A CENTRAL
24 ENTITY FOR HOMELESSNESS, AND WE'RE JUST NOW GETTING TO THOSE
25 RECOMMENDATIONS. SO, I URGE YOU TO ACT WITH URGENCY. AND IT'S



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1 IMPORTANT THAT CITIES, AS THE GENTLEMAN BEFORE ME SPOKE, ARE
2 REPRESENTED IN THIS NEW ENTITY. IF THE SAME PEOPLE MAKING THE
3 SAME DECISIONS ARE MAKING UP THIS NEW TEAM, WE SHOULD EXPECT
4 THE SAME OUTCOMES. AND I DON'T THINK THAT'S WHAT WE'RE LOOKING
5 FOR TODAY. I WILL SAY THAT THE CENTRAL ENTITY SYSTEM DOES
6 WORK. WE'VE USED IT IN REDONDO BEACH. WE'VE REACHED FUNCTIONAL
7 ZERO IN HOMELESSNESS BY TAKING THE LESS TRADITIONAL PATH AND
8 ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS AND IT CAN BE DONE ANYWHERE AND IT AND
9 EVERYWHERE IN LA COUNTY SO LET'S ACT WITH URGENCY PRIORITIZE
10 MEANINGFUL DATA AND IMPLEMENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE
11 BLUE. --

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

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16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS DARRELL HICKS I AM THE
17 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR WITH WESLEY HEALTH CENTERS. HERE
18 ON BEHALF OF MY ORGANIZATION, WE UNDERSTAND AND RECOGNIZE THE
19 NEED FOR SOLUTIONS TO THE CITY'S AND THE COUNTY'S HOMELESSNESS
20 PROBLEM AND ARE IN FULL SUPPORT OF BILL 21 AND ITS PURPOSES.
21 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

24
25 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M BRITTANY WEISSMAN. I RUN HOLLYWOOD FORWARD,



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1 THE HOMELESS HUB IN GREATER HOLLYWOOD, AND THANKS SUPERVISORS
2 HORVATH AND BARGER FOR THIS MOTION WHICH WE ENDORSE IN
3 HOLLYWOOD. WE KNOW THE CRISIS TODAY REQUIRES OUR STRATEGIC
4 THINKING AND STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT. THERE ARE SO MANY BRILLIANT
5 PEOPLE AND VAST SUMS OF MONEY WORKING DISJOINTEDLY IN LA
6 COUNTY AT THIS POINT. AND WE KNOW IN HOLLYWOOD, AT HOLLYWOOD
7 FORWARD, THAT INTELLIGENTLY COORDINATING THE STAFF, THE FUNDS,
8 THE SERVICES WITH AN EYE ON OUTCOMES IS REALLY KEY TO
9 ACHIEVING FUNCTIONAL ZERO ON HOMELESSNESS. BUT THIS NEW
10 DEPARTMENT IS NOT IMMUNE, LIKE OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, IS
11 NOT IMMUNE TO THE RED TAPE AND PAYMENT DELAYS AND INSIDE THE
12 BOX THINKING LIMITATIONS. AND SO, WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE GOOD ON
13 THE PROMISE THAT WE'VE DEVOTED TO THE COUNTY TAXPAYERS THROUGH
14 MEASURE A AND OTHER SORTS OF FUNDING TO MAKE SURE THIS NEW
15 COUNTY ENTITY IS PROVING GOOD AND MAKING GOOD ON OUR
16 CONFIDENCE. THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CHRISTIAN
21 HULING DELIVERING REMARKS ON BEHALF OF SCIU LOCAL 721
22 PRESIDENT DAVID GREEN AND OVER 100,000 REPRESENTED LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY WORKERS INCLUDING THOSE OF LAHSA. 721 HAS HISTORICALLY
24 COLLABORATED WITH BOTH THE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
25 TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY, CONTINUITY OF SERVICES, CREATING



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1 STANDARDS THAT SERVE THE COMMON GOOD OF THE COMMUNITIES WE
2 SERVE AND THE MEMBERS WE REPRESENT UNDER LAHSA. WHILE WE
3 UNDERSTAND THE URGENT CALLS FOR REFORM AND STREAMLINING OF
4 HOMELESS SERVICES PROVIDED BY LAHSA, IT IS OUR SINCERE HOPE
5 THAT THIS BOARD THOROUGHLY ASSESS THE PROPOSED TRANSITION OF
6 THESE FUNCTIONS TO A DIRECT COUNTY-OPERATED AGENCY. AS WE
7 EMBARK ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF 2 VOTER-APPROVED MEASURES
8 ADDRESSING THE CRISIS OF THE UNHOUSED AND EQUITABLE
9 REPRESENTATION IN GOVERNMENT, THE LEADERSHIP OF SCIU 721
10 CONTINUES TO ADVOCATE FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP TO BE MEANINGFULLY
11 INCLUDED IN THE DISCUSSION AND THE OUTCOME AS PRESCRIBED BY
12 THIS BOARD TODAY. THANK YOU.

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

15
16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS
17 GRACE WELBIN AND I REPRESENT THE SOUTH BAY COALITION IN
18 HOMELESSNESS. WE HAVE PROVIDERS, WE HAVE CITIES, WE HAVE
19 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, HEALTH CARE AGENCIES, A BROAD BASE
20 OF MEMBERS AND WE ARE ACTUALLY IN SUPPORT OF EXPLORING THIS
21 MOTION PRIOR TO THE PASSAGE. MANY MEMBERS EXPRESSED
22 RESERVATIONS ABOUT MEASURE A BECAUSE OF ACCOUNTABILITY ISSUES
23 AND TRANSPARENCY ISSUES. SO, WE FEEL THAT THIS MOTION WILL
24 GIVE THE VOTERS MAYBE WHAT THEY NEED TO HEAR BEFORE MOVING
25 FORWARD ON WHAT WE COULD. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WHAT WE COULD



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1 DO. WE LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH YOU AND I WANT TO SAY
2 PLEASE, PLEASE DO SUBSTANTIAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND GETTING
3 INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY AND THE PROVIDERS. THANK YOU.

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

6
7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS KATHLEEN ROSS AND I'M PRESIDENT AND
8 CEO OF THE HOLLYWOOD PARTNERSHIP. WE RUN A SMALL HOLLYWOOD
9 PARTNERSHIP COMMUNITY DISPATCH CENTER IN THE CORE OF HOLLYWOOD
10 AND WE ARE THE RECIPIENTS OF A SMALL AMOUNT OF COUNTY FUNDS
11 THAT HELP US DO THE WORK. WE COORDINATE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD,
12 WITH THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER, BRITTANY WEISSMAN, WITH HOLLYWOOD
13 FORWARD, WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS, WITH DMH, WITH LAHSA. AND LET
14 ME JUST SAY THAT COORDINATE AND EFFORT IN OUR 80 BLOCKS HAS
15 MADE ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD. THESE PILOT PROGRAMS
16 THAT WE DO, WE REALLY NEED TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE CAN DUPLICATE
17 THE THINGS THAT ARE WORKING, BUT WE CAN'T DO THAT IN A
18 DISJOINTED SYSTEM. CERTAINLY, IF THERE'S A POSSIBILITY OF MORE
19 COORDINATION, WE NEED TO EXPLORE IT. SO WE KNOW THERE'S
20 AMAZING PEOPLE WORKING THEIR HARDEST EVERY DAY, DAY IN AND DAY
21 OUT, BUT IF WE'RE NOT TALKING TO EACH OTHER, WE'RE NOT GOING
22 TO GET THERE. SO, IF WE LIKE THE WAY THINGS ARE WE SHOULDN'T
23 TRY ANYTHING NEW. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO TRY SOMETHING NEW.
24 LET'S GO. THANK YOU.



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SHANNON MURRAY. I'M THE
4 DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS AND HOUSING SERVICES FOR WATTS LABOR
5 COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS THE SPOSTEX HOMELESS
6 COALITION CHAIR. WITH THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE A, THE COUNTY HAS
7 SPOKEN. WE CARE, WE WANT TO TRULY ADDRESS END-TO-END
8 HOMELESSNESS, AND WE WANT IT DONE WITH STRONG LEADERSHIP AND
9 ACCOUNTABILITY. THIS, FINALLY, IS OUR TIME. AS A LONGTIME
10 SERVICE PROVIDER, WE THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR DOING
11 A CAREFUL, THOUGHTFUL ANALYSIS OF NEXT STEPS. THINGS TO
12 CONSIDER IN THE ANALYSIS, WHATEVER IS DECIDED. THE HOMELESS
13 SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO ARE DOING THIS VERY HARD WORK EVERYDAY
14 NEED AND WANT CONTRACTS EXECUTED BEFORE OR AT THE BEGINNING OF
15 THE YEAR, REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSES ON TIME, AS WELL AS A
16 SUPPORTIVE COLLABORATIVE FUNDER WHO IS A PARTNER IN WORKING
17 TOWARDS CLEAR GOALS WITH A CONSTANT FEEDBACK LOOP AND
18 CONSISTENT RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION. WE ALL KNOW THAT WE ARE
19 DEDICATED TO ENDING THIS CRISIS. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.
22 YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER.

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24 **SPEAKER:** VERONICA LEWIS WITH HOPPIX. THIS IS A PIVOTAL MOMENT
25 IN OUR COUNTY, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MY CAREER, ALL STONES



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SUPERVISORS

1 ARE NOT BEING LEFT UNTURNED. AND WHILE IT MAY BE A DIFFICULT
2 OPTION, I'M APPRECIATING THAT YOU ALL ARE CONSIDERING ALL
3 OPTIONS TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR HOMELESS RESPONSE SYSTEM MAKES
4 SENSE. SO, WITH THAT SAID, I WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO SEND TO
5 YOUR DECISION-MAKING TODAY, AND IF APPLICABLE IN TWO TO THREE
6 MONTHS ON THE 6 CORE THINGS I'M ABOUT TO SHARE. HONORING THE
7 COMMITMENT TO THE TAXPAYERS THAT VOLUNTARILY ADDED ANOTHER
8 QUARTER SALES TAX TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S CLEAR TRANSPARENCY
9 AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ALL AGENCIES AND ENTITIES INVOLVED.
10 USING THE DATA, LESSONS LEARNED, AND INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO
11 YOU TO REALLY EXAMINE THROUGH THIS PROCESS WHAT'S WORKED WELL,
12 WHAT HASN'T WORKED AT ALL, AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE ADJUSTED.
13 MAKING SURE THE PATHWAY FORWARD COMPLETELY REIMAGINES HOW
14 COUNTY FUNDS ARE DISTRIBUTED TO SERVICE PROVIDERS SO THAT THE
15 LONG-HELD NORM OF SERVICE PROVIDERS SUFFERING AND HOLDING THE
16 SYSTEM ON OUR BACK GOES AWAY. AND ALSO MAKING SURE THAT
17 PERFORMANCE MEASURES ARE BUILT INTO WHOEVER THE GRANT
18 ADMINISTRATOR IN, INCLUDING CUSTOMER SERVICE FOR ITS CUSTOMERS
19 OR SERVICE PROVIDERS.

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

22
23 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS DR. TRUTHBEY. I'M A U.S.
24 POLICY ANALYST. WE CANNOT TALK ABOUT THE AUDIT WITHOUT
25 MENTIONING PETER LIN, HEIDI MARSTON, JUST A FEW OF THE



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1 LEADERSHIP PRIOR. CURRENTLY, I WANT TO COMMEND MS. VA LECIA
2 ADAMS KELLUM, ACTUALLY, FOR A LOT OF THE THINGS YOU MENTIONED
3 WITHOUT HER. THERE WILL STILL BE A LOT OF UNMET CHANGES. BUT
4 ONE THING THAT NEEDS TO CHANGE IS THE LOSS OF COMMISSION
5 BOARD. AS YOU MENTIONED, MS. HORVATH, AND I COMMEND YOU AGAIN
6 FOR THE WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE. WENDY GREUEL, SHE HAS TO GO.
7 SHE HAS TO RETIRE THAT HAT. SHE'S BEEN THERE SINCE THE DAYS OF
8 GARCETTI. SHE'S WELL AWARE OF A LOT OF THE CORRUPTION EFFORTS
9 THERE. MAKES HER CAREER, HER AND HER HUSBAND, ON EXPLOITING
10 BLACK AND BROWN ISSUES. I SAY THIS BECAUSE I'VE BEEN THERE AND
11 WITNESSED IT FOR THE LAST DECADE. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS
12 TO STEP UP. I HAVE NO ISSUES WITH WENDY GREUEL. I'M SURE SHE'S
13 A NICE LADY OFF-KEY, BUT THIS IS BUSINESS RIGHT NOW. WHEN IT
14 COMES TO HOMELESSNESS, IT CANNOT CONTINUE TO BE THE SAME BAD
15 APPLES. SO, I WANNA KEEP THAT IN CONSIDERATION AND HAVE YOU AS
16 CHAIR, MS. HORVATH, INSTEAD OF THE LAHSA--

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW GO BACK TO
19 SPEAKERS ON THE PHONE. PLEASE GO AHEAD, MODERATOR. MODERATOR?
20 MODERATOR, ARE YOU THERE?

21
22 **MODERATOR:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I CAN HEAR YOU NOW.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OKAY. YOUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS AMARA ONONWU. YOUR
2 LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
3 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. AGAIN, MY NAME IS AMARA ONONWU. I
6 ACTUALLY SERVE ON THE LEADERSHIP TABLE AND I CO-CHAIR THE FACE
7 COLLABORATIVE IN HOMELESSNESS. BUT THESE ARE MY PERSONAL
8 THOUGHTS. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS ROBUST CONVERSATION. I
9 THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE EXAMINE OUR SYSTEMS. I
10 DON'T KNOW ANY SUCCESSFUL ENTITY THAT DOES NOT DO THAT. BUT I
11 WANT TO UPLIFT SOME COMMENTS THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN MADE. I
12 THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE BALANCE EFFICACY WITH
13 FEASIBILITY AND LISTENING AS A PUBLIC. I DON'T KNOW THAT WE,
14 IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE WE'VE COMPLETELY COME TO AN AGREEMENT
15 THERE ABOUT WHAT THE REPORT THAT WILL CONTAIN. I THINK IT'S
16 REALLY IMPORTANT TO EXAMINE WHAT IMPACT IT'S GOING TO HAVE
17 FIRST ON THE PEOPLE THAT WE SERVE, OUR HOMELESS, OUR
18 NEIGHBORS. WHAT IMPACT IS IT GOING TO HAVE AND ON OUR SERVICE
19 PROVIDERS? I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE BALANCE THOSE
20 2 THINGS. I ALSO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT ANY ENTITY EXPLORE
21 HOW ARE WE LEANING INTO THIS UNPRECEDENTED ALIGNMENT THAT IS
22 NOW JUST NOW BEING CREATED ACROSS THE COUNTY. HOW CAN WE
23 ENSURE THAT ALIGNMENT CAN BE DONE? --

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



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SUPERVISORS

1 SPEAKER PLEASE.

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3 **MODERATOR:** YOUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS NIKKI PEREZ. YOUR LINE IS
4 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
5 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN. THEY TOOK THEMSELVES OUT. YOUR NEXT
6 SPEAKER IS CHRISTELLE ROMERO. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE
7 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
8 MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
11 CHRISTELLE ROMERO WITH THE L.A. COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR,
12 REPRESENTING OVER 800,000 UNION MEMBERS ACROSS LA COUNTY AND
13 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT WHEELER REGARDING ITEM 21. THE
14 LA LABOR MOVEMENT UNDERSTANDS THE URGENT CALLS FOR REFORM AND
15 STREAMLINING OF LAHSA OF HOMELESSNESS SERVICE. WE URGE THIS
16 BOARD THOUGH TO FURTHER THE ASSESS OF PROPOSED TRANSITION OF
17 CERTAIN FUNCTIONS TO A DIRECT COUNTY OPERATED AGENCY
18 ESPECIALLY AS THE REGION BEGINS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CITIZEN-
19 DRIVEN AND VOTER APPROVED MEASURE A. THE LA LABOR MOVEMENT
20 URGES THIS BOARD TO HAVE UNION MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY THOSE ON
21 THE FRONT LINES OF ADDRESSING OUR POVERTY CRISIS, BE
22 MEANINGFULLY INCLUDED IN THESE DISCUSSIONS AND OUTCOMES. THANK
23 YOU.

24

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



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1

2 **MODERATOR:** YOUR NEXT SPEAKER IS ROBERT NAUTOFF. YOUR LINE IS
3 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
4 YOUR PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I WAS ACTUALLY CALLING THIS SPEAK ON
7 ITEMS 17 AND 19.

8

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

10

11 **MODERATOR:** YOUR NEXT SPEAKER IS CHRIS WITH NO LAST NAME. YOUR
12 LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
13 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CHRIS. THIS LONG-
16 OVERDUE MOTION WILL ALIGN DEPARTMENT AND SERVICES. I BELIEVE
17 THIS IS A BOLD AND MUCH NEEDED MOVE AND I STRONGLY SUPPORT
18 ITEM 21. THANK YOU.

19

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

21

22 **MODERATOR:** YOUR NEXT SPEAKER IS ELIZABETH GREEN. YOUR LINE IS
23 OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
24 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** I HAVE A LIST OF FIVE INDIVIDUALS SO FAR WHO CANNOT
2 RENT AND SO MUST REMAIN UNHOUSED UNTIL THEY PURCHASE HOMES.
3 THE HOMELESS INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS
4 REFUSED TO ASSIST THEM WITH FINANCES OR SERVICES TO PURCHASE
5 HOUSING. DR. ADAMS KELLUM MADE A DAY'S SALARY OF \$430,000.
6 THUS, TAXPAYERS GAVE HER A HOME. SOME OF OUR UNHOUSED
7 NEIGHBORS DESERVE THOSE FUNDS TO PURCHASE HOMES BECAUSE THEY
8 MINIMIZE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND POSTPONE CLIMATE CHANGE BY
9 MAINTAINING A SMALL CARBON FOOTPRINT, WHICH IS WORK.
10 CONSTRUCTING A NEW HOUSE LIKELY EMITS ON THE ORDER OF 15 TO
11 100 TONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE. THE ULTIMATE COST OF CARBON
12 EMISSIONS IS SCIENTIFICALLY ESTIMATED TO BE A MINIMUM OF
13 \$10,000 PER TON. A \$1,200,000,000 PROGRAM FOR THE UNHOUSED IN
14 LOS ANGELES INCLUDES A PAYMENT OF \$837,000 FOR EACH HOUSING
15 UNIT. AT THE MINIMUM COST OF \$10,000 PER TENT, ONE OF OUR
16 UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS COULD PURCHASE ONE OF THOSE HOUSING UNITS
17 FOR 84 TONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CREDIT ACCUMULATED ACROSS HER
18 LIFETIME. --

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

22
23 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE
24 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT,
2 ITEM 5 IS RECEIVED AND FILED. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL
3 BE THE ORDER AS NO VOTE IS NEEDED ON THAT ITEM. BUT ITEM 21 IS
4 BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO
5 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

10

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

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13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** ABSTAIN.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ABSTAIN. SUPERVISOR
16 HAHN?

17

18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES. 4
4 AYES, 1 ABSTENTION.

5

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

7 THERE WAS A REQUEST TO MOVE UP ITEM 8. SO, WE ARE MOVING TO
8 ITEM 8, INCREASING SUPPORT FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY IMMIGRANTS,
9 WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
10 ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS
11 ITEM. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND I
14 WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR AGREEING TO
15 CO-AUTHOR THE MOTION WITH ME. THIS IS REGARDING INCREASING
16 SUPPORT FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY IMMIGRANTS AND I ALSO WANT TO
17 THANK OUR STAFF AT OIA AND RAFAEL, RIGO, AND DAN, AND ALL
18 THOSE THAT HAVE WORKED IN THE PAST FEW YEARS TO SUPPORT OUR
19 IMMIGRANTS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND LASTLY, I WOULD
20 ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL THOSE HERE THAT ARE IN SUPPORT OF
21 THE MOTION AND THOSE THAT ARE ON THE LINE OR WATCHING US
22 TODAY. LASTLY, I WANT TO THANK ALL OF US FOR STANDING UP FOR
23 YOUR DEDICATION AND FORTHRIGHT ABILITY TO SEE HOW IMPORTANT
24 OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES ARE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
25 COLLEAGUES, I'M BRINGING THIS MOTION TO YOU TODAY BECAUSE WE



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1 KNOW THAT IN THE COMING MONTHS IT'S GOING TO BECOME MORE
2 DIFFICULT FOR MANY OF OUR FRIENDS AND OUR NEIGHBORS.
3 IMMIGRANTS, AS WE ALL KNOW, ARE THE BACKBONE OF LA COUNTY. ON
4 EVERY CORNER, YOU SEE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF IMMIGRANTS FROM
5 AROUND THE WORLD. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IMMIGRANTS CONTRIBUTE
6 SIGNIFICANTLY TO NEARLY ALL ASPECTS OF OUR COUNTY LIFE,
7 INCLUDING SPENDING OVER \$108,600,000,000 PER YEAR AND
8 CONTRIBUTING OVER \$38,000,000,000 IN STATE, LOCAL, AND FEDERAL
9 TAXES. THE PRESIDENT-ELECT HAS MADE NO SECRET OF HIS PLANS FOR
10 IMMIGRATION POLICY, INCLUDING MASS DEPORTATIONS, CREATING A
11 DEEP SENSE OF FEAR AND INSTABILITY NOT ONLY AMONG UNDOCUMENTED
12 RESIDENTS, BUT ALSO FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LESS THAN CITIZENSHIP
13 STATUS AND MIXED IMMIGRATION STATUS HOUSEHOLDS. CONSIDERING
14 THAT NEARLY 60% OF CHILDREN BORN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVE AT
15 LEAST 1 PARENT WHO IS AN IMMIGRANT, MASS DEPORTATIONS COULD
16 GREATLY DISRUPT OUR FAMILIES AND UPROOT INDIVIDUALS FROM
17 COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE NOT BEEN APART FOR YEARS. AND LET'S NOT
18 FORGET THAT MANY UNDOCUMENTED RESIDENTS HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS
19 WHO ARE ALSO U.S. CITIZENS BY BIRTH, INCLUDING CHILDREN WHOM
20 THEY RELY ON FOR SUPPORT. WE'VE SEEN THIS PICTURE BEFORE,
21 MEMBERS. WE'VE SEEN THIS PLAYBOOK, AND WE KNOW WHAT THE
22 CONSEQUENCES CAN BE. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE ALSO KNOW HOW TO
23 RESPOND TO BEST SUPPORT OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. BACK IN
24 2017, NOT TOO LONG AGO, IN RESPONSE TO THEN-PRESIDENT TRUMP'S
25 IMMIGRATION POLICIES, I AUTHORED A MOTION TO CREATE THE OFFICE



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SUPERVISORS

1 OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS, OIA, IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND
2 BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO SUPPORT OUR COUNTY'S IMMIGRANT
3 COMMUNITIES. AND OVER THE PAST YEAR, OIA HAS CHANNELED ALMOST
4 \$37,000,000 IN PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO SUPPORT ALL OF OUR
5 IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ACROSS THE COUNTY OF LA. ITS
6 PROGRAMS INCLUDE REPRESENT LA, WHICH PROVIDES IMMIGRATION
7 LEGAL REPRESENTATION AND SERVICES, AND LINK SERVICES TO
8 SUPPORT SERVICES, CAPACITY BUILDING, AND CASE MANAGEMENT FOR
9 IMMIGRANT SERVING ORGANIZATIONS AND CBO'S, AND ALSO BY
10 ASSISTING AND STRENGTHENING THEIR LANGUAGE ACCESS TO
11 COUNTYWIDE SERVICES. ADDITIONALLY, THE LAST TRUMP
12 ADMINISTRATION, THE COUNTY UPDATED THE COUNTY CODE TO PROHIBIT
13 THE COUNTY WORKFORCE FROM COOPERATING WITH IMMIGRANT
14 OFFICIALS. THE BOARD ALSO TOOK DECISIVE ACTION TO LIMIT ACCESS
15 TO COUNTY-SENSITIVE LOCATIONS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
16 ENGAGED IN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT. LA COUNTY, AS YOU KNOW,
17 HAS PROVEN IT CAN ACT SWIFTLY DURING TIMES OF CRISIS AS IT DID
18 DURING THE FIRST TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. NOW WITH THE IMMIGRANT
19 COMMUNITY FACING ANOTHER PERIOD OF INSTABILITY, THE COUNTY HAS
20 TO ACT WITH THE SAME URGENCY AND RESOLVE BY STRENGTHENING OUR
21 RESOURCES, EXPANDING PROTECTIONS, AND STANDING FIRM AGAINST
22 HARMFUL FEDERAL POLICIES THAT THE COUNTY KNOWS CAN HAVE A
23 SERIOUS IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY. BUT THAT WON'T DETER OUR
24 COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. TODAY'S
25 MOTION REAFFIRMS THE COUNTY'S PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF ANY



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1 COUNTY RESOURCES FOR IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES ABSENT,
2 AND I WANT TO UNDERSCORE THIS, A JUDICIAL WARRANT. THAT WAS
3 THE SAME PRACTICE WE HAD LAST TIME. AND I WAS EXTREMELY
4 PLEASED TO HEAR THAT SHERIFF LUNA REITERATED TO THE RESIDENTS
5 OF LA COUNTY THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES NOT AND WILL
6 NOT ENGAGE IN CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT AND THAT THE
7 DEPARTMENT WILL CONTINUE ITS PRACTICE TO NOT ASK ABOUT
8 IMMIGRATION STATUS WHEN ENGAGING WITH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
9 THE LAST THING WE NEED IN L.A. COUNTY IS FOR RESIDENTS TO BE
10 SCARED TO PICK UP THE PHONE TO REPORT A CRIME TO THE L.A.
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND WE KNOW THAT VERY WELL. WE ALL KNOW
12 THAT MANY IMMIGRANTS WILL CONTINUE TO NEED ACCESS TO LEGAL
13 REPRESENTATION. AND THAT'S WHY THIS MOTION BEFORE US TODAY
14 DIRECTS OUR CEO TO ASSIST US IN IDENTIFYING A MINIMUM, AND I
15 SAY MINIMUM, OF \$5,500,000 OF ONGOING FUNDING TO CONTINUE
16 SUPPORTING THE EXISTING REPRESENT LA PROGRAM THAT HAS BEEN IN
17 OPERATION. AND LET ME BE CLEAR, 5.5 IS JUST A BASELINE. I HOPE
18 THAT THE COUNTY CAN FIND MORE FUNDING TO GROW THIS PROGRAM,
19 AND AS WE KNOW, AS THE DEMAND OF SERVICES IS GOING TO
20 INCREASE, AND IT ALREADY HAS. WE'VE ALREADY SEEN IT. I KNOW MY
21 OFFICE HAS BEEN RECEIVING CALLS FOR ASSISTANCE, NONPROFITS AS
22 WELL, CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS, AND PEOPLE HAVE BEEN CLAMORING TO
23 GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT LEGAL REPRESENTATION. REPRESENT LA,
24 AS WE KNOW, IS A VITAL PROGRAM THAT IS MEETING THE NEEDS OF
25 UNDERREPRESENTED IMMIGRANTS IN THE COUNTY, PROVIDING DUE



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SUPERVISORS

1 PROCESS AND FIGHT AND PROVIDING A FIGHTING CHANCE TO PREVENT
2 DEPORTATION FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. SINCE LAUNCHING
3 THE PROGRAM BACK IN 2022, LA REPRESENT HAS PROVIDED FULL SCOPE
4 AND LIMITED LEGAL REPRESENTATION TO ABOUT 5,075 INDIVIDUALS.
5 THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN A LIFELINE FOR SO MANY WHO FIND
6 THEMSELVES NAVIGATING SUCH AN UNCERTAIN IMMIGRATION SYSTEM.
7 THE MOTION CALLS ON OUR CEO TO WORK WITH DCVA TO RIGHT-SIZE
8 THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS. ITS TIME HAS COME. OIA HAS
9 ACCOMPLISHED A LOT WITH THE VERY SMALL STAFF, AND I WANT TO
10 COMMEND THEM FOR THAT. BUT I THINK IT'S TIME TO RETHINK,
11 RELOOK, REPROGRAM, AND PLAN AHEAD. THE NEED FOR OIA SERVICES
12 WILL ONLY CONTINUE TO GROW OVER THE NEXT 4 YEARS. THERE'S NO
13 DOUBT IN MY MIND. AND WE MUST ENSURE THAT IT HAS THE RESOURCES
14 AND CAPACITY TO SERVE EFFECTIVELY. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT
15 FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT COUNTY
16 DEPARTMENTS, BUT OTHER AGENCIES AND PARTNERS THAT WORK
17 ALONGSIDE WITH US, I'M PLEASED TO SAY THAT LA UNIFIED SCHOOL
18 DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT IS IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION AND WANTS
19 TO PARTNER WITH US. THE LA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT HERE IN
20 LOS ANGELES WANTS TO PARTNER. AND I'M CERTAIN THAT THERE WILL
21 BE OTHER LARGE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WILL ALSO WANT TO TAKE PART
22 AND BE SEATED AT THE TABLE WITH THE COUNTY. IN MOMENTS LIKE
23 THIS LEADERSHIP MEANS STEPPING UP FOR THOSE WHO ARE MOST
24 VULNERABLE AND I BELIEVE THAT PASSING THIS MOTION, WE WILL BE
25 DEMONSTRATING OUR RESOLVE TO MAKE LA COUNTY A WELCOMING PLACE



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SUPERVISORS

1 FOR ALL ITS RESIDENTS AS IT HAS DONE IN THE PAST. AND I KNOW
2 THAT I CAN COUNT ON OUR CEO AND OUR VERY CAPABLE STAFF TO HELP
3 US WITH PLANNING HOW WE CAN PROVIDE THE REPRESENTATION AS WE
4 MOVE FORWARD ON A PLAN THAT WILL BE INCLUSIVE OF NOT JUST
5 AGENCIES, NONPROFITS, LEGAL EXPERTS, DEPARTMENTS,
6 ACADEMICIANS, BUT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE TRULY ARE A LARGE
7 SAFETY NET FOR OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. SO, WITH THAT, MADAM
8 CHAIR, I WILL TURN IT OVER TO MY CO-AUTHOR AND RESPECTFULLY
9 ASK YOU TO VOTE AYE. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR AUTHORIZING
12 THIS MOTION AND FOR HAVING ME AS YOUR CO-AUTHOR. YOU HAVE
13 CONTINUED TO BE THE CHAMPION AND THE RIGHTS PROTECTOR OF OUR
14 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, AS LONG AS I'VE KNOWN YOU, AND APPRECIATE
15 THIS MOTION BECAUSE WE ALL WITNESSED THE IMPACT THAT THE
16 PREVIOUS TRUMP ADMINISTRATION HAD WITH ITS STRICTER
17 REGULATIONS AROUND PUBLIC CHARGE AND OTHER RELATED POLICIES
18 AIMED AT OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. THE REGULATIONS HAD
19 DEVASTATING IMPACTS FOR OUR UNDOCUMENTED RESIDENTS, AS WELL AS
20 THOSE OF MIXED-STATUS HOUSEHOLD. IT TOOK TIME TO REDUCE THE
21 FEARS AND THE CONFUSION AMONG OUR IMMIGRANT FAMILIES ABOUT
22 PARTICIPATING IN PROGRAMS AND SEEKING SERVICES ONCE THOSE
23 REGULATIONS HAD BEEN SCALED BACK BY THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION.
24 AND THIS MOTION SERVES TO ENSURE THAT LA COUNTY CONTINUES TO
25 COMMUNICATE AND TO EDUCATE OUR RESIDENTS ABOUT THEIR RIGHTS



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND THE BENEFITS THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO. DESPITE THE
2 CHANGES TAKING PLACE IN WASHINGTON, DC, WE MUST REMEMBER THAT
3 LA COUNTY IS STILL HOME TO OVER 220 CULTURES WITH OVER 240
4 UNIQUE SPOKEN LANGUAGES, WHICH IS WHY IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO
5 CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS IN AREAS LIKE LANGUAGE ACCESS AND
6 PROGRAMS LIKE THE LA JUSTICE FUND. IT'S TRULY IMPORTANT TO
7 INCLUDE ALL RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS IN THE PROPOSED TASK FORCE
8 TO ENSURE A COHESIVE MESSAGE WITH CLEAR INFORMATION THAT CAN
9 BE SHARED WITH OUR RESIDENTS. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING
10 THIS WORK AND DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO SERVE A VULNERABLE
11 BUT VERY IMPORTANT POPULATION HERE IN LA COUNTY. THANK YOU.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU,
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING THIS MOTION
17 FORWARD. I HAVE A SNEAKY SUSPICION THAT THIS IS THE FIRST OF
18 WHAT WILL BE MANY THAT WILL COME FORWARD AS THE NEW
19 ADMINISTRATION ROLLS OUT THEIR IDEAS OF WHAT'S BEST FOR MAKING
20 AMERICA GREAT AGAIN OR NOT. I KNOW YOU WERE ON THE BOARD THE
21 FIRST TIME THE FORMER PRESIDENT WAS ELECTED. I WAS IN
22 SACRAMENTO AT THAT TIME AND SO IT'S FROM MY PERSPECTIVE
23 SURREAL TO FIND OURSELVES IN THIS POSITION AGAIN. I AM DEEPLY
24 PROUD TO COME FROM AND REPRESENT A DISTRICT WITH SO MANY
25 DIVERSE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. AND I SEE AND SHARE THEIR



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1 APPREHENSION ABOUT WHAT'S COMING, ESPECIALLY SINCE THE SECOND
2 DISTRICT IS HOME TO MORE THAN A QUARTER OF LA COUNTY'S
3 ESTIMATED 810,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS.
4 AND SO AS WE ROLL INTO THESE UNCERTAIN TIMES, IT'S CLEAR TO ME
5 THAT WE'LL NEED TO REMAIN NIMBLE AS DIFFERENT THREATS TO OUR
6 COMMUNITIES ARISE. WE ALSO HAVE GOT TO BE CLEAR-EYED ABOUT
7 WHAT LEVERS WE AS A COUNTY HAVE CONTROL OVER AND THOSE THAT WE
8 DO NOT. FRIGHTENINGLY, THERE ARE THOSE THAT WE WILL NOT. AND
9 HOW WE AGAIN HELP OUR COMMUNITIES NAVIGATE THE UNKNOWN BEYOND
10 OUR REACH AND SCOPE AS A COUNTY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS ACKNOWLEDGED
11 THAT WE ARE THE SAFETY NET. AND AT CSAC LAST WEEK, OUR
12 STATEWIDE COUNTY AFFINITY GROUP, WHEN I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO
13 ADDRESS THE BODY, I ACKNOWLEDGED THAT. THAT OF THE 58
14 COUNTIES, ALL OF US SIGNED UP TO BE THE PROVIDER OF SAFETY NET
15 SERVICES. AND IT APPEARS TO ME THAT THE SAFETY NET SERVICES
16 ARE WHAT'S BEING TARGETED BY THE INCUMBENT ADMINISTRATION. AND
17 SO I AM HOPING, AND I HAVE FULL FAITH THAT LA COUNTY IS GOING
18 TO DO ALL THAT WE CAN AS WE, AS EXHIBITED IN PAST PRACTICE,
19 BUT I AM CERTAINLY HOPING THAT OUR BROTHER AND SISTER COUNTIES
20 ACROSS THIS STATE ACKNOWLEDGE WHAT PERCENTAGE OF OUR BUDGETS
21 COME FROM FEDERAL SOURCES AND WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO TO
22 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THOSE IMPORTANT SAFETY NET SERVICES TO
23 EVERY RESIDENT IN OUR COUNTY. SO AGAIN, WE WILL RECOMMIT
24 OURSELVES TO DOING WHAT WE CAN TO PROTECT ALL OF OUR
25 COMMUNITIES INCLUDING OUR IMMIGRANT FAMILY FRIENDS AND



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1 NEIGHBORS. I TOO WANT TO THANK OUR COUNTY FAMILY MEMBERS WHO
2 HAVE LED THIS TIRELESS WORK HISTORICALLY AND HAVE HUGE
3 MOUNTAINS TO CLIMB AHEAD OF US, AND WE WILL BE THERE IN
4 PARTNERSHIP. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

5
6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

7
8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. I JUST HAVE A QUESTION. I KNOW
9 THAT THIS WAS FORMED IN 2017 IS WHEN YOU BROUGHT IN THE MOTION
10 THE FIRST TIME UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION, BUT IT'S BEEN ONGOING
11 SINCE THEN. SO, WITH THE 5.5 THAT'S BEING REQUESTED THAT'S
12 GOING TO RUN OUT AT THE END OF THIS FISCAL YEAR, WHAT HAVE YOU
13 BEEN DOING DIFFERENT FROM 2017 TO TODAY AS IT RELATES TO
14 SERVICES PROVIDED WITH THIS MONEY?

15
16 **RAFAEL CRBAJAL:** GREAT. THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. AND I'LL
17 DEFER TO RIGO TO GO A LITTLE BIT OF THE DETAILS INTO THAT. BUT
18 THE PROGRAM HAS REALLY EVOLVED AND SCALED BEYOND JUST
19 PROVIDING LEGAL REPRESENTATION. BUT IT'S A DIRECT CONNECTION
20 TO ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND CONNECTIONS WITHIN OUR OWN
21 DEPARTMENT FAMILY AND THE ENTIRETY OF THE ECOSYSTEM THAT
22 REPRESENT LA HAS BEEN FORTIFYING THROUGH THE INVESTMENTS FROM
23 THIS COUNTY, THE CITY AND PHILANTHROPY. SO, I'LL DEFER TO RIGO
24 IF YOU WANT TO TOUCH A FEW OF THOSE THINGS.



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1 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** THANK YOU, RAFAEL. RIGO REYES, EXECUTIVE
2 DIRECTOR FOR THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS. JUST A QUICK
3 CLARIFICATION, THE \$5,500,000 IS TO FUND THE PROGRAM IN FISCAL
4 YEAR 25/26.

5
6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** NO, I UNDERSTAND, BUT YOU'VE GOT MONEY
7 RIGHT NOW THAT'S RUNNING OUT THIS YEAR.

8
9 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** YEAH, THAT'S CURRENTLY THROUGH JUNE.

10
11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** CORRECT.

12
13 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** RIGHT. AND SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE BEEN
14 DOING STRATEGICALLY IS BUILDING THE CAPACITY OF THE SECTOR TO
15 BE ABLE TO NOT ONLY ABSORB THESE FUNDS, BUT BE MORE EFFECTIVE,
16 AND REALLY JUST HAVE THE CAPACITY TO RESPOND TO THIS GREATER
17 NEED THAT WE SEE HAPPENING, AND THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING
18 PARTICULARLY OVER THE LAST 2 YEARS.

19
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN I WAS DOWN, I
21 WALKED SKID ROW WITH JUDGE CARTER, AND AS WE SPEAK, THERE ARE
22 BUSES BEING BROUGHT UP FROM THE BORDER AND WOMEN AND CHILDREN
23 BEING DROPPED OFF. AND I TALKED TO A MAN WHOSE WIFE AND 2
24 CHILDREN WERE IN A TENT, AND HE WANTS TO WORK, BUT HE WANTS TO
25 DO IT BY APPLYING FOR A WORK VISA, AND A LAWYER WANTED TO



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1 CHARGE HIM OVER \$1,000, AND THEN ANOTHER LAWYER WANTED TO
2 CHARGE HIM \$2,000, WHICH HE DOESN'T HAVE. SO, WOULD THIS MONEY
3 GO TOWARD HELPING INDIVIDUALS THAT WANT TO GET A WORK PERMIT
4 OR WORK ON PAPERWORK TOWARD BEING HERE IN THIS COUNTRY
5 LEGALLY?

6

7 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** ABSOLUTELY. ONE SECTION OF THE PROGRAM IS
8 PARTICULARLY FOCUSED ON HELPING INDIVIDUALS WITH WHAT WE CALL
9 AFFIRMATIVE TYPE OF SUPPORT. WE HELPED NEARLY 600 FOLKS JUST
10 IN THE LAST YEAR IN APPLYING FOR EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION,
11 NAVIGATING THE SYSTEM. SO ABSOLUTELY. AND IN ADDITION TO THAT,
12 WE HAVE OTHER PROGRAMS THAT SYNC WITHIN THIS PROGRAM,
13 PARTICULARLY WORKING WITH LAHSA, GOING TO THOSE SHELTERS
14 THROUGH A MOBILE UNIT THAT WE ARE DEVELOPING AND SEVERAL OTHER
15 PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE THE WRAPAROUND SUPPORT FOR THOSE
16 INDIVIDUALS TO FULLY INTEGRATE THEM INTO OUR COMMUNITY.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, I GUESS MY QUESTION THOUGH IS, THE
19 NEED HAS GROWN, AS YOU'VE SAID, AND YET WE'RE TYING THIS TO
20 THIS NEW ADMINISTRATION. WHAT HAS CHANGED OVER THE LAST 3
21 YEARS THAT HAS INCREASED THE NEED?

22

23 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** THERE WAS PARTICULARLY AN INCREASE ON THE NEW
24 IMMIGRANT ARRIVALS THAT CERTAINLY IMPACTED THE NUMBER OF
25 UNHOUSED INDIVIDUALS, AND THAT FORCED US TO SORT OF REDIRECT



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1 SOME OF OUR RESOURCES AND FOCUS. NOW THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE,
2 EVEN WITH THE LAST, THIS CURRENT ADMINISTRATION, THEY MADE
3 SOME CHANGES THAT CHANGED THOSE NUMBERS AT THE BORDER AND
4 THOSE ARRIVING. SO NOW WITH THIS NEW SITUATION THAT WE ARE
5 FACING, PERHAPS FEWER NEW ARRIVALS, BUT THERE CONTINUES TO BE
6 A LARGE NUMBER OF UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS HERE IN LA COUNTY
7 THAT ARE GOING TO NEED GREATER HELP.

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, WE'RE IN CRISIS ALREADY, AND YET
10 WE'RE TYING ANY ACTION WE TAKE TO A NEW ADMINISTRATION, IS
11 WHAT I'M HEARING. WE'VE ALREADY GOT, I MEAN, AGAIN, I'VE SEEN
12 WHAT'S GOING ON IN SKID ROW. AND THE FACT THAT, AND I TALKED
13 TO THEM, BY THE WAY, AND THESE FAMILIES SAY THEIR CONDITIONS
14 ON SKID ROW ARE BETTER THAN WHAT THEY CAME FROM. SO, THEY ARE
15 COMING HERE FOR A BETTER LIFE. SO, I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT I
16 JUST WANT TO BE CAREFUL TO FRAME THIS FOR WHAT IT IS. WE
17 ALREADY HAVE A SERIOUS CRISIS TAKING PLACE RIGHT NOW AS IT
18 RELATES TO THOSE THAT WE'RE TRYING TO FIND HOUSING FOR. WE
19 JUST TALKED ABOUT THE UNHOUSED AND THE FACT THAT WE NEED TO
20 BUILD MORE HOUSING FOR THOSE THAT ARE CURRENTLY LIVING ON THE
21 STREETS THAT ARE UNHOUSED. SO, I JUST THINK IT'S IMPORTANT
22 THAT WE NOT CONFLATE THE 2. I JUST WANT TO DRAW THAT OUT. AND
23 THEN ON NUMBER 7, I JUST WANT TO GET A CLARIFICATION. COMING
24 ON THE HEELS OF TALKING ABOUT CONTRACTING OUT AND THE COVENANT
25 REPORT, WHY ARE WE WAIVING REQUIREMENTS OF BOARD POLICY NUMBER



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1 5.100 FOR THESE AGREEMENTS WHEN, I MEAN, WHAT IS THE PURPOSE
2 OF HAVING TO WAIVE THAT? WAS THAT YOUR REQUEST?

3
4 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** YEAH, I COULD DEFINITELY ANSWER THAT. SO,
5 PART OF THAT IS SO THAT WE COULD BE AS RESPONSIVE TO THE
6 SITUATIONS ON THE GROUND AS WE ANTICIPATE CIRCUMSTANCES TO BE
7 DYNAMICALLY EVOLVING ON THE GROUND. SO FOR EXAMPLE, WE'VE
8 ALREADY INVESTED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF RESOURCES AND FUNDING
9 THROUGH THIS BOARD TO ESTABLISH THE ECOSYSTEM THAT IS
10 REPRESENTED IN LA THAT INCLUDES MULTIPLE CBO' S THAT ARE
11 PARTICIPATING IN SUPPORTING THIS. WE'VE HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH
12 PHILANTHROPY AND OTHER PARTNERS THAT ARE POTENTIALLY
13 INTERESTED IN PROVIDING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND SUPPORT
14 THROUGH THESE EXACT SAME CHANNELS. SO, THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY
15 WOULD ALLOW US THE FLEXIBILITY TO ACCEPT THOSE FUNDS AND THEN
16 REDISTRIBUTE THEM TO THE CBOS THAT ARE ALREADY DOING THIS
17 WORK.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, WHO CAN EXPLAIN TO ME WHAT BOARD
20 POLICY NUMBER 5.100 IS?

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I THOUGHT THAT THAT
23 WAS THE COUNTY POLICY RELATING TO SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS WHEN
24 THE CONTRACT IS ABOUT TO EXPIRE AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT THAT
25 HAS THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY IS GIVING THE BOARD ADVANCE NOTICE



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1 THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BASICALLY RE-UP OR EXTEND THE CONTRACT.

2

3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND DID COVENANT, WAS COVENANT SILENCE ON
4 SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS OR DID THEY POINT OUT ISSUES SURROUNDING
5 AWARDING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS?

6

7 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THEY CERTAINLY ADDRESS SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS
8 AS AN ISSUE OF CONCERN FOR SURE. THEY DIDN'T SAY THAT THEY
9 WERE INAPPROPRIATE, BUT THEY WERE DEFINITELY RAISED AS AN
10 ISSUE OF CONCERN.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY, AND SO JUST TO GET A CLARIFICATION,
13 WHAT YOU JUST SAID WAS THAT IF YOU HAVE A CONTRACT WITH ABC
14 AND IT'S SET TO EXPIRE BUT YOU REALIZE THAT ABC PROVIDES
15 SERVICES THAT YOU NEED IMMEDIATELY, YOU JUST EXTEND THEIR
16 CONTRACT?

17

18 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** THAT AND OR IF NEW FUNDING MATERIALIZES, SAY
19 FROM AN OUTSIDE AGENCY, EITHER THROUGH A GRANT OR THROUGH
20 PHILANTHROPY, IT ALLOWS US TO AMEND THE CONTRACTS AND INFUSE
21 THE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES INTO THE EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE.

22

23 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I WAS JUST GOING TO ADD, THE NORMAL PRACTICE
24 SUPERVISOR IS IF A DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO DO THAT, THEY'LL
25 GIVE THE BOARD NOTICE. IT REQUIRES THAT THE NOTICE BE GIVEN 6



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1 MONTHS IN ADVANCE, AND USUALLY THERE IS A JUSTIFICATION FOR
2 IT, LIKE WE WON'T HAVE TIME TO DO A NEW SOLICITATION BECAUSE
3 WE'VE IDENTIFIED SOME, YOU KNOW, FUNDING. AND THEREFORE, WE
4 WANT TO BASICALLY MAINTAIN THE CURRENT CONTRACT IN PLACE.

5
6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, AND THESE ARE FUNDS THAT POSSIBLY
7 COME IN THROUGH THE STATE AND THE FEDS THAT WE APPLY FOR?

8
9 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** LIKELY IT'LL BE STATE. WE ANTICIPATE THAT
10 FEDERAL DOLLARS MIGHT REDUCE, BUT STATE OR PHILANTHROPY AS
11 WELL.

12
13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND WHAT'S THE TURNAROUND ON THE STATE? I
14 MEAN, IF WE'RE APPLYING FOR STATE FUNDING, IT DOESN'T HAPPEN
15 OVERNIGHT, DOES IT? SO COULD YOU DO A MASTER CONTRACT WHERE
16 YOU VET AND THEN IF THE MONEY BECOMES A REALIZATION? I JUST
17 FEEL LIKE WE ON ONE HAND TALK ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE NEED TO
18 HAVE A CONTRACTING PROCESS IN PLACE THAT IS TRANSPARENT AND
19 MEETS THE STANDARDS THAT WE JUST PAID A LOT OF MONEY TO HAVE
20 SOMEONE TELL US WHAT WE NEED TO DO, AND THEN WE'RE ALREADY
21 KIND OF ERODING AWAY AT IT. AND I HAVE TO BELIEVE THERE'S A
22 BETTER WAY TO DO IT, WHICH GETS BACK TO HOW DO WE STREAMLINE
23 THE PROCESS AS A WHOLE AND IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES LIKE THAT. I
24 MEAN, TO ME, I WOULD THINK THAT WE COULD TAKE THE PROVIDERS,
25 BECAUSE WE KNOW WHO THE PROVIDERS ARE THAT ARE PROBABLY



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1 PROVIDING MOST OF THESE SERVICES, CORRECT?

2

3 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** YES, 100% OF THE SERVICES.

4

5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND LOOK AT A STANDARD CONTRACT THAT
6 COULD BE TRIGGERED IF FUNDING BECOMES AVAILABLE. I DON'T KNOW,
7 I JUST FEEL AS THOUGH WE'VE ALREADY STARTED KIND OF, EVERYONE
8 CAN JUSTIFY WHY IT SHOULD WORK FOR WHAT THEY FEEL IT SHOULD
9 WORK FOR. BUT I THINK WE NEED TO HOLD OURSELVES ACCOUNTABLE AS
10 IT RELATES TO SOLE SOURCE.

11

12 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** I ABSOLUTELY AGREE. SO, THIS IS A STOPGAP FOR
13 THE IMMEDIATE NEEDS RIGHT NOW. WE ARE, OUR INTENT IS TO SET UP
14 A MASTER AGREEMENT BUT A COUPLE THINGS HAVE BEEN HAPPENING
15 SOME OF THIS WAS KIND OF TOUCHED ON IN SOME OF THE EARLIER
16 CONVERSATIONS IS A CAPACITY OF SOME OF OUR PARTNERS THAT ARE
17 PROVIDING THESE SERVICES TO ACTUALLY WORK WITH COUNTY ENTITIES
18 LIKE US WE'RE THE COUNTY. WE'RE NOT SO EASY TO WORK WITH SO
19 WE'VE BEEN RELYING TYPICALLY ON THOSE PRIME CONTRACTORS THAT
20 HAVE HIGHER CAPACITY AND INTERNAL CAPABILITIES ON THE
21 ACCOUNTING SIDE TO ONBOARD SUBCONTRACTORS SO THEY CAN START
22 BUILDING THEIR CAPACITY SO THAT EVENTUALLY THEY CAN GET
23 CONTRACTS ON THEIR OWN. THAT WAS PART OF THE IDEA AROUND OUR
24 CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMMING THAT WAS FUNDED THROUGH ARP IS
25 TO START BUILDING THIS. THIS PROGRAM HAS REALLY DONE THAT. WE



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1 HAVE OVER 20 PARTNERS THAT ARE PART OF THE REPRESENT LA
2 PROGRAM THAT AT ONE POINT OR NOT WERE SO SMALL THAT THEY
3 DIDN'T HAVE ANY COUNTY CONTRACTS. THEY WERE TYPICALLY
4 OPERATING OFF A GRANT, WHETHER THEY'RE FROM PHILANTHROPY OR
5 MONEY THAT THEY RAISED THEIR OWN. SO, THIS IS REALLY BUILDING
6 AN ECOSYSTEM THAT WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND CONTINUE
7 TO SUPPORT.

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THERE
10 ARE PREDATORS OUT THERE THAT ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF
11 INDIVIDUALS LIKE THESE ATTORNEYS THAT ARE CHARGING FEES THAT
12 ARE COMPLETELY OUTSIDE OF WHAT THE ACTUAL COST IS. SO, I HOPE
13 THAT YOU ARE GOING AFTER THE PREDATORS THAT ARE LITERALLY
14 TAKING ADVANTAGE OF A POPULATION THAT DOESN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT
15 IS AVAILABLE. AND WHEN I HEAR THAT WE IN FACT DO HAVE LEGAL
16 SERVICES AVAILABLE TO HELP SOMEONE GET A WORK PERMIT, AND HE
17 DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT IT, AND THE PROVIDER DOWN THERE, I DON'T
18 KNOW, I TALKED TO MAYOR BASS ABOUT GETTING THE PROVIDER TO GO
19 OUT AND DO OUTREACH ON THE STREET FOR THESE FAMILIES. YOU
20 KNOW, A 15-YEAR-OLD GIRL PREGNANT, JUST HAD THE BABY, WAS
21 BROUGHT ACROSS THE BORDER, AND WAS LIVING ON THE STREET. SO I
22 FEEL LIKE THE CRISIS IS ALREADY IN PLAY. I UNDERSTAND PEOPLE
23 SAYING THAT WITH THIS NEW ADMINISTRATION, IT'S GONNA BE
24 POSSIBLY MORE, BUT THERE ALREADY IS UNDER THIS ADMINISTRATION,
25 A CRISIS ON OUR STREETS. AND THAT, I THINK, IS IMPORTANT TO



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1 NOTE. THANK YOU.

2

3 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** NO, ABSOLUTELY. YOU HAVE OUR COMMITMENT TO
4 THAT. THAT'S BEEN SOMETHING THAT OUR DEPARTMENT HAS TAKEN
5 PRIDE IN, IS REALLY GOING AFTER THOSE THAT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
6 OUR CONSUMERS, IN PARTICULAR, NOTARIOS AND IN THAT SPACE.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

9

10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I WOULD JUST, I THINK,
11 REPLY, SUPERVISOR BARGER, BY SAYING, YOU KNOW, MAYBE WE
12 SHOULDN'T USE THE TERM CRISIS SO GENERICALLY. I THINK THE
13 CHALLENGES WE EXPERIENCED FOR THE LAST 3 YEARS WAS NUMBERS,
14 SHEER VOLUME. I THINK THE CRISIS I SEE ON THE HORIZON, GOING
15 BACK TO WHAT WE EXPERIENCED IN THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION WAS
16 A CRISIS OF SEPARATION OF FAMILY, THE CRISIS OF MASS
17 DEPORTATION. WHEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND LA COUNTY HAS
18 TALKED ABOUT DACA AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO SUPPORT THEM, SO IT'S
19 DIFFERENT IN NATURE, WHICH WILL REQUIRE A DIFFERENT KIND OF
20 RESPONSE. THIS IS A RESPONSE FROM MY PERSPECTIVE OF
21 PROTECTION. YOUR QUESTION ABOUT THE FUNDING DID TRIGGER FOR
22 ME. I RECALL A CONVERSATION AND AN ALLOCATION FROM THE STATE
23 THAT I THINK WAS A ONE-TIME ALLOCATION. IT MAY HAVE BEEN A
24 MEMBER ASK, AND WE HAD SOME CONVERSATION ABOUT WHERE IT WAS
25 GOING VIA THE COMMUNITY-BASED AGENCY, WHERE THERE WAS



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1 EXPECTATION IT WAS SUPPOSED TO COME TO THE COUNTY. AND I DON'T
2 REMEMBER HOW OR IF THAT WAS RESOLVED. SO, IT TRIGGERED MY
3 MEMORY WHEN YOU ASKED ABOUT THE PASS FUNDING. DID THE COUNTY
4 GET THAT POT OF MONEY? BECAUSE IS THAT A PART OF YOUR?

5

6 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** SO, THERE WAS TWO THINGS. THERE WAS AN
7 ALLOCATION THAT WAS ACTUALLY INTENDED FOR OUR CBO'S THAT WERE
8 SUPPORTING THE BUS ARRIVALS. SO, THE COUNTY WAS JUST A PASTOR,
9 SO THAT WENT THROUGH OUR CEO'S OFFICE AND THE AUDITOR
10 CONTROLLER. BUT WE WERE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO GET A GRANT FROM
11 THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, A GO-BIZ GRANT, TO FUND MOBILE SERVICES
12 THAT WE JUST SELECTED OUR PARTNERS AND THEY'RE GETTING READY
13 TO ROLL OUT.

14

15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND WHAT WAS THE AMOUNT OF THAT GRANT?

16

17 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** THE SECOND ONE THE GO-BIZ IS \$1,100,050.

18

19 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND THAT'S NOT ONGOING THAT WAS A ONE
20 TIME?

21

22 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** IT'S A ONE TIME. WE APPLIED TOGETHER WITH THE
23 CITY OF LA AND THAT'S HOW WE'RE ROLLING OUT THE PROGRAM,
24 FOCUSING PARTICULARLY ON THOSE WHO ARE EXPLOITED AS EMPLOYEES
25 TO BRING SERVICES TO THEM RATHER THAN WAITING FOR THEM TO COME



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1 TO US, WHICH AS YOU KNOW IS BECOMING EVEN MORE INCREASING
2 CONCERN FOR IMMIGRANTS APPROACHING GOVERNMENT AS THEY HEAR ALL
3 THESE DIFFERENT MESSAGES THAT IS COMING OUT.

4
5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO IN REALITY, WE'LL BE MANAGING BOTH
6 CRISES, IF YOU WILL, THE CRISES OF THE SHEER VOLUME OF PEOPLE
7 WHO ARE SEEKING REFUGE HERE, AS WELL AS THE IMPENDING NEW
8 POLICIES IN TERMS OF MAKING OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES FEEL AT
9 RISK OF REACHING OUT TO GOVERNMENT FOR HELP, EVEN WHEN WE AS
10 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARE DOING ALL THAT WE CAN TO PROVIDE THOSE
11 SERVICES. SO, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING THAT CLARIFICATION.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO OFFER A
14 QUICK COMMENT TO SAY WE IN LA COUNTY BELIEVE IMMIGRANTS ARE
15 LOS ANGELES. AND IN THIS VERY UNCERTAIN TIME, IT FAILS, IT
16 FALLS TO ALL OF US TO DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO STAND WITH THOSE
17 WHO ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE AND TO ENSURE THAT WE PROVIDE THE
18 RESOURCES NEEDED, PERIOD. AS THE SOCIAL SAFETY NET FOR THE
19 COUNTY, WE HAVE FUNDED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANT
20 COMMUNITIES SUCH AS REPRESENT LA, WHICH PROVIDES LEGAL
21 REPRESENTATION TO IMMIGRANTS WHO FACE DEPORTATION OR NEED
22 IMMIGRATION HELP. BUT WE KNOW THIS INCOMING ADMINISTRATION
23 WILL BRING FORWARD UNPRECEDENTED CHALLENGES TO THE IMMIGRANT
24 COMMUNITY, AND WE ARE HEARING THE FEARS EXPRESSED DAILY. SO, I
25 AM GRATEFUL TO SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR HAVING THE



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1 FORESIGHT TO PLAN FOR WHAT THE NEW ADMINISTRATION BRINGS. AND
2 AS LONG AS I AM ABLE, I WILL CONTINUE TO DIRECT MY OFFICE AND
3 OUR COUNTY AGENCIES TO SERVE ALL OF THOSE WHO COME TO OUR
4 DOORS. TO QUOTE PRESIDENT OBAMA, WHAT MAKES SOMEONE AMERICAN
5 ISN'T JUST BLOOD OR BIRTH, BUT ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FOUNDING
6 PRINCIPLES AND FAITH IN THE IDEA THAT ANYONE FROM ANYWHERE CAN
7 WRITE THE NEXT CHAPTER OF OUR STORY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8
9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. I WANTED TO ASK OIA
10 REGARDING THE CONTRACT THAT WAS JUST QUESTIONED, I WANTED TO
11 GET CLARIFICATION. HOW MANY YEARS HAVE WE BEEN WORKING WITH
12 THOSE PROVIDERS?

13
14 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** THE CURRENT REPRESENT LA LAUNCHED IN APRIL OF
15 2022. THAT'S WHEN WE ORIGINALLY SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH A LEAD
16 ADMINISTRATOR AND THEN THAT CONTRACTOR SIGNED CONTRACTS WITH A
17 NUMBER OF PROVIDERS UNDER THEIR CONTRACT. SO, FOR THE COUNTY,
18 WE ACTUALLY HAVE TWO CONTRACTS NOW, THE ONE BACK IN EARLY 22
19 AND THEN MORE RECENTLY AND I THINK IT WAS MAY, JUNE OF THIS
20 YEAR, A SECOND CONTRACT WHERE WE SPLIT THE ORIGINAL ONE BUT
21 THE ORIGINAL ONE DATES BACK TO APRIL OF 2022.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND ARE MOST OF THE SUBCONTRACTORS, FOLKS,
24 CBO'S THAT WE HAVE WORKED WITH IN THE PAST?



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1 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** YES, THEY'RE ALL OF THE ONES IN THE
2 ECOSYSTEM, WELL KNOWN, AS DIRECTOR CARBAJAL MENTIONED, MANY OF
3 THEM WEREN'T AS STRONG AS THEY ARE NOW DUE TO THE CAPACITY
4 BUILDING THAT IN ADDITION TO THE FUNDING THEY GET TO PROVIDE
5 THESE LEGAL SERVICES THROUGH ARP FUNDING WE WERE ABLE TO GIVE
6 THEM GRANTS TO BUILD THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE TO DO A BETTER JOB
7 FOR THE COMMUNITIES THEY SERVE AND TO FULFILL THE
8 RESPONSIBILITIES FOR OUR CONTRACTS.

9
10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** JUST ON ANOTHER NOTE, I WANT TO THANK SOME
11 OF THE PROVIDERS THAT MAY BE IN THE AUDIENCE AS WELL, BECAUSE
12 I KNOW THAT THEY ARE STRUGGLING, AS YOU SAY, AND WE KNOW IT.
13 THEY DON'T HAVE A LOT OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES. AND DURING THE
14 PAST FEW YEARS, AS WE DID SEE AN INCREASE IN MIGRATION FROM
15 MIGRANTS COMING FROM OTHER STATES LIKE TEXAS, FOR EXAMPLE, AND
16 ARIZONA, THAT WERE TAKEN FROM THERE AND SENT HERE TO SKID ROW,
17 UNION STATION, AND WHAT HAVE YOU, A LOT OF OUR CBO'S TOOK UP
18 THE BANTER OF HELPING THEM EVEN THOUGH THEY HAD LIMITED
19 RESOURCES AND INCLUDING SOME OF OUR PROVIDERS IN THE HOMELESS
20 AREA. AND YET THERE WERE SOME HOMELESS PROVIDERS WHO DID NOT
21 WANT TO PROVIDE SERVICES BECAUSE THEY FELT THAT THERE WOULD BE
22 JEOPARDIZED IN TERMS OF FEDERAL FUNDING. SO, WE DID SEE SOME
23 BIAS AT THAT TIME. AND IT REALLY WAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION,
24 SO WE FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR US TO REACH OUT TO CBOS THAT
25 WERE DOING, IN MY MIND, THE RIGHT THING, HELPING ANYBODY THAT



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1 WAS HOMELESS. AND IF YOU WERE UNDOCUMENTED, YOU SHOULD NOT BE
2 TURNED AWAY, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN. AND I STILL REMAIN VERY
3 COMMITTED TO THAT. WITH RESPECT TO HOW OUR COMMUNITY IS PREYED
4 UPON, NO DOUBT, WE ALREADY SEE THE COMMERCIALS BEING SHOWN ON
5 TELEVISION ABOUT, COME SEE ME, I'M IN YOUR IMMIGRATION LAW
6 OFFICE HERE AVAILABLE TO HELP YOU. AND AGAIN, BECAUSE OF WHERE
7 YOU ARE IN PROXIMITY TO THE CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS
8 OFFICE, I WANT TO URGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO DO OUTREACH TO OUR
9 COMMUNITY SO THAT THEY KNOW WHAT AVENUES AND THINGS THEY NEED
10 TO BE CLEAR ABOUT. BECAUSE WE HAVE MANY FALSE REPRESENTATION
11 KNOWN AS NOTARIOS THAT WILL SAY THAT THEY ARE LAWYERS AND THEY
12 ARE NOT. AND THIS BOARD ATTEMPTED TO TRY TO RECTIFY THAT A FEW
13 YEARS AGO, BUT THAT BILL WAS VETOED IN SACRAMENTO. AND IT
14 STILL REMAINS A BIG ISSUE, AND NOW EVEN MORE SO, BECAUSE OF
15 THE LANGUAGE THAT'S BEING USED BY THE PRESIDENT-ELECT AS WELL
16 AS HIS REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE GOING TO BE SERVING IN HIS
17 CABINET, HOMELAND SECURITY, AS WELL AS HIS, I BELIEVE, SECOND
18 CHIEF OF STAFF THAT ARE TALKING ABOUT MASS DEPORTATIONS AND
19 OPPORTUNITIES WHERE IF, FOR EXAMPLE, AN IMMIGRATION
20 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IS IN AN AREA AND THEY JUST HAPPEN TO
21 IDENTIFY OTHER PEOPLE THAT MIGHT BE WHERE THAT ONE PERSON THAT
22 THEY ARE TARGETING, BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT THEY ARE OUT OF
23 LEGAL STATUS, WILL THEN ALSO BE ABLE TO PICK UP WHOEVER IS
24 THERE AROUND THEM. AND IF THAT PERSON IS AT A WORK SITE AND
25 JUST DIDN'T HAVE THEIR PAPERWORK WITH THEM THAT DAY, THEY



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SUPERVISORS

1 WOULD ALSO BE A CASUALTY OF THAT. AND WE'VE SEEN THAT HAPPEN
2 IN WORKPLACES AND WORK SITES. THAT'S WHY WE WORK SO CLOSELY
3 ALSO WITH OUR LABOR PARTNERS, BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THOSE
4 THINGS ARE COMING AND THEY'VE HAPPENED BEFORE. AND I WOULD
5 JUST SAY THAT IT'S MORE INCUMBENT ON YOUR OFFICES AS WELL AS
6 OUR OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT DEAL WITH FAMILIES OF BIG
7 STATUS, AND THEY ARE VARIED. THEY ARE IN DCFS, THEY ARE IN
8 PROBATION, AND THEY ARE ALSO BEING SERVED BY DPSS. AND SO
9 THAT'S WHY I'M SAYING THAT WHEN WE THINK ABOUT THIS MOTION
10 ALSO AND HOW WE GO FORWARD IN PLANNING, THAT WE INVOLVE THOSE
11 DEPARTMENTS AS WELL. AND THEY MAY HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE
12 US WITH ASSISTANCE, MONETARY OR STAFF THAT COULD BE ASSIGNED
13 JUST TO HELP US WITH THIS AS WE DEAL WITH IT. SO THOSE ARE MY
14 COMMENTS, MADAM CHAIR.

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YEAH, WE HAVE DOZENS OF SPEAKERS.
17 SUPERVISOR BARGER, I KNOW YOU WANT TO JUMP IN.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** YOU TRIGGERED MY MEMORY IN TERMS OF GOING
20 INTO GOVERNMENT OFFICES. THE FAMILIES I MET, WHICH BY THE WAY
21 CAME FROM SAN DIEGO, THEY DID NOT COME FROM TEXAS, THE
22 FAMILIES I TALKED TO, 5, WERE BROUGHT UP HERE BECAUSE SAN
23 DIEGO COULD NOT ACCOMMODATE THEM DOWN THERE. AND THE REASON
24 WHY THEY ENDED UP IN TENTS IS BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T, FOR THE 15-
25 YEAR-OLD, SHE DIDN'T WANT TO BE SEPARATED FROM HER FAMILY. AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 THAT IS A STRUGGLE WE ALL HAVE, AND I KNOW YOU'VE WORKED ON
2 IT, GETTING MORE HOUSING FOR FAMILIES, SO WE DON'T SEPARATE
3 FAMILIES. SO, YOU KNOW, I JUST WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT
4 THESE INDIVIDUALS, ACCORDING TO THE MONITOR, THE COURT
5 MONITOR, WERE TOLD TO GO INTO AN OFFICE TO GET HELP AND THEY
6 WERE NOT GOING TO GO. THEY WILL NOT GO WHERE THEY DON'T
7 UNDERSTAND WHAT THEIR AMPLIFICATIONS ARE. AND SO, OUTREACH IS
8 REALLY THE ONLY WAY YOU'RE GOING TO GET TO A LOT OF THESE
9 FAMILIES, INDIVIDUALS, BECAUSE ASKING THEM TO GO TO A BRICK
10 AND MORTAR, EVEN IF IT'S A NONPROFIT, AND IN THIS CASE, IT WAS
11 CHURLA, THEY WERE APPREHENSIVE. NOT EVEN APPREHENSIVE, THEY
12 WEREN'T GOING TO DO IT. EITHER THEY'D LOSE THEIR LOCATION FOR
13 THEIR TENT OR THEIR TENT ENTIRELY, OR THEY WERE AFRAID THAT
14 THEY WOULD BE ARRESTED. SO, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO
15 BE COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT OUTREACH IS PROBABLY FOR A LOT
16 OF THESE INDIVIDUALS THE ONLY WAY YOU'RE GOING TO GET THEM THE
17 RESOURCES, IN THIS CASE A WORK PERMIT, SO THAT THEY CAN GET
18 OFF THE STREETS. BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY WHAT HE WANTED. THAT
19 WAS HIS FRUSTRATION. HE WANTS TO PROVIDE FOR HIS FAMILY AND
20 CAME UP HERE TO DO IT, BUT WANTS TO GET A PERMIT IN ORDER TO
21 DO IT IN A WAY THAT'S GOING TO BE LEGAL. SO, THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
24 THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ALEJANDRO CASTRO, ALVARO HUERTA, ANDREA
2 GONZALEZ, ANTONIO DOMINGUEZ, BEATRIZ SANDOVAL, BERTHA
3 GONZALEZ, BYRON JOSE, CARLOS AMADOR, CHRISTINA SANDOVAL,
4 CONNIE CHUNG CHO, DIEGO RODRIGUEZ, DIEGO CARTAGENA, DIAMOND
5 CRUZ, DONALD HARLAN, DR. KRIDIKEL TRUTHBEY, AND EDITH AGUILAR,
6 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY
7 WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ORLANDO LEON. YOUR LINE IS
10 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
11 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ORLANDO LEON AND I'M HERE
14 WITH CIELO, WHICH IS COMUNIDAD INDÍGENA AND VIDERAZGO. WE WORK
15 WITH THE IMMIGRANT INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY IN SOUTH LA AND I'M
16 CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS
17 HAS PRESENTED. I THINK AS THEY MENTIONED, THE CRISIS HAS BEEN
18 GOING ON AND HAS BEEN EXACERBATED OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS,
19 ESPECIALLY NOW. I THINK HEARING AND TALKING TO COMMUNITY
20 MEMBERS, THERE'S A LOT OF UNCERTAINTY. A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE
21 PROCESS OF DOING THINGS THE LEGAL WAY AND GETTING THEIR STUFF
22 READY. PEOPLE WANT TO WORK. PEOPLE WANT TO JUST LIVE IN PEACE
23 AND THRIVE IN THIS COUNTRY. A LOT OF PEOPLE COME FROM
24 MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES AND NOW IT SEEMS LIKE THEY'RE GOING
25 TO BE MARGINALIZED IN THIS COUNTRY AS WELL. SO, I THINK PEOPLE



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SUPERVISORS

1 JUST NEED TO HAVE THE PROPER RESOURCES TO NOT HAVE FEAR AND TO
2 HAVE ADEQUATE SERVICES THAT CAN HELP THEM THRIVE IN THIS
3 COUNTRY AND HAVE THE FREEDOM TO PROSPER --

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

7
8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ADELE ANDRADE. YOUR LINE IS
9 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE IF YOU'RE MUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY TO YOUR
10 PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR HORVATH, HONORABLE BOARD
13 OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ADELE ANDRADE STADLER AND I AM THE
14 COUNCILWOMAN FOR THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA. LAST WEEK WE HAD OUR
15 EMERGENCY MEETING AND VOTED TO EMERGENCY ACTION TO SUPPORT AND
16 REAFFIRM SENATE BILL 54 WHICH IS THE CALIFORNIA VALUES ACT.
17 I'M ALSO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE VOICES OF IMMIGRANT
18 STUDENTS OF ALHAMBRA. I STAND BEFORE YOU BECAUSE AS LEADERS IN
19 LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WE UNEQUIVOCALLY REAFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO
20 SUPPORTING ALL IMMIGRANTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. A RELATIONSHIP
21 OF TRUST BETWEEN IMMIGRANTS AND LOCAL AGENCIES INCLUDING LAW
22 ENFORCEMENT AND FIRST RESPONDERS, SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, IS
23 ESSENTIAL IN CARRYING OUT OUR BASIC FUNCTIONS OF OUR COMMUNITY
24 AND ASSURING ALL OUR RESIDENTS FEEL SAFE AND HEALTHY AND HAVE
25 ACCESS TO THE RESOURCES WHICH THIS MOTION WILL BRING TO HELP



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 OUR COMMUNITY BETTER A BETTER CREATOR A BETTER PLACE FOR ALL.

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

6

7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CELIA VALDEZ. YOUR LINE IS
8 OPEN. ONE MOMENT. OKAY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN NOW. IF YOU'RE
9 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY TO YOUR PHONE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CELIA VALDEZ.
12 I'M WITH MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH ACCESS. I'M HERE ON BEHALF
13 OF 17 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, CHOI PARTNERS, COMMUNITY HEALTH
14 OUTREACH INITIATIVE PARTNERS, HERE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR
15 THIS MOTION. WE HAVE OVER 20 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN COMMUNITY
16 OUTREACH, EDUCATION, AND HEALTHCARE NAVIGATION. AND WE ARE
17 READY TO STAND WITH AND SUPPORT IMMIGRANTS, ENSURING THAT THEY
18 HAVE CONTINUED ACCESS TO HEALTH COVERAGE AND BENEFIT PROGRAMS,
19 HELPING THEM ENROLL, UTILIZE THEIR BENEFITS, AND REMAIN
20 COVERED. AND MOST IMPORTANT, HELP THEM TO ACCESS, TO ADDRESS
21 ANY ELIGIBILITY OR ACCESS TO CARE ISSUES THAT THEY MAY BE
22 FACING AND EASING THEIR PUBLIC CHARGE FEARS HELPING THEM
23 CREATE PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENTS AND INCOME AFFIDAVITS IF
24 THEY HAVE NO OTHER WAY OF PROVING THEIR INCOME AND PROVIDE
25 ONGOING TO SUPPORT TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE GETTING THE HELP



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SUPERVISORS

1 THAT THEY NEED. WE WORK WITH ALL PROGRAMS INCLUDING MEDICAL
2 COVERED CALIFORNIA SPECIFICALLY FOR DACA AND THE NEW KAISER
3 COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM. --

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

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

11
12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF VERIZON
13 COMMUNITIES, FORMERLY KNOWN AS COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS, AND
14 WE STAND IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION. WE STAND READY TO SUPPORT
15 AND ASSIST IMMIGRANTS AS WE HAVE OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS, BUT
16 ESPECIALLY MOST RECENTLY WITH RENEWALS AND EXPANSIONS FOR
17 IMMIGRANTS. WE SPEAK THE LANGUAGES OF THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE
18 AND OUR TRUSTED PARTNERS. WE DO MORE THAN HEALTH COVERAGE
19 APPLICATIONS. WE HELP FIX PROBLEMS WITH FOOD AND HOUSING
20 INSECURITIES, EMPLOYMENT, TRANSPORTATION, AND MUCH MORE. BUT
21 WE NEED FUNDS. MOST OF US HAVE HAD TO LAY OFF AND ARE FACING
22 ANOTHER CLIFF AT THE BEGINNING OF THE NEXT YEAR. THE PROGRAM
23 IS A BARGAIN. PLEASE CONSIDER OUR WORKFORCE FOR SUPPORT FOR
24 THIS IMMIGRANT INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.



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SUPERVISORS

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

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DR. RAYMOND ANDRE. I'M THE
8 SUPERINTENDENT OF THE MOUNTAIN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT, SERVING
9 THE ODOMONTE AND SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITIES. I WANT TO THANK
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING A MOTION FORWARD TO SUPPORT
11 IMMIGRANTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THERE'S NOTHING WORSE THAN
12 HAVING CHILDREN IN SCHOOL FEARFUL OF WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO
13 THEIR FAMILIES. THE RECENT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION HAS PROVOKED
14 FEAR AND ANXIETY IN OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AND THE SAME
15 SWIFT ACTION THAT WAS TAKEN IN 2017, I APPRECIATE THAT FROM
16 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR LOOKING AT TAKING THAT AGAIN. PLEASE
17 SUPPORT PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN AND OUR FAMILIES
18 BECAUSE ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS ARE ENTITLED TO AND NEED A
19 QUALITY LIFE AND CHILDREN CANNOT LEARN IF THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN.
20 THANK YOU.

21

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** YES, HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BRENDA OLIVAS AND
3 I'M CALLING ON BEHALF OF SPIRIT FAMILY SERVICES. AND WE SERVE
4 OVER 12,000 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PREDOMINANTLY SPANISH
5 SPEAKING. OUR MISSION IS TO EMPOWER FAMILIES, IMPROVE HEALTH
6 AND WELL-BEING IN STRENGTHS AND COMMUNITIES THROUGH MENTAL AND
7 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND ADDRESS TRAUMA, CHILD
8 MALTREATMENT AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE. WE'RE HERE TO
9 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO INCREASE
10 SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE
11 URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8 AND SI SE PUEDE. SO DON'T
12 GIVE UP GUYS, WE GOT THIS.

13

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

15

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** CLINICS CANNOT ASSIST PATIENTS WHO ARE TORTURED IN
21 THE U.S. BECAUSE THEIR FEDERAL FUNDING CREATES A CONFLICT OF
22 INTEREST. THEREFORE, WE NEED PUBLISHED EMPIRICAL EVIDENCE OF
23 THE EFFICACY OF AMNESTY AND POST-TORTURE TREATMENT. WE NEED
24 DATA AND RESULTS OBTAINED THROUGH CLINICAL TRIALS. EMPLOYMENT
25 FOR EVERYONE INCLUDES CLINICAL TRIALS WHEREIN AN IMMIGRATION



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SUPERVISORS

1 POLICY ALLOWS ALL IMMIGRANTS TO CONNECT WEARABLE DEVICES TO
2 TECHNOLOGY THAT PRESERVES PRIVACY BY TRANSMITTING ENCRYPTED
3 PACKETS CONTAINING HEALTH DATA FROM THE WEARER TO THE CLINIC.
4 I TESTIFY THAT IMMIGRANTS TOOK AWAY FROM ME A JOB, AN
5 APARTMENT, FOOD, AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES. IMMIGRANTS HAVE
6 UNHOUSED AND UNEMPLOYED ME. IMMIGRANTS REPEATEDLY USED THREAT
7 OF FORCE TO FORCE LABOR AS THEY DID OTHER U.S. BORN CITIZENS,
8 INCLUDING THE TONGVA PEOPLE BEFORE ME. IMMIGRANTS HAVE TOLD ME
9 TO GAME THE SYSTEM LIKE THEY DO. THE AVERAGE LIFESPAN IS
10 DECREASING IN THE U.S. IMMIGRANTS NEED TO START SUPPORTING
11 EVERY U.S. BORN CITIZEN WHO COULD DIE OF OVERCROWDING OR
12 DISEASE FROM THEIR INVASION.

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

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIANA ZHAO. YOUR LINE IS
17 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE IF YOU'RE MUTED AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
18 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS HONG DIANA ZHAO.
21 I'M WITH WIN-WIN. I'M THE CEO FOR WIN-WIN RELATIONSHIP
22 LEARNING CENTER. MY STAFF AND MYSELF PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL
23 SERVICES SUCH AS LIKE DV, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ANGER MANAGEMENT,
24 OR PARENTING CLASSES TO FACILITATE WITH PEOPLE'S BEHAVIOR
25 CHANGE. I REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION



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1 TO INCREASE THE SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LA
2 COUNTY. BUT I'M AN IMMIGRANT MYSELF, BEFORE I BECAME A
3 NATURALIZED AMERICAN CITIZEN. I HAVE, YOU KNOW, ALL THE
4 SUPPORT FROM THE AMERICAN SOCIETY. SO NOW IT'S TIME TO GIVE
5 BACK. AND I FULLY SUPPORT THAT, YOU KNOW, WE NEED TO WORK
6 TOGETHER TO CONTRIBUTE SOMETHING FOR OUR IMMIGRANTS. THE
7 RECENT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION HAS PROVOKED FEAR AND ANXIETY
8 AMONGST THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. I BELIEVE THAT ONLY THROUGH
9 WORKING TOGETHER AND YOU KNOW THROUGH THE PROGRAM SUCH AS
10 REPRESENTS LA CAN PROVIDE --

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

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

18
19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVIN. I LIVE IN THE FORMER
20 LEAD THE THIRD DISTRICT, BUT NOW THEY MOVED ME INTO THE FIFTH
21 DISTRICT BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T THEY DIDN'T APPRECIATE BUT THANK
22 YOU FOR THIS. THIS IS A LOT OF PEOPLE IN OUR WORLD ARE AFRAID
23 AT THE MOMENT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN HELPFUL TO HAVE A LITTLE BIT
24 OF A KIND OF A REFRESHMENT. AS THE CITY COUNCIL, THEY
25 DISCUSSED WHAT'S HAPPENING AND OF COURSE THE SERVICE



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1 PROVIDERS. BUT THE POLICE OFFICERS ALSO WERE EXPLAINING
2 THEY'RE NOT GONNA GET INVOLVED IN ICE AND DHS ACTIVITIES.
3 THAT'S NOT THEIR PURVIEW, THEIR ROLE. THIS IS LOS ANGELES,
4 OBVIOUSLY A CITY THAT IS BUILT ON IMMIGRANTS AND PEOPLE FROM
5 ALL OVER THE WORLD. SO THAT'S GREAT. THE ONLY THING I'M
6 CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE IMMIGRANTS WHO ARE LISTENING TO THE
7 HOMELESS PRESENTATION. DO THEY REALLY WANT THE COUNTY HANDLING
8 THIS BECAUSE THE COUNTY HAS BEEN SO, AND MY HEART GOES OUT TO
9 THE MANY STAFFERS AND THE TEAM THAT ARE TRYING AND THIS DOES
10 FEEL LIKE MAYBE WE'RE IN A MOMENT WHERE THERE'LL BE A LITTLE
11 REFORM BUT IF I WERE NUMBER OF A VERY WARY OF THE SERVICES
12 PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY. --

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

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

20
21 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS CINDY
22 OLIVER AND I AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF PASTOR BROWN AT PCS
23 FAMILY SERVICES WE'RE A COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION LOCATED
24 IN POMONA PCS OFFERS VARIOUS FREE SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES
25 WITHIN THE POMONA VALLEY AND ITS SURROUNDING CITIES WE WANT TO



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1 THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO INCREASE
2 SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY AND LA COUNTY, AND WE URGE
3 THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, WE'RE NOW GONNA GO TO
8 SPEAKERS IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD. OH, LET'S MAKE SURE HER
9 MIC'S ON. HOLD ON JUST ONE SECOND. IT'S STILL NOT ON.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** I'M NOT ALONE.

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THERE SHE IS.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** I GOT BEAUTIFUL YOUNG LADIES AND OLDER LADIES THAT WE
16 DO NEED A HOUSE FOR THE OLDER COMMUNITY. BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN
17 HERE FOR A LONG TIME. WE HAVE CLEANED YOUR HOUSES. WE HAVE
18 SOLD FOR Y'ALL. WE HAVE DONE THINGS. IF IT WASN'T FOR MIGRANT
19 PEOPLE, WE HAVE MIGRANTS UP HERE. I KNOW YOU DO. MS. SOLIS, I
20 KNOW YOU COME FROM MIGRANT BACKGROUND. AND WE ALL DO.

21 AFRICANS, LIKE WHAT MARTIN LUTHER KING SAID, LET'S MAKE A
22 DREAM COME TRUE. LET'S BUILD LOS ANGELES WHAT IT USED TO BE.
23 WE HAVE THE OVERPOWER. WE HAVE A PRESIDENT COMING IN. I KNOW
24 HE CRAZY, BUT IT'S OKAY TO BE CRAZY. LOS ANGELES IS MORE
25 CRAZIER BECAUSE WE GET THINGS DONE. AND I KNOW Y'ALL GOT THE



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1 OVERHAND. Y'ALL CAN VOTE ON IT. Y'ALL GET THE THINGS DONE. AND
2 I HOPE Y'ALL CAN DO IT BECAUSE WE GOT SOME BEAUTIFUL
3 TRANSGENDERS THAT NEED HOMES, THAT NEED THINGS, AND WE'RE
4 HERE. WE WERE HERE FIRST, OLDER LADIES LIKE ME. AND I'M GONNA
5 CONTINUE COMING BACK TO SAY WHAT I GOTTA SAY. LOVE Y'ALL,
6 HAPPY DAY.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE HAVE A LOT OF SPEAKERS HERE,
9 SO IF YOU ARE IN SUPPORT, PLEASE INDICATE SO BY DOING THIS. IF
10 YOU DISAGREE, YOU CAN DO THIS. WE WANT TO KEEP THE COMMENTS
11 GOING BECAUSE I KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF ITEMS. SO, THANK YOU
12 VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS BEATRIZ SANDOVAL. I'M
15 ORGANIZED WITH LA VOICE, ONE MULTI-FAITH AND MULTI-RACE
16 ORGANIZATION IN LA COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK YOU SUPERVISORS
17 SOLIS AND ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR SUPPORT THIS MOTION. A SCARY
18 STORY, I WAS WITNESS BUT I ALSO TAKE ACTION. IN 2017, MY
19 FRIEND'S HUSBAND WAS REPORTED AT HIS USCIS INTERVIEW WITH ANY
20 OPPORTUNITY AND ANY LEGAL REPRESENTATION. AFTER ALMOST LIVING
21 HERE IN UNITED STATES FOR 30 YEARS. SO BEING GOOD CITIZEN IN
22 THIS COUNTRY. THE DEPORTATION ONLY CAUSE THE SEPARATION OF THE
23 FAMILY, BUT ALSO CAUSE THE GRAND ECONOMIC AND MENTAL PAIN TO
24 THEIR DAUGHTERS WHO WERE ONLY 16 AND 17 YEARS OLD. THEY LOST
25 THEIR FATHER, THEY LOST THEIR HOME AND WERE LEFT WITH ONLY THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 VALUES THAT --

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOUR TIME
4 HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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6 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

7

8 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ALEJANDRO
9 CASTRO. WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS, I WANT TO
10 SUPPORT MS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS' MOTION OF ITEM 8. I AM A
11 COMMUNITY WORKER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH THE WELLNESS CENTER. FROM
12 THE WELLNESS CENTER OF? FROM THE WELLNESS CENTER. AND I
13 CONNECT THE COMMUNITY WITH ALL THOSE SERVICES THAT THEY CAN
14 HAVE FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES EVER SINCE COVID. SO NOW I'VE
15 ALSO SEEN FEAR IN THEM TO COMMUNICATE WITH ME. THE FEAR THAT
16 IS BEING INSTILLED BY THE UPCOMING PRESIDENT TRUMP. AND I WANT
17 TO ASK FOR SUPPORT AND PROTECTION FOR THE IMMIGRANT
18 COMMUNITIES. OR THE SUPPORT THAT THEY ALSO SUPPORT THE
19 ECONOMY. AND IN CONSTRUCTION AND CLEANING AND IN OTHER AREAS
20 THAT WE HAVE THEIR WORK BEING DEVELOPED.

21

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

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS STACEY SPENCER. AND I FEEL IT'S



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1 REAL IMPORTANT THAT THE SUPPORT IS CONTINUED BECAUSE THE FEAR
2 THAT IS BEING BROUGHT BECAUSE OF PEOPLE NOT HAVING THE SAME
3 VIEWS IS JUST UNWAVERING. I'VE BEEN A LONG SUPPORTER OF THE
4 TRANS LATINA COMMUNITY. I MYSELF AM BLACK TRANS. BUT I'VE
5 ALWAYS LEND MY HAND, MY VOICE, AND MY SUPPORT AND NOT JUST
6 TOWARDS THE TRANS COMMUNITY, ANY MIGRANT, ANY PERSON THAT
7 COMES IN AND THEY WANT TO. I DON'T FEEL THAT THE MIGRANTS BE
8 OVERCHARGED OR, YOU KNOW, BLINDSIDED BY THESE CHARGES. I WANT
9 TO WORK, YOU KNOW, LET THEM WORK AND CONTINUE TO SUPPORT.

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

12
13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CHAIR HORVATH.
14 BYRON JOSE IS THE 2 CONSTITUENT WITH THE TRANS-LATINO
15 COALITION IN REIMAGINE LA. AS CO-CHAIR OF IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS
16 ANGELES, THE TRANS-LATINA COALITION LOOKS FORWARD TO CONTINUE
17 WORKING WITH SD1, SD4, AND THE REST OF THE BOARD TOWARDS A
18 SUSTAINED AND EQUITABLE INVESTMENT IN IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES.
19 IN ADDITION TO UPLIFTING THE VOICES AND NEEDS OF TRANSGENDER,
20 EXPANSIVE, INTERSEX COMMUNITIES, SPECIFICALLY BLACK AND BROWN
21 TRANS WOMEN AND TRANSNATIONAL AGE YOUTH. WE LOOK FORWARD TO
22 CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE DCBA AND OIA TO ENSURE TRANS
23 LATINAS, OUR PRIORITY POLITICAL ASYLEES AND REFUGEES ARE
24 CENTERED IN RECEIVING THE LINKAGE AND CARE COORDINATION THAT
25 THEY DESERVE. AS LEADERS AND LONG-TIME RESIDENTS, TGI



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SUPERVISORS

1 COMMUNITY MEMBERS WILL CONTINUE ADVOCATING FOR COMMUNITY-LED
2 BUDGET REQUESTS AND LOOK FORWARD TO MOVING THIS INITIATIVE UP
3 THE CEO'S PRIORITY MOUNTAIN WITH PROGRAMS SUCH AS REPRESENTLA
4 AND THE TGI ONE US IN EQUITY INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS
9 DIAMOND CRUZ AND I STAND HERE BEFORE YOU TODAY TO ADVOCATE FOR
10 INCREASING SUPPORT FOR IMMIGRANTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
11 IMMIGRANTS ARE THE BACKBONE OF OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY,
12 CONTRIBUTING TO OUR ECONOMY, CULTURE, AND SOCIAL FABRIC. THEIR
13 WORK IS ESSENTIAL SECTORS FROM HEALTHCARE TO EDUCATION AND
14 THEIR DEDICATION TO RESILIENCE ENRICH OUR LIVES EVERY DAY. BY
15 EXPANDING SUPPORT SERVICES, WE CAN HELP ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE
16 THE ACCESS TO THE RESOURCES THAT THEY NEED TO AND EDUCATION
17 OPPORTUNITIES. LET'S FOSTER A MORE INCLUSIVE AND SUPPORTIVE
18 ENVIRONMENT THAT ACKNOWLEDGES THE INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTION OF
19 OUR IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS. TOGETHER WE BUILD A BRIGHTER, MORE
20 EQUITABLE FUTURE FOR ALL RESIDENTS OF LA COUNTY. THANK YOU AND
21 HAVE A NICE DAY.

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

24
25 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD AND COUNTY MEMBERS. MY NAME IS



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 CHRISTINA SANDOVAL AND I'M THE CONTROLLER AT HEART OF
2 COMPASSION FOOD DISTRIBUTION IN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO WHERE
3 WE LIVE ON THE COMMUNITY CONTINUOUSLY. ALSO, PARTNER WITH 80
4 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE REGIONS THAT YOU GUYS ARE
5 IN CHARGE OF. AND LAST YEAR, JUST WANT TO MAKE OUT THAT IMPACT
6 OF 13,000,000 POUNDS OF FOOD WAS DISTRIBUTED THROUGH SOUTHERN
7 CALIFORNIA AND A LITTLE OVER 300,000 IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE.
8 WE ALSO ARE IN GREAT SUPPORT OF THE OUTREACH AND KNOW THAT
9 WHEN WE HAVE OUR ORGANIZATIONAL EVENTS, WE DO HAVE EXTRA
10 RESOURCES BECAUSE WE DO BELIEVE HAVING ALL THOSE RESOURCES
11 READY FOR YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT KIND OF FAMILY OR THE SITUATION
12 THEY'RE IN THAT NEEDS THAT HELP. AND WE DEFINITELY WANNA THANK
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND ENCOURAGE YOU GUYS ALL TO VOTE YES ON 8.
14 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ANDREA GONZALEZ AND I'M HERE IN
19 SUPPORT OF IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES. I REPRESENT THE CLEAN
20 CAR WASH WORKER CENTER AND I LIVE AND WORK IN DISTRICT 2. WE
21 THANK SUPERVISORS HAHN AND SOLIS FOR STARTING THIS MOTION. WE
22 STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSED ACTIONS AND WANT TO ENSURE
23 CONTINUED SUPPORT TO THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS AND THE
24 INVESTMENT IN REPRESENTLA AS IT IS EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT GIVEN
25 THE IMPENDING NEED. OUR LEGAL PARTNERS ARE CRUCIAL IN



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 CONNECTING OUR MEMBERS TO PRO BONO LEGAL SERVICES. CAR WASH
2 WORKERS FACE EXPLOITATION, UNSAFE WORKING CONDITIONS, AND WHEN
3 THEY DECIDE TO REPORT THESE ISSUES AND STAND UP TO THE
4 INJUSTICES, THEY ARE FACED WITH RETALIATION. STRENGTHENING
5 SUPPORT TO THESE PROGRAMS ARE VITAL IN ENSURING THAT IMMIGRANT
6 WORKERS ARE PROTECTED DURING THIS TIME OF UNCERTAINTY, GIVEN
7 THAT MANY CAR WASH WORKERS HAVE ALREADY SHARED CONCERNS OVER
8 THE INCREASE IN THREATS AND RETALIATION TACTICS FROM EMPLOYERS
9 IN THE NEXT 4 YEARS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDER --

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

12
13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I AM DIEGO RODRIGUEZ,
14 CEO OF ALMA, WHICH HAS SERVED OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY FOR
15 NEARLY 50 YEARS. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER
16 CONTINUED LEADERSHIP AS AMPLIFIED BY THIS MOTION. AS A SERVICE
17 PROVIDER WORKING WITH COUNTY DEPARTMENTS INCLUDING THE OFFICE
18 OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS, WE DELIVER TRAUMA-INFORMED SERVICES TO
19 NON-CITIZENS, INCLUDING THOSE IN ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION
20 PROGRAMS. SINCE THE ELECTION WE HAVE HEARD FROM NUMEROUS
21 FAMILIES PARALYZED BY UNCERTAINTY, INCLUDING CHILDREN
22 TERRIFIED OF SEEING THEIR PARENTS DEPORTED OR BEING THEMSELVES
23 TAKEN AWAY FROM THE ONLY COUNTRY THEY KNOW AND LOVE. KEY
24 INITIATIVES SUCH AS REPRESENT LA PROVIDE ESSENTIAL LEGAL
25 SERVICES TO IMMIGRANTS. COUNTY COORDINATION AND FUNDING ARE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 CRUCIAL TO STRENGTHEN THIS AND OTHER RESOURCES, ENSURING THAT
2 WE OFFER CRITICAL SUPPORT TO OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. AS A
3 SERVICE PROVIDER AND AS AN ADOPTED FIRST GENERATION IMMIGRANT,
4 I URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CARLOS AMADOR.
9 I'M WITH THE CLEAN CAR WASH WORKER CENTER AND I'M ALSO A
10 RESIDENT OF SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 3. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN
11 STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM 8. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COUNTY
12 CONTRIBUTES THE RESOURCES AND PROTECTIONS TO SUPPORT THE
13 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY DURING THESE DIFFICULT TIMES
14 THAT ARE AHEAD OF US AND INCLUDING RESOURCING THE UP TO
15 \$5,500,000 FOR THE REPRESENT LA PROGRAM. THIS IS A CRITICAL
16 TIME FOR OUR COUNTY TO DOUBLE DOWN ON ITS COMMITMENT FOR THE
17 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, WHICH IS NOT ONLY A THRIVING FORCE FOR
18 THE ECONOMY, BUT ALSO CULTURALLY AND SOCIALLY. WE WANT TO MAKE
19 SURE THAT OUR WORKERS HEAR THE SUPPORT THAT IS COMING FROM
20 THIS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SO THEREFORE I ASK THAT
21 YOU SUPPORT ITEM 8. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GONNA GO BACK TO
24 SPEAKERS ON THE PHONE. MODERATOR, PLEASE GO AHEAD.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL BAMBI SALCEDO, BERTHA CARDENAS,
2 ELIZABETH HERON, ELIZABETH HERCULES, FELIPE CALZADA, JESSICA
3 MARTINEZ, JOANNA RODRIGUEZ, JALISSA HERNANDEZ, KIMBERLY COOKS,
4 AND LINA MUMTAZ. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST
5 YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

6

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

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS RICKY GARCIA.
12 I'M WITH EL PROYECTO DEL BARRIO, WHICH FOR THE LAST 50 YEARS
13 HAS PROVIDED HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IN OUR COMMUNITIES WITH
14 UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS, REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS. I
15 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO INCREASE THE
16 SUPPORT OF THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LA COUNTY. AND AS THE
17 SUPERVISOR MENTIONED, IMMIGRANTS REALLY CONTRIBUTE
18 SIGNIFICANTLY TO OUR ECONOMY AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY. WE WANT
19 TO URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM NUMBER 8 AND CONTINUE TO
20 SUPPORT AND PROTECT OUR IMMIGRANT RESIDENTS. FUND THESE
21 PROGRAMS TO MEET THE ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN DEMANDS AND
22 PROVIDE THE SAFETY NET THAT WE KNOW WE ARE AND HAVE ALWAYS
23 BEEN. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME.

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

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

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JASON BAUTISTA. I'M WITH THE THAI
7 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER, OR THAICC, BASED IN EAST
8 HOLLYWOOD, THAI TOWN. THAICC IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT
9 ADDRESSES THE NEEDS OF THAIS AND OTHER DISADVANTAGED
10 IMMIGRANTS. WE ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
11 IMMIGRANT WORKER RIGHTS, HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCACY, FOOD JUSTICE,
12 HEALTHCARE ACCESS, AND A PROVISION OF SOCIAL AND LEGAL
13 SERVICES. I WANNA THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO
14 INCREASE SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY.

16

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** WE LOST OUR SPEAKER. IS HE, WAS HIS COMMENT
20 COMPLETE? WE'LL TRY TO FIND HIM AND GET HIM BACK. OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WHEN HE COMES BACK HE HAS 30
23 SECONDS.

24

25 **MODERATOR:** NEXT SPEAKER. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CLAUDIA



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SUPERVISORS

1 BAUTISTA. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE
2 AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS CLAUDIA
5 BAUTISTA WITH THE POMONA ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY CENTER. WE WORK
6 WITH DAY LABORERS, DOMESTIC WORKERS, AND OTHER LOW WAGE
7 WORKERS IN POMONA AND EASTERN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I WANTED TO
8 CALL TO BE IN SUPPORT OF MOTION 8. IMMIGRANTS ARE AN IMPORTANT
9 PART OF LA COUNTY AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA OVERALL AND WE NEED
10 TO MAKE SURE THAT LA COUNTY SHOWS LEADERSHIP TO THE REST OF
11 THE COUNTRY LETTING THEM KNOW THAT WE WILL STAND WITH
12 IMMIGRANTS ESPECIALLY CONTINUING TO SUPPORT AND REPRESENT LA.
13 IMMIGRANTS ARE LA AND ANY OTHER WORK THAT IS BEING DONE TO
14 MAKE SURE THAT THE QUALITY OF LIFE IMMIGRANTS CONTINUES TO BE
15 BETTER HERE IN THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

16

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS WE'RE GONNA BRING JASON
20 BAUTISTA BACK IN TO FINISH HIS COMMENT. MR. BAUTISTA, YOUR
21 LINE IS ONCE AGAIN OPEN. GO AHEAD, PLEASE. OKAY.

22

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

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. MY NAME IS JASON BAUTISTA. I'M WITH THE THAI
3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER, OR THAI CDC. I WANT TO THANK THE
4 ADVISOR'S SUITES FOR OUR MOTION TO INCREASE SUPPORT FOR THE
5 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. PROGRAMS LIKE
6 REPRESENT LA PROVIDE CRITICAL SERVICES TO MANY IMMIGRANTS IN
7 OUR COMMUNITY AND WE URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8.
8 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

9

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

11

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

15

16 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RUBIANA ENGLISH. I
17 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO
18 INCREASE SUPPORT OF THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LA. COUNTY, WE
19 URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8. IMMIGRATION STRENGTHENS
20 THE U.S. ECONOMY AND IT CONTRIBUTES TO A GREATER PROSPERITY
21 FOR ALL AMERICANS. THE U.S. WAS BUILT ON IMMIGRANTS AND WE
22 APPRECIATE ALL THE EFFORTS THAT ARE BEING MADE TO PROTECT
23 IMMIGRANT RESIDENTS IN LA.

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

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

5

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

7

8 **SPEAKER:** HI, YES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS SCARLETT
9 PERALTA AND I SERVE AS MAYOR OF MONTEBELLO. I ALSO WANT TO
10 SHARE THAT I AM A PROUD IMMIGRANT WHO CAME TO THIS COUNTRY
11 FROM MEXICO WHEN I WAS JUST TWO YEARS OLD. GROWING UP
12 UNDOCUMENTED SHAPED MY LIFE PROFOUNDLY. IT GAVE ME A DEEP
13 UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHALLENGES IMMIGRANTS FACE AS WELL AS THE
14 RESILIENCE THAT WE DEMONSTRATE EVERY DAY. I DO WANT TO THANK
15 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER UNWAVERING LEADERSHIP IN
16 INTRODUCING THIS MOTION TO SUPPORT INCREASED SUPPORT FOR THE
17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. IMMIGRANTS LIKE MY
18 FAMILY CONTRIBUTE IMMENSELY TO OUR COMMUNITY CULTURE AND
19 SOCIAL FABRIC BUT WE ALSO KNOW THE FEAR AND UNCERTAINTY THAT
20 FEDERAL POLICIES CAN CREATE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE CALIFORNIA
21 VALUES ACT IS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURING THAT NO ONE IN OUR
22 COMMUNITY HAS TO LIVE IN FEAR WHEN ACCESSING SCHOOLS,
23 HOSPITALS, AND COURTHOUSES. PROGRAMS LIKE REPRESENT LA ARE
24 LIFELINES FOR FAMILIES NAVIGATING COMPLEX LEGAL SYSTEMS,
25 ESPECIALLY AS FEDERAL POLICIES BECOME INCREASINGLY COSTLY.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 AS SOMEONE WHO BENEFITED FROM COMMUNITY SUPPORT, I DO URGE THE
3 BOARD TO FULLY FUND --

4

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

7

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF
13 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M RONALD GONZALEZ-LAWRENCE WITH
14 POMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE. POMONA
15 UNIFIED SERVES 20,000 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES IN THE EAST END OF
16 LA COUNTY IN POMONA AND DIAMOND BAR. AT POSD, WE ALSO SERVE A
17 LARGE IMMIGRANT POPULATION WHO ARE EXPERIENCING FEAR AND ARE
18 APPREHENSIVE AT THIS MOMENT. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS
19 FOR HER MOTION TO INCREASE SUPPORT TO THIS COMMUNITY. IT IS
20 ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL THAT WE THAT THE COUNTY FUND PROGRAMS LIKE
21 REPRESENT LA TO MEET THE ANTICIPATED INCREASED DEMAND FOR
22 SERVICES. ON BEHALF OF POMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
23 SUPERINTENDENT DARREN KNOWLES, WE URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES
24 ON ITEM 8. THANK YOU.

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HI, THIS IS DR. MARY MAISEL. I'M WITH THE LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER CHILD ABUSE CLINICS. I WOULD LIKE TO
9 THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO INCREASE
10 SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
11 WE DEAL WITH A VERY LARGE IMMIGRANT POPULATION AND I CAN TELL
12 YOU THAT THIS REALLY IS A HUMANITARIAN EFFORT. LIKE WHEN WE
13 SUPPORT THE IMMIGRANTS. WE'RE NOT ONLY HELPING THEM SUCCEED
14 BUT WE'RE HELPING OUR COUNTRY SUCCEED. THERE'S BEEN NUMEROUS
15 STUDIES THAT SHOW THAT IMMIGRATION FUELS OUR ECONOMY. WHEN
16 IMMIGRANTS ENTER THE LABOR FORCE, THEY INCREASE THE PRODUCTIVE
17 CAPACITY OF THE WHOLE COUNTRY, EVEN OUR CITY, AND RAISE THE
18 GDP. I JUST ALSO WOULD LIKE TO THANK HILDA SOLIS BECAUSE SHE'S
19 BEEN JUST SUCH A HUGE PROPONENT OF HELPING OUR CLINIC AND
20 DECREASING CHILD ABUSE AND PROGRAMS LIKE SHE STARTED JUST
21 AGAIN OUR HUMANITARIAN EFFORT AND JUST PROMOTE OUR CULTURE AND
22 OUR ECONOMY AND I URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO VOTE YES ON
23 ITEM A TO REMEMBER THAT IT IS A HUMANITARIAN EFFORT AND OUR
24 GREATEST DIVERSITY AS A CITY AND OUR COUNTRY LIES IN OUR
25 IMMIGRANT POPULATION.



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SUPERVISORS

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

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5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. SORRY, SORRY.

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

10

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** YES, I AM HERE. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

14

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

16

17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DR. CARLA LOPEZ VALDEZ. I
18 AM CALLING SUPPORT OF THE IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES
19 COALITION. I AM A PARA LOS NINOS FOR NEARLY 45 YEARS. WE HAVE
20 SERVED AND PARTNERED WITH OVER 10,000 CHILDREN YOUTH AND THEIR
21 FAMILIES TO INTEGRATE YOUR BONUS OF SUPPORT TO ADDRESS
22 INDIVIDUAL AND SYSTEMIC BARRIERS TO CREATE PATHWAYS TO
23 SUCCESS. THIS HAS BEEN DONE ACROSS LA COUNTY. PARA LOS NINOS
24 IS HERE TO SUPPORT THE MOTION INCREASING SUPPORT FOR LA COUNTY
25 IMMIGRANTS. WE TRULY THANK SUPERVISOR ZOLIZ FOR THIS MOTION



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND EXPLORING HOW THE COUNTY CAN SUPPORT IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES
2 UNDER A SECOND TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. THIS IS SUCH A CRITICAL
3 TIME TO INCREASE CAPACITY AND RESOURCES TO ADDRESS THE URGENT
4 AND GROWING NEEDS OF IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTY
5 TO ENSURE THEY CAN THRIVE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND
6 ATTENTION TO THIS MOTION. APPRECIATE IT.

7

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

9

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

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS LYNN KERSEY. I'M WITH
15 MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH ACCESS, AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
16 YOU FOR AND SUPPORT THE LEADERSHIP THAT THIS MOTION
17 ILLUSTRATES. WE WORK WITH FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS OF ALL
18 AGES, ESPECIALLY IMMIGRANTS IN THE DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES AREA
19 AND WITH MANY OF THE COALITIONS AND GROUPS THAT ARE SPEAKING
20 HERE TODAY. I WANT TO SUPPORT THE IDEA THAT OUTREACH IS
21 CRITICAL. WE HELP FIND PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW ABOUT SERVICES,
22 WHO DON'T KNOW WHAT'S AVAILABLE. RECENTLY, A YOUNG MOTHER AND
23 CHILD SLEEPING IN THE PARK AND WATCHED AS THEIR COMMUNITIES,
24 THEIR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES STEP UP WITH THE LITTLE THEY HAVE
25 AND SAY, SLEEP IN MY HOUSE, SLEEP IN MY BEDROOMS, IN OUR ONE



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SUPERVISORS

1 BEDROOM OR STUDIO APARTMENT RISKING EVICTION THEMSELVES FOR
2 DOING SO. ALL WE WANT IS TO BE ABLE TO ASSIST WITH THE
3 BENEFITS OUR STATE AND COUNTY ALLOWS FOR PEOPLE. THE GROCERIES
4 FROM ARPA, THE SPANISH LITERACY PROGRAMS THAT OUR ORGANIZATION
5 PROVIDES, BUT NAVIGATORS WERE CUT, STATE HEALTH NAVIGATORS
6 WERE CUT LAST YEAR IN THE BUDGET WITH 6 WEEKS NOTICE AND MANY
7 GROUPS HAVE HAD TO LAY PEOPLE OFF. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
8 YOUR MOTION. PLEASE VOTE--

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** YES, ON 8. THANK YOU.

13

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

17

18 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, YOUR DISINGENUOUS PRESENTATION IS APPALLING. 8
19 U.S. 1325.2424A, YOU ARE IN FACT FELONS. IT SHOULD BE IN
20 FEDERAL PENITENTIARY. USING CHILDREN AS A SHIELD IS SHAMEFUL.
21 YOUR PATHETIC EXAMPLE, YOU ARE A PATHETIC EXAMPLE FOR THE
22 YOUTH. PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS TOLD THAT 12 TO THE 20,000,000
23 BIDEN-HARRIS ILLEGALS WILL BE THE FIRST ONES TO GO AND SHUT
24 DOWN THE BORDER. TO SPEND \$1 ON ILLEGALS WHILE CITIZENS GO
25 HOMELESS IN ROLAND HEIGHTS AND LIVE ON OUR STREETS IS A CRIME.



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE COUNTY, STATE, AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ARE
2 STRUCTURALLY BANKRUPT, AND YOU WANT TO EXACERBATE THIS
3 TRANSPARENCY. AND AS TO BARACK OBAMA, I REFER YOU TO DR.
4 THOMAS SOWELL FOR STARTERS. THANK YOU.

5

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

8

9 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

10

11 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
12 ANTONIO DOMINGUEZ AND I AM HERE TO SUPPORT, IN SUPPORT OF IRLA
13 COALITION, AND I REPRESENT CLEAN CAR WASH, AND I LIVE IN
14 DISTRICT 3. WE THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS IN
15 INITIATING THIS MOTION AND EXPLORING HOW THE COUNTY CAN
16 SUPPORT IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES UNDER THE SECOND TRUMP
17 ADMINISTRATION, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT AND PROPOSE ACTIONS. AND
18 WE WANT TO ENSURE THE FOLLOWING. IN ITEM 5, THAT THE
19 INVESTMENT IN REP. LA BE EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT GIVEN THE
20 IMMINENT NEED. THIS IS A CRITICAL TIME TO INCREASE CAPACITY
21 AND RESOURCES TO ADDRESS THE URGENT AND GROWING NEEDS OF
22 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION
23 ON THIS MATTER.

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BERTA
3 GONZALEZ AND I AM THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WITH THE CLEAN CAR
4 WASH WORKER CENTER. CLEAN EMPOWERS CAR WASH WORKERS TO
5 TRANSFORM ONE OF LOS ANGELES MOST EXPLOITATIVE INDUSTRIES
6 THROUGH ORGANIZING AND ADVOCACY FOR BETTER WORKING CONDITIONS
7 AND PROTECTIONS. TODAY, I AM HERE TO SUPPORT THE IMMIGRANTS
8 ARE LOS ANGELES COALITION AND THANK SUPERVISORS HAHN AND SOLIS
9 FOR ADVANCING THIS CRITICAL MOTION. CAR WASH WORKERS, MANY OF
10 WHOM ARE IMMIGRANTS, EXPERIENCE RAMPANT EXPLOITATION IN THIS
11 UNDERGROUND ECONOMY, INCLUDING WAGE THEFT, HAZARDOUS WORKING
12 CONDITIONS, AND LACK OF ACCESS TO RESOURCES. WE URGE YOU TO
13 SUPPORT ITEM 8. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT
14 TO IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES.

15

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

17

18 **SPEAKER:** I'M CONNIE CHUNG-JOH, THE CEO OF ASIAN AMERICANS
19 ADVANCING JUSTICE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THE NATION'S LARGEST
20 LEGAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS FOR ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC
21 ISLANDERS, AND REPLA-FUNDED ORGANIZATION. THANK YOU,
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION AND OFFERING
23 CONCRETE RESPONSE TO PROTECT LOS ANGELENOS FROM TRUMP'S NEW
24 IMMIGRATION POLICIES. TRUMP HAS BEEN VERY CLEAR THAT HE PLANS
25 TO ENGAGE IN MASS DEPORTATIONS IMMEDIATELY UPON TAKING OFFICE



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND HE HAS A TRACK RECORD TO PROVE HE'LL DELIVER. WE SAW IN
2 THE PAST OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES BEING TORN APART BY ICE
3 RAIDS, INCLUDING OUR VIETNAMESE AND CAMBODIAN IMMIGRANTS SWEEP
4 UP IN LONG BEACH, MANY OF WHOM RESIDED IN THE US SINCE THE
5 1980S. THIS TIME WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT TRUMP'S TARGETING OF
6 CHINESE MIGRANTS, MANY OF WHO SETTLE IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY,
7 WE'VE NOT SEEN WE'VE SEEN NOT ONLY A SKYROCKETING DEMAND OF
8 CHINESE ASYLUM SEEKERS BUT ALSO MORE LABOR EXPLOITATION AND
9 TRAFFICKING. HIS RACIST RHETORIC CAN ALSO LEAD TO MORE ANTI-
10 ASIAN HATE. WE NEED REPLA FUNDS AS IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICE
11 ORGANIZATIONS ARE BRACING OUR--

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

14
15 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ALVARO HUERTA AND I'M THE
16 DIRECTOR OF LITIGATION AND ADVOCACY AT IMMIGRANT DEFENDERS LAW
17 CENTER, THE LARGEST DEPORTATION DEFENSE LEGAL SERVICES
18 PROVIDER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE TODAY TO STAND IN
19 STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 8. IMMDEF THANKS SUPERVISORS
20 SOLIS AND HAHN FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION IN SUPPORT OF LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY'S IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. GIVEN THE PALPABLE
22 FEAR THAT OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES ARE FEELING RIGHT NOW, IT
23 IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER TO STAND UP WITH AND FOR OUR
24 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, AND COWORKERS.
25 PROGRAMS LIKE REPLA ARE VITAL FOR ENSURING THAT LOS ANGELES'



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1 IMMIGRANTS' RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE PROTECTED FROM
2 THE WORST EXCESSES OF THE FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT
3 REGIME. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR REITERATING THIS
4 AFTERNOON THAT THE \$5,500,000 FOR REPLA IS A FLOOR NOT A
5 CEILING. LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS ALREADY SHOWN COURAGEOUS
6 LEADERSHIP BY CREATING AND FUNDING THE REPLA PROGRAM.

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

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11 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]
12

13 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS EDITH AGUILAR AND I AM
14 A WORKER AT THE WELLNESS CENTER. I AM HERE TO SUPPORT MOTION
15 NUMBER 8, WHICH MS. HILDA SOLIS HAS PROPOSED. IN MY JOB, WE
16 OFFER SERVICES AND RESOURCES TO OUR COMMUNITY. AND ONE THING
17 THAT I'M VERY PROUD OF IS THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GET HEALTH
18 INSURANCE WITHOUT HAVING AN IMMIGRATION STATUS. IT IS
19 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT WE THE COMMUNITY HAVE A RESOURCE WHEN
20 WE'RE ILL, AND NOW WE'RE IN FEAR BECAUSE OF THIS PRESIDENT,
21 THIS NEW PRESIDENT THAT DOESN'T LOVE US. AND THIS IS WHY I
22 SUPPORT MY COMMUNITY. WE SUPPORT MOTION 8. THANK YOU VERY
23 MUCH.

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
3 CARMEN GUTIERREZ AND I AM WITH THE CLEAN CAR WASH WORKER
4 CENTER. WE ARE HERE TODAY IN SOLIDARITY WITH IMMIGRANTS ARE
5 LOS ANGELES TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT ON ITEM 8. I HAVE LIVED AND
6 WORKED IN DISTRICT 2 AND AS AN IMMIGRANT MYSELF I AM HERE TO
7 EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR ITEM 8. AT CLEAN WE EMPOWER AND
8 ADVOCATE WITH CAR WASH WORKERS TO TRANSFORM THE CAR WASH
9 INDUSTRY, ONE OF THE MOST EXPLOITIVE INDUSTRIES IN LA COUNTY.
10 WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS HAHN AND SOLIS FOR STARTING THIS
11 MOTION AND EXPLORING HOW THE COUNTY CAN SUPPORT IMMIGRANT
12 COMMUNITIES UNDER A SECOND TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. WE STRONGLY
13 SUPPORT THE PROPOSED ACTIONS AND WANT TO ENSURE THE FOLLOWING.
14 ITEM 5, WHICH URGES THE INVESTMENT IN REPLA, WHICH IS EVEN
15 MORE SIGNIFICANT GIVEN THE IMPENDING NEED. ITEM 2 --

16

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DIEGO CARTAGENA. I'M AN
21 IMMIGRANT FROM EL SALVADOR AND SERVICE PRESIDENT AND CEO OF
22 BET TZEDEK, AN ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES FREE LEGAL SERVICES
23 TO LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS REGARDLESS OF RACE, RELIGION,
24 ETHNICITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS. DECADES AGO, OUR AGENCY
25 DECLINED FEDERAL FUNDS THAT WOULD HAVE PROHIBITED US FROM



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1 SERVING UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS BECAUSE OF A CORE BELIEF THAT
2 ONE DOES NOT TURN AWAY A STRANGER FROM A STRANGE LAND. IN
3 2017, THE COUNTY EMBODIED THAT BELIEF BY TAKING SWIFT ACTION
4 TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT RESIDENTS. WE THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND
5 HAHN FOR WORKING TO ENSURE THAT TODAY THE COUNTY MOVES FORWARD
6 WITH THIS SAME CORE TENET IN MIND AND THE SAME SWIFTNESS VIA
7 THE SUBMISSION OF ITEM 8. THIS MOTION WILL LET IMMIGRANTS KNOW
8 THEY CAN CONTINUE TO SECURE LOCAL SERVICES THAT PROMOTE HEALTH
9 CARE ACCESS, FOOD SECURITY, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION, AND
10 HOUSING SECURITY WITHOUT FEAR OF REPRISAL. MOREOVER, IT IS
11 CRUCIAL THAT THE COUNTY FUND PROGRAMS LIKE REPRESENT LA TO
12 PROVIDE CRITICAL LEGAL SERVICES TO MEET THE ANTICIPATED
13 INCREASED DEMAND. WE URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8. THANK
14 YOU.

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

17
18 **SPEAKER:** LAS FAMILIAS NO DEBEN TENER MIEDO. NO SERÁN
19 DEPORTADOS. DON'T BE AFRAID, FAMILIES. YOU SHOULD NOT BE
20 DEPORTED. NUMBER ONE, I AM AN ADVOCATE FOR THE NEW AMERICAN
21 PROGRAM. AND IF YOU NEED HELP WITH CITIZENSHIP, CALL 323-884-
22 8583. AS SOON AS THEY STEP FOOT ON THIS LAND, THEY SHOULD BE
23 OFFERED CITIZENSHIP IMMEDIATELY. I THINK THAT IS A REQUEST FOR
24 THE CHILDREN WHO ARE HERE, WHO ARE WATCHING. IF YOU'RE HERE 40
25 YEARS, I'M TALKING TO THE PARENTS, AND YOU DON'T MAKE AN



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1 EFFORT TO TRY TO ASSIMILATE. YOU'RE SENDING A BAD MESSAGE TO
2 OUR CHILDREN. SO PLEASE WORK. DON'T BE AFRAID OF BEING
3 DEPORTED. IF YOU'RE A CRIMINAL, IF YOU'RE PART OF A GANG, YOU
4 DAMN SURE KNOW THAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOU AND YOU WILL BE
5 DEPORTED. OKAY, THAT'S REAL TALK. THE ONES THAT ARE RAPING OUR
6 WOMEN, THAT ARE CAUSING DESTRUCTIONS TO OUR FAMILIES AND TO GO
7 DOWN TO SKID ROW, A LOT OF THEM ARE CRIMINALS IN SKID ROW WITH
8 NO ACCOUNTABILITY. FAMILIES NEED TO BE PROTECTED AND I'M
9 THANKING YOU FOR ITEM 8. --

10

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GREETINGS, BEAUTIFUL AND AMAZING PEOPLE, OUR LEADERS,
14 OUR GOVERNMENT LEADERS. MY NAME IS BAMBI SALCEDO AND I
15 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU TODAY. I DO HAVE THE
16 PRIVILEGE TO BE THE PRESIDENT AND THE CEO OF THE BIGGEST TRANS
17 LETTER ORGANIZATION IN THE UNITED STATES. I AM HERE AS A TRANS
18 LATINA IMMIGRANT IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR
19 SOLIS AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR HAHN PUT FORTH, IT IS
20 IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO UNDERSTAND THAT OBVIOUSLY THE
21 LATINO COMMUNITY IS THE BIGGEST POPULATION HERE IN LOS ANGELES
22 AND NATURALLY TRANS-LATINA IMMIGRANTS ARE ALSO THE BIGGEST
23 POPULATION IN THIS COUNTY. AND SO, IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
24 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE RESOURCES TO ALL IMMIGRANTS HERE IN OUR
25 COUNTY. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU TODAY.



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1 THANK YOU.

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

4

5 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

6

7 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOANNA
8 RODRIGUEZ DIAZ AND I AM HERE TO SUPPORT MOTION NUMBER 8 FROM
9 MS. SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. AS A TRANS WOMAN, I AM PROUD TO
10 SUPPORT THIS MOTION BECAUSE AS A LATINA, WE NEED PROTECTIONS,
11 ESPECIALLY WITH NOW THE NEW PRESIDENCY THAT'S COMING IN AND
12 OUR TGI COMMUNITY NEEDS SUPPORT. THIS WILL MAKE US FEEL A BIT
13 MORE COMFORT, LESS STRESS, AND LESS FEAR. YOU KNOW, WITH ALL
14 OF OUR TGI COMMUNITY HERE IN LOS ANGELES, IT'LL HELP US FEEL
15 JUST A LITTLE BIT BETTER. AND SO, THIS WILL ALLOW US TO
16 RECEIVE SERVICES AND BE ABLE TO GO TO THESE WELLNESS CENTERS
17 TO RECEIVE SERVICES WITHOUT FEAR, BECAUSE WE ARE FEARFUL.
18 WE'RE IMMIGRANTS AND ON TOP OF THAT TGI SO WE ARE DOUBLE
19 VULNERABLE POPULATION. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GONNA GO BACK TO
22 SPEAKERS ON THE TELEPHONE. PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE MORE THAN 40
23 SPEAKERS STILL REMAINING IN THE QUEUE ON THIS ITEM, PLUS
24 SEVERAL ITEMS AFTER. SO, IF ANYONE FEELS THAT THEIR
25 PERSPECTIVE HAS BEEN REPRESENTED AND WANTS TO COME OUT OF



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1 QUEUE, YOU'RE WELCOME TO DO SO. OTHERWISE, WE'RE HAPPY TO HEAR
2 YOU. MODERATOR, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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

7
8 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS VANESSA DE LA ROSA AND I PROVIDE THIS
9 COMMENT ON BEHALF OF NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY. WE THANK THE COUNTY FOR TAKING SUCH ACTION TO
11 PROTECT IMMIGRANT FAMILIES. THROUGH OUR WORK AS A LEAD
12 ORGANIZATION FOR THE BENEFITS ACCESS FOR IMMIGRANT LOS
13 ANGELES, BY THE NETWORK WE KNOW THAT IN ADDITION TO
14 DEPORTATION, ONE OF THE BIGGEST THREATS TO IMMIGRANT WELL-
15 BEING IS THE PUBLIC CHARGE CHILLING EFFECT, CREATING AT LEAST
16 25% OF ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS, INCLUDING MIXED HOUSEHOLDS WITH
17 CITIZEN CHILDREN, TO AVOID ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR WHICH THEY
18 ARE ELIGIBLE. RENEWED FEAR OF MASS DEPORTATION WILL CAUSE
19 HOUSEHOLDS TO CANCEL OR AVOID BENEFITS AND SERVICES. THE BOARD
20 MOTIONS SHOULD DISCUSS PUBLIC CHARGE EXPLICITLY, INCLUDING
21 FUNDING FOR PUBLIC CHARGE LEGAL COUNSELING AND EDUCATION IN
22 REPRESENT LA. AND THE TASK FORCE SHOULD INCLUDE ORGANIZATIONS
23 KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT HEALTH AND PUBLIC ACCESS BENEFIT ACCESS.
24 THE COUNTY SHOULD LAUNCH AN IMMEDIATE MESSAGING CAMPAIGN TO
25 PREVENT ATTRITION FROM PUBLIC SERVICES, ESPECIALLY AFTER THE



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1 HISTORIC UNIVERSAL EXPANSION OF MEDI-CAL. THE SENSITIVE
2 LOCATION R.P. SHOULD INCLUDE --

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

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

10
11 **SPEAKER:** HELLO BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS KENYA REESE AND I AM
12 FROM THE WELLNESS CENTER, AN ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS TO
13 INSPIRE AND EMPOWER LOCAL RESIDENTS AND PATIENTS TO TAKE CARE,
14 TO TAKE CONTROL OF THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. I WANT TO
15 THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO INCREASE SUPPORT FOR
16 THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS SUPERVISORS
17 FULLY SANCTIONED IMMIGRANTS CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE
18 ECONOMY, WORKFORCE, AND SOCIAL DIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY. I MYSELF COME FROM THE LINE OF GENERATIONS THAT ARE
20 HERE IN SEARCH OF OPPORTUNITIES AND CONTRIBUTE TO SUPPORT OUR
21 COMMUNITIES. WE MUST ACT ON THIS MOTION BECAUSE COMMUNITY
22 MEMBERS AND MYSELF SHOULD NOT BE LIVING IN FEAR AND ANXIETY
23 AFTER THE FREQUENT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. IT IS CRUCIAL THAT
24 OUR BOARD MEMBERS VOTE YES ON ITEM 8. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.



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

2

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ALIYAH YOUSAFI. I AM THE SENIOR
8 POLICY COORDINATOR OF COUNCIL ON AMERICAN-ISLAMIC RELATIONS'
9 GREATER LA CHAPTER. CARE LA IS ALSO A PROUD CO-CHAIR OF THE
10 IMMIGRANTS ARE LA COALITION. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
11 SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING FORTH THIS MOTION. IT IS MORE
12 IMPORTANT THAN EVER FOR LA COUNTY TO STAND STRONG IN
13 OPPOSITION TO PRESIDENT TRUMP'S FEAR-MONGERING AND XENOPHOBIC
14 ATTACKS ON IMMIGRANTS, BUT WE NEED TO DO MORE THAN JUST WORDS.
15 WE NEED ACTION. THE \$5,500,000 ALLOCATION TO REPRESENT LA IS A
16 GOOD START. HOWEVER, CARE-LA, AS ONE OF THE LEGAL SERVICE
17 PROVIDERS UNDER THIS PROGRAM URGES THIS BOARD AND THE CEO TO
18 ALLOCATE \$7,000,000 TO THE PROGRAM. CARE-LA AND SEVERAL OTHER
19 CURRENT PROVIDERS ARE READY AND ABLE TO TAKE ON MORE CASES
20 WERE WE ALLOWED TO HIRE ADDITIONAL ATTORNEYS TO MEET THE NEED.
21 CARE-LA ACTUALLY ALREADY TAKES ON DOZENS OF EXTRA CASES BEYOND
22 THAT WHICH WE ARE PAID FOR BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE HEART TO
23 TURN AWAY THESE CLIENTS. WE HAVE NOWHERE ELSE TO TURN. AS
24 SUPERVISOR BARGER SAID, THE DEMAND FOR REF-LA SERVICES ALREADY
25 EXCEEDS OUR CURRENT CAPACITY. PLEASE HELP US KEEP AS MANY



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1 FAMILIES TOGETHER AS POSSIBLE AT THIS CRITICAL TIME. THANK
2 YOU.

3

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

6

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

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS WONG WEN. I
12 AM WITH THE API EQUITY ALLIANCE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
13 FOR BRINGING FORTH THIS MOTION TO INCREASE SUPPORT FOR
14 IMMIGRANTS IN LOS ANGELES. THERE IS TREMENDOUS FEAR RIGHT NOW
15 AMONG THE API IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, AND THAT'S WHY PROGRAMS
16 LIKE REPRESENTLA NEED MUCH MORE FUNDING THAN IT IS CURRENTLY
17 ALLOCATED RIGHT NOW. \$5,000,000 IS THE FLOOR. IT NEEDS AT
18 LEAST \$7,000,000 FROM THE COUNTY'S ALLOCATION, THE
19 CONTRIBUTION FOR IT TO SERVICE THE FULL NEEDS OF ANGELENOS
20 ACROSS THE COUNTY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR THIS
21 MOTION AND I URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES AND FOR THE CEO TO
22 APPROVE. THANK YOU.

23

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

25



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

4

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

6

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

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I'M CALLING ON BEHALF OF AS A
10 COMMISSIONER ON BEHALF OF MY COMMUNITY THE LGBTQ THE ELDER
11 ADULTS AND FAMILIES IN THE LA COUNTY THAT ARE UNDER ATTACK THE
12 MOTION 8 BY SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS WOULD DEFINITELY BRING A
13 LITTLE BIT OF PEACE OF MIND TO OUR COMMUNITY. IN LA COUNTY, WE
14 CONTRIBUTE, ALL OF US CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE COUNTY.
15 AND THE CURRENT ANXIETY AND FEAR IS NOT NEW BUT IT NEEDS
16 SUPPORT SO I BEG YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS
17 MOTION AND CONTINUE SUPPORTING OUR GREAT IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY.
18 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. THANKS FOR HEARING ME.

19

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

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS ANGEL NOVELLO. YOUR LINE IS
23 OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO
24 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. THANKS FOR HEARING
2 ME. CAN YOU GUYS HEAR ME?

3

4 **MODERATOR:** YES.

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6 **SPEAKER:** DO YOU HEAR ME?

7

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

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ANGEL NOVELLO. I'M GOING TO
11 SUPPORT THE INDIAN SOLUTION. THE PROPOSAL IS BEING VERY NEW.
12 I'M A NATIVE MAYA SPEAKER AND I'M INTERPRETING THAT LANGUAGE
13 IN DIFFERENT PLACES SO PLEASE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU SO MUCH,
14 BUT YOU DON'T HAVE NO IDEA WITH LIKE HOW MUCH YOU NEED THIS.
15 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT. I'M HERE TO FULLY
16 SUPPORT YOU. THANK YOU.

17

18 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

19

20 **MODERATOR:** NEXT IS DANIELLE RIVAS. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF
21 YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE. SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE.
22 YOU MAY BEGIN.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DANIELLE RIVAS. I'M
25 CALLING ON BEHALF OF YWCA SAN GABRIEL VALLEY IN COVINA IN



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SUPERVISORS

1 SUPPORT OF ITEM 8. OUR AGENCY HAS SERVED THE SAN GABRIEL
2 VALLEY COMMUNITY FOR ALMOST 90 YEARS. WE PROVIDE DIRECT
3 SERVICES AND SUPPORT TO RESIDENTS IN OVER 40 CITIES AND IN
4 UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND DISTRICTS 1 AND 5. AND WE SEE
5 FIRSTHAND JUST HOW MANY BARRIERS THERE ARE TO ACCESSING VITAL
6 SERVICES FOR THOSE WHO NEED THEM MOST. AND WE REALLY CANNOT
7 AFFORD TO ADD ANOTHER BARRIER OF FEAR. WE CANNOT SOLVE ISSUES
8 IN OUR COMMUNITY IF THE PEOPLE LIVING IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE
9 AFRAID TO CALL THE POLICE TO REPORT A CRIME OR SEEK VITAL
10 SOCIAL SERVICES WHEN THEY NEED THEM. WE KNOW THAT THIS IS NOT
11 A NEW ISSUE BUT THE NEED FOR IMMIGRANT SERVICES IS ONLY GOING
12 TO INCREASE AND WE NEED TO ACT WITH THE SAME URGENCY THAT WE
13 DID IN 2017. SO, I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISOR FOR THIS
14 MOTION AND I URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8. THANK YOU.

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

17
18 **MODERATOR:** THANKS, RACHEL KIRK. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE
19 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE, MAY
20 BEGIN.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS RACHEL VALENZUELA KIRK. I LIVE IN DIAMOND
23 BAR. I'M SPEAKING AS A CAREER TEACHER IN AN IMMIGRANT
24 COMMUNITY AND AS A SENIOR. MY CONCERN IS WHEN I WORKED WITH
25 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AS A TEACHER WE FOUND THAT THE SENIORS,



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1 THE GRANDPARENTS, WERE THE CORE OF THE FAMILY THAT PROVIDED
2 STABILITY FOR THE FAMILIES. I HAD SO MANY PARENT CONFERENCES
3 WITH GRANDPARENTS BECAUSE THE PARENTS WERE NOT AVAILABLE. MY
4 CONCERN IS THAT OUR SENIORS WOULD BE AFRAID TO SEEK HELP OR TO
5 SEEK ANY KIND OF SERVICES BECAUSE OF THE PANIC IN THE
6 COMMUNITY. SO, I'M HOPING THAT THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL
7 OUTLOOK, A SPECIAL OUTREACH TO OUR SENIORS, IMMIGRANTS, PEOPLE
8 WHO ARE VERY VULNERABLE AT THIS TIME, NEED THE HELP, AND WOULD
9 BE VERY RELUCTANT TO SPEAK OUT AND POSSIBLY PUT THEIR FAMILIES
10 IN JEOPARDY FROM IMMIGRATION. THEY ARE VERY VULNERABLE --

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

14
15 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE HAVE ANGELA SOMBRANO. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF
16 YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE. SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE.
17 YOU MAY BEGIN.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ANGELA
20 SOMBRANO. I AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE LATINO-LATINA
21 ROUNDTABLE OF THE POMONA AND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. THE LATINO
22 LATINA ROUNDTABLE WORKS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND
23 SOCIOECONOMIC JUSTICE FOR THE LATINX COMMUNITY AND THOSE
24 FACING INEQUALITIES THROUGH ADVANCING EDUCATION, LEADERSHIP,
25 DEVELOPMENT, AND CIVIC PARTICIPATION. WE WANT TO THANK



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1 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR THEIR MOTION TO
2 INCREASE SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY. THE RECENT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IS GENERATING A LOT
4 OF FEAR AND ANXIETY IN THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY AND IT IS
5 CRITICAL THAT WE OFFER LEGAL SERVICES KNOW YOUR RIGHTS AND
6 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION AND BE READY TO SUPPORT THE
7 COMMUNITY WITH THE INFORMATION THAT THEY NEED TO DEFEND
8 THEMSELVES AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THAT THEY TO KNOW THAT THEY
9 ARE NOT ALONE. --

10

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

13

14 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE HAVE RENEE JIMENEZ. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF
15 YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE. SPEAK DIRECTLY TO THE PHONE. YOU
16 MAY BEGIN. RENE JIMENEZ. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, I THINK YOU CAN HEAR ME, OKAY?

19

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

21

22 **SPEAKER:** EXCELLENT. HELLO. MY NAME IS RENEE JIMENEZ, THE
23 RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED SOUTH SAN JOSE HILLS AND SD1. I
24 ALSO WORK FOR AND AM A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SAN GABRIEL
25 VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS, A NONPROFIT DEDICATED TO YOUTH



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1 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION IN THE SAN GABRIEL
2 VALLEY. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR
3 HAHN FOR THEIR MOTIONS TO INCREASE SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT
4 COMMUNITY IN LA COUNTY. AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS MENTIONED,
5 IMMIGRANTS CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE ECONOMY, THE
6 WORKFORCE, AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY OF LA COUNTY. THIS IS A
7 STEADFAST ENDEAVOR AGAINST WHAT WE KNOW IS GOING TO COME. THIS
8 IS ADMIRABLE. SO PLEASE, PLEASE, VOTE YES IN FAVOR OF AGENDA
9 ITEM 8. WE IN THE SCV ARE IN STRONG SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

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

12
13 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE HAVE CARLOS GONZALEZ. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF
14 YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE.
15 YOU MAY BEGIN.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CARLOS CASARES,
18 SENIOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT MANAGER AT THE CENTER FOR NONPROFIT
19 MANAGEMENT. WE SERVE AS A VOICE AND A RESEARCH FOR OUR
20 NONPROFIT SECTOR AND WORK TO ADVANCE A THRIVING SOCIAL IMPACT
21 SECTOR FOR A MORE CARING AND INCLUSIVE REGION AND ECONOMY. WE
22 EXPRESS OUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR ITEM 8 AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR
23 SOLIS AND HAHN FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND VISION IN ADVANCING
24 SUPPORT FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. OVER
25 THE PAST TWO YEARS, CNF HAS PARTNERED WITH THE OFFICE OF



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1 IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS TO PROVIDE CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS THAT
2 SUPPORT SMALLER IMMIGRANT SERVING ORGANIZATIONS. THE GRANT
3 PROGRAM NOT ONLY RESULTED IN IMPROVED OPERATIONS, THE IMPACT
4 THAT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE REACHED, THEY ALSO EXPAND THE NUMBER
5 OF LANGUAGES SERVED, POPULATIONS SERVED, MORE THAN 134,000
6 IMMIGRANTS ACROSS LA COUNTY SERVED BY THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND
7 AFFECTED BY THE FAMILIES. WE URGE YOU TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL
8 FUNDING AS FOLKS HAVE REAFFIRMED. 5.5 SHOULD BE THE FLOOR NOT
9 THE CEILING. SO, AGAIN WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND
10 COMMITMENT TO THIS INCLUSIVE AND CARING LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
11 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

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

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, VIRTUAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS
19 NOW CLOSED ON THIS ITEM. WE'LL GO TO SPEAKERS IN PERSON.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
22 FORWARD? JESUS RAMON VILLABLA-GESLUM, KATE GONZALEZ, LYDIA
23 LEDESMA, LINDSAY TOKAZONLONSKY, MARCO NAVARRO, MARIA ELLEN
24 MERAZ, MAYA DANIELS, MICHELLE CAREY, OCTAVIO ORTIZ, PAULA
25 YANEZ, RAQUEL RAMON, ROSA SOTO, SERAPHINE SERRANO, SHAKINA



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1 DECLARES, SHU MING CHEER, VERONICA ALVARADO, VLAD CARRASCO,
2 YERITZA GONZALEZ, AND YESENA TIZOL. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND
3 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

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

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** CHAIR, BEFORE WE BEGIN, SUP. HILDA SOLIS
8 [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]. THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

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12 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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14 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS FELIPE CALZADA.
15 I AM A JANITOR AND A MEMBER OF SEIU-USWW. WE APPRECIATE THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO BE HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF THE
17 MOTION THAT MS. HILDA SOLIS AND JANICE HAHN HAVE NOW PRESENTED
18 TO EXTEND THE PROTECTIONS FOR IMMIGRANTS IN OUR COUNTY. AS A
19 UNION MEMBER, WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT TOGETHER FOR OUR
20 COMMUNITY, FOR THE IMMIGRANTS, BECAUSE WE ARE IMMIGRANTS. THIS
21 COUNTY WILL NOT WORK WITHOUT US AND WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR
22 LEADERSHIP. AND AS A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY, I ASK FOR YOUR
23 SUPPORT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK
24 YOU VERY MUCH.

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SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR: THANK YOU ALL. NEXT SPEAKER.

SPEAKER: HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JALISSA HERNANDEZ AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF LA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM THE OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, AND I'M HERE TO REITERATE LAUSD'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR THIS MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN ARE BRINGING UP TODAY. AS PART OF LAUSD'S ONGOING COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING OUR IMMIGRANT FAMILIES. THE PAST 3 WEEKS LA UNIFIED HAS CONTINUED TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE PROVIDING THE APPROPRIATE RESOURCES AND SERVICES FOR THE FOR OUR FAMILIES AS WELL AS HAVING A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR STUDENTS. AND I DO WANT TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST FOR LA UNIFIED TO BE PART OF THE TASK FORCE THAT'S MENTIONED IN THE MOTION SO THAT WE CAN CONTRIBUTE OUR EXPERTISE AND ENSURE THAT OUR UNIQUE NEEDS ARE BEING, OF OUR STUDENTS AND OUR FAMILIES ARE BEING MET. AND WE BELIEVE THAT THIS TASK FORCE WILL BE INSTRUMENTAL INTO MOVING FORWARD INTO THE NEXT 4 YEARS. ONCE AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON BEHALF OF LA SCHOOL UNIFIED. THANK YOU.

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

SPEAKER: THIS IS MAI DANIELS, AND I REPRESENT TRANS LATINA COALITION AS A CO-CHAIR OF IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES. I WANT



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1 TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR AUTHORIZING
2 THIS MOTION AND SEEING THE NEED FOR INVESTMENT INTO PROTECTION
3 SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANTS. THERE HAS BEEN A STEADILY GROWING
4 AGENDA OF HATE THAT HAS BEEN FORGED AGAINST THE IMMIGRANT
5 COMMUNITY AND THIS IS AN OPPORTUNE TIME TO MAKE SURE OUR
6 IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS RIGHTS ARE PROTECTED. THE PROPOSED MINIMUM
7 INVESTMENT INTO REPRESENT LA IS A STRONG START TO THE COUNTY
8 SUPPORTING IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES UNDER A SECOND TRUMP
9 ADMINISTRATION. THOUGH THERE ARE MORE PROPOSED ACTIONS FROM
10 COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS AND BUDGET ADVOCATES FOR IMMIGRANTS. ONE,
11 CONCERNING ITEM 5, THAT THE INVESTMENT IN REPLA BE EVEN MORE
12 SIGNIFICANT GIVEN THE IMPENDING NEED. SECOND, THAT ON ITEM 2,
13 IMMIGRANTS RLA PLAY A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE TASK FORCE BEING
14 PROPOSED AND ALSO BE INCLUDED IN CONSULTING WITH THE OFFICE OF
15 IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS ON THE PLANS FOR OUTREACH TO COMMUNITY FOR
16 AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND SERVICES. AND LAST, ON ITEM 6, THE
17 ADDITION OF INCREASED ALLOCATED FUNDS FOR THE CAPACITY
18 BUILDING GRANTS INCLUDING THE CASE MANAGEMENT AND LEGAL
19 SERVICES PROGRAMS FUNDED THROUGH ARPA FUNDS. THANK YOU.

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

22
23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS ELIZABETH HERCULES-PAYAS.
24 I AM A STAFF ATTORNEY WITH PUBLIC COUNCIL'S IMMIGRANT RIGHTS
25 PROJECT, AND I'M A PART OF A TEAM THAT IS FUNDED THROUGH THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 REPEL-A PROGRAM. OUR MISSION AT PUBLIC COUNCIL IS TO ADVANCE
2 CIVIL RIGHTS, RACIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE, AND TO AMPLIFY THE
3 POWER OF OUR CLIENTS, INCLUDING IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN LA
4 COUNTY. WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION
5 TO INCREASE SUPPORT FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LA AND
6 REQUEST AN ALLOCATION OF \$7,000,000 FOR THE REPRESENTLA
7 PROGRAM. I HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND THROUGH MY OWN REPRESENTLA
8 CASES AND THOSE OF MY TEAM THE CRITICAL SUPPORT AND IMPACT
9 THAT REPRESENTLA BRINGS TO OUR CLIENTS, THEIR FAMILIES, AND
10 OUR COMMUNITIES. REPRESENT LA ENSURES IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES OF
11 COLOR ARE NOT DENIED DUE PROCESS IN AN UNJUST FEDERAL
12 IMMIGRATION SYSTEM AND HAVE ACCESS TO QUALITY REPRESENTATION.
13 WE BELIEVE THAT CONTINUING THE WORK OF REP. LEIGH IS VITAL,
14 AND WE URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 8.

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

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18 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]
19

20 **INTERPRETER:** HI, MY NAME IS ELIZABETH HORAN. I'M COMING HERE
21 FOR MY SON. MY SON IS GABRIEL CHAVEZ. HE FINISHED HIS 30-YEAR
22 SENTENCE IN A JAIL, AND HE IS DETAINED IN EL SALVADOR. MY SON
23 GABRIEL PERSONALLY WITNESSED HORRIFIC VIOLENCE, WITNESSING
24 MASSIVE VIOLENCE AND NORMALCY OF DEATH AS A REGULAR. MY SON
25 GABRIEL JUST SERVED A 30-YEAR SENTENCE HERE IN CALIFORNIA FOR



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1 SOMETHING HE WAS CONVICTED FOR. HE ARRIVED HERE AT 16 YEARS OF
2 AGE WHEN HE CAME HERE. AND HE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE FOR ALL OF
3 WHAT HE WAS FACED WITH IN EL SALVADOR, FOR WHAT HE'S COMMITTED
4 IN YOU ONLY LEAVE THEIR DEBT. I CAN'T SLEEP, I CAN'T EAT,
5 ABSOLUTELY. I JUST DON'T KNOW IF MY SON IS ALIVE OR NOT
6 BECAUSE HE IS WITH THE REGIME OUT THERE IN EL SALVADOR.

7

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

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10 **MODERATOR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LINA
13 MUMTAZ. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES
14 COALITION. I REPRESENT THE SOUTH ASIAN NETWORK IN DISTRICT 4.
15 THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SOLIS FOR STARTING THIS
16 MOTION TO BETTER SUPPORT THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES UNDER OUR
17 SECOND TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. I'M HERE TO STRONGLY SUPPORT THE
18 PROPOSED ACTIONS OF MOTION 8 AND WANT TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED
19 EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN ASSISTANCE FOR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES.
20 THERE MUST BE INCREASED ATTENTION DEDICATED TO THE IRLA REPORT
21 BACK MOTION AS PART OF CONTINUED EFFORTS FOR STRENGTHENING
22 SUPPORT FOR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. FOR ITEM 5, WE WANT TO
23 ADVOCATE FOR THE INVESTMENT IN REPRESENT LA. FOR ITEM 2, WE
24 WANT TO ENSURE THAT IRLA PLAYS A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE TASK
25 FORCE AND COLLABORATES WITH OIA TO DEVELOP EXTENSIVE OUTREACH



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1 ACTIVITIES THAT INFORM THE COMMUNITY ABOUT AVAILABLE
2 RESOURCES. AND FOR ITEM 6, WE ASK THAT YOU ALSO ALLOCATE
3 ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS INCLUDING CASE
4 MANAGEMENT AND LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM FUNDS THROUGH ARPA.
5 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER.

6

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

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9 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS JESSICA MARTINEZ. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT
10 OF IRLA. I REPRESENT COFEM, WHOSE MISSION IS TO EMPOWER
11 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES TO BE FULL PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOCIAL,
12 POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND CULTURAL LIFE OF THE UNITED STATES IN
13 THEIR HOME COUNTRY. WE THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SOLIS FOR
14 STARTING THIS MOTION. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSED ACTIONS
15 AND WANT TO ENSURE THE FOLLOWING. ON ITEM 5, THAT THE
16 INVESTMENT IN REPLA IS EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT GIVEN THE
17 IMPENDING NEED ON ITEM 2. ENSURE ELAB PLAYS A SIGNIFICANT ROLE
18 IN THE TASK FORCE AND COLLABORATES THE OIA TO DEVELOP
19 EXTENSIVE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES THAT INFORM THE COMMUNITY ABOUT
20 AVAILABLE RESOURCES. ON ITEM 6, WE ASK THAT YOU ALSO ALLOCATE
21 ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS INCLUDING
22 THE CASE MANAGEMENT AND LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM FUNDED THROUGH
23 ARPA DOLLARS. AND WE WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT MANY OF THE
24 PROGRAMS AND INVESTMENT WE ADVOCATED FOR UNDER FEDERAL
25 STIMULUS FUNDING WERE ONE-TIME INITIATIVES. IT IS CRUCIAL TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 INCREASE CAPACITY AND RESOURCES TO ADDRESS THESE URGENT NEEDS

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

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6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
7 KIMBERLY KUZ. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF IRLA AND I REPRESENT
8 COFEM. I LIVE IN SD2. I WAS 13 WHEN MY FAMILY AND I FLED
9 GUATEMALA BECAUSE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND RELIGIOUS
10 PERSECUTION. UNDER THE LAST TRUMP'S ADMINISTRATION, I WAS
11 SEPARATED FROM MY MOM AND YOUNGER BROTHER. SINCE THEN, WE
12 SPENT ALMOST 17,000 IN LEGAL FEES. MY MOM SELLS FLOWERS AND
13 BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY PAID OUT OF ATTORNEYS WE WERE
14 UNABLE TO MEET BASIC NEEDS SUCH AS RENT. BECAUSE WE
15 PRIORITIZED OUR SAFETY IN THIS COUNTRY WE ENDED UP IN A
16 SHELTER. THEREFORE, I WANT TO ADVOCATE FOR SAFEGUARDS SO NO
17 ONE HAS TO CHOOSE BETWEEN THEIR SAFETY AND THEIR BASIC NEEDS.
18 I WANT TO ENSURE THE FOLLOWING. ON ITEM 2, ENSURE IRLA PLAYS A
19 SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE TASK FORCE AND COLLABORATES WITH OIA
20 TO DEVELOP EXTENSIVE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES THAT INFORM THE
21 COMMUNITY ABOUT AVAILABLE RESOURCES REGARDING LEGAL SERVICES.
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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



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1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
2 YESENIA KUZ. I REPRESENT COFEM AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF
3 IMMIGRANTS RLA. UNDER THE LAST TRUMP ADMINISTRATION, MY MOM
4 AND MY YOUNGER SIBLINGS WERE SEPARATED AT THE BORDER. SINCE
5 THEN, WE HAVE SPENT ALMOST \$1,700, 000 IN ATTORNEY FEES. MY
6 MOM SELLS FLOWERS AND AT THAT TIME, I WAS A STUDENT AT UCLA.
7 THEREFORE, MOST OF OUR INCOME WENT STRAIGHT TO LEGAL FEES
8 RESULTING IN MY FAMILY LIVING IN A SHELTER. I THANK SUPERVISOR
9 HAHN AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD BUT
10 I WANT TO ENSURE THAT THE INVESTMENT IN REPLA IS EVEN MORE
11 SIGNIFICANT GIVEN THE IMPENDING NEED. ON ITEM NUMBER 2, I WANT
12 TO ENSURE THAT IRLA PLAYS A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE TASK FORCE
13 AND COLLABORATES WITH THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS TO
14 DEVELOP EXTENSIVE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES THAT INFORM THE
15 COMMUNITY ABOUT AVAILABLE RESOURCES. WE ASK THAT YOU ALSO
16 ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS,
17 INCLUDING THE CASE MANAGEMENT AND LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM
18 FUNDED THROUGH THE ARPA FUNDS. THANK YOU.

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

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22 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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24 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LYDIA LEDESMA. I AM
25 HERE, I AM THANKFUL, AND I AM JUST SO GRATEFUL FROM THE BOTTOM



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SUPERVISORS

1 OF MY HEART TO MEET MS. HILDA SOLIS IN PERSON. I AM GRATEFUL
2 TO ALL OF YOU FOR THE SUPPORT THAT YOU'RE PROVIDING TO ALL OF
3 US, OUR IMMIGRANTS COMMUNITY. WE ARE THANKFUL AND ALSO
4 GRATEFUL. IT IS IMPORTANT. THESE ARE MOMENTS THAT ARE SO
5 IMPORTANT. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU'RE DOING FOR THE
6 COMMUNITY AND FOR ALLOWING US TO LIVE HERE SAFELY. AND I AM
7 HERE AS A MOTHER OF 2 UNIVERSITY CHILDREN, AND I'M GRATEFUL TO
8 BE IN THIS STATE AND IN OUR COMMUNITY. I'M SO PROUD. THANK
9 YOU, I'M THANKFUL TO ALL OF YOU. THANK YOU.

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS PAULA YANEZ, AND I'M A COMMUNITY
14 ACTIVIST. I LIVE HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN DISTRICT
15 1, HILDA SOLIS. AND I WANT TO THANK HILDA SOLIS, JANICE HAHN,
16 FOR YOUR WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE TO SAFEGUARD AND TO PROTECT
17 IMMIGRANTS. IT'S JUST SO IMPORTANT. I ALSO AM A CHILDREN'S
18 SOCIAL WORKER FOR THE COUNTY OF LA. I'M A RETIRED SOCIAL
19 WORKER AND ALSO A VOLUNTEER WITH THE LA COUNTY FEDERATION OF
20 LABOR. I'VE BEEN A GIRL SCOUT LEADER AS WELL AND PART OF THE
21 CHICANO MORATORIUM COMMITTEE ALSO. AND IT'S VITAL TO OUR
22 COMMUNITY TO AFFIRM AND SUPPORT ITEM 8, WE NEED TO, LIKE I
23 SAID, SAFEGUARD OUR COMMUNITY. I'M IN THE COMMUNITY ALL THE
24 TIME, AND WHAT I HAVE SEEN AND OBSERVED IS FEAR IN OUR
25 COMMUNITY. AND IT'S HEARTBREAKING TO SEE FAMILIES, CHILDREN,



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SUPERVISORS

1 ESPECIALLY IN FEAR. THEY NEED SUPPORT. WE NEED EDUCATION. --

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IN LIGHT OF
4 THE NUMBER OF THE AGENDA ITEMS REMAINING TO BE DISCUSSED FOR
5 TODAY, DUE TO THE NUMBER OF SPEAKERS WE HAVE FOR THOSE ITEMS,
6 THE TIME LIMIT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM IS GOING TO BE
7 5 MORE MINUTES AND THEN WE WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE
8 GO AHEAD.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARCO ANTONIO NAVARRO,
11 ALSO KNOWN AS CHI-CHI. I AM A RESIDENT OF THE BEAUTIFUL AND
12 CULTURALLY RICH COMMUNITY OF BOYLE HEIGHTS. I COME TO YOU AS A
13 TRANS NON-BINARY CHILD OF IMMIGRANTS WHO RISK THEIR OWN LIVES
14 TO PROVIDE ME AND MY SIBLINGS A BETTER FUTURE. OUR IMMIGRANT
15 SIBLINGS, SPECIFICALLY OUR LGBTQIA2 PLUS SIBLINGS HAVE ENDURED
16 AN INSURMOUNTABLE AMOUNT OF HATE, PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL
17 ABUSE, WORKPLACE MISTREATMENT, INHUMANE DETENTION, AND MORE.
18 AS A TRANSGENDER NON-BINARY INDIVIDUAL, I UNDERSTAND THE
19 IMPORTANCE OF SAFE SPACES AND ALLIES, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, I
20 UNDERSTAND THAT ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS. YOUR VOTE IN
21 SUPPORT FOR MOTION 8 WILL SEND A CLEAR MESSAGE THAT XENOPHOBIA
22 AND HATE HAVE NO PLACE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. LET US NOT FORGET
23 THAT WE ARE STANDING TODAY ON INDIGENOUS NATIVE LAND. TODAY'S
24 NATION AS WE KNOW IT WAS BUILT BY IMMIGRANTS AND SLAVE LABOR
25 AND HAS CONTINUED TO BE STRENGTHENED BY ITS DIVERSITY AND NOT



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1 ITS HOMOGENEITY. LET US NOT LOSE OUR HUMANITY NOR GIVEN TO THE
2 TACTICS OF FEAR AND HATE. I URGE YOU TO VOTE YES, BUT ALSO TO
3 CONTINUE THE WORK TO ENSURE OUR SAFETY FOR IMMIGRANTS. THANK
4 YOU.

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6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. THANK
7 YOU. MY NAME IS LINDSAY TOSLOWSKI. I'M THE CEO OF IMMIGRANT
8 DEFENDERS LAW CENTER. I'M GOING TO SIGNIFICANTLY CUT DOWN WHAT
9 I PLAN TO SAY. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR
10 HAHN. I'LL JUST SIMPLY STATE THAT OUR LEGAL SERVICES COMMUNITY
11 NEEDS TO BE READY TO MEET THIS MOMENT AND DEFEND OUR
12 COMMUNITIES. AND I WOULD ASK THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT THE
13 REPRESENT LA PROGRAM IS FUNDED ADEQUATELY TO MEET THE MOMENT
14 THAT WE FACE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. OCTAVIO
17 ORTIZ. THANK YOU, SOLIS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WAS SPEAKING FOR
18 A LOT OF IMMIGRANTS. THERE IS A LOT OF ISSUES THAT WE HAVE TO
19 TALK. I'VE BEEN VICTIMIZED. I'M NOT AN EASY PREY. I'M SURE
20 SOLIS KNOWS ME ALREADY, AND I DON'T BACK DOWN. SEVERAL THREATS
21 AGAINST ME, NO PROBLEM. BUT THE ISSUE HERE IS ALL THE
22 CRIMINALS, WHEN THEY PICK UP AN IMMIGRANT THAT DOESN'T KNOW
23 ANY BETTER, THEY START GIVING THEM MONEY, HELPING THEM AND
24 THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN GUESS WHAT YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO HOLD THIS
25 DRUG GUESS WHAT NOW YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO TRAVEL WITH IT AND



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1 THAT'S A BIG ISSUE I DON'T YOU KNOW I SUPPORT TRUMP BUT THIS
2 ALL MEXICANS ARE TRAFFICKERS I'M NOT AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT
3 I'LL DO ANYTHING OR EVERYTHING TO SECURE THE COMMUNITY. AND
4 THANK YOU AGAIN, SOLIS.

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6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RAQUEL ROMAN,
7 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PROYECTO PASTORAL, AN ORGANIZATION THAT
8 HAS BEEN SERVING THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY OF BOYLE HEIGHTS FOR
9 38 YEARS. PROYECTO IS A COMMUNITY BUILDING SOCIAL JUSTICE AND
10 MULTI-SERVICE ORGANIZATION. OUR SHELTERS IN FACT SERVE 95%
11 VENEZUELAN REFUGEES EARLIER THIS YEAR AND HISTORICALLY HAS
12 SERVED THE IMMIGRANT UNHOUSED COMMUNITY. I WANT TO THANK
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO INCREASE SUPPORT FOR THE
14 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN LA COUNTY. THE RECENT PRESIDENTIAL
15 ELECTION RESULTS HAVE INCREASED FEAR AND ANXIETY AMONGST THE
16 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY AND AS A NONPROFIT WE'VE DONE OUR BEST TO
17 RESPOND TO THE NEEDS BUT IT NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT. PROGRAMS
18 LIKE REPRESENT LA PROVIDE CRITICAL LEGAL SERVICES TO SO MANY
19 IMMIGRANTS IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT IS ABSOLUTELY CRUCIAL THAT THE
20 COUNTY FUND THE PROGRAM TO MEET THE ANTICIPATED INCREASED
21 DEMANDS AND SERVICES. PROYECTO PASO IS HERE TO COLLABORATE AND
22 BE READY TO BE PART OF THE TASK FORCE. WE URGE THE BOARD TO
23 VOTE YES ON ITEM 8. THANK YOU.

24

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SERAPHINE
3 SERRANO. I AM WITH HOMIES UNIDOS. I'M GOING TO READ A
4 STATEMENT FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ALEX ASANCHEZ. ON
5 BEHALF OF FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY CRIMINALIZATION
6 FOR OUR IMMIGRANTS, WE WRITE THIS LETTER IN SUPPORT OF THE
7 MOTION TO INCREASE SUPPORT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IMMIGRANTS.
8 HOMOS UNIDOS IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WORKING TO DIMINISH
9 VIOLENCE AND PROVIDE POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES FOR YOUTH AND
10 ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO ARE LOOKING TO IMPROVE THEIR
11 LIVES. WE ARE REQUESTING THAT WE DO NOT SUPPORT ICE IN THE
12 DEPORTATION OF PEOPLE WHO WILL BE TORTURED IN THEIR COUNTRY OF
13 ORIGIN. SINCE APRIL OF 2022, CRIS OSSAL, A HUMAN RIGHTS
14 ORGANIZATION IN SALVADOR, HAS REPORTED THAT THERE HAS BEEN
15 OVER 80,000 YOUNG MEN AND OVER 10,000 WOMEN ARRESTED AND
16 CHARGED FOR BEING GANG MEMBERS OR AFFILIATE, OVER 30,000 OF
17 THOSE ARRESTED HAVE NOT HAD SUCH LINKS TO GANGS. THERE HAVE
18 BEEN OVER 250 INCARCERATED PEOPLE KILLED AND TORTURED OR --

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20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL NOW GO
21 TO OUR LAST SPEAKER. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU SO
24 MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. MY NAME IS MARIELENA MERAZ. I'M THE
25 CEO OF PARENT ENGAGEMENT ACADEMY, A COMMUNITY-BASED



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1 ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES AROUND 6,000 PARENTS PER YEAR. AND
2 I'M VERY THANKFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND FOR PROVIDING THIS
3 MOTION FOR THE COMMUNITY AND FOR THE PARENTS TO ALLOW MORE
4 RESOURCES, ESPECIALLY NOW WITH THESE TIMES THAT THE PARENTS
5 ARE FILLED WITH SO MANY ANXIETY FOR WHAT WE WOULD BE TOLD THAT
6 IS GONNA HAPPEN. SO, THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR HILDA
7 SOLIS, SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND I URGE THE
8 BOARD TO SAY YES AND VOTE YES FOR PROPOSITION. THANK YOU VERY
9 MUCH.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU TO
12 ALL THE SPEAKERS WHO CAME OUT TO JOIN US ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 8
13 IS NOW BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
14 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
15 CALL THE ROLL.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE

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

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

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



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE

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

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6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ABSTAIN

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, ABSTAINS. SUPERVISOR

9 HORVATH?

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

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION PASSES 4 TO

14 0 WITH 1 ABSTENTION.

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

17 ITEM 23, TRANSGENDER EXPANSIVE AND INTERSEX TGI WELLNESS AND

18 EQUITY INITIATIVE, WHICH I HELD. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON

19 THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS

20 ITEM. TODAY I'M PROUD TO BRING FORWARD THIS MOTION TO CREATE A

21 TGI WELLNESS AND EQUITY INITIATIVE AS WE CONTINUE TO REAFFIRM

22 THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY REMAINS A SAFE HAVEN FOR OUR LGBTQ+

23 COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY FOR TRANSGENDER, GENDER EXPANSIVE AND

24 INTERSEX INDIVIDUALS. AT A TIME WHEN ATTACKS ON THESE

25 COMMUNITIES ARE ESCALATING ACROSS THE NATION AND EVEN IN OUR



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1 OWN BACKYARD, WE MUST DECISIVELY ACT TO PROVIDE PROTECTION,
2 SUPPORT, AND OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE TO THRIVE WITH DIGNITY.
3 THE TGI COMMUNITY FACES EXTRAORDINARY CHALLENGES FROM HOUSING
4 AND EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION TO BARRIERS IN HEALTH CARE AND
5 PUBLIC SAFETY, SYSTEMIC INEQUITIES THAT HAVE PLACED MANY ON
6 THE MARGINS OF OUR SOCIETY. THIS MOTION IS A DIRECT RESPONSE
7 TO THOSE INEQUITIES, PROPOSING A \$7,000,000 INVESTMENT OVER 2
8 YEARS IN THE TGI WELLNESS AND EQUITY INITIATIVE, A BOLD AND
9 TRANSFORMATIVE TWO-YEAR PILOT PROGRAM THAT WILL SUPPORT OUR
10 TGI COMMUNITY AND THE VITAL COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT
11 SERVE THEM. THROUGH THIS INITIATIVE, WE AIM TO EMPOWER
12 ORGANIZATIONS LED BY AND SERVING THE TGI COMMUNITY, ENSURING
13 THAT THEY HAVE THE RESOURCES TO DELIVER CULTURALLY COMPETENT,
14 TRAUMA-INFORMED, AND LIFE-SAVING SERVICES. THIS ISN'T JUST
15 ABOUT ADDRESSING IMMEDIATE NEEDS. IT'S ABOUT CREATING SYSTEMS
16 THAT UPLIFT AND SUSTAIN THE MOST VULNERABLE AMONG US. BY
17 PRIORITIZING GRANTS AND CAPACITY BUILDING FOR TGI SERVING
18 ORGANIZATIONS, WE HONOR THE PRINCIPLE THAT SOLUTIONS MUST FLOW
19 THROUGH THE COMMUNITIES MOST IMPACTED. THIS MOTION IS ABOUT
20 PUTTING ACTION TO OUR WORDS THAT WE NOT ONLY STAND IN
21 SOLIDARITY WITH THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY BUT GIVE THEM THE TOOLS
22 AND RESOURCES NEEDED TO THRIVE. LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS LONG
23 BEEN A BEACON OF PROGRESS AND EQUITY. LET'S CONTINUE THAT
24 LEGACY BY MAKING IT UNEQUIVOCALLY CLEAR. HERE, LGBTQ+
25 INDIVIDUALS, ESPECIALLY OUR TGI RESIDENTS, ARE SEEN, VALUED,



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1 AND PROTECTED, AND THAT THEY ARE WELCOME HERE. THIS MOTION IS
2 A COMMITMENT TO THAT ACTION. I URGE MY COLLEAGUES TO JOIN ME
3 IN PASSING THIS MOTION AND I WILL TURN IT TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I AGREE THAT
6 IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE ENSURE THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF OUR
7 TRANS, GENDER, EXPANSIVE AND INTERSEX RESIDENTS. ACCORDING TO
8 THE UCLA WILLIAMS INSTITUTE OF 2023, LA COUNTY TRANS AND NON-
9 BINARY SURVEY, 46% OF RESPONDENTS HAD UNMET HEALTH AND MENTAL
10 HEALTH NEEDS, AND 50% OF RESPONDENTS WHO VISITED COMMUNITY-
11 BASED ORGANIZATIONS FELT LESS COMFORTABLE GETTING SERVICES
12 FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. OF THOSE TRANS AND NON-BINARY ADULTS
13 WHO DID ACCESS GOVERNMENT SERVICES OR VISITED GOVERNMENT
14 OFFICES, MANY OF THEM REPORTED HAVING NEGATIVE EXPERIENCES
15 BECAUSE OF THEIR TRANS OR NON-BINARY STATUS. IT IS THE
16 COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH
17 SERVICES TO OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS. SO, IT'S CRITICAL THAT OUR
18 AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS DELIVER SERVICES IN A WAY THAT IS
19 INCLUSIVE AND WELCOMING TO TGI INDIVIDUALS. SPECIFICALLY,
20 DURING A TIME WHEN WE'RE SEEING A RISE IN ANTI-TRANS RHETORIC
21 ACROSS THE COUNTRY, WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS A MORE
22 COORDINATED EFFORT TO ENHANCE SERVICES BEING PROVIDED TO THE
23 TGI COMMUNITY BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND BY
24 ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE READY TO SERVE THIS COMMUNITY.
25 ADDITIONALLY, WE NEED TO HELP BUILD THE CAPACITY OF



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1 ORGANIZATIONS SERVING THE COMMUNITY AS THESE ORGANIZATIONS ARE
2 BEST EQUIPPED TO PROVIDE CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE SERVICES TO
3 THE TGI COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY IF THEY ARE TGI-LED
4 ORGANIZATIONS. THIS MOTION LAYS OUT FUNDAMENTAL FIRST STEPS
5 AIMED AT ACHIEVING THE GOAL OF TRANS AND NON-BINARY
6 INDIVIDUALS HAVING EQUAL ACCESS TO ALL SOCIAL AND HEALTH
7 SERVICES. THUS, INVESTING \$7,000,000 INTO THIS PROJECT TO
8 ACHIEVE THIS GOAL IS AN INVESTMENT THAT WILL GO A LONG WAY
9 TOWARDS ENSURING THE WELL-BEING AND HEALTH OF LA COUNTY'S TGI
10 COMMUNITY. I ESPECIALLY HOPE THAT THESE FUNDS ARE USED TO
11 SUPPORT THE TGI COMMUNITY AND THOSE THAT SERVE THAT COMMUNITY,
12 ESPECIALLY IN SD1, GIVEN THE RECENT WILLIAMS INSTITUTE STUDY
13 THAT SHOWED THAT 17% OF THE 120,000 ESTIMATED LGBTQ RESIDENTS
14 LIVE IN THE FIRST DISTRICT AND IDENTIFY AS TRANSGENDER AND
15 NON-BINARY. I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR FOR ACCEPTING
16 MY FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE THE LGBTQ+ COMMISSION IN
17 DIRECT DIRECTIVES 1 AND 2. AS YOU KNOW I HELPED CREATE THE LA
18 COUNTY LGBTQ COMMISSION, SO I WANT TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE
19 CONSULTED IN THE CREATION OF THE INITIATIVE AND IN DEVELOPING
20 THE PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND DETAILS. I BELIEVE THE INPUT FROM
21 THE COMMISSION CAN HELP AND IT WILL BE INVALUABLE. THEREFORE,
22 THE AMENDMENT TO DIRECTIVES 1 AND 2 WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS.
23 DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN CONSULTATION WITH
24 THE LGBTQ+ COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A PILOT TWO-YEAR TGI
25 WELLNESS EQUITY INITIATIVE TO ENHANCE SERVICES BEING PROVIDED



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1 TO TGI COMMUNITY AND BUILD THE CAPACITY OF ORGANIZATIONS
2 SERVING THE TGI COMMUNITY, INCLUDING TGI-LED ORGANIZATIONS
3 WHICH ARE DEFINED AS NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITH 60% OF THEIR
4 BOARD OR LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE CONSISTING OF TGI INDIVIDUALS,
5 AND DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN CONSULTATION
6 WITH THE LGBTQ+ COMMISSION TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT BACK IN
7 60 DAYS WITH A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND
8 DETAILS, INCLUDING THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR A THIRD-PARTY
9 ADMINISTRATOR TO DETERMINE THEIR SCOPE AT WORK AND FEE. THANK
10 YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR HORVATH, FOR ACCEPTING MY FRIENDLY
11 AMENDMENTS, AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT YOUR MOTION. THANK
12 YOU.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

15
16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
17 INTRODUCING THIS MOTION AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT INCREASED
18 SERVICES FOR OUR TGI COMMUNITY ARE A PRIORITY AND IN NEED OF
19 EXPANSION. AND MY OFFICE AND I HAVE MET MULTIPLE TIMES WITH
20 OUR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND LEADERS THAT SERVE AND
21 REPRESENT THE TGI COMMUNITY AND KNOW THIS COUNTY HAS
22 PRIORITIZED INCREASING ACCESS TO FUNDAMENTAL SERVICES FOR ALL
23 RESIDENTS. MY CONCERNS ARE MORE ABOUT THE PROCESS. WHILE WE
24 KNOW IN CONCEPT THAT THE TYPE OF SERVICES THIS WILL BE GOING
25 TO SUPPORT, THIS DOES NOT FOLLOW THE COUNTY'S TRADITIONAL



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1 PROCESS TOWARD FUNDING BY THE DEPARTMENT OUTLINING WITH
2 SPECIFICITY THE SERVICES THAT WILL BE INCREASING.
3 ADDITIONALLY, I HAVE CONCERNS WITH THE PARAMETERS WE ARE
4 PUTTING AROUND WHO CAN APPLY FOR THIS FUNDING AND THAT IT
5 MIGHT BE OVERLY RESTRICTIVE AND PREVENT AGAINST ALL SERVICE
6 PROVIDERS WHO SERVE THE POPULATION FROM ACCESSING IT. THE
7 CUMMINGTON AUDIT, WHICH HAS BEEN REFERENCED NUMEROUS TIMES
8 TODAY, WAS CLEAR THAT THE COUNTY MUST BE VERY CAUTIOUS IN HOW
9 WE PRESCRIBE WHERE FUNDING IS GOING. WHILE THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 PUBLIC HEALTH WILL BE EXECUTING THIS PILOT AND FUNDS, WE DO
11 NOT HAVE A ROBUST PLAN OR OUTLINE OF THE SERVICES THAT DEFINE
12 THE SPECIFIC SCALE OF NEED OR EXACT SERVICES NEEDED. THIS
13 INCLUDES NOT HAVING A BASIS FOR THE \$7,000,000 ALLOCATED. THE
14 REAL NEED COULD BE MUCH HIGHER, AND WE NEED TO EXPLORE THAT.
15 FINALLY, WHEN I MET AND I APPRECIATE THE AMENDMENT SUPERVISOR
16 SOLIS BROUGHT IN BECAUSE I MET WITH THE NEWLY FORMED LGBTQ+
17 COMMISSION YESTERDAY AND WHILE THEY'RE IN SUPPORT OF THE
18 CONCEPT HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THIS MOTION I BELIEVE THAT WE NEED
19 TO ENGAGE THIS COMMISSION BECAUSE EACH ONE OF US HAS
20 REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE FOCUSED ON EXACTLY WHAT THIS MOTION
21 WANTS TO ACCOMPLISH. AND I EVEN WOULD ASK IF THEY ARE NOT THE
22 PROPER VENUE TO PROVIDE THE OVERSIGHT AND BE THE PART OF
23 DIRECTION, THE DIRECTION THAT THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR. I
24 KNOW THEY DON'T HAVE THE CAPACITY RIGHT NOW, BUT THAT COULD BE
25 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM AS WELL. SO, I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST



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1 ENGAGE THEM ON HOW WE CAN BE PROVIDING THESE SERVICES AND
2 GETTING THEIR FEEDBACK ON THINGS LIKE DIRECTIVE 1, WHICH HAS
3 BEEN AMENDED, TO FACILITATE CAPACITY BUILDING AND TRAINING FOR
4 THE ORGANIZATION RECEIVING THE GRANTS. AND AGAIN, I HAVE A
5 DEEP COMMITMENT TO SERVING THIS POPULATION AND WANT TO SEE THE
6 COUNTY BUILD A SUSTAINABLE FOUNDATION THAT CAN GROW, BUT I'M
7 CONCERNED THAT WE HAVE MISSED CRITICAL PROCESS BENCHMARKS
8 HERE. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WELL, THIS MOTION IS BEING
11 INTRODUCED AFTER MORE THAN A YEAR OF DIRECT COMMENT FROM ALL
12 OF THE ORGANIZATIONS WHO DIRECTLY REPRESENT AND EMBODY THE
13 CONSTITUENCY THAT IS MOST IMPACTED BY THESE ISSUES AND WE
14 HEARD THEM TESTIFY AT EVERY STAGE OF LAST YEAR'S BUDGET
15 HEARINGS ON THE NEED FOR THIS KIND OF FOCUSED SERVICE
16 PROVISION. AND IN THE FINAL STAGE OF AT THE SUPPLEMENTAL
17 BUDGET IN THE FINAL STAGE OF OUR BUDGET CONVERSATIONS I ASKED
18 THE CEO ABOUT HOW WE ENSURE THAT THIS IS BROUGHT FORWARD AND
19 SHE HAD ADVISED AT THAT TIME THAT A DIRECT MOTION WAS NEEDED
20 TO BE ABLE TO BRING THIS FORWARD BUT I WANT TO MAKE SURE GIVEN
21 THAT THE COVINGTON REPORT FINDINGS HAVE BEEN INVOKED I WANT TO
22 MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE IN LEGAL ORDER THAT WE'RE NOT DOING
23 ANYTHING THAT WOULD JEOPARDIZE OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE THESE
24 SERVICES OR BE IMPROPER IN TERMS OF HOW WE ARE ESTABLISHING
25 THIS SERVICE PROVISION. SO, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK COUNTY COUNSEL



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1 TO ADVISE ON NEXT STEPS.

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3 **DAWYN HARRISON:** I WOULD JUST INDICATE ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
4 COVINGTON DID NOTE WAS OF CONCERN WAS CONTRACTING BY BOARD
5 MOTION AS OPPOSED TO BOARD LETTERS. WHAT I READ THIS IS NOT
6 NECESSARILY THE BOARD'S NOT ORDERING OR VOTING ON A CONTRACT
7 WITH ANY PARTICULAR VENDOR. IT'S DIRECTING DPH TO ESTABLISH A
8 PILOT. I PRESUME DPH WILL STILL NEED TO GO TO ALL THROUGH ALL
9 OF THE REQUIRED AND APPLICABLE CONTRACTING PROCESSES, GETTING
10 BOARD APPROVAL FOR WHOEVER IT CONTRACTS WITH. SO, I WOULD SAY
11 THAT COVINGTON NOTED CONTRACTING BY BOARD MOTION WAS
12 PROBLEMATIC, NOT NECESSARILY A PILOT, AND DPH WILL STILL HAVE
13 TO COMPLY WITH ALL THE APPROPRIATE CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO AS WRITTEN DPH WILL COME BACK
16 WITH THE BOARD LETTER, WHICH IS THE PROCESS THAT COVINGTON
17 RECOMMENDS BY WHICH WE PROCEED WITH A CONTRACT.

18

19 **DAWYN HARRISON:** I PRESUME THAT IS WHAT DPH WILL DO.

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

22

23 **DAWYN HARRISON:** BEFORE THEY CONTRACT WITH ANYBODY ON THIS.

24

25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** GREAT AND I AM GLAD TO INCLUDE OF



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1 COURSE THE LGBTQ+ COMMISSION. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT AND
2 HOPE THAT THE LGBTQ+ COMMISSION BE A PLACE WHERE IDEAS AND
3 POLICIES CAN ORIGINATE AND COME TO THE BOARD BUT IT BUT I DO
4 NOT BELIEVE THAT THE BOARD'S MOTIONS NEED TO BE FILTERED
5 THROUGH THAT COMMISSION IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED VALID
6 ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE THE COMMUNITY AT ALMOST EVERY MEETING
7 FOR MORE THAN A YEAR TELLING US THAT THIS WAS SOMETHING THAT
8 THEY DESPERATELY NEEDED AND WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY SUPPORT THE
9 EXPERIENCE THAT THEY'RE HAVING AND MORE IMPORTANTLY THEIR
10 ABILITY TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO A COMMUNITY THAT IS UNDER ATTACK
11 AND IN GREAT NEED. SO, FROM MY VANTAGE POINT, AND THANK YOU
12 FOR THE CLARIFICATION FROM COUNTY COUNSEL, I THINK THIS MOTION
13 IS OVERDUE. AND I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER COLLEAGUES IN QUEUE, SO
14 I'LL TURN TO OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO TURN TO MEMBERS OF THE
15 PUBLIC.

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, PLEASE COME
18 FORWARD. BAMBI SALCIDO, B. CURIEL, BYRON JOSE, CARLOS AMADOR,
19 DANIEL GONZALEZ, TEHANI MORALES, DIAMOND CRUZ, DONALD HARLAN,
20 IZZY CATHERINE, JOANNA RODRIGUEZ, JUNE PANTUSKIN, KALI
21 NEVAREZ, KATE GONZALEZ, LORETTA LORRAINE, MARCO NAVARRO, MAYA
22 DANIELS, MEL ESCALANTE, MIDO ALVILES, PARKER AGUIRRE, PINK
23 NIDJU, STACEY SPENCER, AND VLAD CARRASCO. PLEASE COME FORWARD
24 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR
25 PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS



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1 ITEM 23 PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE
2 SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR WHEN WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
3 SPEAKER PLEASE.

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5 **MODERATOR:** OKAY THAT'S SYLVESTER ONI YOUR LINE IS OPEN IF
6 YOU'RE MUTED PLEASE UNMUTE SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE YOU
7 MAY BEGIN.

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

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** QUICK QUESTION, DID WE PASS ITEM 17?

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT'S UP NEXT, WE'RE ON ITEM 23.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, I WAS JUST GONNA SPEAK AT THE POINT OF THAT, SO
18 I'LL JUST WAIT BACK.

19

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

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE
23 SPEAKERS IN THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. OKAY, THEN WE WILL
24 CLOSE VIRTUAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM AND TURN TO SPEAKERS
25 IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD. **SPEAKER:** GREETINGS, BEAUTIFUL



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1 PEOPLE. MY NAME IS BAMBI SALCEDO AND I DO HAVE THE PRIVILEGE
2 TO BE THE PRESIDENT AND THE CEO OF THE TRANS LATINO COALITION,
3 WHICH IS THE BIGGEST TRANS-LATINO ORGANIZATION IN THE UNITED
4 STATES. I AM VERY GRATEFUL AND LUCKY THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
5 WORK TOGETHER FOR THE PAST 2 YEARS TO ENSURE THAT TRANSGENDER
6 AND NONCONFORMITY SEX PEOPLE ARE SUPPORTED THE WAY THEY NEED
7 TO BE SUPPORTED. THANK YOU SO MUCH CHAIR HORVATH FOR
8 INTRODUCING THIS MOTION. I REALLY APPRECIATE AND I HOPE THAT
9 YOU ALL CAN VOTE YES ON THIS MEASURE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

10

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY
14 NAME IS CALI NAVARRES. I AM A CASE MANAGER AT THE TORONTO
15 UNION COALITION, WHERE I WORK WITH THE HOPE HOUSE PROGRAM TO
16 HELP TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS FIND HOUSING, ACCESS WORKFORCE
17 RESOURCES, SECURE FOOD AND TRANSPORTATION AND CONNECT WITH
18 LEGAL SERVICES AND CLOTHING. HOWEVER, THE NEEDS FAR EXCEED THE
19 RESOURCES AVAILABLE. THAT'S WHY I AM HERE TODAY TO URGE YOU TO
20 INVEST \$7,000,000 IN TRANS PROGRAMS ACROSS LOS ANGELES TO
21 DIRECTLY SUPPORT CRITICAL SERVICES FOR TGI INDIVIDUALS WHO
22 FACE HIGHER RATES OF DISCRIMINATION, VIOLENCE, AND BARRIERS TO
23 BASIC NECESSITIES LIKE HEALTHCARE, EMPLOYMENT, AND HOUSING.
24 WITH THIS INVESTMENT, WE CAN EXPAND THE SUPPORT SYSTEMS THAT
25 HELP TRANS INDIVIDUALS NOT ONLY SURVIVE, BUT THRIVE, ALLOWING



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1 THEM TO LIVE SAFELY AND WITH DIGNITY. YOUR COMMITMENT TO THIS
2 CAUSE WOULD MAKE LOS ANGELES A BEACON OF INCLUSION WHERE
3 EVERYONE REGARDLESS OF GENDER IDENTITY HAS ACCESS TO THE
4 RESOURCES THEY NEED TO SUCCEED. I ASK FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP TO
5 MAKE THIS VISION A REALITY. THANK YOU.

6

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

8

9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS B
10 CORIEL AND I SERVE AS A TRAINING MANAGER FOR THE TRANS LATINO
11 COALITION. I LIVE IN SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5, KATHRYN BARGER'S
12 DISTRICT, AND I PROVIDE TRAININGS TO COMMUNITY-BASED
13 ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY. AS AN EDUCATOR, ONE OF THE
14 THINGS THAT I WANNA MAKE CLEAR IS THAT EVEN WITHIN THE LGBTQ
15 UMBRELLA, WE HAVE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING REALLY COMPOUNDING
16 VULNERABILITIES, RIGHT? AND SO, THEY PUT US ALL TOGETHER, BUT
17 THE REALITY AND SOMETHING I WANT TO MAKE CLEAR IS THAT OUR
18 MEMBERS OF THE LGB CISGENDER COMMUNITY STILL STIGMATIZE AND
19 MAY DISCRIMINATE AGAINST OUR TGI COMMUNITY, RIGHT? WE ARE NOT
20 ALL THE SAME AND SO PUTTING THINGS THROUGH THE LGBTQ
21 COMMISSION, I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THAT, YOU KNOW, WE
22 SUPPORT ANYONE WHO'S DOWN TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY, BUT THERE
23 ARE LAYERS THERE THAT ARE INFORMED BY PEOPLE'S LIVED
24 EXPERIENCES AND IDENTITIES. SO, I REALLY HOPE YOU CAN HELP US.

25 - -



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

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5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU CHAIR HORVATH. WE'VE BEEN MEETING WITH
6 MICHELLE VEGA SO I'M A LITTLE CONFUSED ABOUT THE CHAIR PRO
7 TIMES QUESTIONS AND MORE IMPORTANTLY LET US KNOW WHO YOUR
8 BUDGET DEPUTY IS SO WE CAN WORK WITH THEM. SO, BEYOND THE ONE
9 YEAR ADVOCACY, WE'VE BEEN WORKING FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. AND
10 WE'VE BEEN PREDATING THAT. SO, I'M A LITTLE CONCERNED AROUND
11 LIKE WHAT THE PROCESS ARE. WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH YOUR
12 OFFICE. WE'VE BEEN PARTNERING WITH EVERY SINGLE ONE OF YOU.
13 SO, THANK YOU, CHAIR HORVATH, SUPERVISOR HAHN, SUPERVISOR
14 SOLIS'S OFFICE, AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THE REPORT BACK, THAT
15 DATA SHOWS YOUR DISTRICT THAT OUR PEOPLES ARE THERE. IF YOU'RE
16 NOT READING CEO'S REPORT BACKS, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM
17 IS. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE LGBT COMMISSION, THE ONE THAT
18 ALL OF YOU SPOKE, IT'S LACK OF DIVERSITY. WE HAVE PRESENTED AT
19 THE CFCI ADVISORY COMMITTEE, WE HAVE PRESENTED AT THE
20 TEASPOON, THE TRANS SERVICE PROVIDER NETWORK, WE HAVE SPOKEN
21 AT THE GRAC, AT THE GENDER SPONSORED ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE
22 LGBT COMMISSION REFUSED TO EVEN PUT IT ON THE AGENDA AND HERE
23 THIS ITEM SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY YOU'RE TRYING TO DEFER
24 YOUR POWERS AS THE LEGISLATOR TO A BODY THAT YOU JUST CREATED
25 BECAUSE YOU FIRE YOUR LGBT LIAISON OR WHOEVER OFF - -



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

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR. CAN I JUST REPLY REALLY
5 QUICKLY? I'M NOT QUESTIONING AND THIS IS I'M NOT GONNA GO BACK
6 AND FORTH, I'M NOT QUESTIONING THE VALIDITY OF THE MOTION. IT
7 WAS MORE ABOUT PROCESS FOR ME. I WANT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR. AND
8 AS FAR AS THE LGBTQ+ COMMISSION, I HEAR YOU LOUD AND CLEAR.
9 BUT THAT COMMISSION WAS CREATED TO BRING RECOMMENDATIONS
10 FORWARD TO THIS BOARD. SO, I'M NOT SAYING I'M NOT DISPELLING
11 THE NEED FOR THIS MOTION. I'M JUST ASKING FOR CLARIFICATION ON
12 PROCESS, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT WOULD APPLY IF THIS WERE A
13 CONTRACT FOR FILL IN THE BLANK. SO, IT'S NOT ABOUT AND THAT'S
14 WHY I WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR WHEN MY COMMENTS. OKAY. IT WASN'T
15 ABOUT THE CONTENT. I JUST WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR BECAUSE THAT
16 IS IMPORTANT.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT A BACK, WE
19 CAN'T HAVE A BACK AND FORTH. THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT AND IT'S
20 NOW TIME TO HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC. SO PLEASE GO AHEAD.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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24 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO AND GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD, MY NAME IS DIANA
25 MORALES AND I AM A CASE MANAGER FOR RE-ENTRY FOR THE LATINA



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1 COALITION AND I WORK WITH PERSONS FROM THE COMMUNITY FROM THE
2 LATINA COMMUNITY, TRANSSEXUAL, INTERSEX, AND NONBINARY THAT
3 ARE HAVING DRUG ADDICTION PROBLEMS. TODAY I DON'T JUST WANT TO
4 SPEAK TO YOU AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF MY COMMUNITY, BUT ALSO AS
5 A HUMAN BEING IN WHICH HAS BEEN RESCUED BY THESE WONDERFUL
6 ORGANIZATIONS AND THE WONDERFUL WORK THEY DO. TODAY I AM ABLE
7 TO TELL YOU, AND I AM A LIVE EXAMPLE OF THE IMPORTANCE THAT IT
8 IS TO HELP PEOPLE AND THE NEED FOR THESE RESOURCES TO BE DONE
9 IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AS A TRANS COMMUNITY I HERE TO ASK THAT
10 YOU SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT AND WE
11 WILL CONTINUE TO BE HERE AND BE TOGETHER WITH OUR COMMUNITY.
12 OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT AND NEEDS YOUR HELP. THANK
13 YOU.

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

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18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD EVENING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS IZZY
19 CATHERINE, AND I'M A GREAT REASON WHY THIS MOTION SHOULD BE
20 PASSED. I MOVED TO LOS ANGELES ABOUT 3 MONTHS AGO. I HAD NO
21 FAMILY, NO FRIENDS, AND I WAS HOMELESS. I FOUND REFUGE WITH AN
22 ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS TRANS LATINA COALITION, AND THEY HELPED
23 ME IMMENSELY IN WAYS THAT LGBTQ CENTERS AS WELL AS STATE-
24 FUNDED HELP COULDN'T. I WAS ABLE TO GET HOUSING, FOOD, A
25 COMMUNITY THAT CARES ABOUT ME, AS WELL AS WORKFORCE



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1 PROGRESSION. SO, I'M WELL ON MY WAY TO BECOMING A PRODUCTIVE
2 AND A HELPFUL MEMBER OF SOCIETY. AND IT'S NOT JUST ME. THERE'S
3 THOUSANDS, IF NOT MORE, TRANS PEOPLE WHO ARE ON THE STREET,
4 WHO ARE NOT RECEIVING RESOURCES, AND WE NEED EXTRA FUNDING TO
5 HELP THEM SO THAT THEY CAN EXPERIENCE THE PROGRESSION THAT I
6 HAVE. SO, THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

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

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10 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. CARLOS ZAMADA WITH THE
11 CLEAN CAR WASH WORKERS CENTER LIVING IN SUPERVISORY DISTRICT
12 3. I'M SPEAKING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THE TRANSGENDER,
13 EXPANSIVE AND INTERSEX WELLNESS EQUITY AND CARE COORDINATION.
14 THE \$7,000,000 INVESTMENT IN TGI-LED AND TGI-SERVING
15 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IS A CRUCIAL STEP TO MAKE SURE
16 THAT WE CONTINUE TO ADVANCE THE EQUITY FOR THIS COMMUNITY. SO,
17 I ASK THE SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE SUPPORT ITEM 23. THANK YOU.

18

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

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21 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PINK NUNU AND I'M
22 SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF THE TGIWE INITIATIVE. KNOWING HOW MUCH
23 THIS INVESTMENT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN TRANS LIVES ACROSS LA
24 COUNTY, I MOVED HERE IN 2019 AND THROUGHOUT MY TIME IN LA I
25 RELIED ON SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS TO KEEP MYSELF ON TRACK AND



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1 AVOID STRUGGLES THAT NATURALLY COME WITH BEING TRANSGENDER IN
2 THIS SOCIETY. BEING TRANSGENDER, MY COMMUNITY FACES
3 DISCRIMINATION AND EMPLOYMENT, HEALTHCARE ACCESS, HOUSING, AND
4 EDUCATION, AND THAT BARS US FROM LIVING EQUITABLE LIVES TO OUR
5 CISGENDER COUNTERPARTS. INVESTMENTS LIKE THESE KEEP
6 ORGANIZATIONS THAT MY COMMUNITY RELIES ON OPEN. WITH THE HELP
7 OF SEVERAL TRANS SERVING ORGANIZATIONS, I WAS ABLE TO GAIN
8 BETTER ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE, FIND STABLE EMPLOYMENT, AND
9 TRANSITION AWAY FROM SURVIVAL SEX WORK. AND WITH THE HELP OF
10 MY COMMUNITY, THAT WAS REALLY MAJOR FOR ME. PUTTING FORWARD
11 SOMETHING LIKE THIS SHOWS THAT OUR GOVERNMENT CARES ABOUT TGI
12 PEOPLE AND IT'S THE MONEY WHERE YOUR MOUTH IS AND IT SHOWS
13 THAT WE CAN UPLIFT THE MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE WITHOUT TAKING
14 ANYONE ELSE DOWN. THANK YOU.

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

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18 **SPEAKER:** HELLO DEAR SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS KATE GONZALEZ. I
19 AM WITH THE TRANS LATINA COALITION AND I'M HERE TO CONTINUE
20 ADVOCATING FOR THE TGI WELLNESS EQUITY AND CARE COORDINATION.
21 AS OUR MEMBERS AND CLIENTS AS THE LA COUNTY ONCE AGAIN TO
22 TRULY INVEST IN THE LIVES OF TRANSGENDER AND GENDER EXPANSIVE
23 AND INTERSEX COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND ACROSS ALL
24 DEPARTMENTS. THIS IS JUST TO CLARIFY, THIS INVESTMENT IS NOT
25 GOING TO THE ORGANIZATIONS, IT'S GOING TO THE COMMUNITY. OKAY,



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1 THE COMMUNITY NEEDS TO BE SERVED. THERE ARE MANY RESOURCES
2 THAT WE DO NOT GET, JUST LIKE ANYBODY ELSE, THAT THEY CLEARLY
3 DO. WE AS A TRANS COMMUNITY AND GENDER AND NON-CONFORMING AND
4 INTERSEX PEOPLE, WE CAN'T ACCESS MANY SERVICES. SO, WE'RE
5 ASKING YOU TO THINK ABOUT THE INVESTMENT THAT YOU CAN
6 GRATEFULLY HELP THE TGI COMMUNITY. WE NEED TO CONTINUE ON
7 HELPING THE COMMUNITY. THANKS.

8

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

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11 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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13 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOHANNA
14 RODRIGUEZ DIAZ. SO, I AM HERE TO NOT JUST SAY THAT ARTICLE 23
15 SHOULD BE APPROVED AND ALSO THAT IT ISN'T JUST AN INVESTMENT
16 FOR OUR COMMUNITY. IT IS SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO BETTER OUR
17 COMMUNITY WITH RESOURCES. AND I AM AN EXAMPLE OF THOSE
18 RESOURCES THAT WAS BEING ABLE TO BE HELD BY ORGANIZATIONS AND
19 FOR PEOPLE LIKE ME IN MY COMMUNITY. AND ALSO, TO DIGNIFY OUR
20 COMMUNITY RESOURCES. SOME OF US, WE GET SCHOOLING THROUGH
21 THESE RESOURCES AND WE ALSO ARE ABLE TO BE PART OF THIS
22 COMMUNITY AND BE EDUCATED ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE THAT IS WITHIN
23 OUR COMMUNITY. AND SO, I AM SO GRATEFUL FOR TRANS LATINA
24 COALITION THAT PROVIDES THOSE SERVICES. AND I CAN SAY THAT THE
25 WONDERFUL WOMAN AND PERSON THAT I AM TODAY, I OWE IT TO TRANS



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1 LATINA COALITION BECAUSE THEY WERE ABLE TO INVEST IN ME AND
2 HELP ME. AND SO THAT WE HAVE MORE WONDERFUL LEADERS LIKE
3 MYSELF, WE HAVE TO BE ABLE TO DIGNIFY AND BE ABLE TO HELP ALL
4 OF OUR TRANS COMMUNITY OUT THERE. THANK YOU.

5

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

8

9 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MITO. I'M
10 HERE AS PART OF THE TRANS-LATINA COALITION, A CONSTITUENT OF
11 SD3, AND ADVOCATING FOR ITEM 23, TGI WELLNESS AND EQUITY
12 INITIATIVE. WITH THAT BEING SAID, WE AS A COMMUNITY HAVE COME
13 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MADE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE
14 IMPORTANCE OF TGI INCLUSION NUMEROUS TIMES AT THIS POINT. AND
15 IT WON'T STOP, BUT WOULD RATHER HAVE IT BE ADDRESSED. AS WE
16 KNOW, THE TGI COMMUNITY IS UNDER ATTACK IN THIS COUNTRY AND
17 ALSO THE NATION NOW MORE THAN EVER. WE HAVE STOOD HERE WITH
18 EXTREME PATIENCE WAITING FOR PROGRESS. IT'S NOW ALMOST THE END
19 OF THE YEAR AGAIN, AND WE ARE ASKING FOR THE SAME THING,
20 FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR TGI-LED ORGANIZATIONS TO BE ABLE TO
21 CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY. TGI COMMUNITIES NEED YOUR
22 HELP, AND BY PASSING THE \$7,000,000 TGI WE INITIATIVE, IT WILL
23 LEND ITSELF TO AN EQUITABLE INVESTMENT THROUGHOUT LA COUNTY.
24 LET OUR COUNTY --

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

3

4 **SPEAKER:** DEAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS PARKER AGUIRRE
5 AND I'M HERE WITH THE TRANS-LATINA COALITION WORKING AS THE
6 CASE MANAGER IN HIV PREVENTION FOR TGI PEOPLE. TGI IS ONE OF
7 THE AREAS WHERE TGI PEOPLE ARE MOST DISPROPORTIONATELY
8 AFFECTED THAN OUR CISGENDER COUNTERPARTS. I LIVE IN DISTRICT
9 4, REPRESENTED BY JANICE HAHN, AND WORK IN DISTRICT 1,
10 SPECIFICALLY IN THE CITY OF EL MONTE, REPRESENTED BY
11 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. I'M HERE TODAY AS A TRANSGENDER PERSON
12 IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION TO HELP ENSURE THAT ALL OF MY TRANS
13 SIBLINGS ARE ASSISTED TO GET ALL OF THEIR NEEDS MET. I URGE
14 ALL OF YOU, BUT IN PARTICULAR SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN, AS
15 SOMEONE WHO VOTED FOR YOU TO TRULY REPRESENT WHAT THE
16 COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT YOU REPRESENT WANT TO PASS. THANK YOU
17 FOR YOUR TIME.

18

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

20

21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MAYA
22 DANIELS, PRONOUNS ARE THEY THEM, AND I'M THE POLICY INTERN
23 WITH THE TRANS LATINA COALITION, SUPPORTING WITH SEVERAL OF
24 THEIR ADVOCACY CAMPAIGNS AND I ALSO RESIDE IN DISTRICT 1. I AM
25 HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE TGI WELLNESS AND EQUITY INITIATIVE, A



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1 \$7,000,000 INVESTMENT INTO TRANS, GENDER-EXPANSIVE, AND
2 INTERSEX SERVING ORGANIZATIONS. I'M SO EXCITED AND GRATEFUL
3 THAT THIS MOTION HAS BEEN BROUGHT FORTH BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH.
4 REGARDING SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND BARGER'S COMMENTS ON INCLUDING
5 AND GOING THROUGH THE LGBT+ COMMISSION FOR THIS INITIATIVE.
6 THE TRANSATINA COALITION HAS ENGAGED THE LGBT+ COMMISSION
7 SEVERAL TIMES AND THEY WERE UNWILLING TO UPLIFT THIS
8 INITIATIVE OR EVEN CREATE A SIMPLE MOTION TO DISCUSS IT IN
9 THEIR MEETINGS. SO, WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THOSE WHO BELIEVED IN
10 THIS INITIATIVE AND HELPED TO BRING MOVEMENT TO THE TGI WE
11 INITIATIVE AS THIS HAS BEEN A THREE-YEAR ADVOCACY EFFORT BY
12 OUR ORGANIZATION'S POLICY TEAM. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

15
16 **SPEAKER:** BUENAS TARDES. MY NAME IS CHI CHI. I'M A TRANSGENDER
17 NON-BINARY ANGELINO CURRENTLY RESIDING IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. AS A
18 FORMER BOYLE HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEMBER AND AS
19 SOMEONE WHO TRIES TO EDUCATE THEIR COMMUNITY ON A DAILY BASIS,
20 I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE TRANSGENDER, EXPANSIVE,
21 AND INTERSEX TGI WELLNESS AND EQUITY INITIATIVE. I WANT TO
22 ECHO THE MESSAGE FROM MY SIBLINGS AS TO HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO
23 PROVIDE TGI FOLKS A SEAT AT THE TABLE AND HOW CRUCIAL IT IS TO
24 INCREASE SUPPORT SPECIFICALLY FOR THE TGI COMMUNITY WHICH AT
25 MANY TIMES IS DISCRIMINATED AGAINST AND SILENCED EVEN BY THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 LGBT COMMUNITY. IT IS CRITICAL TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO TRANS-LED
2 ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE DOING THE GROUNDWORK TO PROVIDE NOT ONLY
3 SAFE SPACES, EDUCATION, WORK PLACEMENT, HOUSING, HEALTH CARE,
4 AND MUCH MORE. YOUR SUPPORT TODAY WOULD SEND SHOCK WAVES TO
5 OUR COMMUNITIES THAT HATE HAS NO PLACE IN OUR COMMUNITIES.
6 HATE AGAINST THE TGI COMMUNITY WILL ONLY INCREASE. SO PLEASE,
7 I BEG OF YOU TODAY TO PLEASE STAND UP AND FIGHT FOR US. THANK
8 YOU.

9

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
13 DANIEL GONZALEZ. I'M A POLICY ADVOCATE WITH THE LOS ANGELES
14 LGBT CENTER, AND I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 23. I URGE
15 THE BOARD TO PASS THIS MOTION AND ESTABLISH THE TRANSGENDER
16 EXPANSIVE INTERSEX WELLNESS AND EQUITY INITIATIVE. THESE
17 INVESTMENTS IN THE TGI COMMUNITY ARE CRUCIAL TO ENSURE THAT WE
18 CONTINUE TO BUILD A SAFETY NET THAT ENSURES OUR TRANSGENDER
19 GENDER EXPANSIVE INTERSEX COMMUNITIES ARE SAFE AND SUPPORTED
20 IN LOS ANGELES. WITH THE RECENT RESULTS IN THE NOVEMBER
21 ELECTION, WE KNOW THAT THE TRANS COMMUNITY IS ON THE BRINK OF
22 A SERIOUS ATTACK FROM THE INCOMING ADMINISTRATION. THIS MOTION
23 SHOWS THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY STANDS FIRM BEHIND THEIR TRANS
24 COMMUNITY. ONCE AGAIN, I URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PASS
25 THIS MOTION AND PRIORITIZE THE TRANSGENDER EXPANSIVE AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 INTERSEX COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

2

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

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5 **SPEAKER:** SALUDOS MI GENTE, VLADIMIR CARRASCO. I'M HERE WITH
6 IMMIGRANTS RLA. WE'RE A COALITION OF IMMIGRANT RIGHTS, OVER
7 100 IMMIGRANT RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COUNTY. AND WE WANT
8 TO STAND IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 23, BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT
9 WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF LIFE? LIFE IS THE ANSWER IS LOVE. TO
10 LOVE ONE ANOTHER, TO LOVE EACH OTHER, AND THAT MEANS CREATING
11 THE SAFE SPACE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES TO ASK FOR THE RESOURCES
12 THAT THEY NEED TO NAME THEIR TRAUMA AND FOR OUR OFFICIALS TO
13 CREATE THE RESOURCES NECESSARY TO MEET THOSE NEEDS. AND ITEM
14 NUMBER 23 IS GONNA DO THE ESSENTIAL WORK TO REACH THIS
15 VULNERABLE COMMUNITY OF OUR TRANSGENDER EXPANSIVE AND INTERSEX
16 BROTHERS AND SISTERS AND KINS. SO, I URGE THE COUNTY TO PLEASE
17 SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND IN PARTICULAR MY SUPERVISOR SD3
18 SUPERVISOR HORVATH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

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

21

22 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MALIS
23 GALANTE AND I'M A CONSTITUENT IN DISTRICT 3 UNDER SUPERVISOR
24 SOLIS. I HAD A WHOLE SPEECH PLANNED TODAY BUT REALLY AS I'M UP
25 HERE I WANT TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW THAT A VOTE FOR YES ON THIS



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1 FUND IS WHAT ENABLES MY JOB AND MY FUTURE PROSPERITY AND THE
2 PROSPERITY OF MY FAMILY AS A TRANSGENDER MAN. THE REALITY IS
3 THAT WHEN I WANT TO SEEK SERVICES LIKE AT THE GYNECOLOGIST FOR
4 EXAMPLE MY DOCTOR DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO TALK TO ME. AND MY JOB
5 AND THE FUNDING THAT THIS BILL PROVIDES ACTUALLY ENABLES ME TO
6 GO AND EDUCATE MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS, HEALTH CARE
7 PROVIDERS, HEALTH CARE PLAN PROVIDERS, SHELTER WORKERS,
8 PHARMACY WORKERS, ET CETERA, ON HOW TO ADDRESS ME AND PEOPLE
9 LIKE ME WHEN I JUST WANT TO GO AND PICK UP MY MEDICATION, GET
10 A SCREENING FOR A HEALTH OR A COVID TEST OR ANYTHING LIKE
11 THAT. SO, THE THINGS THAT ARE BEING FUNDED BY THIS BILL ARE
12 REALLY ESSENTIAL IN TEACHING PEOPLE HOW TO TALK TO US, LET
13 ALONE PROVIDE SERVICES FOR US. SO, THANK YOU AND VOTE YES.

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

16
17 **SPEAKER:** VINCE ROYLA-HUFF AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I FEEL
18 LIKE I'M SORT OF A SUCCESS STORY I WAS A DRUG USER FOR ALMOST
19 50 YEARS AND THE ORGANIZATION TRANS LATINA HAS HELPED ME VERY
20 MUCH IN SUPPORTING ME AND MY RECOVERY AND MY HOUSING AND I
21 JUST GOT HOUSING YESTERDAY THROUGH A DIFFERENT ORGANIZATION
22 BUT I GOT HOUSING AND I THINK THIS SHOULD GO THROUGH NUMBER 23
23 THANK YOU.

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** HI MY NAME IS DIAMOND I'M HERE TO ASK YOU GUYS TO
3 ACTUALLY REALLY VOTE YES AND THINK ABOUT IT. I AM A PERSON WHO
4 HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY RELEASED FROM PRISON. I'VE DID 10 YEARS IN
5 PRISON, GOT OUT, HAD NOWHERE TO GO, HAD NOTHING LEFT. I
6 CONTACTED THE TRANS LATINA COALITION AND FORTUNATELY THEY GAVE
7 ME THEIR HAND AND NOW I'M AN INTERN AT THEIR ORGANIZATION
8 WORKING FOR THEIR COMPANY. HOWEVER, I'M HERE TO LIKE ASK YOU,
9 BEG YOU TO ACTUALLY VOTE YES ON THIS BECAUSE THIS WOULD GO TO
10 HELP AND TO SHOW EVERYBODY THAT YOU KNOW WE MATTER, THAT WE DO
11 MATTER, OUR LIVES ARE LIVES TOO, YOU KNOW. LIKE THIS WOULD GO
12 TO SUPPORT A WHOLE BUNCH OF PROGRAMS THAT WOULD HELP US TO
13 BETTER OURSELVES, NOT ONLY MENTALLY BUT PHYSICALLY AS WELL,
14 BECAUSE MOST OF US GO THROUGH A LOT OF PROBLEMS, YOU KNOW, A
15 LOT OF ISSUES AND WE DO NOT KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH THEM. SO, I
16 APPRECIATE IT. OH YES, THANK YOU.

17

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JIM PANUSKA
21 AND I AM THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COORDINATOR FOR THE TRANS-
22 LATINA COALITION. MY JOB HERE IS TO COORDINATE ALL THE PEOPLE
23 WHO HAVE GIVEN YOU THE SUCCESS STORIES THAT ORGANIZATIONS LIKE
24 TLC PROVIDE TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE MAKE SURE THAT THESE LIVES
25 ARE IMPROVED. WE MAKE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE IN YOUR DISTRICT



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1 FIND HOUSING, FIND EMPLOYMENT, GET FED, HAVE EMPLOYMENT
2 RESOURCES TO HELP OTHERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY. THE SUCCESS
3 STORIES THAT WE'VE SHOWN YOU FROM OUR CLIENTS AND OUR
4 EMPLOYEES SHOWS THAT PROGRAMS LIKE THESE WORK. IT SHOWS LIKE
5 THE INVESTMENT IS WORTH THE EFFORT, EVEN IF IT'S
6 UNCONVENTIONAL. EVEN IF THE PROCESS MAY SEEM A LITTLE BIT
7 AWKWARD AND IT MAY NOT GO THROUGH THE TRIED RULES THAT WE HAVE
8 AT THE COUNTY LEVEL, INVESTMENTS LIKE THESE, THE GRANT PROGRAM
9 THAT'S BEING PUT FORWARD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH, MAKE SURE THAT
10 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ARE ABLE TO COME UP THROUGH THE
11 STRATOSPHERE AND CONTRACT WITH THIS COUNTY TO MEET THE
12 NUMEROUS NEEDS THAT YOU HAVE. THERE HAVE BEEN SO MANY
13 ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE COME OUT THROUGHOUT THE PAST YEAR THAT
14 HAVE ASKED FOR A DIFFERENT UNMET NEED LETTER FROM A DIFFERENT
15 DEPARTMENT. THIS IS ONE OF THOSE INSTANCES WHERE YOU CAN
16 BYPASS ALL OF THAT WORK AND MAKE SURE A SUCCESS IS HAPPENING.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE THERE
19 ANY OTHER SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, I DON'T SEE ANY
20 OF MY COLLEAGUES IN THE QUEUE, SO WITH THAT, ITEM 23 AS
21 AMENDED IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
22 SOLIS TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
23 ROLL.

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



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

3

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

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

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

9

10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN? AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

15

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

17

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

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-
21 0.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE DO HAVE
24 MORE ITEMS THANK YOU IF YOU DECIDE TO DEPART, PLEASE DO SO
25 QUIETLY THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. ITEM



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1 34 WILL BE CONTINUED DUE TO THE LATENESS OF THIS MEETING TO
2 DECEMBER 10TH FOR FULL PRESENTATION. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION
3 TO THAT --

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5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** NO THERE IS NO OBJECTION BECAUSE I
6 DID, I'M HAPPY TO RELEASE THE WHOLE, I WOULD JUST SAY THAT OUR
7 CONVERSATION ABOUT KIND OF CONTRACTING HAS COME UP IN ALMOST
8 EVERY MOTION, INCLUDING THIS ONE. SO, I LOOK FORWARD TO THAT
9 CONVERSATION BECAUSE THIS IS WORK WE HAVE TO DO. THANK YOU.

10
11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU. SO,
12 HEARING NO OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. AND WE'LL NOW
13 MOVE ON TO ITEM 17, IMPLEMENTING GOVERNANCE REFORM, SEEDING
14 THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
15 MITCHELL, AND ITEM 19, LOS ANGELES COUNTY GOVERNANCE REFORM,
16 IMPLEMENTING THE VOTER MANDATE FOR A MORE REPRESENTATIVE,
17 ACCOUNTABLE, AND TRANSPARENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH I HELD.
18 FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND
19 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I WILL
20 TURN IT TO YOU.

21
22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR AND
23 LET ME START MADAM CHAIR BY CONGRATULATING YOU ON THE PASSAGE
24 OF MEASURE G. I KNOW THIS BECAME FRANKLY VERY PERSONAL AND I
25 KNOW THAT GIVEN THE TIME AND ENERGY AND RESOURCES THAT YOU PUT



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1 INTO IT, I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR SUCCESS. THAT'S
2 VERY IMPORTANT. I ALSO HAVE BEEN VERY PUBLIC ABOUT MY
3 OPPOSITION TO THE MEASURE FOR REASONS THAT I HAVE REPEATEDLY
4 STATED, MY CONCERN ABOUT LACK OF SPECIFICITY, AND OUR
5 DISAGREEMENT ON WHETHER THE MEASURE IS TRULY COST NEUTRAL. AND
6 SO, BUT I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU. WE HAVE TALKED ALL DAY
7 ABOUT THAT THE VOTERS HAVE SPOKEN. AND WHAT'S IMPORTANT FROM
8 MY PERSPECTIVE ON A GO-FORWARD BASIS IS MAKING SURE THAT WE
9 CONTINUE TO UPHOLD WHAT WAS PROMISED IN MEASURE G AND TO MY
10 CONCERNS NOW GET TO THE SPECIFICITY. ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS, I
11 ASKED THOSE QUESTIONS AND I WAS TOLD, WELL THE TASK FORCE WILL
12 FIGURE THAT OUT, ET CETERA. I THINK THAT, AS I THINK OUR CEO
13 SAID EARLIER, I THINK MEASURE G FOCUSED ON THE WHAT AND NOW
14 IT'S TIME TO FOCUS ON THE HOW. AND THAT IS WHY I HAVE ENGAGED
15 EARNESTLY IN THIS PROCESS TO CONTINUE ON TO MAKE SURE THAT
16 ISSUES AROUND SPECIFICITY, BECAUSE NOW IS THE TIME TO GET
17 THERE, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DO THAT. SO, I ALSO APPRECIATE,
18 MADAM CHAIR, THAT YOU, THROUGH OUR GREEN SHEET, INCORPORATED
19 SOME OF THE ELEMENTS I OUTLINED IN ITEM 17. THEY WEREN'T
20 AMENDMENTS THAT WE ACTUALLY SENT TO YOUR OFFICE AND SO IN
21 TODAY I THINK THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO GET A LITTLE CLOSER TO
22 WHAT MY TEAM AND I AND THE PUBLIC WE HAVE ENGAGED IN VISION AS
23 A HONESTLY AND EARNESTLY TRANSPARENT PROCESS GIVEN ALL OF THE
24 RESPONSIBILITY THAT MEASURE G NOW HAS PLACED IN THE HANDS OF
25 THIS TASK FORCE. WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THE TASK FORCE IS RIGHT.



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1 SO UNFORTUNATELY GIVEN OUR PROCESS, YOU KNOW, I'VE WORKED TO
2 TRY TO CREATE A SPACE WHERE WE CAN HAVE A MORE PUBLIC
3 ENGAGEMENT IN TERMS OF HOW WE BRING FORWARD MOTIONS. WE'RE NOT
4 THERE YET. SO, THIS IS GOING TO BE KIND OF CLUNKY TO COIN A
5 VERY TECHNICAL TERM. I CERTAINLY HOPE THAT WE GET TO A POINT
6 IN THE FUTURE WHERE WE'VE GOT A STRUCTURE WHERE WE CAN
7 APPROPRIATELY AND TRANSPARENTLY DEVELOP COMPLICATED POLICIES
8 LIKE IS BEFORE US TODAY. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF
9 RLA LETTER ON THE 25TH THAT OUTLINES LOTS OF ISSUES AND
10 QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS. AND IT DOES HAVE A, AS WE SAY, A
11 NASCAR COMMITTEE SIGNATURE LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT SIGNED
12 ON EXPRESSING SOME QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS AND DESIRE TO BE
13 INVOLVED AND INCLUDED AND SEEN AND HEARD AS WE NOW DELVE INTO
14 THE TASK FORCE AND NOT JUST THROUGH GREEN SHEETS AND MULTIPLE
15 AMENDMENTS KIND OF ON THE FLY. BUT GIVEN KIND OF THE PROCESS
16 THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US, I REALLY WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE
17 IN A POSITION TO GUARANTEE A TASK FORCE THAT'S TRANSPARENT,
18 THAT IS EQUITY FOCUSED, AND HAS PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY. BECAUSE
19 I BELIEVE IT'S CRITICAL THAT AT THIS STAGE THAT OUR NEW COUNTY
20 GOVERNMENT THAT'S GOING TO EMERGE IN THIS PROCESS REALLY HAS
21 BROAD SUPPORT AND BUY-IN FROM THE COMMUNITY. I THINK SOMETIMES
22 WE TAKE ELECTIONS ARE SORT OF A ZERO SUM GAME, EITHER YOU WIN
23 OR LOSE. I THINK IT IS THIS BOARD'S COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY
24 AT THIS POINT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE TRUE BROAD BUY-IN AND
25 SUPPORT OF THE SPECIFICS THAT WE NOW ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR



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1 INKING. WITH THAT, WE'VE HAD LOTS OF BACK AND FORTH. GREEN
2 SHEET WAS HOT BETWEEN AGENDA ITEMS 17 AND 19, TRYING TO REALLY
3 MAKE SURE THAT WE THREAD THE NEEDLE GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE THAT
4 THIS TASK FORCE WILL PLAY FOR THE FUTURE OF ALL 10,000,000
5 RESIDENTS OF LA COUNTY REGARDLESS OF WHERE YOU FELL ON THE
6 MEASURE G SIDE AND SO I THINK WE ACTUALLY HAVE GOTTEN THERE
7 AND SO EVERYONE HERE SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF SOME
8 AMENDMENTS THAT I AM NOT GOING TO READ IN TOTALITY, BUT WHAT I
9 WILL DO AND WHAT I AM SUGGESTING WHAT I'M OFFERING IS TO
10 AMEND... I SEE... OKAY, SHOULD I BE READING FACES OR SHOULD I
11 KEEP TALKING? KEEP TALKING, OKAY. MY PROPOSAL IS TO, IT WERE
12 GIVEN TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE
15 CIRCULATED.

16
17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY. IT WAS GIVEN SO WE'LL JUST SEE
18 WHERE THEY ARE. WHAT YOU WILL HAVE IS THE ACTUAL AMENDMENT
19 LANGUAGE AND THEN WE DID A SUMMARY TO TRY TO MAKE IT AS CLEAR
20 AS POSSIBLE FOR EVERYONE. NO, SUPERVISOR SOLIS SHOULD JUST BE
21 ONE. SOMEBODY WILL HAVE TO HELP DIFFERENTIATE. IT SHOULD ONLY
22 BE ONE SET. IT SHOULD BE ONE SET AND A FACT SHEET.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** CAN WE MAKE SURE THAT THE
25 EXECUTIVE OFFICE HAS THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS



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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THEY WERE SENT AT 228 AND DO YOU HAVE
3 THE FACT SHEET? BECAUSE THAT'S PROBABLY GOING TO BE MOST
4 HELPFUL. DID WE SEND THE FACT SHEET, TOO? SO, COLLEAGUES, LIKE
5 I SAID, THIS IS A CLUNKY PROCESS. IT'S LESS THAN IDEAL.
6 HOPEFULLY WE CAN CHANGE THAT IN SHORT ORDER. SO, WHAT YOU HAVE
7 BEFORE YOU, THANK YOU, EXECUTIVE OFFICE, ARE THE RIGHT COPY OF
8 AMENDMENTS AND A ONE PAGE THAT ARE QUITE LENGTHY GIVEN THE
9 MOTION. OH, THAT'S INTERESTING. THE PAGES AREN'T NUMBERED. YOU
10 HAVE THE FULL I WAS JUST GONNA SEE HOW MANY PAGES IT WAS BUT
11 IT'S LENGTHY AND YOU HAVE A SUMMARY OF KEY AMENDMENTS TO ITEM
12 19. GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE WERE DOING THIS IN REAL TIME, I
13 THOUGHT DOING A SUMMARY PAGE WOULD BE HELPFUL. I'M CALLING IT
14 A FACT SHEET. IT'S A SUMMARY PAGE, SEMANTICS, SUMMARY PAGE, MY
15 BAD. AND AGAIN, THERE WAS 2 MOTIONS. AS I'VE SAID, FROM MY
16 PERSPECTIVE, NOW IS THE TIME TO GET TO THE SPECIFICS OF THE
17 HARD WORK OF ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS THAT, FROM MY
18 PERSPECTIVE, WERE UNANSWERED WHEN WE WERE DEBATING AND
19 DISCUSSING MEASURE G. AND SO NOW WE'VE GOT TO GET DOWN TO THE
20 HARD WORK TO MAKE SURE THAT THE TASK FORCE IS APPOINTED IN
21 SUCH A WAY AND HAS THE CAPACITY AND TRUE BROAD REPRESENTATION
22 AND HAVE THIS AND HAS AN INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE TO DO THE
23 WORK ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE EXPECTING SO THE AMENDMENTS THAT
24 ARE BEFORE US AMEND SO AMEND SEVERAL KEY ELEMENTS OF AGENDA
25 ITEM 19. FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC WHO DON'T HAVE THE



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1 AMENDMENTS IN FRONT OF THEM, WHAT I AM PROPOSING WILL DO AS
2 FOLLOWS. IT WILL REQUIRE BROAD CONSENSUS TO KEY DECISIONS
3 INCLUDING MAKING SURE NONE OF THE SUPERVISORIAL APPOINTMENTS
4 TO THE TASK FORCE ARE ENTIRELY SHUT OUT FROM AT-LARGE
5 APPOINTMENTS. AND WE DO THIS BY ENSURING THAT EACH
6 SUPERVISOR'S APPOINTEE SUPPORTED THE SELECTION OF AT LEAST ONE
7 AT-LARGE MEMBER. WE WANT TO KEEP MORE FLEXIBILITY IN
8 APPOINTING AT-LARGE MEMBERS TO ENSURE REPRESENTATION FROM A
9 DIVERSITY OF STAKEHOLDERS. WE WANT TO PROVIDE CLEAR
10 REQUIREMENTS FOR FISCAL TRANSPARENCY, INCLUDING IDENTIFIED
11 FUNDING SOURCES TO COVER THE COST OF PROPOSALS ADVANCED BY THE
12 TASK FORCE, AS WELL AS ACCOUNTABILITY METRICS IN THE FORM OF
13 EVALUATION CRITERIA, SO WE CAN ENSURE WE KEEP OUR PROMISE TO
14 THE PUBLIC OF A MORE TRANSPARENT AND REPRESENTATIVE STRUCTURE
15 OF GOVERNMENT. WE ASK FOR CLEAR REPRESENTATION FROM OUR
16 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY LIVE THERE,
17 NOT JUST REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF UNINCORPORATED AREAS, WHO
18 ARE TOO OFTEN AN AFTERTHOUGHT IN GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY FROM
19 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THE AMENDMENTS ALSO REQUIRE A CLEAR
20 ANALYSIS OF ANY GOVERNANCE CHANGE IMPACTS ON SERVICES PROVIDED
21 TO THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THESE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
22 MAKE IT AN EXPLICIT QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENT NOT JUST A
23 DESIRED CHARACTERISTIC, THAT OUR TASK FORCE MEMBERS HAVE
24 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EXPERIENCE WITH MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES.
25 AND WE WILL GIVE THE MAXIMUM LEGALLY ALLOWABLE REMOVAL



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 PROTECTION OF FOUR-FIFTHS BOARD VOTE AND DEFERENCE TO THE TASK
2 FORCE FOR RECOMMENDATION. I THINK WHAT WE ARE...LET ME JUST
3 LOOK AT MY SUMMARY SHEET, MAKE SURE THAT I COVERED EVERYTHING.
4 AND IT ALSO REALLY PRESERVES THE BOARD'S ABILITY TO CONTINUE
5 OUR OWN INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENTS OF OUR INTERNAL PROCEDURAL
6 RULES, OUR BOARD RULES. IT PRESERVES THAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE
7 BOARD TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT AS WELL. SO, I THINK AGAIN IN
8 CONCLUSION, I THINK THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE MOVE FORWARD
9 AS A FULL BOARD TO TRY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ALL OF THE
10 COUNTY'S RESIDENTS AS WE NOW ARE MOVING INTO THE HOW WE BRING
11 FORWARD THESE MEASURES TO THE TABLE. AND AGAIN, THE DESIRE IS
12 TO REALLY MAKE SURE THAT EVERY COUNTY RESIDENT HAS THE
13 OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE. THE TASK FORCE, AS A RESULT OF
14 MEASURE G, HAS A HUGE RESPONSIBILITY. AND FROM MY PERSPECTIVE,
15 IT'S ALL THE MORE IMPORTANT THAT WE ARE THOUGHTFUL AND
16 STRATEGIC IN HOW WE FRAME THE TASK FORCE IN TERMS OF WHO
17 SERVES, HOW THEY WILL THEN KIND OF SELF-GOVERN, AND TO MAKE
18 SURE THAT IT REALLY IS EQUITABLE AND FAIR REPRESENTATION
19 COUNTYWIDE. SO, IN SHORT, COLLEAGUES, I AM SUGGESTING THESE
20 AMENDMENTS TO MEASURE 19. I KNOW THERE WAS A DESIRE THAT WE
21 MOVE FORWARD WITH THE MOTION BROUGHT FORWARD BY SOMEONE WHO
22 SUPPORTED MEASURE G. I CAN GET DOWN WITH THAT. AND THESE
23 ISSUES I THINK WERE REALLY CRITICAL TO BRING FORWARD
24 EVERYONE'S SUPPORT AS WE MOVE FORWARD IN OUR ONGOING
25 CONVERSATIONS TO DISCUSS COUNTY GOVERNANCE. WITH THAT.



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

3

4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** YOU'RE WELCOME.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I TOO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE, YOU
7 KNOW, THAT WE WERE EXCITED TO SEE YOUR MOTION ON THE AGENDA
8 AND WE ARE EXCITED THAT MULTIPLE OFFICES ARE PARTICIPATING IN
9 THIS CONVERSATION. THE DIFFICULTIES THAT THAT WE EXPERIENCE
10 WITH THE BROWN ACT AND 2 MOTIONS THAT COVERED A LOT OF THE
11 SAME TOPIC MADE IT COMPLICATED. AND YET OUR DESIRE HAS ALWAYS
12 BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE, AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT THIS MOMENT
13 HELPS TO SOLIDIFY THAT, THAT WE BRING ALL VOICES INTO THE
14 CONVERSATION. SO, I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT
15 AND PARTICIPATION AND HOPEFULLY ALL OF US IN OUR DISCUSSION
16 TODAY ON HOW WE CAN HELP MOVE THINGS FORWARD TOGETHER. I AGREE
17 WITH HOW YOU HAVE CHARACTERIZED THE MOMENT THAT WE FIND
18 OURSELVES IN AND WHAT WE HAVE TO DO NEXT. TODAY, WE FIND
19 OURSELVES AT A HISTORIC MOMENT FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WITH
20 THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE G, WE'VE TAKEN A MONUMENTAL STEP TOWARD
21 CREATING A GOVERNMENT THAT'S MORE TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE,
22 AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DIVERSE COMMUNITIES THAT WE SERVE
23 AND I WANT I TOO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE DIVISION THAT WAS
24 CREATED THROUGH THE MEASURE G PROCESS ON OUR BOARD THROUGHOUT
25 THIS PROCESS. HOWEVER, I HAVE ALSO APPRECIATED HOW MUCH



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SUPERVISORS

1 EVERYONE HAS BROUGHT A LOT OF THOUGHT AND THEY'RE CLEARLY
2 DEMONSTRATED DEEP LOVE OF THE COUNTY TO OUR DISCUSSION. AND
3 WITH THE WILL OF THE VOTERS CONFIRMING HOW WE MOVE FORWARD,
4 OUR BOARD HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER. SO,
5 THANK YOU AGAIN FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE DISCUSSION AND BEING
6 ENGAGED WITH THE PROCESS AS WE CONSTITUTE THE GOVERNANCE
7 REFORM TASK FORCE AND BEGIN, TAKE THIS VERY FIRST STEP IN
8 IMPLEMENTING WHAT MEASURE G IS AND WILL BE FOR THIS COUNTY. WE
9 KNOW THAT IMPLEMENTING MEASURE G WILL REQUIRE A LOT OF
10 CONVERSATION HERE AT OUR MEETINGS, AS WELL AS AT MEETINGS
11 CONVENED BY THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE. AND I AM CLEAR
12 THERE REMAINS A LOT TO DO TO EDUCATE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
13 ARE NOT AWARE OF THESE CHANGES AND THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO
14 STILL REMAIN SKEPTICAL OF THE CHANGES THAT ARE LAID OUT BY THE
15 CHARTER AMENDMENT. WITH THE INTENTION TO RESOLVE THESE ISSUES,
16 IT'S GOING TO TAKE ALL OF US MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER. AND I
17 KNOW THIS BOARD IS CAPABLE OF THAT. AND IN FACT, I COULDN'T
18 DREAM OF A BETTER GROUP OF LEADERS TO EFFECTIVELY AND
19 THOUGHTFULLY FACILITATE THIS TRANSFORMATION THAT MEASURE G
20 INITIATES. SO, I WANNA THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR ACTIVE
21 PARTICIPATION. CENTRAL TO THIS EFFORT IS THE GOVERNANCE REFORM
22 TASK FORCE, WHICH WILL OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS. THE
23 TASK FORCE WILL BRING TOGETHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, COMMUNITY
24 LEADERS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, ENSURING THAT THIS IS A
25 PUBLIC-DRIVEN EFFORT. THE DIRECTIVES LAID OUT IN THIS MOTION,



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SUPERVISORS

1 LAUNCHING MEASURE G IMPLEMENTATION, ARE CLEAR. ADDITIONALLY,
2 THIS BOARD HAS ACTED PROACTIVELY AND APPROVED CHANGES THAT
3 ALIGN WITH THE CHARTER AMENDMENT TO STRENGTHEN OUR REVOLVING
4 DOOR POLICY BY PROHIBITING FORMER COUNTY OFFICIALS FROM
5 LOBBYING AT LEAST 2 YEARS AFTER LEAVING SERVICE, AND THAT ANY
6 ELECTED OFFICIAL CRIMINALLY CONVICTED OF A CRIME WILL FACE
7 IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY. WITH THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE
8 G, THESE CHANGES ARE CODIFIED IN THE CHARTER AS WELL. IN THE
9 COMING YEARS, WE'LL DELIVER ON ADDITIONAL FAR-REACHING
10 REFORMS. BY 2026, WE WILL CREATE AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS
11 COMMISSION AND AN OFFICE OF ETHICS COMPLIANCE. IN 2028, WE
12 WILL HOLD THE FIRST ELECTION OF A COUNTY EXECUTIVE. IN 2032,
13 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL EXPAND BY 4 SEATS FOLLOWING THE
14 2030 CENSUS AND INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING PROCESS. TO THE
15 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THIS IS YOUR GOVERNMENT AND YOUR
16 VOICE WILL GUIDE THIS PROCESS. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS VITAL AS
17 WE IMPLEMENT THESE REFORMS. TOGETHER WE'LL BUILD A STRONGER,
18 MORE INCLUSIVE, AND MORE ACCOUNTABLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT THAT
19 REFLECTS THE NEEDS AND PRIORITIES OF ALL ANGELENOS. AND I
20 WANNA TAKE A MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE COLLABORATION AND
21 FEEDBACK WE'VE RECEIVED THROUGHOUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS
22 MEASURE. FROM COMMUNITY LEADERS TO COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND
23 STAKEHOLDERS, YOUR INPUT HAS BEEN INVALUABLE. AND AS WE KICK
24 OFF THIS NEXT PHASE, I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HAS
25 CONTRIBUTED IDEAS, ENGAGING IN DISCUSSIONS, AND BROUGHT



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SUPERVISORS

1 FORWARD THOUGHTFUL IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES. PARTNERSHIP IS
2 CRITICAL AND WILL CONTINUE TO RELY ON ALL VOICES TO GUIDE US
3 AS WE MOVE FORWARD. THIS IS A NEW CHAPTER FOR LA COUNTY
4 GOVERNANCE, ONE WHERE TRANSPARENCY, COLLABORATION, AND
5 MEANINGFUL PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT WILL SHAPE THE WAY FORWARD. WE'RE
6 COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THESE REFORMS ARE IMPLEMENTED
7 THOUGHTFULLY, INCLUSIVELY, AND IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE VALUES OF
8 THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE. I KNOW THAT EVERYONE HAS NOW BEEN
9 CIRCULATED THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ITEM 19. I WANT TO TURN
10 TO COUNTY COUNCIL TO SEE IF YOU HAVE ANY ISSUES OR CHANGES
11 THAT YOU WOULD PROPOSE GIVEN THE UPDATES TO THIS DRAFT.

12
13 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. NO UPDATES TO THE
14 AMENDMENTS THAT WERE PROVIDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. HOWEVER,
15 I DO NEED TO RECOMMEND THAT YOU AND YOUR CO-AUTHOR FURTHER
16 REVISE THE MOTION AS IT PERTAINS TO THE LABOR REPRESENTATION
17 ON THE GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE. IN SECTION 1E, YOU HAVE IN YOUR
18 MOTION THAT 3 ADDITIONAL TASK FORCE MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED
19 BY LABOR AS FOLLOWS. I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT GO BACK TO YOUR
20 ORIGINAL LANGUAGE OF NOMINATED. ALSO IN THAT SAME SECTION SUB
21 4, LABOR NOMINEES MUST PARTICIPATE IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS.
22 I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOU ADD BACK YOUR ORIGINAL LANGUAGE TO
23 BE CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIVING THE
24 NOMINATIONS. THE REASON FOR MY MAKING THESE RECOMMENDATIONS
25 THAT YOU FURTHER REVISE YOUR MOTION TO GO BACK TO YOUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 ORIGINAL LANGUAGE IS THAT THE COUNTY CHARTER VEST APPOINTMENT
2 AUTHORITY AND THEREFORE THE CORRELATING REMOVAL AUTHORITY
3 SOLELY TO YOUR BOARD WHICH CANNOT BE DELEGATED.

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO, WITH THAT ON THE
6 RECORD, THAT WOULD BE AN AMENDMENT THAT COUNTY COUNSEL IS
7 ADVISING THAT WE TAKE.

8
9 **DAWYN HARRISON:** I'M RECOMMENDING THAT YOU AND YOUR CO-AUTHOR
10 FURTHER REVISE YOUR OWN MOTION. SO IF YOU ACCEPT THAT, THEN
11 THE EO WILL REFLECT THAT REVISION. OKAY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S
12 AMENDMENT DIDN'T TOUCH THAT AREA.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I JUST WANT TO, YOU KNOW, IN THE
15 SPIRIT OF TRYING TO BE COLLABORATIVE, DOES ANYONE TAKE ISSUE
16 WITH THIS PROPOSED LANGUAGE? OKAY.

17
18 **DAWYN HARRISON:** YOU CAN'T DELEGATE IT, SO IT HAS TO BE.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE
21 THAT WE'RE ALL CLEAR ABOUT WHAT WHY WE'RE BEING ADVISED THIS
22 WAY TO PROCEED. WITH THAT, I JUST WANT TO SAY I'M EXCITED TO
23 BEGIN THE WORK. I WANNA THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN, ALL OF YOU, FOR
24 PARTICIPATING IN THIS DISCUSSION AND FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN
25 THE PAST AND IN THE FUTURE AS WE BUILD AN IMPROVED GOVERNANCE



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SUPERVISORS

1 STRUCTURE FOR LA COUNTY. I'LL TURN TO MY CO-AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR
2 SOLIS.

3
4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. AND I DID HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH
5 COUNTY COUNSEL THE OTHER DAY, SO I'M IN AGREEMENT WITH THE
6 CORRECTIONS TO GO BACK TO OUR ORIGINAL CONTENT. BUT REALLY
7 WANNA SAY THANK YOU TO THE VOTERS. CLEARLY THIS WAS ONE OF
8 THOSE ITEMS THAT WE WEREN'T SURE WHERE PEOPLE WERE GOING TO
9 LAND BECAUSE THIS HAPPENED AT A TIME WHEN THERE WAS SO MANY
10 CONTENTIOUS ITEMS ON THE BALLOT FOR LA COUNTY. BUT AGAIN, THE
11 VOTERS SHOWED US THAT THEY HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THE BOARD AND IT
12 PASSED BY ALMOST 52 PERCENT. NOT A, YOU KNOW, A LITTLE SLIGHT
13 THING, A LARGE THING IN PART BECAUSE WE GO BACK IN HISTORY,
14 THIS EXPANSION OF THE BOARD, DISCUSSIONS OF GOVERNANCE HAVE
15 BEEN GOING ON FOR DECADES. AND JUST 2 YEARS AGO, SUPERVISOR
16 HAHN AND I ALSO HAD A MOTION, AND I KNOW OTHER BOARD MEMBERS
17 DID AS WELL, TO EXPAND THE BOARD AND LOOK AT GOVERNANCE. BUT
18 THE TIME WAS NOW. AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK OUR COMMUNITIES
19 BECAUSE WE HELD OUTREACH CONFERENCES, RALLIES IN OUR DIVERSE
20 COUNTY. AND I'M HAPPY THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GET OUR COMMUNITY
21 ENGAGED, ESPECIALLY THE AAPI COMMUNITY THAT HAS BEEN ASKING
22 FOR REPRESENTATION, AS WELL AS OTHER UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS,
23 INCLUDING THE LATINO COMMUNITY, OF WHICH I'M THE ONLY MEMBER
24 OF THE BOARD. BUT THAT THE COMPOSITION CERTAINLY COULD BE
25 EXPANDED. BUT LET THE VOTERS DECIDE THAT TOO. I MEAN, LET'S



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SUPERVISORS

1 SEE WHAT HAPPENS THERE WHEN PEOPLE RUN. BUT CLEARLY, THIS IS
2 FOR ME AN OPPORTUNITY, AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
3 AND OUR CHAIRWOMAN, LINDSAY HORVATH, FOR TAKING ON THIS
4 OMINOUS REFORM AND GOVERNANCE PLAN FOR US TO MOVE AHEAD. AND I
5 WANT TO THANK ALSO SUPERVISOR HAHN AS SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN A
6 STEADY PERSON LOOKING FROM DIFFERENT VENUES, CONGRESSIONAL,
7 CITY, AND WHAT HAVE YOU, YOU ALSO TOOK THIS UP AND SHARED IT
8 AND YOUR PASSION WITH YOUR COMMUNITY AS WELL AS CHAIRWOMAN
9 HORVATH. I ALSO PARTICIPATED BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT WAS THE
10 RIGHT THING TO DO. AND AS A RESULT, THERE WERE MANY PEOPLE
11 THAT WERE INTERESTED, THAT HADN'T HEARD ENOUGH ABOUT HOW
12 GOVERNANCE COULD CHANGE, AND BY GOLLY, WHY DID IT TAKE SO LONG
13 FOR IT TO CHANGE? AND OUR PARTNERS ACROSS THE STREET AT LA
14 CITY ARE UNDERTAKING SIMILAR REFORMS. AND IT SEEMS THE TIMES,
15 THE ATMOSPHERE, THE AMBIENCE OUT THERE IS TELLING US TO DO
16 SOMETHING. SO, I'M HAPPY TO HAVE SUPPORTED MEASURE G. NOW THE
17 REAL WORK BEGINS BY THE IMPLEMENTATION AND GETTING THIS
18 GOVERNMENT REFORM TASK FORCE TOGETHER AND THIS MOTION TODAY
19 DOES THAT. I'M GLAD THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GET SOME COMPROMISES
20 HERE WITH SENATOR FORMER SENATOR MITCHELL. SEE, LOOK AT THAT,
21 I'M BEING, I'M THROWING YOU, I'M THROWING YOU ALAS, YEAH. BUT
22 IT'S GOOD BECAUSE ONE THING THAT'S CLEAR IS THAT A LOT OF US
23 DO BELIEVE THAT OUR PROCESSES HAVE TO BE MORE PUBLIC, ONE OF
24 WHICH IS PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS, WHICH ARE GOING TO BE
25 AVAILABLE, THE STRUCTURE OF AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION,



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND REORGANIZATION OPTIONS FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
2 INCLUDING THE LEGISLATIVE OFFICE AND DIRECTOR OF BUDGET AND
3 MANAGEMENT, AND A PROPOSAL FOR STAFFING AND BUDGET FOR NEW
4 NINE-MEMBER BOARD, AND A PROPOSAL FOR THE CHARTER REVIEW
5 COMMISSION. THIS IS A LARGE LIST OF ITEMS FOR THIS TASK FORCE
6 TO COVER. AND THAT'S WHY I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE
7 NOW MOVE FORWARD TODAY WITH THIS MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE
8 TASK FORCE IS SET UP QUICKLY AND THAT IT CAN GET TO WORK, AND
9 THAT WE TAKE BROAD STROKES IN MAKING SURE THAT THERE IS
10 INCLUSIVENESS IN HOW WE DELIBERATE. SO AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR, AND
11 TO YOU AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, THANK YOU, AND TO THE VOTERS WHO
12 ENTRUSTED US WITH THIS PASSAGE OF MEASURE G. THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

15
16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU AGAIN
17 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN GETTING COUNTY GOVERNMENT ON THE
18 PATHWAY TO BE REORGANIZED AND REFORMED. I REALLY APPRECIATE
19 YOUR LEADERSHIP. AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS SAID, I HAVE ALWAYS LONG
20 THOUGHT THAT WE SHOULD HAVE MORE PEOPLE SITTING ON THIS DAIS
21 FOR A COUNTY THE SIZE OF 10,000,000, IT DIDN'T REALLY MAKE
22 SENSE TO JUST HAVE 5 SUPERVISORS TRYING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF
23 10,000,000 RESIDENTS. AND WE'VE TRIED IT SEVERAL TIMES, AND
24 THE VOTERS NEVER AGREED. AND I THINK IT WAS BECAUSE I THINK,
25 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU EVEN SAID AT ONE POINT DURING ONE OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 OUR MANY DISCUSSIONS WAS, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN'T JUST EXPAND THE
2 BOARD WITHOUT HAVING BUILDING IN MORE ACCOUNTABILITY, MORE
3 TRANSPARENCY, MORE EFFICIENCY. SO, IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT MORE
4 FOLKS UP HERE. WE HAD TO GO DEEPER AND PRESENT A PACKAGE TO
5 THE VOTERS, AND THAT'S WHAT WE DID. AND I THINK IT WAS KIND OF
6 A REFORM YEAR. THERE WERE SEVERAL REFORM MEASURES ON THE
7 BALLOT IN NOVEMBER AND I THINK THE VOTERS WERE READY FOR THIS
8 KIND OF REFORM SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND NOW BEGINS AS YOU
9 SAID THE HARD WORK OF ACTUALLY IMPLEMENTING THIS. AND YOU
10 KNOW, AGAIN, YOU'VE HEARD ME COMMENT A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE,
11 YOU KNOW, UNFORTUNATE DIVISION THAT HAS SEEMED TO COME AMONGST
12 US AS A RESULT OF WHATEVER THAT HAD TO DO WITH THIS. AND IT'S
13 SOMETHING THAT I HOPE WE CAN HEAL. I HOPE THAT WE CAN COME
14 TOGETHER BECAUSE I THINK WE'RE BETTER WHEN WE ARE ROWING IN
15 THE SAME DIRECTION. WE HAVE SO MUCH TO DO IN OUR FUTURE, AND I
16 JUST THINK WE WORK BETTER TOGETHER. I SPENT THE WHOLE WEEKEND
17 LOOKING AT BOTH MOTIONS ON HOW TO SEAT THE TASK FORCE MEMBERS,
18 AND THEY WERE BOTH VERY THOUGHTFUL AND VERY PRECISE AND
19 PRESCRIPTIVE ON HOW WE CHOOSE THESE TASK FORCE MEMBERS AND I
20 APPRECIATE THE COUNTY COUNSEL GIVING US THE COLOR-CODED
21 PRESENTATION, THE PINK FOR WHERE THEY AGREED. I LIKED LOOKING
22 AT HOW WE COULD FIND PLACES THAT SEEMED TO BE PLACES THAT BOTH
23 MOTIONS WERE NOT THAT FAR APART. SO I HOPE THAT WE, I GUESS IT
24 WILL BE WHETHER OR NOT YOU ACCEPT THE AMENDMENTS. AND THEN IS
25 IT MY UNDERSTANDING THAT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, THAT YOU HAVE



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SUPERVISORS

1 DROPPED YOUR MOTION? HOW'S THIS? WHAT DO YOU THINK?

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I'LL WAIT TO HEAR THE ACCEPTANCE OF
4 THE AMENDMENTS THAT ARE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. AS WE WERE
5 HEARING ABOUT DIFFERENT PERCEPTIONS ABOUT THE MARGIN OF
6 VICTORY OF MEASURE G. I AM CLEAR THAT THE RESIDENTS OF THE
7 SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 2 WERE NOT ON THE SIDE OF MEASURE G AND
8 SO I AM LEANING VERY, VERY HARD IN MAKING SURE THAT AS WE DO
9 THE CRITICAL WORK OF MAKING THIS RIGHT THAT WE ARE BRINGING
10 EVERYBODY TOGETHER SO IF THE AMENDMENTS ARE ACCEPTED I'LL BE
11 MORE THAN HAPPY TO PULL BACK WHATEVER THE TERM IS COUNTY
12 COUNSEL ITEM 17.

13

14 **DAWYN HARRISON:** YOU WOULD REFER IT BACK.

15

16 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** IF THE AMENDMENTS ARE ACCEPTED, I WILL
17 REFER ITEM 17 BACK TO MYSELF OR WHEREVER I REFER IT BACK TO.

18

19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** GOT IT.

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21 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** TO MYSELF. COME ON BACK ITEM 17.

22

23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. OKAY. I APPRECIATE THAT. AND AGAIN,
24 IF WE CAN FIND WAYS TO PARTICULARLY INCLUDE BOTH OF YOU,
25 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR BARGER, AS WE MOVE FORWARD,



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1 LISTENING TO YOUR IDEAS, LISTENING TO YOUR THOUGHTS,
2 RESPECTING COURSE. I THINK YOU SAID IT, LINDSAY, THEIR LOVE,
3 THEIR UNMATCHED LOVE FOR THE COUNTY AS WE GO FORWARD. AND THE
4 ONLY THING I WAS GOING TO BRING UP, I BROUGHT IT UP WITH THE
5 COUNTY COUNSEL, BUT IT WAS ONLY MENTIONED IN SUPERVISOR
6 MITCHELL'S MOTION AND IT WAS WHERE THESE TASK FORCE WOULD HOLD
7 THEIR PUBLIC MEETINGS AND I THINK THE LANGUAGE WAS TRY AS HARD
8 AS POSSIBLE TO HAVE THEM IN PLACES THAT ARE ACCESSIBLE TO
9 THOSE WITH A DISABILITY. I SAID, I THINK THE LAW SAYS YOU HAVE
10 TO, SO IT'S NOT ABOUT TRYING AS HARD AS YOU CAN. YOU HAVE TO.
11 NOW, WHETHER OR NOT IT'S CLOSE TO AFFORDABLE PUBLIC
12 TRANSPORTATION, WELL, THAT'S A WHOLE OTHER STORY, AND WE ALL
13 SIT ON METRO, AND THAT MIGHT NOT BE AS EASY. BUT SO JUST WANT
14 TO MAKE SURE OBVIOUSLY THAT THAT IS, IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING
15 THAT THESE PUBLIC MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN PLACES CERTAINLY
16 THAT WILL BE ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. SO, THANK
17 YOU FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE. I HOPE WE GET TO A
18 CONSENSUS AND I'M WAITING TO HEAR THOSE WORDS AS WELL
19 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL THAT THEY ACCEPT YOUR AMENDMENTS.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES. YES, EXCEPT I ACCEPT YOUR
22 AMENDMENTS. I THINK TO ACKNOWLEDGE, YOU KNOW ON GREEN SHEET WE
23 WERE TRYING TO EXPRESS OUR DESIRE TO COLLABORATE AND I THINK
24 THAT TODAY'S VERSION OF AMENDMENTS MADE CLEARER HOW YOU
25 ENVISIONED ALL OF THAT MOVING FORWARD. SO THAT WAS I KNOW IT



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1 MAYBE IT LOOKED MESSY TO YOU FOR US THE INTENTION WAS HOW DO
2 WE ACKNOWLEDGE A DESIRE TO COLLABORATE GIVEN THE CONFINES OF
3 THE BROWN ACT AND PUBLISHED AGENDA ITEMS AND I REALLY
4 APPRECIATE THAT, AS I SAID, THAT YOU BROUGHT FORWARD THE
5 MOTION TO LET US KNOW WHAT YOU WERE THINKING AND THAT WE FOUND
6 A WAY TO GET TO THIS PLACE. SO, I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT.
7 THANK YOU. YES, I ACCEPT THE AMENDMENTS AND I BELIEVE MY CO-
8 AUTHOR DOES AS WELL. AND I SEE YOU IN QUEUE. DO YOU HAVE ANY
9 OTHER COMMENTS? NO OTHER COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD? THEN I'LL GO
10 TO EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
11 WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
14 FORWARD? ADAM REESE, DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY, AND RON COLLINS,
15 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL
16 REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
17 TO ADDRESS ITEMS 17 AND 19, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO,
18 PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0. NOW WE'LL BE PLACING THE SPEAKING
19 QUEUE. MODERATOR, WHEN WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER,
20 PLEASE.

21
22 **MODERATOR:** AND WE'LL GO TO ROB NOTT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM SUPERVISORS. I'M
25 CALLING IN ON BEHALF OF YVONNE WHEELER, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS



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SUPERVISORS

1 ANGELES COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR, TO VOCALIZE OUR OPINION ON
2 THE MEASURE G IMPLEMENTATION AND GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE.
3 AS THIS BOARD KNOWS, THE L.A. FED IS THE UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION
4 FOR OVER 300 UNIONS THAT COLLECTIVELY REPRESENT OVER 800,000
5 WORKERS IN L.A. COUNTY. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE G WILL
6 HAVE A DIRECT IMPACT ON ALL OF THEM, ESPECIALLY THE WORKERS
7 WHO DO THE WORK FOR THE COUNTY, LIKE OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS,
8 FIRST RESPONDERS, LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES, CLINICAL WORKERS, AND
9 EVERY OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR WORKER. AND BECAUSE OF THAT, WE FEEL
10 IT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR SEIU 721 AND THE COUNTY COALITION
11 OF UNIONS TO EACH HAVE A SEAT ON THE TASK FORCE. IN ADDITION,
12 THERE ARE SEVERAL HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF OTHER WORKERS WHO
13 WORK IN THE COUNTY THAT WILL BE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY MEASURE
14 G, INCLUDING OUR JANITORS, GROCERY WORKERS, HOTEL WORKERS,
15 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, DELIVERY DRIVERS, TEACHERS, AND
16 EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. AND WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT THEIR VOICES
17 ARE ALSO REPRESENTED ON THIS TASK FORCE AND THE LA FED IS IN A
18 PRIME POSITION TO TRIAGE THESE ADDITIONAL VOICES WITH THE
19 THIRD SEAT ON THE TASK FORCE --

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

23
24 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** AND HANS JOHNSON, IF YOU'RE MUTED PLEASE UNMUTE AND
2 SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE PHONE YOU MAY BEGIN.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MADAM SUPERVISOR. I JUST WANT TO SPEAK
5 ON BEHALF OF THE EAST AREA PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS WHOSE MEMBERS
6 DID LOTS OF LIFTING IN OUR COMMUNITIES TO ENACT AND ENSURE
7 PASSAGE OF MEASURE G AND I WANT TO COMPLIMENT THE SPIRIT OF
8 COLLABORATION EVIDENT ON THE BOARD TODAY. I DON'T THINK IT'S A
9 COINCIDENCE THAT THIS IS A BOARD OF 5 WOMEN LEADERS OF GREAT
10 ACCOMPLISHMENT AND EXPERIENCE AND ROOTS AND COMMUNITY. AND I
11 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR DILIGENT EFFORTS TO HASH OUT AN
12 AGREEMENT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK
13 FORCE. IN STUDYING THE BOARD AGENDA, I DID JUST WANT TO SPEAK
14 TO THE PROTECTIONS AGAINST CONFLICT OF INTEREST, WHICH WERE
15 EVIDENT IN THE CRAFTING OF ITEM 19 AND I WANT TO THANK THE
16 SPONSORS OF THIS VERY THOUGHT OUT PROCESS FOR PUTTING THE TASK
17 FORCE IN PLACE BUT PRIMARILY I WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE
18 COMEDY AND THE DILIGENCE EXERCISED TODAY IN GETTING TO YES.

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

22
23 **MODERATOR:** I'M SORRY, I WAS ON MUTE. JOE, RONALD POMMELINT,
24 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
25 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M RONALD POMMELINT,
3 PRESIDENT OF THE COMPACTED CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND STRONGLY
4 IN FAVOR OF THE HORVATH-SALISH RECOMMENDATION ON HOW TO
5 IMPLEMENT MEASURE G. THE COUNTY VOTERS HAVE SPOKEN. MEASURE G
6 PASSED, AND IT'S CRITICAL THAT IT BE IMPLEMENTED AND I BELIEVE
7 IT ESPECIALLY AS AMENDED THE RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 19 REACHES
8 THE IMPORTANT GOALS OF VOTERS 4 AND 1 AND WE REALLY RECOMMEND
9 IT GO FORWARD AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO ITS IMPLEMENTATION. THANK
10 YOU.

11

12 **MODERATOR:** AND MARIAM PELOSI, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE
13 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
14 MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MIRIAM. I AM WITH
17 WOMEN'S MARKET ACTION, AND WE SUPPORT MEASURE G BECAUSE WE
18 BELIEVE THAT IT'S A POWERFUL STEP TOWARDS ENSURING THAT OUR
19 GOVERNMENT REPRESENTS OUR COMMUNITIES MORE INCLUSIVELY AND
20 TRANSPARENTLY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO STAYING ENGAGED AND
21 INVOLVED. THANK YOU.

22

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

24

25 **MODERATOR:** SEAN MCMORRIE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,



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SUPERVISORS

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

3
4 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF CALIFORNIA COMMON
5 CAUSE, A NONPROFIT NONPARTISAN ORGANIZATION THAT SUPPORTS PRO-
6 DEMOCRACY REFORMS. WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT MEASURE G WILL FULFILL
7 ITS PROMISE TO INCREASE REPRESENTATION, PUBLIC TRUST, AND
8 ACCOUNTABILITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY GOVERNMENT. HOWEVER, THE
9 DETAILS OF EACH REFORM MATTER, BUT MANY OF THE DETAILS OF
10 MEASURE G HAVE YET TO BE DECIDED. THIS MAKES HASHING IT OUT
11 AND IMPLEMENTING THOSE DETAILS CRUCIAL TO MEASURE G'S SUCCESS
12 AND TO LA COUNTY RESIDENTS' FAITH IN THE REFORM MEASURES THIS
13 BOARD ADVANCES. THUS, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE GOVERNMENT
14 REFORM TASK FORCE IS ENTRUSTED WITH GUIDING THE IMPLEMENTATION
15 OF MEASURE G, THE INDEPENDENT, HIGHLY CAPABLE REPRESENTATIVE
16 OF LA COUNTY'S DIVERSITY AND FREE FROM UNDUE POLITICAL
17 INFLUENCE AND SPECIAL INTERESTS BIAS. CALIFORNIA COMMON CAUSE
18 BELIEVES THE HORVATH-SOLIS MOTION THUS FACILITATES THIS IDEAL
19 AND WE SUPPORT IT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL PARTIES
20 TO IMPLEMENT THE IMPORTANT REFORMS OF MISRG. THANK YOU.

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

23
24 **MODERATOR:** DAVID PHELPS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
25 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU



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SUPERVISORS

1 MAY BEGIN.

2

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

4

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YES, MY NAME IS DAVID PHELPS. I AM THE CHAIR OF THE
8 UNITED CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY'S
9 GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AND I AM HERE TO VOICE SUPPORT
10 FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASKFORCE. AS A
11 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN THE 13 CHAMBERS
12 THAT MAKE UP THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, WE FEEL IT'S IMPORTANT
13 TO HAVE A REPRESENTATION OF SMALL BUSINESS, AND WE APPRECIATE
14 THE INFLUENCE AND PARTICIPATION OF THE LARGER ORGANIZATIONS
15 LIKE BIZFED AND THE LA AREA CHAMBER, BUT I THINK IT'S
16 IMPORTANT TO HAVE A SPECIFIC VOICE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND
17 THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT REPRESENT THEM AND ANY ROLE THAT I CAN
18 PLAY IN THAT PROCESS. I JUST WANT TO OFFER AND THANK YOU FOR
19 TAKING UP THIS MEASURE.

20

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

22

23 **MODERATOR:** ROB KWAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
24 PLEASE UNMUTE, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** HEY, ROB KWAN WITH UNRIG LA. I LIVE IN DISTRICT 1 AND
2 JUST WANTED TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL OR SORRY, SUPERVISOR
3 HORVATH AND SOLIS FOR THEIR THOUGHTFUL AND BALANCED APPROACH
4 TO THEIR MOTION. I APPRECIATE ETHICS EXPERIENCE BEING ONE OF
5 THE CRITERIA FOR THE FINAL 5, BUT GIVEN THERE'S SO MUCH WORK
6 ON THAT ISSUE, I HOPE THE BOARD MEMBERS CONSIDER THAT WITH
7 THEIR OWN APPOINTMENTS. REGARDING THE NEW AMENDMENT, I HAVE
8 CONCERNS ABOUT ONE. IF YOU WANT TO HAVE A HIGHER VOTING
9 THRESHOLD, FINE, BUT I THINK ALL VOTING MEMBERS SHOULD HAVE
10 EQUAL WEIGHT WHEN WE'RE TRYING TO REACH CONSENSUS. OTHERWISE,
11 WE COULD JUST WATER THINGS DOWN. LASTLY, WE SUBMITTED A
12 COMMENT ALONG WITH CALIFORNIA CLEAN MONEY AND LA FOR DEMOCRACY
13 VOUCHERS ASKING FOR YOU TO PRIORITIZE CREATING AN ETHICS
14 DATABASE BEFORE THE 2026 ELECTIONS, WHICH WILL REQUIRE SOME
15 ACTION ASSESSING WHERE THE REGISTRAR IS WITH THAT. AND LASTLY,
16 I HOPE YOU TAKE UP LAST YEAR'S MOTION FOR FULL PUBLIC
17 FINANCING OR PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS. ANYTHING WE CAN DO
18 WOULD BE A HUGE HELP. CEO, COUNTY EXECUTIVE IS GOING TO BE A
19 BIG EXPENSIVE RACE. OUR DISTRICTS ARE STILL GOING TO HAVE OVER
20 A MILLION PEOPLE --

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

24
25 **MODERATOR:** MARCEL RODARTE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,



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SUPERVISORS

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

3

4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
5 FIRST, LET ME THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR BRINGING THIS
6 MOTION FORWARD AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AGAIN, MARCEL RODARTE,
7 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES
8 ASSOCIATION, SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF WHAT WAS 17 AND ITEMS 19.
9 MEASURE G PRESENTS A ONCE IN A LIFETIME REFORM TO THE COUNTY
10 BOARD STRUCTURE AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT YOU ALL INCLUDE AS
11 BROAD REPRESENTATION AS POSSIBLE AS WE PREPARE FOR THIS VOTER
12 MANDATED CHANGE. RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT LA COUNTY WILL BENEFIT
13 FROM INCREASED REPRESENTATION, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND
14 TRANSPARENCY. CITIES MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE PROCESS OF
15 RESHAPING COUNTY GOVERNANCE, AND I ENCOURAGE AN AYE VOTE ON
16 THESE IMPORTANT STEPS IN MOVING FORWARD WITH THE FUTURE OF THE
17 STRUCTURE OF THE BOARD. THE GRTF IS A CRITICAL ELEMENT TO THE
18 PATH FORWARD, AND WE ARE THANKFUL FOR YOUR INCLUSION OF LOCAL
19 GOVERNMENTS IN THE PROCESS. THE OUTCOMES OF THE GRTF WILL BE
20 FELT FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES
21 ASSOCIATION LOOKS FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU TO
22 IMPLEMENT NEW COUNTY GOVERNANCE POLICIES. THANK YOU.

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** TAWAN CAMPBELL, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
2 PLEASE UNMUTE TO SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
3 BEGIN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS TAWANN CAMPBELL. THANK YOU,
6 SUPERVISOR, FOR GIVING ME THIS TIME. I'D LIKE TO CALL IN
7 REGARDS TO MEASURE 19. IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE D, WE ARE IN A
8 VERY PIVOTAL POINT BY EXPANDING THE BOARD AND GIVING
9 OPPORTUNITY FOR REPRESENTATION. WE ALSO HAVE A DUTY TO
10 CONTINUE THE ENGAGEMENT AND ACTIVITY THAT WE'VE GOT IN THE
11 COALITION OF RESPONSE TO GET THIS PASSED. SO, I AM IN FAVOR OF
12 19 AND 17 AS WELL MAKING SURE THAT THERE IS FULL
13 REPRESENTATION OF THE DIVERSITY OF OUR COUNTY MOVING THIS
14 PROCESS FORWARD TO MAKE SURE WE'RE ALL INCLUDED IN SUCH A
15 PIVOTAL TIME. THANK YOU SUPERVISORS. HAVE A GOOD DAY.

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE. ISAAC
18 CUEVAS. IF YOUR LINE IS MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK
19 DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20
21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ISAAC CUEVAS
22 AND IT'S MY HONOR TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION
23 AFFAIRS FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES. WE WANT TO EXPRESS
24 OUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR IMPLEMENTING MEASURE G. LAST YEAR, OUR
25 OFFICE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN WELCOMING OVER 1 000 MIGRANTS AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 REFUGEES ARRIVING FROM TEXAS. OUR CATHOLIC CHURCHES AND
2 SCHOOLS SERVED AS CENTRAL HUBS FOR THE LA WELCOMES COLLECTIVE.
3 THIS EFFORT SHOWED WHAT'S POSSIBLE WHEN COMMUNITIES AND
4 ORGANIZATIONS WORK TOGETHER. MEASURE G REPRESENTS THE SAME
5 SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY. IT LAYS THE
6 FOUNDATION FOR A MORE INCLUSIVE AND TRANSPARENT GOVERNMENT,
7 ONE THAT REFLECTS AND SERVES L.A. COUNTY'S DIVERSE
8 COMMUNITIES. THIS IS A CRUCIAL MOMENT FOR L.A. COUNTY, AND WE
9 LOOK FORWARD TO ENGAGING WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S IMPROVISATION
10 TASK FORCE TO BRING THESE REFORMS TO LIFE. IN CLOSING, WE WANT
11 TO SHARE A QUOTE FROM ARCHBISHOP GOMEZ'S BOOK ON IMMIGRATION
12 ENTITLED THE NEXT AMERICA. OUR COUNTRY IS MEANT TO BE A PLACE
13 WHERE PEOPLE FROM EVERY BACKGROUND CAN COME TO LIVE IN PEACE,
14 FREEDOM, TO ACHIEVE THE DREAMS AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMON
15 GOOD. THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL VISION AND IT IS ONE THAT IMMIGRANTS
16 HAVE ALWAYS HELPED RENEW. THANK YOU.

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

20
21 **MODERATOR:** GABRIEL PRENONSE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

22
23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MODERATOR, WE ARE GOING TO
24 SPEAKERS IN PERSON SO WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD PLEASE GO AHEAD.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON I'M DAPHNE BRADFORD FROM DISTRICT 2
2 GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISOR MITCHELL I AM HERE IN FULL 1,000%
3 SUPPORT OF YOUR MOTION HERE TODAY WITH MEASURE G. THE MOST
4 IMPORTANT THING TO ME IS THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PIECE. I
5 WOULD ALSO, I'M ALSO QUALIFIED TO BE ON THAT TASK FORCE AS I
6 MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT SOME OF MY CONCERNS WITH MEASURE G
7 BACK IN JULY. ONE THING THAT I DO WANT TO MAKE SURE IS THAT
8 THE CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST ISN'T USED TO WEAPONIZE AGAINST
9 SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS LIKE ME. THAT HAPPENED WITH LA CITY
10 COUNCIL WHEN RIDLEY THOMAS LEFT THE COUNTY AND WENT TO LA CITY
11 AND IT HAS IMPACTED ME, MY FAMILY AND MY BUSINESS UP UNTIL
12 THIS DAY. SO, AS YOU GET MEASURE G UNDER CONTROL, THE
13 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FROM EVERYBODY, RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND
14 FAMILIES, WE SHOULD ALL BE INVOLVED.

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

17
18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RON COLLINS. I'M WITH THE
19 LA BLACK WORKERS CENTER AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF
20 ITEM 17. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR
21 HER CONTINUED WORK ON GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY AND
22 TRANSPARENCY. I'M A RESIDENT OF SD2, AND I'M ACTUALLY VERY
23 CONCERNED ABOUT HOW MEASURE G IS GOING TO IMPACT THE
24 REPRESENTATION OF MY COMMUNITIES. AND SO PROPER IMPLEMENTATION
25 OF THIS MEASURE IS REALLY GOING TO BE KEY INTO RESTORING FAITH



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SUPERVISORS

1 IN GOVERNMENT. SO, THE PEOPLE OF LA COUNTY HAVE VOTED TO
2 RESTRUCTURE OUR COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND IT'S INCUMBENT ON THIS
3 BODY TO ENSURE THAT THE MANDATE IS IMPLEMENTED AS JUSTLY AND
4 AS EQUITABLY AS POSSIBLE. I BELIEVE THIS MOTION WILL CREATE A
5 BODY THAT ALLOWS FOR DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES TO COME TOGETHER AND
6 DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENSURE THE RESTRUCTURING OF COUNTY
7 GOVERNMENT IS DONE WITH ADEQUATE BUY-IN. NOW MORE THAN EVER,
8 PEOPLE NEED A RENEWED SENSE OF FAITH IN GOVERNMENT IN CREATING
9 THE KIND OF TRANSPARENCY THAT A WELL-ORGANIZED GOVERNMENT-
10 PERFORMED TASK FORCE OFFERS FOR IS THE STEP IN THE RIGHT
11 DIRECTION. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROSA SOTO AND I'M WITH LA
16 GENERAL MEDICAL CENTER'S WELLNESS CENTER. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT
17 FOR THE LAUNCHING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE G AND TO
18 RECOGNIZE THE DEDICATION THAT EVERYONE WHO MADE THIS EFFORT
19 POSSIBLE. MEASURE G SHOWED TREMENDOUS COMMUNITY EFFORT WITH A
20 WIDE VARIETY OF PARTNERS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTY AND WITH
21 DIVERSE COMMUNITIES. WITH MEASURE G, WE'RE CREATING A MORE
22 INCLUSIVE, TRANSPARENT, AND ACCOUNTABLE GOVERNMENT THAT
23 REPRESENTS AND SERVES OUR COUNTY'S DIVERSE AND GROWING
24 COMMUNITIES. I KNOW THAT THE EXPANSION OF THE BOARD AND THE
25 ESTABLISHING OF AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION CREATE AND



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1 ALSO CREATES AN ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THIS WILL CHANGE
2 HOW WE'RE REPRESENTED THAT IS SO IMPORTANT TO THE TO THE WORK
3 OF OUR COMMUNITY COALITIONS. IT'S AN IMPORTANT MOMENT FOR LA
4 COUNTY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO STAYING ENGAGED IN THE GOVERNANCE
5 IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE THAT THESE REFORMS BRING FORWARD.
6 SO, THANK YOU AGAIN FOR SUPPORTING THE VISION FOR A STRONGER
7 AND MORE RESPONSIVE LA COUNTY.

8

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

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ONCE AGAIN, DIEGO RODRIGUEZ, CEO OF
12 ALMA, EXPRESSING STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF
13 MEASURE G'S IMPLEMENTATION. MEASURE G IS A SIGNIFICANT
14 COMMUNITY EFFORT THAT DEMONSTRATES OUR POTENTIAL FOR
15 MEANINGFUL CHANGE THROUGH COLLECTIVE ACTION. THROUGH MEASURE
16 G, WE ARE CREATING A GOVERNMENT THAT IS MORE INCLUSIVE,
17 TRANSPARENT, AND ACCOUNTABLE, AND BETTER REFLECTIVE OF THE
18 DIVERSE COMMUNITIES OF LA COUNTY. WE ARE EXCITED FOR THE
19 CHANGES AHEAD, INCLUDING THE EXPANSION OF THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS, THE CREATION OF THE INDEPENDENT ETHICS
21 COMMISSION, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ELECTED COUNTY
22 EXECUTIVE. AS COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS, WE LOOK FORWARD TO
23 CONTINUING ENGAGEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT IMPLEMENTATION TASK
24 FORCE AS THESE CHANGES UNFOLD. THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR
25 ENDORSING A VISION FOR A STRONGER AND INCLUSIVE COUNTY



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1 GOVERNANCE. WE URGE YOU TO VOTE YES IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION.
2 THANK YOU.

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

5
6 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ADAM REIS. I'M A RECENT GRADUATE OF
7 LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL DOWN THE STREET AND I'M THE PUBLIC INTEREST
8 LEGAL FELLOW AT CHIRLA, THE COALITION FOR HUMANE IMMIGRANT
9 RIGHTS, WHICH ADVOCATES FOR LOW-INCOME IMMIGRANT WORKERS AND
10 THEIR FAMILIES. AND I'M HERE TO REPRESENT CHIRLA AS WELL AS
11 OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ANGELICA SALAS, WHO WAS NOT ABLE TO BE
12 PRESENT IN PERSON TODAY. CHIDLA WISHES TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT
13 FOR THIS MOTION REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE G,
14 WHICH OUR C4 AFFILIATED CHIDLA ACTION FUND ENDORSED AS A
15 BALLOT INITIATIVE, IN WHICH WE WERE VERY PLEASED TO SEE PASS.
16 MANY OF OUR MEMBERS AND THE POPULATION GROUPS THAT WE SERVE
17 RECEIVE SOCIAL SERVICES IN THIS COUNTY. AND THEREFORE WITH
18 MORE SUPERVISORS ON THE BOARD, ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD ARE
19 LIKELY TO BE EVEN MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF OUR MEMBERS
20 AND CLIENTS. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT THE REQUIREMENT FOR COUNTY
21 DEPARTMENTS TO HOLD PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS WILL RESULT IN A
22 SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE PUBLIC'S ABILITY TO OVERSEE THIS
23 COUNTY'S TREMENDOUS BUDGET WHICH AGAIN WILL HAVE A POSITIVE
24 IMPACT ON OUR MEMBERS AND CLIENTS. ULTIMATELY WE'RE HERE IN
25 STRONG SUPPORT OF THE MEASURE. WE URGE YOU TO ADOPT IT AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 LOOK FORWARD TO IT. --

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

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5 **SPEAKER:** ALL I CAN SAY IS, OOH WEE. I AM SO FREAKING EXCITED
6 BY THIS MEASURE. YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND. 15 YEARS OF SEEING THE
7 SAME OLD DRY PAINT, TO SEE SOMETHING LIKE THIS IS HISTORIC.
8 SO, TO HAVE A CHARTER SINCE 1912, HALF A MILLION PEOPLE, IT'S
9 SO NECESSARY TO AT LEAST HAVE 9 MEMBERS, AND I WANNA SAY THANK
10 YOU. WE ARE GOING TO BE EYEBALLING THIS PROCESS, YES, WITH A
11 MAGNIFYING GLASS. BUT AGAIN, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE
12 START, MS. HORVATH AND MS. HAHN. NOW MS. BARGER, WE WANT A
13 LITTLE MORE EXCITEMENT FROM YOU ON YOUR END TO BE MORE
14 AGREEABLE TO THE PROCESS, YOU KNOW. AND MS. MITCHELL, THANK
15 YOU FOR THE AMENDMENTS. BUT OVERALL AS A BODY, I'M REALLY,
16 REALLY PROUD OF THE STEPS THAT YOU'RE TAKING TO BE MORE
17 INCLUSIVE. WE DEFINITELY WANT TO SEE CERTAIN CONSTITUENTS IN,
18 ESPECIALLY AN ELECTED CEO. WOO-WEE! I'M EXCITED.

19

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

22

23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VERONICA ALVARADO, AND I
24 AM HERE REPRESENTING CLINICA ROMERO ON BEHALF OF OUR CEO,
25 CARLOS VAQUERANO, WHO COULDN'T BE HERE TODAY. THANK YOU,



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1 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR HAVING US HERE. AND WE ARE HERE IN
2 SUPPORT OF MEASURE G. AND REALLY, FOR OVER 41 YEARS, WE HAVE
3 BEEN A SAFE HAVEN FOR OUR UNDERSERVED IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY AND
4 IT IS SO IMPORTANT THAT WE STAND FIRM FOR OUR PATIENTS AND
5 THEIR RIGHTS FOR EQUAL HEALTHCARE, LEGAL RESOURCES AND
6 DIGNIFIED LIFE REGARDLESS OF THEIR IMMIGRANT STATUS. MEASURE G
7 REFLECTS A TREMENDOUS COMMUNITY EFFORT AND IT SHOWS WHAT WE
8 CAN ACHIEVE TOGETHER WITH MEANINGFUL CHANGE. WE ARE PROUD TO
9 BE PART OF MEASURE G BECAUSE IT REFLECTS THE VALUES THAT WE
10 HOLD DEAR TO OUR COLLABORATIONS, HEALTH EQUALITY, AND SOCIAL
11 JUSTICE. WE STAND READY TO CONTINUE WORKING ALONGSIDE
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND ALL OF YOU FOR A HEALTHIER AND BETTER
13 FUTURE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL NOW
16 CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON AND GO TO OUR VIRTUAL PUBLIC
17 COMMENT. MODERATOR PLEASE PROCEED.

18
19 **MODERATOR:** AND GABRIEL QUINONES YOUR LINE IS OPEN IF YOU'RE
20 MUTED PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE YOU MAY
21 BEGIN. ACTUALLY THAT PERSON WENT OUT OF QUEUE HERE. WE'LL GO
22 NEXT TO A SHAMAS KANASKY YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SHAMAS?
25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** SHAMAS KANASKY?

2

3 **SPEAKER:** BUT THERE'S REGULAR COMMENTS BECAUSE AGAIN, I THINK
4 YOU GUYS AGAIN, I KNOW YOU'RE TRYING TO WORK ON LAHSA THEN YOU
5 GUYS NEED TO HAVE YOUR OWN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY SO THEN YOU
6 GUYS ARE DEPENDENT ON THESE LANDLORDS WHO ARE GONNA TAKE
7 ADVANTAGE

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** I'M SO SORRY. THIS THIS
10 DISCUSSION IS ON ITEM 19 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT LASA,
11 WE CAN DO THAT IN GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. SO WE'LL HAVE TO GO
12 TO THE NEXT SPEAKER UNLESS YOU'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON LA COUNTY
13 GOVERNANCE REFORM.

14

15 **MODERATOR:** AND BRENDA OLIVES, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE
16 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE YOU
17 MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** HI GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS BRENDA OLIVAS AND I'M
20 CALLING ON BEHALF OF ALVIA TORRES WITH SPIRIT FAMILY SERVICES
21 AND WE ARE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION OUR MISSION IS TO EMPOWER
22 FAMILIES TO IMPROVE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING AND STRENGTHEN
23 COMMUNITIES THROUGH MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS THAT
24 ADDRESS TRAUMA CHILD MALTREATMENT INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE
25 POVERTY AND ISOLATION AND WE'RE HERE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT



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1 FOR THE LAUNCHING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE G AND TO
2 RECOGNIZE THE DEDICATION OF EVERYONE WHO MADE THIS EFFORT
3 POSSIBLE. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO STAYING ENGAGED WITH THE
4 GOVERNANCE IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE AS THESE REFORMS ARE
5 IMPLEMENTED. THANK YOU.

6

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** SYLVESTER ANNEY. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE
10 MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
11 MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. I WAS JUST, I WANTED TO
14 CALL, WELL, MY NAME IS SYLVESTER ANNEY JR. I AM THE EXECUTIVE
15 DIRECTOR OF THE LOVE WE DON'T SEE AND I WAS CALLING TO SUPPORT
16 ITEM 17 JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ESTABLISHING THE
17 APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF SAFEGUARDS TO ENSURE THE INDEPENDENCE OF
18 THE TASK FORCE. SO YEAH, JUST CALL IT IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 17.
19 THANK YOU.

20

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

22

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. WELL, NICELY DONE. WE FINALLY
3 HAVE MADE UP AND NOW WE CAN MOVE FORWARD. YOU KNOW, I FEEL
4 LIKE 24/25, I THINK MR. KWON BROUGHT UP, WE SHOULD GET THE
5 DATABASE GOING SOONER BECAUSE THERE'S NO REASON TO WAIT ON
6 THAT. AND IN TERMS OF APPOINTING PEOPLE TO THE COMMISSION,
7 YES, I WOULD PROBABLY ACCEPT BUT IT WOULD HAVE TO BE LIMITED
8 IN ON MY TERMS MEANING I DON'T SUGARCOAT IT YOU KNOW WHAT I
9 MEAN AND I THINK MAYBE FOR THAT REASON, MAYBE IT'S BETTER TO
10 LEAD ME OUT IN THE PIT WHERE YOU CAN BARELY GET THROUGH.
11 TODAY, AT&T, BLESS THEIR HEART, IT TOOK MULTIPLE EFFORTS AND
12 THEY JUST DIDN'T WANT US TO HEAR IT. NOW IT'S TRUE, IT'S A
13 SAUSAGE FACTORY AND PEOPLE WANT TO KEEP IT NICE AND FRIENDLY.
14 AND ONCE AGAIN, LET ME THANK EVERYBODY, INCLUDING COUNTY
15 COUNSEL AND STAFF, BECAUSE THIS IS A GREAT HISTORIC DAY.
16 HISTORIC IN THE SENSE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO GET THROUGH THE
17 NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS, BLOCKING ALL THE SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS
18 ON THE AGENDA TODAY AND DCFS LEASES BY TALKING ABOUT HOW WE
19 OPERATE. --

20

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** I'M SORRY, KAREN WATERS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF
25 YOU'RE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR



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1 PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

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

4

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS AND
8 CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR HARD WORK. I SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM
9 17, 19 AND AMENDMENTS AND THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MOMENT FOR LA
10 COUNTY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO STAYING ENGAGED WITH THE
11 GOVERNANCE IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE AS THESE REFORMS ARE
12 IMPLEMENTED. AND AS A RETIREE OF THE LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD
13 COUNCIL SYSTEM AND CURRENT COMMISSION SUPER COMMISSIONER, I
14 WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THE TASK FORCE IMPLEMENTATION USING
15 PATTERN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT
16 INCLUSIVE OF ALL STAKEHOLDERS IN ALL COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT
17 YOUR DISTRICTS. AND THANK YOU AGAIN AND I LOOK FORWARD I'M
18 VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

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

21

22 **MODERATOR:** AND RICKY CHOI YOUR LINE IS OPEN IF YOU'RE MUTED
23 PLEASE UNMUTE TO SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
24 BEGIN.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON CHAIR HORVATH, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
2 RICKY TROY WITH THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS.
3 WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE HORVATH SOLIS
4 MOTION TO SALVAGE GOVERNANCE AND REFORM TASK FORCE. IN
5 PARTICULAR WE THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR CHAMPIONING THIS
6 MOTION TO ENSURE THE TASK FORCE REFLECTS AND SERVES THE
7 DIVERSE COMMUNITIES OF LA COUNTY. THIS TASK FORCE WILL PLAY A
8 CENTRAL ROLE IN IMPLEMENTING VOTER-APPROVED REFORMS AND A
9 TRULY REPRESENTATIVE TASK FORCE IS ESSENTIAL TO BUILDING A
10 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE THAT SERVES THE NEEDS OF ALL COMMUNITIES
11 EQUABLY AND EFFECTIVELY. ITS COMPOSITION MUST ENSURE FAIR
12 REPRESENTATION OF THE COUNTY'S ENTIRE POPULATION, TAKING INTO
13 ACCOUNT THE DIVERSITY OF ITS RACIAL, ETHNIC, SOCIAL, AND
14 ECONOMIC AND GEOGRAPHIC COMMUNITIES. A TASK FORCE WITH DIVERSE
15 PERSPECTIVES WILL HELP CREATE POLICIES THAT ADDRESS THE UNIQUE
16 NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE REGION AND ENSURE THAT
17 REFORMS ARE DESIGNED TO BENEFIT ALL COMMUNITIES EQUITABLY
18 REDUCING DISPARITIES IN SERVICES AND RESOURCES. THE COUNTY'S
19 GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE SHOULD REFLECT THE PEOPLE IT SERVES.
20 WE'VE ASKED THAT THERE BE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCESSIBILITY IN
21 THIS PROCESS WITH THE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH EFFORTS
22 THAT IS ROBUST AND CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE. THE DEPARTMENT OF
23 ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVITY AND ALL ASPECTS OF THE --

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



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SUPERVISORS

1 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** DANIEL RIVAS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
4 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
5 MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS DANIELLE RIVAS. I'M CALLING
8 ON BEHALF OF YWCA SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, A LONG-STANDING DIRECT
9 SERVICE PROVIDER COVERING BOTH DISTRICTS 1 AND 5. YWCA SGV
10 SUPPORTS MEASURE G WITH THE HOPE THAT IT HELPS CREATE A MORE
11 ACCOUNTABLE, WELL REPRESENTED LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE LOOK
12 FORWARD TO STAYING ENGAGED AND INVOLVED WITH THE TASK FORCE AS
13 THESE REFORMS BEGIN TO BE IMPLEMENTED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
14 TIME.

15

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

17

18 **MODERATOR:** KERRY CHAI, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
19 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF, SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
20 MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON HONOURABLE LA SUPERVISOR BOARD
23 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS CARRIE CHAI. I'M AN I HEART NAC MEMBER
24 WITH SBCC. I'M A RESIDENT IN LONG BEACH AND LA SUPERVISOR WITH
25 DISTRICT 4 AS WELL AS EAST LA VOLUNTEER. I THANK THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THE MOTION. I'M HOPEFUL TO SEE THESE
2 REFORMS COME TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO REFLECT THE
3 EVER-CHANGING DIVERSE LA COUNTY COMMUNITY. THAT'S CREATING
4 MORE SEATS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

5

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

7

8 **MODERATOR:** GABRIELLA EDDY. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
9 PLEASE UNMUTE. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M GABRIELLA EDDY, AN
12 SBCC COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. AND TODAY I'M GOING TO SPEAK ON
13 BEHALF OF THE SPANISH SPEAKERS FOR ITEM 19. [SPEAKING IN
14 SPANISH]

15

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** ALIYAH YOUSAFI, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'VE MUTED,
20 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU
21 MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ALIYAH YOUSAFI. I'M THE SENIOR
24 POLICY COORDINATOR FOR THE COUNCIL ON AMERICAN ISLAMIC
25 RELATIONS GREATER LA CHAPTER. I AM HERE TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT



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SUPERVISORS

1 FOR THE LAUNCHING IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE G AND TO RECOGNIZE
2 THE DEDICATION OF EVERYONE WHO MADE THIS EFFORT POSSIBLE.
3 MEASURE G REFLECTS A TREMENDOUS COMMUNITY EFFORT AND IT SHOWS
4 WHAT WE CAN ACHIEVE WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER FOR MEANINGFUL
5 CHANGE. I'M EXCITED TO SEE SOME OF THESE CHANGES COME TO LIFE
6 FROM EXPANDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ESTABLISHING AN
7 INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO BEING
8 MORE ENGAGED WITH THE GOVERNANCE IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE. AS
9 A CO-CHAIR OF THE IMMIGRANTS RLA COALITION, WE'VE BEEN
10 FRUSTRATED ALONG WITH OUR CBO PARTNERS AS TO THE LACK OF
11 TRANSPARENCY IN THE BUDGET PROCESS AND OTHER DECISION-MAKING
12 MODULES THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN PLACE AT THE COUNTY LEVEL AND WE
13 LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING MORE MEANINGFUL AND THOUGHTFUL
14 ENGAGEMENT WITH IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AS WELL AS OTHER
15 MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES IN THE PROCESS. THANK YOU

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE THERE ARE NO
18 OTHER REMOTE SPEAKS IN THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THIS
19 TIME.

20
21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, SEEING NO OTHER SPEAKERS, I
22 WANT TO ONCE AGAIN THANK EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT TO SPEAK ON
23 THIS ITEM, AS WELL AS OUR COLLABORATORS IN GETTING TO THIS
24 POINT, INCLUDING OUR COUNTY WORKFORCE AND LABOUR PARTNERS. I
25 LOOK FORWARD TO THE WORK AHEAD. SEEING NO OTHER COLLEAGUES IN



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SUPERVISORS

1 QUEUE, ITEM 17 WILL NOW BE REFERRED BACK TO SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL'S OFFICE AND ITEM 19 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT
3 SECONDED. YES OF COURSE. ITEM 19 IS BEFORE US AS AMENDED. I
4 WILL MOVE IT SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
5 EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YES. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

12

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

14

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

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES.

18

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

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21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** YES.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, YES. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

24

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



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
3 0.

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
6 PLEASE SWEAR IN THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE REQUESTING
7 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON OUR PUBLIC HEARING ITEM TODAY.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INCLUDING IN PERSON
10 AND REMOTE SPEAKERS WHO ARE HERE REQUESTING TO ADDRESS THE
11 BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR
12 RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. PLEASE KNOW AND THE TESTIMONY YOU
13 GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH
14 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD YOU
15 MAY BE SEATED.

16

17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** WITH THAT WE'LL MOVE ON TO OUR
18 PUBLIC HEARING ITEM 65 FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
19 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.
20 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ IN THE SHORT TITLE.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 65 IS A HEARING ON ORDINANCE FOR
23 ADOPTION, GRANTING, AND ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION FRANCHISE TO
24 HAKATE GRID HIBIDOR STORAGE 1 LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED
25 LIABILITY COMPANY TO CONDUCT AND TRANSMIT ELECTRICITY FOR A



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1 PERIOD OF 35 YEARS, BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 26TH, 2024, AND
2 EXPIRING ON DECEMBER 25TH, 2059. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE
3 BOARD RECEIVED A WRITTEN PROTEST REGARDING THIS ITEM, WHICH
4 WAS INCLUDED IN TODAY'S AGENDA. UNDER PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE,
5 SECTION 6234, AFTER HEARING AND CONSIDERING THE PROTEST, THE
6 BOARD MAY FIND THE PROTEST INSUFFICIENT AND MAY DENY THE
7 PROTEST. IF SUCH A FINDING IS MADE, THE BOARD MAY GRANT THE
8 FRANCHISE. NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS SUBMITTED AND
9 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

10
11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I SEE WE HAVE A VERY
12 ESTEEMED PANEL BEFORE US. DO YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION THAT YOU
13 WOULD LIKE TO SHARE? NO DEPARTMENTAL PRESENTATION AT THIS
14 TIME. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS WHO WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE
15 COMMENT? I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

16
17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** IT IMPACTS MY DISTRICT. FIRST OF ALL,
18 THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. I KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
19 PUBLIC COMMENT FROM SOME RESIDENTS FROM THE ACT AND THANK YOU
20 ALL FOR BEING SO PATIENT. YOU GOT IN HERE ABOUT 10:30 THIS
21 MORNING, SO THANK YOU. BUT I KNOW THAT SOME OF THE CONCERNS
22 I'VE HEARD CENTER AROUND THE SAFETY OF THE STORAGE FACILITY
23 FOR THE LITHIUM BATTERIES. BUT BEFORE I JUMP TO THOSE
24 QUESTIONS, I HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOU, AMY. I KNOW THAT WE'VE
25 HEARD FROM THE COMMUNITY AND WE'LL PROBABLY HEAR FROM THEM



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1 TODAY ABOUT THEIR VERY REAL FEARS ABOUT OVER CONCENTRATION AND
2 THE BOARD APPROVED MY MOTION TO CREATE A COUNTYWIDE ORDINANCE
3 TO REGULATE SITING OF THESE PROJECTS IN COUNTY CODE. AND I'M
4 JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW WHERE WE ARE ON THAT DEVELOPMENT AND WHEN
5 IS PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT GOING TO START, ESPECIALLY UP IN THE
6 ACTON AREA, WHERE I'VE HEARD FROM MANY, MANY RESIDENTS WHO
7 HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THE CONCENTRATION IN THAT QUARTER
8 RIGHT THERE.

9

10 **AMY BODEK:** CERTAINLY, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK YOU.
11 SPECIFICALLY, ABOUT A YEAR AGO IS WHEN YOU ACTUALLY AUTHORED
12 THAT MOTION. AND THEN IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR, THERE WAS A
13 SIMILAR MOTION RELATED TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. WE'RE COMBINING
14 THE TWO REQUESTS, THE ONE FOR BATTERY ELECTRIC STORAGE AND THE
15 ONE FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY INTO A SINGLE WORK PRODUCT, SINGLE
16 ORDINANCE AND A PROGRAMMATIC EIR. WE ACTUALLY GOT A GRANT FROM
17 THE STATE CEC TO HELP US WITH THE TECHNICAL STUDY AND WE'VE
18 SELECTED A CONSULTANT AND ARE ACTUALLY WORKING ON THAT
19 TECHNICAL STUDY RIGHT NOW. AND ONCE THAT TECHNICAL STUDY TELLS
20 US SOME OF THE ASPECTS OF THE PROJECTS THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT
21 WILL ACTUALLY BEGIN THAT COMMUNITY OUTREACH, WHICH WE EXPECT
22 TO DO SOMETIME IN LATE SPRING.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, KNOWING THAT THERE MAY BE OTHER ONES
25 COMING FORWARD, ARE THEY PAUSING UNTIL WE GET THIS ORDINANCE



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1 IN PLAY?

2

3 **AMY BODEK:** NO, THERE IS NO MORATORIUM IN PLACE.

4

5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO THAT WE NEED TO ACCELERATE THE PROCESS
6 BECAUSE IF THERE ARE ONES THAT ARE GONNA BE COMING ONLINE, I
7 FOR ONE OF US IN MY DISTRICT WILL NOT ENTERTAIN ANYMORE UNTIL
8 WE HAVE AN ORDINANCE IN PLACE. THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF THE
9 REQUEST WAS TO MAKE SURE THERE WAS NOT AN OVER CONCENTRATION
10 IN ONE AREA. THIS IS A CONCERN THAT I HAD AS IT RELATES TO
11 SOLAR FARMS UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.

12

13 **AMY BODEK:** RIGHT.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND I FEEL THAT THIS IS A SENSE OF
16 URGENCY, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNOR IS VERY
17 FOCUSED ON BATTERY STORAGE.

18

19 **AMY BODEK:** CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND SO, I WILL SAY FOR THE PUBLIC AND FOR
22 ALL THOSE THAT MAY BE SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS THAT THERE WILL
23 BE A PAUSE UNTIL THIS IS DONE. SO, I SUGGEST THAT WE GET THE
24 ORDINANCE WRITTEN AND WE BEGIN TO DO THE SITE LOCATION BECAUSE
25 AGAIN, THAT'S A COMMITMENT I MADE TO THE RESIDENTS WHEN I



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1 APPROVED THE ONE THAT CAME THAT HAD ALREADY GONE THROUGH THE
2 PROCESS, EVEN THOUGH WE DIDN'T HAVE AN ORDINANCE, WE APPLIED
3 IT TO SOMETHING ELSE. SO THAT'S IMPORTANT. I MEAN, I WOULD
4 HOPE THAT WE'D HAVE AT LEAST A VERY LEAST A MORATORIUM PENDING
5 AN ORDINANCE, BECAUSE THE ORDINANCE WE USED IS NOT REALLY
6 APPLICABLE AS IT RELATES TO WHAT THIS IS DOING ALTHOUGH WE IT
7 DID IT WAS ENOUGH THAT IT PASSED THE SCRUTINY OF COUNTY
8 COUNSEL BUT I JUST FEEL THAT THAT WE HAVE GIVEN OUR I'VE GIVEN
9 MY WORD TO MY CONSTITUENTS AND SO YOU KNOW MORE TERMS GONNA BE
10 IN PLACE UNTIL WE GET THAT DONE. SO, WHEN CAN YOU, WHEN DO YOU
11 THINK IT CAN BE COMPLETED? IT'S BEEN A YEAR.

12
13 **AMY BODEK:** SO IT DEPENDS ON HOW MUCH OUTREACH YOU WOULD
14 ACTUALLY LIKE US TO DO BECAUSE WE DO HAVE TO DO THIS
15 COUNTYWIDE. THERE ARE OTHER AREAS IN THE COUNTY THAT ARE ALSO
16 GOING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME ORDINANCE. SO, A ROBUST
17 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS DOES SLOW DOWN THE ORDINANCE
18 PREPARATION.

19
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** HOW MANY OF YOU HAD SO FAR?

21
22 **AMY BODEK:** AGAIN, WE JUST BROUGHT THE CONSULTANT ON.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY. SO, A YEAR AND YOU JUST BROUGHT THE
25 CONSULTANT ON. THIS IS MY FRUSTRATION.



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2 **AMY BODEK:** A YEAR BECAUSE WE FIRST GOT THE GRANT MONIES TO DO
3 THE TECHNICAL STUDY IN SEPTEMBER AND WE DID NOT HAVE THE
4 MONIES TO BRING THE CONSULTANT ON UNTIL THEN.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY AGAIN THE SENSE OF URGENCY.

7

8 **AMY BODEK:** I HEAR YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND WHILE IT MAY BE COUNTYWIDE, I CAN
11 GUARANTEE IT'S FOCUSED IN THE CORRIDOR ALONG THE AQUA DULCE
12 ALL THE WAY UP TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND THAT IS WHERE THE
13 IMPACT IS GOING TO BE THE GREATEST. AND THAT IS MY CONCERN AS
14 IT RELATES TO THE IMPACT IT'S GOING TO HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY,
15 ESPECIALLY IN THE RURAL AREAS. SO I'M RESPECTFULLY ASKING THAT
16 WE ACCELERATE THAT AND I WILL ASK FOR A MEETING WITH A
17 CONSULTANT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE A BOTTOM-
18 UP APPROACH, LISTEN TO THE RESIDENTS, GET THEIR FEEDBACK, AND
19 THEN BRING FORWARD AN ORDINANCE THAT ADDRESSES—THE ORDINANCE
20 CAN BE WRITTEN RIGHT NOW, ACTUALLY, I WOULD ASSUME.

21

22 **AMY BODEK:** FOR THE MOST PART, WE ARE RELYING ON THEM FOR THE
23 TECHNICAL EXPERTISE THAT IS NECESSARY TO FOR THE SAFETY OF
24 THESE FACILITIES.

25



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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY SO MARK YOU DON'T GET OFF EASY.
2 PESTRELLA FIRST OF ALL WELCOME BACK I KNOW THAT YOU HAD YOU
3 WERE IMPACTED BY THE FIRES UP IN CAMARILLO, AND I'M GLAD YOU
4 AND YOUR FAMILY ARE OKAY. AND I KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS SUFFERED
5 GREAT LOSSES AND YOU, NOT TO THE EXTENT THAT YOU HAVE. SO I
6 EXTEND MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

7

8 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO WHAT IS THE REMAINING PROCESS FOR
11 PERMITTING AND APPROVALS FOR THE COUNTY BEFORE THIS PROJECT
12 CAN OFFICIALLY BREAK GROUND AND EVENTUALLY COME ONLINE, THE
13 ONE THAT'S BEEN APPROVED? OKAY, SUPERVISOR, WHAT'S REMAINING
14 FOR THE PROCESS FOR PERMITTING APPROVALS IN THE COUNTY BEFORE
15 THE PROJECT, AS YOU SAY, CAN OFFICIALLY BREAK GROUND IS THAT
16 WE WILL HAVE THE APPLICANT WILL HAVE TO MAKE AN APPLICATION
17 FOR BUILDING PERMITS THE COUNTY BUILDING AND SAFETY WILL NOT
18 ISSUE THAT BUILDING PERMIT UNTIL ALL JURISDICTIONAL APPROVALS
19 HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS WILL NEED TO BE
20 REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY LA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, COUNTY
21 BUILDING AND SAFETY AS I SAID FOR THE BUILDING ITSELF, THE
22 SUBSTATION, STRUCTURAL SYSTEM AND PERIMETER WALLS. WE HAVE A
23 GRADING PERMIT REQUIRED, ELECTRICAL PERMITS, SWITCHGEAR
24 PERMITS, COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONER HAS TO REVIEW IT, COUNTY
25 ARTS COMMISSION WILL REVIEW IT, AND THE SOUTH COAST AIR



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1 QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT WILL ALL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE
2 REVIEW OF THAT APPLICATION FOR PERMITS. AND THEN CONSTRUCTION
3 CANNOT COMMENCE ON THE SITE UNTIL THAT PERMIT IS ACTUALLY
4 ISSUED. WE THINK THE PLAN REVIEW WILL TAKE BETWEEN 8 TO 12
5 MONTHS.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, WHAT IS THE ACTION TODAY DO AS IT
8 RELATES TO ANY PROJECT?

9

10 **MARK PESTRELLA:** OKAY. I'M GOING TO LET DEPUTY DIRECTOR LUIS
11 RAMIREZ GIVE YOU THE RESPONSE THAT'S IN CHARGE OF FRANCHISE
12 AGREEMENTS IN OUR DEPARTMENT.

13

14 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** HI GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISOR IT'S GOOD TO SEE
15 YOU AGAIN. SO, THE ACTIONS BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY ARE RELATED
16 TO THE PAST ACTION THAT THE BOARD TOOK ON OCTOBER 8TH WHEN IT
17 APPROVED THE RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO GRANT THE 35-YEAR
18 ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION FRANCHISE TO HECATE GRID HUMIDOR
19 STORAGE, LLC. SO TODAY WE'RE HERE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR
20 YOU, THE BOARD, TO CONSIDER ANY OBJECTIONS TO ADOPTING THE
21 ORDINANCE, AS WELL AS OUR RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT THE
22 FRANCHISE TO HECATE. WE'RE ALSO ASKING THE BOARD TO FIND THAT
23 GRANTING THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA
24 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT OR CEQA. BUT TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION
25 MORE DIRECTLY, THE ACTIONS TODAY, THEY WILL ALLOW HECATE, AS



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1 THE DIRECTOR SAID, ONCE THEY OBTAIN PERMITS, TO INSTALL THE
2 ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION LINES WITHIN THE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY.
3 THAT IS THE REASON WHY WE NEED A FRANCHISE IS BECAUSE IT WILL
4 BE INSTALLING NEW LINES ALONG THE RIGHT OF WAY. SO, THE
5 FRANCHISE IS A PERMIT ALMOST LIKE A LEASE.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, IT'S NOT THE STORAGE FACILITY?

8

9 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** NO IT'S NOT. THIS IS RELATED CORRECT TO THE
10 ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION LINES.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, IT'S NOTHING TO DO WITH LAND USE?
13 THIS IS A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT?

14

15 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** YES, THAT APPROVAL HAS ALREADY TAKEN PLACE AND
16 GRANTING THE WELL APPROVING THE ORDINANCE WOULDN'T REOPEN THE
17 LAND USE APPROVAL.

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** DO WE HAVE SIMILAR AGREEMENTS OF THIS
20 TYPE INFRASTRUCTURE TO BE CONSTRUCTED WITHIN PUBLIC RIGHT AWAY
21 OR IS THIS A FIRST OF ITS KIND?

22

23 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** NO, WE ACTUALLY HAVE SEVERAL. THE BOARD HAS
24 ACTUALLY APPROVED MANY OTHER ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION
25 FRANCHISES. THESE HAVE BEEN MOSTLY ASSOCIATED WITH



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1 PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECTS AND IT'S ESSENTIALLY THE UNDERGROUND
2 LINES THAT WILL CARRY THE POWER TO THE EDISON GRID.

3
4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY, THANK YOU FOR THAT. AS IT RELATES
5 TO CHIEF MORONEY AND WE TALKED ABOUT THIS, THERE HAVE BEEN
6 SEVERAL HIGH-PROFILE RECENTLY INCIDENTS INVOLVING LITHIUM
7 BATTERIES, ONE IN PARTICULAR I THINK IN THE 4TH DISTRICT, A
8 TRUCK THAT OVERTURNED. WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED FROM THESE AND
9 ULTIMATELY HOW WOULD THE FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPOND TO AN
10 INCIDENT AT A BEST FACILITY IN LA COUNTY?

11
12 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** OKAY, SO GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. AS WE
13 ALL KNOW LITHIUM ION BATTERIES ARE EVERYWHERE IN OUR
14 ENVIRONMENT. FROM VAPE PENS TO POWER TOOL BATTERIES TO
15 ELECTRIC VEHICLES, POWER WALLS IN PEOPLE'S RESIDENCES, AND THE
16 3 LARGE BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE
17 IN LA COUNTY. I'M HAPPY TO REPORT THAT WE'VE HAD NO INCIDENTS
18 AT THE 3 LARGE BEST PROGRAMS THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE IN LA
19 COUNTY AND WHAT WE'VE LEARNED IS THAT WE MUST MAKE SURE THAT
20 THESE FACILITIES ABIDE BY ALL OF THE STRINGENT CODES BOTH THE
21 LA COUNTY FIRE CODE, THE STATE FIRE CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL
22 FIRE CODE, OUR NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
23 GUIDELINES, AND DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY REGULATIONS AS TO HOW WE
24 BUILD THEM. AS TIME GOES ON, THE TECHNOLOGY IS GETTING BETTER
25 AND THE SAFETY OF THESE FACILITIES IS INCREASING. I KNOW THAT



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1 WE DID HAVE AN ISSUE DOWN IN OTAY MESA IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY. IT
2 SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THAT BESS FIRE, THAT FACILITY WOULD NOT
3 BE ALLOWED TO BE BUILT TODAY UNDER THE NEW STRINGENT CODES
4 THAT WE OPERATE UNDER IN LA COUNTY.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, WHAT YOU TOLD ME IS, IS THAT UNLIKE A
7 FIRE LIKE WE SAW UP IN VENTURA COUNTY, THERE ARE NO EMBERS
8 THAT FLOW.

9

10 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** CORRECT, SO A THERMAL RUNAWAY INCIDENT
11 UNDER A BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM DOES NOT CREATE AN EMBER
12 CAST LIKE A BRUSH FIRE. THERE'S NO FREE CARBON PARTICLES THAT
13 ARE CARRIED 1 TO 3 MILES DOWNWIND THAT CAN START A BRUSH FIRE.
14 OUR TACTICS AND OUR STRATEGY WHEN IT COMES TO BESS FIRES IS TO
15 ALLOW THEM TO CONSUME THEMSELVES AND PROTECT ANY EXPOSURES. WE
16 DO LIMIT OUR WATER APPLICATION BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE
17 ANY WATER RUNOFF THAT COULD CONTAMINATE THE WATER TABLE. SO,
18 WE ONLY DO EXPOSURE PROTECTION. WATER IS OF LITTLE VALUE ON A
19 BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM FIRE. AND THE BEST METHOD TO
20 ALLOW THAT FIRE TO BURN ITSELF OUT.

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, WHEN YOU ARE LOOKING AT BUILDING A
23 FACILITY, YOU'RE TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION LOCATION AS FAR AS
24 CLEARANCE AROUND THE FACILITY AS WELL, SO THAT THERE'S NO
25 BRUSH?



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2 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** CORRECT. AND WE DO HAVE BLAST WALLS, AND
3 THEN WE DO SEPARATE THE INDIVIDUAL CELLS A MINIMUM OF 8 FEET
4 TO PREVENT THAT EXPOSURE TO OTHER CELLS THAT ARE NOT ON FIRE.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, AND I HAVE NEVER SEEN A FACILITY I'VE
7 SEEN PICTURES, BUT SO LITHIUM ION WHO REGULATES THE STORAGE
8 ITSELF AS IT RELATES TO IF IT'S BEING STORED PROPERLY?

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10 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** WELL, I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE A
11 COMBINATION NOT ONLY OF THE LA COUNTY FIRE CODE, THE STATE
12 CODE AND THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, BUT OUR NFPA STANDARDS,
13 OUR ELECTRICAL AND BUILDING CODES, THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
14 ADVISORIES, AND ALL OF OUR WATER AND ACCESS REQUIREMENTS. AND
15 IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THESE FACILITIES MEET THE MOST
16 STRINGENT REQUIREMENTS THAT WE HAVE ON THE BOOKS TODAY. BUT
17 EVERY TIME THERE IS AN INCIDENT NATIONALLY, WE LEARN A LITTLE
18 SOMETHING. WE DO HAVE A FIRE INSPECTOR THAT DOES THIS FULL-
19 TIME, AND HE DOES SIT ON BOTH THE UNDERWRITERS LABORATORY AND
20 THE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION'S COMMITTEES THAT
21 HELP WRITE THESE STANDARDS.

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, YOU BROUGHT UP SAN DIEGO, AND I KNOW
24 THAT THEY RECENTLY CREATED AN ALTERNATIVE ENERGY RESPONSE
25 EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATOR POSITION. IS THAT SOMETHING



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1 THAT WE CAN CONSIDER AS PART OF THE BEST ORDINANCE AND HAVE IT
2 AS PART OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT?

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4 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** WELL, WE ACTUALLY HAVE SOMEBODY ASSIGNED
5 TO THAT TODAY, JUST LIKE SAN DIEGO. OKAY. WE DO HAVE AN
6 INSPECTOR THAT SITS ON THE NFPA 855 COMMITTEE AND THE UL 9540A
7 COMMITTEE AND HE ASSISTS WITH THAT DEVELOPING THOSE STANDARDS
8 NATIONALLY.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ALRIGHT, THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM
11 THE PUBLIC AND MY COLLEAGUES DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. THANK
12 YOU.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU ALL. I DON'T SEE ANY
15 OTHER SUPERVISORS IN QUEUE. SO EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL
16 THE NUMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS
17 ITEM.

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
20 FORWARD? ADAM JAKUBOWSKI, ALBERTO MARTEL, AMANDA BENATAR,
21 AMANDA BROWN, ANNE MUDGE, BOBBY HOWARD, CHRISTINE AUSTRIA,
22 CRAIG LEWIS, CINDY DODGE, DANIEL COTTON, ELIZABETH HERCULES-
23 PAYEZ, GORDON BUCHAN, JACQUELINE AYER, JOHN VIDIC, JUNE
24 PERKINS, KATHERINE TUCKER, KATHY COUGHLIN, LAINEY CLEVINGER,
25 LAURA WILSON, LINDA HITZMAN, LINDSEY ASHEEN, MAUREEN KATZ,



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1 MARIO BARRAGAN, MELISSA DESANTIS, MELISSA NICHOLSON, RUSS FOX,
2 RUTH BROCK, TAMMY NECESSARY, AND WAYNE WILSON. PLEASE COME
3 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR
4 PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS
5 ITEM 65, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0
6 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE
7 THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR. NO REMOTE SPEAKERS IN QUEUE AT THIS
10 TIME TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. THEN WE WILL CLOSE VIRTUAL
13 PUBLIC COMMENT AND FOCUS ON OUR SPEAKERS IN PERSON WHO I KNOW
14 HAVE BEEN WAITING. PLEASE GO RIGHT AHEAD.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS ADAM
17 JAKUBOWSKI, I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF ITEM 65. I WORK FOR
18 ENERGY SAFETY RESPONSE GROUP. WE'RE A GROUP OF FIREFIGHTERS
19 AND ENGINEERS WHO ARE EXPERTS IN ENERGY STORAGE AND ARE
20 PASSIONATE ABOUT THE SAFE IMPLEMENTATION OF BEST PROJECTS. WE
21 ARE CONSULTANTS FOR HECATE ON THE HUMIDOR PROJECT. THE HUMIDOR
22 BEST PROJECT WILL EMPLOY EVERY SAFETY MEASURE TO MEET INDUSTRY
23 BEST PRACTICES, CODES AND STANDARDS. TO ENSURE FIRST RESPONDER
24 PREPAREDNESS, THE HUMIDOR PROJECT WILL HAVE AN EMERGENCY
25 RESPONSE PLAN DEVELOPED IN COLLABORATION WITH LOCAL



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1 RESPONDERS. OF THE FIRE INCIDENTS THAT HAVE OCCURRED, ESRG IS
2 NOT AWARE OF ANY THAT HAVE SPREAD BEYOND THE FACILITY OR POSED
3 ANY LASTING ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT BEYOND THE PROPERTY.

4 BATTERIES ARE COMPOSED OF SIMILAR MATERIALS TO MATERIALS IN A
5 MODERN BUILDING, AND EMISSIONS FROM THEM IN A FIRE ARE
6 SIMILAR. ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING DURING INCIDENTS IN NEW YORK
7 AND CALIFORNIA DID NOT DETECT ELEVATED LEVELS OF EMISSIONS
8 OFF-SITE. ON THE MOST CRITICAL ISSUE, HUMAN HEALTH, ESRG IS
9 NOT AWARE OF ANY INSTANCES DURING A BATTERY FIRE OF SOMEBODY
10 OFF-SITE EXPERIENCE --

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, YOUR TIME
13 HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER.

14
15 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ALBERTO MARTEL. OUR COMMUNITY FEELS
16 BLINDSIDED BY THE APPROVAL OF THIS HUGE INDUSTRIAL PROJECT. TO
17 KNOW THAT IT UTILIZES THOUSANDS OF LITHIUM, LITHIUM IRON
18 PHOSPHATE BATTERIES IS TERRIFYING. THESE BATTERIES ARE CAPABLE
19 OF REACTING AND BURNING DUE TO OVERHEATING. OVERHEATING AND
20 BATTERY FAILURE CAN OCCUR FROM OVERCHARGING OR THE FAILURE OF
21 A BATTERY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM OR EVEN A MANUFACTURING DEFECT.
22 THESE BATTERIES THEN GO INTO THERMAL RUNAWAY WHICH IS
23 IMPOSSIBLE TO PREVENT OR TO SUPPRESS AND WHILE THESE BATTERIES
24 ARE ALLOWED TO BURN THEMSELVES OUT THEY ARE PRODUCING HIGHLY
25 TOXIC HYDROGEN GASES THAT WILL ENDANGER OUR COMMUNITY. THANK



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SUPERVISORS

1 YOU.

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

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5 **SPEAKER:** AMANDA BENATAR, CERTIFIED RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE
6 APPRAISER. EXTERNAL OBSOLESCENCE IS A TERM USED TO DESCRIBE
7 THE DIMINUTION IN VALUE CAUSED BY NEGATIVE EXTERNAL INFLUENCES
8 THAT CANNOT BE CURED BY THE OWNER. BUSY ROADS, HIGH VOLTAGE
9 ELECTRICITY TOWERS, TRAINS, ET CETERA, ALL HAVE A PROVEN TRACK
10 RECORD OF NEGATIVELY IMPACTING HOME VALUES. FEWER PEOPLE ARE
11 WILLING TO LIVE NEAR A NEGATIVE INFLUENCE AND WILL EXPECT A
12 REDUCED PRICE TO DO SO. IF YOU PURCHASE THE HOME NEAR THAT
13 INFLUENCE, IT WAS ALREADY BAKED INTO THE PRICE YOU PAID. IT'S
14 A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT THING WHEN SOMETHING IS BROUGHT IN NEXT
15 DOOR TO YOU. NOW YOUR INVESTMENT HAS BEEN NEGATIVELY IMPACTED
16 THROUGH NO ACTION OF YOUR OWN. AND THERE WILL BE AN IMPACT,
17 EVEN IF NOTHING EVER BAD HAPPENS AT THE BEST FACILITY, AND
18 WHO'S GOING TO COMPENSATE THE HOMEOWNER. WE INVESTED IN ACTON
19 FOR ITS RURAL CHARACTER NOT TO BE EXPOSED TO MAJOR
20 MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL COMPLEXES WHICH OUR ZONING
21 PREVENTS. THE BOARD HAS HAD TO DEAL WITH THE ALISO CANYON GAS
22 LEAK, THE RESIDENTS 7 YEARS RAMIFICATIONS. WILL YOU WANT
23 SOMETHING LIKE THAT TO HAVE TO HAPPEN IN YOUR DISTRICT? DO YOU
24 WANT TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH THAT? WOULD YOU LIVE NEXT TO THAT?

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

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4 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS MELISSA DESANTIS. ACTON IS MY HOME, MY
5 SANCTUARY. I MOVED HERE 2 YEARS AGO SEEKING PEACE AND SAFETY
6 BUT NOW HUMIDOR THREATENS TO TAKE THAT AWAY. HIGH FIRE RISK
7 ALREADY EXISTS IN ACTON. I NOW PAY ALMOST \$800 A MONTH FOR
8 FIRE INSURANCE. IF THIS ORDINANCE IS APPROVED, RATES WILL GO
9 UP OR INSURANCE MAY BE DENIED. WITH THESE RATES, I CANNOT
10 AFFORD A RIG TO EVACUATE MY BELOVED HORSE IN CASE OF TOXIC
11 GASES, EXPLOSIONS, OR CHEMICAL FIRES. I DREAD THE THOUGHT OF
12 LEAVING HIM BEHIND WHILE TRYING TO SAVE MY FAMILY AND MYSELF.
13 I'M SO GRATEFUL TO LIVE IN THIS BEAUTIFUL HISTORIC SMALL TOWN.
14 OUR RANCH IS MY DREAM COME TRUE. BUT IF HUMIDOR ORDINANCE IS
15 APPROVED, I WILL BE IN FEAR FOR MY LIFE AND THE LIVES OF MY
16 LOVED ONES. THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE ACTON IN LA COUNTY. THIS
17 HIDDEN GEM OF COUNTRY LIVING MUST BE PROTECTED. PLEASE VOTE
18 NO. HUMIDOR DOES NOT BELONG IN ACTON.

19

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

21

22 **SPEAKER:** HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I'M SPEAKING IN
23 SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 65. MY NAME IS BOBBY HOWARD AND I'M THE
24 PROJECT MANAGER FOR THE HUMIDOR BATTERY STORAGE PROJECT.
25 FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND



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1 COUNTY STAFF FOR ITS THOROUGH PERMITTING AND APPROVALS
2 PROCESS. AS PART OF THIS PROCESS THE HUMIDOR TEAM ENGAGED
3 EXTENSIVELY WITH RESIDENTS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY PARTICULARLY
4 ACTON ENSURING INVOLVEMENT BY PROVIDING RESOURCES,
5 OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEEDBACK, AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS. IN
6 2023, BY APPROVING HUMIDOR, THIS BOARD HELPED DRIVE FORWARD A
7 CLEANER, MORE RESILIENT GRID, BRINGING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF
8 ECONOMIC INVESTMENT AND HUNDREDS OF GOOD-PAYING UNION
9 CONSTRUCTION JOBS. CRUCIALLY, THIS PROJECT IS SAFE. IT HAS
10 BEEN RESPONSIBLY CITED IN THE TECHNOLOGY WELL STUDIED. WHEN
11 INCIDENTS WITH THESE PROJECTS DO OCCUR, WHICH IS EXTREMELY
12 RARE, THE IMPACTS ARE CONTAINED. NO UTILITY-SCALE BATTERY
13 STORAGE FIRE HAS EVER LEFT THIS PROJECT AREA. FINALLY, HUMIDOR
14 WILL PRESERVE NATIVE VEGETATION. AT NO POINT IN ANY 12-MONTH
15 PERIOD WILL REMOVAL OF NATIVE VEGETATION EXCEED 10% OF THE
16 PROJECT AREA.

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

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20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MADAM CHAIR. MY
21 NAME IS ANNIE MUDGE, AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE PROJECT
22 APPLICANT. BATTERY STORAGE IS A KEY LINCHPIN OF OUR CLEAN
23 ENERGY FUTURE. IT HELPS INTEGRATE WIND AND SOLAR, WHICH
24 OTHERWISE MIGHT BE WASTED, INTO THE ELECTRICAL GRID. THIS
25 PROJECT WILL BE SAFELY INSTALLED AND OPERATED. THE APPLICANT



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1 HAS BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE LA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
2 AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO
3 ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE FACILITY. I SUPPORT THE STAFF'S
4 DETERMINATION THAT THE PROJECT QUALIFIES FOR SEVERAL
5 EXEMPTIONS FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, BOTH
6 CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS AND STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS. WE SUPPORT
7 STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL AND I URGE A YES VOTE ON
8 ITEM 65.

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

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12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LINDA HITZMAN. I'M A 25-
13 YEAR RESIDENT OF ACTON. I'M GOING TO TELL YOU HOW A RUNAWAY
14 SITUATION WOULD AFFECT ME. I'M ABOUT 2 MILES AWAY. FIRST OF
15 ALL, MY FIRST CONCERN WOULD BE FIRE. WE'RE AT A TERRIBLY HIGH
16 DANGER FIRE LEVEL TO BEGIN WITH. THE FIRE CAN SET OFF THE
17 STORAGE FACILITY, SO I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE FIRE. AIR,
18 WE ALL NEED AIR. WE LIVE IN A PLACE THAT IS BUILT LIKE A BOWL.
19 IT'S A PERFECT CIRCLE. IF IT SHOULD HAPPEN, IF WE SHOULD HAVE
20 A THERMAL RUNAWAY, THE TOXINS FROM THE GASES ARE GOING TO STAY
21 IN THAT BOWL. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE. THAT'S A
22 CONCERN. WATER, HAVE A WELL. --

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS GORDON BUKAN. I LIVE IN THE ACTON-AGUA
3 DULCE AREA. THERE'S A LOT OF UNKNOWNNS IN THE INDUSTRY
4 CONCERNING THE END OF LIFE FOR THESE STORAGE SYSTEMS. THIS IS
5 IMPORTANT BECAUSE BEST FACILITIES DO NOT HAVE LONG LIFE
6 PROJECTIONS. 8.31 YEARS IS THE CURRENT PROJECTED AVERAGE FOR A
7 STUDY CONDUCTED BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND OREGON
8 NATIONAL LABORATORY. THERE ARE STILL QUITE A FEW KNOWLEDGE
9 GAPS AS TO WHAT HAPPENS UPON DECOMMISSIONING. ASIDE FROM THE
10 OBVIOUS, WHAT HAPPENS TO THE BATTERIES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT?
11 EVERY CONTRACT SHOULD HAVE VERY SPECIFIC DECOMMISSIONING PLANS
12 THAT INCLUDE WHO BEARS THE LEGAL AND FINANCIAL LIABILITY FOR
13 THE EQUIPMENT ONCE IT'S SHUT DOWN, WHO'S IN CHARGE OF
14 DECOMMISSIONING RESTORATION AT THE SITE, WHAT GUARANTEES DOES
15 A COMMUNITY HAVE THAT THE SITE WILL BE RESPONSIBLY
16 DISASSEMBLED AND RESTORED. IS THERE A BOND FOR CLEANUP AND
17 RESTORATION IF SO HIGH--

18

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

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22 **SPEAKER:** HI MY NAME IS DANIEL COTTON I'M AN ACTON RESIDENT. I
23 LIVE NEXT DOOR TO 33-440 ANGELES FOREST HIGHWAY. MY NEIGHBOR
24 SOLD THE PROPERTY 1 YEAR AGO IN OCTOBER TO THE HECK 8 BEST
25 COMPANY. EVERYBODY THAT LIVES HERE IS ON A WELL. MY NEIGHBOR'S



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1 WELL HAS BEEN DRY FOR OVER 10 YEARS. THEY PURCHASED TRUCK
2 WATER. IF THIS PROJECT IS APPROVED, THERE IS NO WATER
3 AVAILABLE THERE. THE CLOSEST FIRE HYDRANT IS 2 MILES AWAY AT
4 THE METROLINX STATION. THERE'S 10 TO 12 HOMES THAT ARE WITHIN
5 A HALF MILE OF THIS PROJECT. WE LIVE IN A HIGH FIRE AREA AND A
6 LOT OF THE HOMEOWNERS HAVE HAD THEIR INSURANCE CANCELED WE
7 READ THAT OUR PROPERTY VALUES WILL GO DOWN SOLEDAD PASS ROAD
8 IS THE ONLY ROAD BACK INTO THE CANYON AND IF THERE'S A FIRE
9 THAT STARTS THERE NOBODY WILL HAVE A WAY TO GET OUT.

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS LAINEY CLEVINGER I LIVE IN ACTON AND
14 I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A BEST PROJECT
15 BEING BUILT IN MY TOWN, A PLACE THAT I LOVE. A BEST FACILITY
16 IF BATTERY FIRE HAPPENS WOULD BE DEVASTATING TO OUR AREA. IT
17 WOULD POLLUTE THE AIR WE BREATHE WITH TOXIC FUMES AND WOULD
18 CONTAMINATE OUR WATER SYSTEM AND POSSIBLY BURN OUT OF CONTROL
19 WITH THERMAL RUNAWAY AND DESTROY OUR PROPERTIES AND OUR
20 COMMUNITY. IT HAS BEEN PROVEN OVER AND OVER AGAIN THROUGHOUT
21 THE WORLD THAT LITHIUM ION BATTERY FIRES ARE DIFFICULT AND
22 DANGEROUS TO EXTINGUISH. THIS TYPE OF PROJECT DOES NOT BELONG
23 IN OR NEAR OUR TOWN OF ACTON AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. IT
24 WILL BE ON YOUR CONSCIENCE IF THIS PROJECT IS VOTED THROUGH
25 AND THERE IS A TRAGIC INCIDENT WITH THESE BATTERIES. PLEASE



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1 CONSIDER THE DANGEROUS AND FAR-REACHING EFFECTS OF THE BEST
2 PROJECT IN ACT.

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

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6 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS CINDY DODGE, AND I'M A HOMEOWNER IN
7 ACT IN CALIFORNIA, A FEW MILES FROM WHERE THE FACILITY IS
8 GOING TO BE BUILT. I'M ALSO A TEACHER AND I WORK IN PALMDALE
9 ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE PROJECT. AND I HAVE TWO CONCERNS FOR
10 SURE. THE FIRST ONE IS, ARE THEY GOING TO BE INSURED? AND IF
11 THEY ARE, WHO'S GOING TO INSURE THEM? BECAUSE ME AND MY
12 NEIGHBORS ARE ALL CANCELED. WE HAD TO GO TO THE CALIFORNIA
13 FAIR PLAN, PLUS WE HAD TO GET EXTRA INSURANCE. SO, WHAT TYPE
14 OF INSURANCE IS THIS PROJECT GOING TO HAVE? ANOTHER CONCERN I
15 HAVE IS IF FOR SOME REASON WE ARE SHELTER-IN-PLACE, WHO'S
16 GONNA TEACH MY STUDENTS? I KNOW THERE'S SUBS BUT IT'S NOT THE
17 SAME. AND IF I'M AT SCHOOL AND IT GOES INTO SHELTER-IN-PLACE,
18 WHO'S GOING TO TAKE CARE OF MY ANIMALS BECAUSE IT'S ON THE
19 OTHER SIDE?

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

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23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, DISTINGUISHED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I
24 AM CHRISTINE AUSTRIA, 19-YEAR MEMBER OF IBEW LOCAL 11 LOS
25 ANGELES HERE ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS THAT RESIDE AND WORK IN



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1 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA.WE ARE IN FULL SUPPORT OF ITEM 65.
2 THERE ARE MANY REASONS WHY IBAW SUPPORTS THE HUMIDOR PROJECT.
3 INSTANCE, STATE OF THE ART OF TECHNOLOGY AND SAFETY, THE
4 PROJECT WOULD POSE NO GREATER RISK TO NEIGHBORS THAN A GAS
5 STATION WAREHOUSE OR ANOTHER OR OTHER INDUSTRIAL USE OF LAND.
6 COMMUNITY BENEFITS. 100 UNION CONSTRUCTION CAREERS WILL BE
7 CREATED AS WELL AS 2 THROUGH 4 IN MAINTENANCE STAFF DURING
8 OPERATING LIFE. THIS WILL ALSO INCLUDE \$100,000 PER YEAR TO
9 COMMUNITY INITIATIVES. THE PROJECT WOULD BE LOCATED AWAY FROM
10 NEIGHBORHOODS AND IN ON LAND THAT IS CURRENTLY ZONED FOR
11 INDUSTRIAL USE. IN CONCLUSION, WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THANK
12 YOU.

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

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16 **SPEAKER:** CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS CRAIG LEWIS. I AM THE
17 FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CLEAN COALITION. WE'RE A
18 VERY TECHNICAL NONPROFIT. WE SPECIALIZE IN ACCELERATING THE
19 TRANSITION TO RENEWABLE ENERGY AND A MODERN GRID. WE ARE VERY
20 MUCH IN SUPPORT OF THE HUMIDOR PROJECT AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO
21 VOTE YES ON ITEM 65. WE ARE ALSO A CONSULTANT TO MANY
22 COUNTIES, CITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, OTHER MUNICIPALITIES,
23 INCLUDING LOS ANGELES COUNTY, FOR ALL OF THEIR SOLAR-DRIVEN
24 MICROGRID ACTIVITIES. I WANT TO MAKE ONE KEY POINT ON THE
25 HUMIDOR PROJECT, AND THAT IT IS SITED AT AN IDEAL LOCATION.



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1 IT'S RIGHT NEXT TO A MAJOR SUBSTATION, IT, WHICH IS A MAJOR
2 ENERGY THOROUGHFARE FOR ALL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. IT'S AN
3 INDUSTRIAL ZONE, AND SO IT'S THE PERFECT LOCATION. IF YOU
4 DON'T PUT IT THERE, IT'S GOING TO BE SOMEWHERE ELSE, IN ACTON,
5 LESS FAVORABLE. SO I ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT IT. IT'S ABOUT
6 AS GOOD AS IT'S GOING TO GET.

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

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10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YES, MY NAME IS JACQUELINE AARON. I AM
11 HERE REPRESENTING SAVAR RURAL TOWN. IF YOU'RE GOING TO CLAIM A
12 STATUTORY CEQA EXEMPTION, WHICH WE JUST HEARD ABOUT, YOU NEED
13 TO MAKE A FINDING REGARDING EACH FEASIBLE MITIGATION MEASURE
14 FROM THE GENERAL PLAN AND THE AV AREA PLAN, EIRS, THAT APPLIES
15 TO THE HUMIDOR PROJECT, WHICH WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO
16 INVESTIGATE ITS SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS. I AM FOCUSING ON THE
17 MISINFORMATION THAT YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN ABOUT HUMIDOR. I'VE
18 BEEN AN ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER PRACTICING FOR ALMOST 40 YEARS,
19 AND I HAVE READ AND WRITTEN MANY CONSULTANT REPORTS, BUT I
20 HAVE NEVER SEEN SO MUCH INFORMATION AS COX CASTLE AND STANTEC
21 HAVE PERPETUATED HERE. FOR EXAMPLE, YOU WERE TOLD THAT HUMIDOR
22 IS U.L. CERTIFIED, WHICH, QUOTE, PREVENTS ANY FIRE RISK. THAT
23 IS WHAT THEY SAID. THIS IS FALSE. U.L. CERTIFICATION ONLY
24 GUARANTEE, THE ONLY GUARANTEE IS THAT IF THE WINDS ARE LESS
25 THAN 12 MILES AN HOUR THEN THE BEST FIRE WON'T SPREAD. BUT



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1 THAT'S NEVER THE CASE AND BEST FIRES WILL SPREAD IN ACTON.

2 THERE'S MUCH MORE BUT I GUESS --

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4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, IF YOU HAVE MORE COMMENT
5 THAT YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE, OUR STAFF PERSON WILL MAKE SURE IT'S
6 CIRCULATED. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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8 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME'S JOHN VIDIC. I'M AN ACTON RESIDENT.
9 IF THE HUMIDOR BEST RECEIVES ITS POWER FROM THE VINCENT
10 SUBSTATION OVER A TRANSMISSION LINE TO STORE, AND THEN SEND IT
11 BACK TO VINCENT OVER THE TRANSMISSION LINE AND ALSO HAS
12 ABSOLUTELY NO ROLE IN DISTRIBUTING POWER TO HOUSEHOLDS, HOW
13 CAN THE COUNTY MAKE THE DETERMINATION THAT HUMIDOR IS SIMILAR
14 TO ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND BASE THE HUMIDOR PROJECT
15 APPROVAL ON THIS? THE HUMIDOR BEST IS A TRANSMISSION BEST
16 BASED ON ITS LOCATION ON THE GRID AND THE VOLTAGE AT WHICH IT
17 OPERATES. IN ADDITION, I WANT TO CALL THE BOARD'S ATTENTION TO
18 A LETTER FROM THE LAW FIRM COX CASTLE SUPPORTING THE PROJECT.
19 AT BESS, MUCH OF THE INFORMATION PRESENTED IS INCOMPETENT, IF
20 NOT OUTRIGHT LIES. FOR EXAMPLE, ON PAGE 14 OF THE 21 NOVEMBER
21 LETTER, THEY PRESENT A PHOTO CAPTIONED AS THE SEPULVEDA
22 DISTRIBUTION SUBSTATION CLAIMING THE BEST IS EQUIVALENT AND
23 THUS DOES NOT REQUIRE CEQA REVIEW. HOWEVER, THE PHOTO IS IN
24 FACT OF THE VECTOR TRANSMISSION SUBSTATION THAT REQUIRES CEQA
25 REVIEW. PLEASE FOLLOW THE LAW AND COMPLETE A CEQA REVIEW OF



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1 THIS PROJECT BEFORE CONSIDERING APPROVAL. THANK YOU.

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

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5 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. I'M KATHERINE TUCKER. I'M A 22 RESIDENT OF
6 ACTON, CALIFORNIA. I SERVED ON THE ACTON TOWN COUNCIL FOR 8
7 YEARS. THERMAL RUNAWAY CONDITIONS OF OVERHEATED BATTERIES WILL
8 LEAD TO INEXTINGUISHABLE LITHIUM FIRES AND THE EMISSION OF
9 DEADLY TOXIC GASES IN OUR COMMUNITY SUCH AS HYDROFLUORIC,
10 HYDROGEN CYANIDE, HYDROGEN CHLORIDE GASES. THIS BATTERY
11 STORAGE FACILITY IS THE FIRST OF SEVERAL PLANNED TO BE
12 INSTALLED IN OUR COMMUNITY. THE RISK INCREASED WITH EACH
13 BATTERY STORAGE FACILITY. REPRESENTATIVES OF ENERGY COMPANIES
14 ARE QUIETLY SOLICITING PURCHASES OF REAL ESTATE IN ACTON IN
15 THE AREA AND ARE NOT BEING TRANSPARENT ABOUT THE INTENDED USE
16 OF THE LAND PURCHASES. I AM REMINDED OF THE UNDERHANDED
17 ACTIONS OF THE LADWP SECRETLY BUYING UP LAND IN THE OWENS
18 VALLEY TO STEAL WATER RIGHTS FROM OWENS VALLEY RESIDENTS.
19 WILLIAM MULHOLLAND, LADWP CHIEF ENGINEER, ASSURED RESIDENTS
20 LIVING BELOW THE ST. FRANCIS DAM THAT THE DAM WAS SAFE. THAT
21 WAS WRONG. 500 PEOPLE DIED. THANK YOU.

22

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

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS KATHY COUGHLIN. I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK



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SUPERVISORS

1 ALL OF YOU WHY WOULD YOU EVEN CONSIDER PUTTING A BEST IN
2 ACTON, KNOWING ALL OF THE SAFETY RISKS TO OUR COMMUNITY? OUR
3 COMMUNITY IS HERE EXPRESSING THEIR CONCERNS TO ALL OF YOU, BUT
4 IS IT ON DEAF EARS? IT MAY BRING REVENUE TO LA COUNTY, BUT AT
5 WHAT COST? DO YOU LOOK AT OUR TOWN OF ACTON AS DISPOSABLE? IF
6 YOUR ELDERLY PARENTS LIVED IN ACTON, WOULD YOU THINK
7 DIFFERENTLY? HOW ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN? WOULD
8 YOU BE WILLING TO PUT THEIR SAFETY AT RISK? AGAIN, I ASK ALL
9 OF YOU, WHY? WHY WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO RISK OUR COMMUNITY
10 SAFETY? ISN'T IT YOUR JOB TO PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY'S
11 RESIDENTS BY WATCHING OUT FOR OUR SAFETY? THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS MARION KATZ. I LIVE IN AGUA DULCE,
16 A MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ADJACENT TO ACTON IN LA COUNTY. THE
17 LITHIUM ION PHOSPHATE BATTERIES AS THE ONES THAT WILL BE USED
18 AT HECADY'S OPERATION ARE NOT SAFE. THEY REACT AT A SLIGHTLY
19 HIGHER TEMPERATURE THAN LITHIUM ION BATTERIES, BUT THEY BURN
20 120% FASTER WITH MORE VOLATILITY AND PRODUCE MORE HIGHLY TOXIC
21 AND FLAMMABLE HYDROGEN GASES. SO, WHILE THEY ARE SAID TO BE
22 MORE STABLE THAN LITHIUM-ION, THEY ARE BY NO MEANS SAFE. THERE
23 ARE BATTERY ALTERNATIVES THAT ARE ACTUALLY VERY SAFE, SUCH AS
24 IRON FLOW AND IRON AIR BATTERIES. BOTH SACRAMENTO AND THE CITY
25 OF BURBANK HAVE CHOSEN TO DEVELOP PROJECTS WITH THESE SAFE



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SUPERVISORS

1 BATTERY ALTERNATIVES. SO, THERE'S REALLY NO REASON FOR LA
2 COUNTY TO DEVELOP PROJECTS THAT ARE HIGHLY DANGEROUS TO THE
3 RESIDENTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT WHEN THERE ARE TRULY SAFE
4 ALTERNATIVES. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONOURABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I AM
9 SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 65. MY NAME IS LINDSAY
10 ANCHIN AND I'M THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT FOR THE HUMIDOR
11 BEST PROJECT. I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL
12 SETTING AND STUDIES UNDERTAKEN FOR THE PROJECT. TO REITERATE,
13 THE PROJECT IS ZONED M1 LIGHT MANUFACTURING. MOST OF THE
14 PROJECT SITE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY DEVELOPED AND IS PRESENTLY
15 OCCUPIED BY COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS INCLUDING A PAINTBALL
16 FACILITY, A UTILITY LAY-DOWN YARD, AND COMMERCIAL TRUCKING
17 AREA. THE PROJECT AS PREVIOUSLY KNOWN IS ALSO LOCATED NEAR THE
18 ANTELOPE VALLEY FREEWAY AND THE SITE BOUNDARY RUNS ALONG THE
19 EXISTING CARSON MESA ROAD AND ANGELES FOREST HIGHWAY. THE
20 SURROUNDING PROJECT AREA ALSO INCLUDES ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT
21 INCLUDING A METROLINK STATION AND PARKING LOT. AND AS IS
22 ALREADY ON THE RECORD, THE PROJECT QUALIFIES FOR AN EXEMPTION
23 FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO
24 SECTION 15183 OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES. THANK YOU.



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS RUTHIE BROCK, 32-YEAR RESIDENT OF
4 ACTON. THERE'S SO MUCH I COULD SAY RIGHT NOW BUT MY ACTON
5 RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN SAYING IT VERY WELL FOR ME SO INSTEAD I'M
6 GOING TO TELL YOU ABOUT ACTON. DID YOU KNOW ACTON WAS FOUNDED
7 IN 1887 BY GOLD MINERS AND HAD THE HIGHEST PRODUCING GOLD MINE
8 IN LA COUNTY BETWEEN 1880 AND 1942? DOWNTOWN ACTON LOOKS LIKE
9 A NOD TO THE 1800S. NEARLY HALF OF OUR ACTON RESIDENTS LIVE ON
10 DIRT ROADS. ACTON HAS NO STOPLIGHTS. NO STOPLIGHTS. OUR LOCAL
11 KIDS PLAY TRADITIONAL SPORTS BUT ALSO PARTICIPATE IN GYMKHANA,
12 RODEO, AND 4-H. ACTON IS HOME TO MANY ANIMAL RESCUES AND
13 SANCTUARIES. OUR SLOPES BLOOM WITH SPRINGTIME POPPIES AND OUR
14 NIGHT SKIES ARE FILLED WITH STARS. WE ARE A BEAUTIFUL, UNIQUE,
15 RURAL, HIGH DESERT COMMUNITY. WITH THIS ONE MINUTE GLIMPSE OF
16 ACT, AND YOU HOPEFULLY UNDERSTAND WHY OUR RESIDENTS OPPOSE
17 THIS 400,000,000 WATT HUMIDOR VEST.

18

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

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21 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS JUNE PERKINS. I'M A RETIRED HEALTHCARE
22 WORKER OF 47 YEARS. CURRENTLY, I'M IN TRAINING FOR THE
23 COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM. I'M ALSO ON THE ACTON TOWN
24 COUNCIL MEMBER. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE ACQUA DULCE ACTON
25 SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THANK YOU FOR THIS



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SUPERVISORS

1 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. MY CONCERN IS FOR THE
2 UNINCORPORATED ACTON AREA THAT I RESIDE IN, FOR THE COMMUNITY
3 MEMBERS, THEIR AGRICULTURE, ANIMALS, VEGETATION, GROUND
4 TERRAIN, AND THE CURRENT BUSINESS PLACES. AS YOU KNOW, WE LIVE
5 IN A VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD AREA TO HAVE A VERY LARGE, BESS
6 BATTERY STORAGE AREA. HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING AND
7 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.
10 MY NAME IS AMANDA BROWN AND I'M A RESIDENT OF ACTON. I HAVE
11 THREE POINTS ABOUT THE HUMIDOR COMPANY AND THE BATTERY ENERGY
12 STORAGE SYSTEM PROJECT, KNOWN AS BESS, THAT ARE CREATING
13 PROBLEMS FOR OUR TOWN. IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION
14 THAT HUMIDOR, THE BESS PROJECT, WAS APPROVED BEFORE OUR
15 COMMUNITY COULD EVEN GET THEIR INPUT PRIOR TO AUGUST 2023.
16 ALSO, THE BEST PROJECT IS A TRANSMISSION PROJECT, WHICH IS A
17 HEAVY INDUSTRIAL USE PROJECT THAT SHOULD ONLY BE ALLOWED ON M2
18 ZONING, OF WHICH THERE IS NONE IN ACTON. AND THE BEST PROJECT
19 CAN CREATE A FIRE DANGER THAT IS A RISK FOR OUR POPULATED TOWN
20 THAT SHOULD BE PLACED IN A SPARSELY POPULATED AREA. TO
21 SUMMARIZE MY THREE POINTS REGARDING THE HUMIDOR AND THE
22 BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM ARE ONE BESS WAS APPROVED AUGUST
23 2023 BEFORE THE TOWN EVEN KNEW WHAT WAS GOING ON. BESS IS A
24 HEAVY INDUSTRIAL PROJECT THAT REQUIRES A SPECIAL TYPE OF
25 ZONING, M2, OF WHICH WE DO NOT HAVE HERE IN ACTON. THREE, BEST



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SUPERVISORS

1 IS A FIRE DANGER FOR ACTON THAT SHOULD BE PLACED IN A MORE
2 SPARSELY.

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

6
7 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS WAYNE WILSON. I LIVE IN ACTON, JUST OVER A
8 MILE FROM THE SITE OF THIS POTENTIALLY DISASTROUS BESS
9 FACILITY THAT'S REALLY BEEN IMPOSED ON OUR COMMUNITY. I JUST
10 WANT TO POINT OUT THAT LITHIUM ION BATTERY, IT'S ALREADY OLD
11 TECHNOLOGY, UNSAFE OLD TECHNOLOGY. BECAUSE IT'S SO HAZARDOUS,
12 THERE ARE A LOT OF NEW ALTERNATIVES IN DEVELOPMENT NOW THAT
13 ARE MUCH SAFER. SODIUM ION IS ONE, LITHIUM SULFUR IS ANOTHER
14 ONE. THOSE ARE SOME OF THE MOST PROMISING ONES. YOU MAY HAVE
15 READ RECENTLY THAT MICROSOFT, AMAZON, AND GOOGLE ARE INVESTING
16 HEAVILY IN MODERN SAFE NUCLEAR POWER. WHY? NOT FOR US. IT'S
17 BECAUSE THEY NEED A LOT OF POWER FOR THEIR FUTURE AI NEEDS. AS
18 THEY SAY, QUOTE, WE NEED RELIABLE 24-HOUR ELECTRICITY. WE
19 CAN'T GET IT FROM WIND AND SOLAR. BILL GATES IS RESTARTING 3
20 MILE ISLAND, AND IN CALIFORNIA, NVIDIA IS TAKING OVER DIABLO
21 CANYON NUCLEAR POWER FACILITY. \$7,000,000,000 IN VENTURE
22 CAPITAL IS GOING INTO NUCLEAR FUSION ALONE. THAT'S THE FUTURE
23 OF CLEAN ENERGY. PLEASE DO NOT LOCK US INTO DECADES OF
24 OUTDATED - -



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SUPERVISORS

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

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4 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS MELISSA NICHOLSON AND I VOTED FOR YOU, MS.
5 BARGER, AS DID, MY HUSBAND. WE LIVE IN ACTON. AND I HAVE THIS
6 WHOLE PREPARED STATEMENT, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE IT BECAUSE
7 APPARENTLY YOU ALREADY KNOW ABOUT THE HARD CLOSURE OF
8 INTERSTATE 15 BETWEEN BARSTOW AND BAKER BECAUSE OF THE ENERGY
9 STORAGE, THE BATTERY OVERTURN THERE, AND THE THOMAS-VINCENT
10 THOMAS BRIDGE. I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT I HAVE EVACUATED HORSES
11 IN FIRES. I HAVE EVACUATED PEOPLE IN FIRES. ACTON IS A FIRE
12 AREA AND THE TINIEST LITTLE FLAME WILL BE LIFTED BY WINDS THAT
13 YOU CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE. WE HAVE 65 MILE PER HOUR GUSTS WHEN WE
14 HAVE OUR SANTA ANA WINDS AND WE HAVE DRYNESS THAT YOU DO NOT
15 UNDERSTAND BECAUSE YOU DON'T LIVE THERE. YOU'RE STICKING THIS
16 THING OUT WHERE WE ARE AND YOU DON'T CARE AND IT'S JUST
17 AMAZING BECAUSE I AM SURE THAT IF THIS THING WERE BEING BUILT
18 IN YOUR BACKYARD YOU WOULD WANT EVERY SINGLE ENVIRONMENTAL
19 PROCESS THAT YOU COULD POSSIBLY HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S
20 SAFE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

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

23
24 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LAURA WILSON I LIVE IN ACTON. I DO
25 NOT SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. IF THERE WAS TO BE A FIRE THERE, THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 CLOSEST LA COUNTY HAZMAT SQUAD IS A MINIMUM OF 20 MINUTES AWAY
2 IN SANTA CLARITA. WE HAVE TO EVACUATE HORSES, ANIMALS, THERE
3 ARE PEOPLE WITH KENNELS, THERE ARE PEOPLE WITH RESCUE UNITS,
4 AND THEY WOULD HAVE TO EVACUATE ALL OF THAT. WE LIVE ON DIRT
5 ROADS. WE WOULD BE, IT WOULD TAKE US FOREVER TO GET OUT OF
6 THERE. WE DO NOT SUPPORT THIS MEASURE.

7

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

9

10 **SPEAKER:** I'M RUSS FOX, AN ACTON RESIDENT. THERMAL RUNAWAY IS
11 MENTIONED 12 TIMES IN THE EXHIBITS ATTACHED TO MARK
12 PESTRELLA'S BOARD LETTER TO THE SUPERVISORS. CONTROL OF
13 THERMAL RUNAWAY IS REPEATEDLY MENTIONED, AND I QUOTE, IN A
14 REAL-WORLD SITUATION, SENSORS WOULD INSTANTLY ALERT OF SMOKE
15 OR HEAT DETECTION, AND PROPER PARTIES WOULD BE INSTANTLY
16 NOTIFIED. MY QUESTION IS WHAT GOOD WOULD IT DO NOTIFYING STAFF
17 OR THE LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT? IN THE REAL WORLD MOST THERMAL
18 RUNAWAY FIRES CANNOT BE SUPPRESSED. THEIR SELF-SUSTAINING AND
19 EFFORTS TO DIRECTLY EXTINGUISH THE FLAMES ARE FUTILE.
20 TRADITIONAL FIRE SUPPRESSION AGENTS ARE ILL-SUITED FOR LITHIUM
21 BATTERY FIRES AND EVEN WORSEN THE SITUATION BY SPREADING THE
22 FIRE, ALONG WITH TOXIC GASES AND SUPERHEATED SHRAPNEL INTO THE
23 COMMUNITY. FAIL-SAFE METHODS TO CONTROL THIS DISASTROUS
24 EXPOSURE DO NOT EXIST.

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, KATHRYN BARGER AND THE REST OF THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TAMMY NECESSARY. I'M A 47-YEAR
5 RESIDENT OF ACTON. ACTON HAS APPROXIMATELY 7,500 RESIDENTS.
6 OUR RESIDENTS ARE PRIMARILY THOSE WHO ARE SEEKING A RURAL
7 LIFESTYLE IN A SMALL TOWN. MANY OF US GLADLY TRADE THE
8 CONVENIENCES OF CITY LIVING FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF LIVING ON
9 ACREAGE, DRIVING HOME ON A DIRT ROAD, AND HAVING A FRONT ROW
10 SEAT TO SOME OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SUNSETS AND HIGH DESERT HAS
11 TO OFFER. WE HAVE HITCHING POSTS AT MANY OF OUR LOCAL
12 BUSINESSES, AND IT'S NOT UNCOMMON TO HAVE HORSES GO THROUGH
13 OUR DRIVE-THRUS. ACTON DOESN'T EVEN HAVE ANY STOPLIGHTS, ONLY
14 STOP SIGNS. SO WHY WOULD THE COUNTY EXPECT US TO WELCOME THE
15 HUGE HEAVY INDUSTRIAL TRANSMISSION HUMIDOR BEST INTO OUR
16 COMMUNITY? IT'S A FIRE HAZARD. IT'S NOT WHAT WE WANT. IF YOU
17 TALK TO ANYBODY WHO LIVES IN ACTON, THEY DON'T WANT IT THERE.
18 IT'S OUR INSURANCE IS ALREADY THROUGH THE ROOF. WE NEED YOU
19 GUYS TO VOTE NO ON THIS. WE DO NOT WANT THIS IN OUR TOWN.

20

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

22

23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD EVENING, SUPERVISORS, MADAM CHAIR. MY NAME IS
24 MARIO BERRIGAN. I'M A 29-YEAR MEMBER OF IBEW LOCAL 11 WHO
25 PROUDLY REPRESENTS OVER 11,000 MEMBERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.



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SUPERVISORS

1 ON BEHALF OF THOSE 11,000 MEMBERS, WE STAND STRONG IN SUPPORT
2 OF THIS PROJECT BEFORE YOU TODAY. THE DEVELOPERS' VALUES OF
3 RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT WITH ELECTRICAL SAFETY AS ONE OF THE
4 MOST TOP PRIORITIES ALIGNS WITH THE VALUES OF IBEW LOCAL 11,
5 WHO ARE THE BEST TRAINED AND SKILLED WORKFORCE IN THE COUNTRY.
6 THIS PARTNERSHIP WITH DESIGN OF CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE
7 WILL ASSURE THE COMMUNITY THAT THE NATIONAL STATE AND LOCAL
8 STANDARDS AND CODES WILL BE MET OR EXCEEDED AS MANY OF OUR OWN
9 MEMBERS RESIDE WITHIN AND AROUND THE PROJECT LOCATION WITH
10 OVER A THOUSAND WORKERS ON OUR OUT-OF-WORK BOOK WE ASK FOR
11 YOUR SUPPORT IN MOVING THIS PROJECT.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
14 SPEAKERS? ARE THERE NO OTHER SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM? OKAY WITH
15 I SEE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK.

16
17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO GET YOUR
18 ATTENTION FIRST. THANK YOU. IT JUST CAME UP AS I WAS LISTENING
19 TO PUBLIC COMMENT. IF OUR PANEL CAN TELL ME, I HEARD THAT THIS
20 IS A COUNTY-WIDE MEASURE, IF YOU WILL. SO, CAN YOU TELL US HOW
21 MANY AND WHERE THE OTHER BESS SITES THAT ARE UP AND RUNNING
22 AND THOSE THAT ARE ON THE PLANNING DOCKET?

23
24 **AMY BODEK:** CERTAINLY. I AM AWARE OF FOUR PROJECTS THAT HAVE
25 BEEN ENTITLED IN THE COUNTY. SOME OF THEM ARE IN CITIES AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 ONE OF THEM IS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF FLORENCE
2 FIRESTONE IN YOUR DISTRICT. I'M AWARE OF THAT ONE AND THE
3 OTHER CITIES, WHERE ARE THE OTHERS? THE OTHER ONE, THERE'S A
4 LARGE ONE IN, FAIRLY LARGE ONE IN LANCASTER. THERE'S ONE IN
5 COMPTON THAT HAS HAD PERMITS ISSUED. THERE IS ONE IN LA PUENTE
6 THAT HAS HAD PERMITS ISSUED AS WELL. AND THEN THE ONE THAT IS
7 IN FLORENCE FIRESTONE, WHICH IS OPERATING.

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9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, NOTHING IN THE CITY OF CARSON? I
10 THOUGHT CARSON WAS.

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12 **AMY BODEK:** CARSON WOULD NOT BE INVOLVED IN GETTING PERMITS
13 FROM LA COUNTY PLANNING OR LA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS BUT THEY MAY
14 HAVE TO GET PERMITS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE DID KNOW THAT
15 THERE WAS A FACILITY IN CARSON. THERE'S ALSO A COUPLE OF OTHER
16 SMALLER FACILITIES. THERE'S ACTUALLY A LARGE FACILITY IN THE
17 CITY OF LONG BEACH THAT'S IN AN ENCLOSED WAREHOUSE FACILITY
18 AND THAT WAS DEVELOPED OVER 8 YEARS AGO. SO THAT ONE IS THERE
19 AS WELL.

20

21 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO AS THE FIRE CHIEF IS LOOKING I
22 THINK. YOU READY? OKAY I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION.

23

24 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** YES MA'AM.

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

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3 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** AVOCET BESS IS THE CARSON BUT WE HAVE NOT
4 RECEIVED THE PLANS FOR IT AT THIS TIME IT'S JUST ON THE DOCKET

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6 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOT IT SO WHAT'S THE PUBLIC
7 NOTIFICATION PROCESS OR WHAT'S THE REQUIREMENT FOR PLANNED
8 PROJECTS RIGHT NOW PARDON ME

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10 **AMY BODEK:** RIGHT NOW, THIS BECAUSE OUR CODE DOES NOT HAVE A
11 SPECIFIC DEFINITION FOR BATTERY ELECTRIC STORAGE PROJECTS,
12 THERE WAS AN INTERPRETATION OF OUR CODE THAT WAS MADE THAT
13 SAID IT WAS MOST SIMILAR TO A DIFFERENT USE. AND THAT USE IS
14 ALLOWED IN THE ZONE THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IN ACTON. SO, IT
15 MUST BE AN INDUSTRIAL PARCEL. IT WOULD BE AN ADMINISTRATIVE
16 PERMIT.

17

18 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOT IT. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. OKAY. SO
19 IT'S AN ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT AND WHAT PUBLIC NOTICE IS
20 REQUIRED GIVEN THAT--

21

22 **AMY BODEK:** THERE IS NONE.

23

24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THERE IS NONE. THANK YOU.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND, YOU KNOW, I JUST WANT TO
2 SAY WE PREVIOUSLY HEARD, AND I CONTINUE TO HEAR CONCERNS FROM
3 THE COMMUNITY WITH THE PROPOSED PROJECT. WHILE I'M COGNIZANT
4 OF THE CONCERNS, WHICH IS WHY I REALLY WANT TO GET THE
5 ORDINANCE AND THE OUTREACH DONE, ESPECIALLY THE SITING,
6 BECAUSE WHILE IT'S HAPPENING IN THE CITIES IN THAT RURAL AREA,
7 THERE'S A REAL CONCERN ABOUT CONCENTRATION OF THESE STORAGE
8 FACILITIES. WE AS A BOARD CAN TAKE ACTION, BUT WE ARE DICTATED
9 BY THE PROJECT CONFORMING TO AND MEETING ALL COUNTY AND STATE
10 REQUIREMENTS. SERIOUS CONCERN EXPRESSED BY MY OFFICE AND THE
11 COMMUNITY WILL BE THOROUGHLY VETTED AS PART OF REMAINING
12 PERMITTING REVIEWS FOR THIS PROJECT TO RECEIVE FINAL APPROVAL.
13 I FULLY EXPECT LA COUNTY FIRE WILL CONTINUE TO REVIEW THESE
14 PROJECTS AND ENSURE THEY COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS NEEDED TO
15 PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THERE
16 IS A TOUGH BALANCE TO THE COUNTY'S GOAL OF SUPPORTING CLEAN
17 ENERGY PROJECTS AND SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES THAT HELP US
18 ADDRESS THE STABILITY OF THE ENERGY SOURCES AND ELECTRICAL
19 GRID. AS WE HEARD TODAY, PROJECTS LIKE HECATE BESS DO NOT
20 ALWAYS PROVIDE BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH THEY ARE
21 SITED. THIS IS A REAL CONCERN FOR THIS BOARD WHO HAS
22 CHAMPIONED EQUITY AS A CORE VALUE. THAT IS WHY WE HAVE CREATED
23 A BEST OR THE REQUEST FOR BEST ORDINANCE TO ADDRESS CONCERNS
24 OF OVER CONCENTRATION AND TO ENSURE THAT PROJECTS CREATE
25 BENEFITS FOR THE COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY ARE LOCATED AND WHERE



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SUPERVISORS

1 THEY MAY CREATE LOCAL IMPACT. AND I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S BEING
2 APPLIED TO THE PROJECTS THAT ARE ONLINE NOW, BUT THAT'S
3 SOMETHING THAT I DEFINITELY BELIEVE NEEDS TO BE INCORPORATED.
4 WE KNOW THAT THE STATE CONTINUES TO PUSH AND SUPPORT THE
5 DEVELOPMENT OF THESE PROJECTS, SO IT IS PARAMOUNT THAT THE
6 COUNTY'S LOCAL ORDINANCE BE ADOPTED QUICKLY. I ALSO WANT TO
7 ENSURE THAT LA COUNTY FIRE HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN ON
8 THE ORDINANCE TO BRING ONLINE THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO
9 EFFECTIVELY OVERSEE THESE TYPE OF FACILITIES. WITH THAT SAID,
10 IT IS IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THE ACTION TODAY IS SOLELY ABOUT
11 ISSUING THE ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION FRANCHISE AND NOT THE LAND
12 USE APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT. SO, I WANNA THANK THE
13 DEPARTMENTS FOR ANSWERING MY QUESTIONS AND FOR EXPLAINING THE
14 SPECIFIC NATURE OF THE ACTION TODAY. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE
15 MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO HAVE COME DOWN HERE AND SPENT THE
16 DAY RAISING THE CONCERNS LEGITIMATELY AND PROVIDING THE
17 OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS BOARD TO HEAR YOUR VOICES. THANK YOU.
18 THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** SEEING NO ONE ELSE IN QUEUE. OH
21 YES. IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
22 VOTE ON THIS ITEM. THE INITIAL VOTE IS FOR THE BOARD TO FIND
23 THE PROTEST INSUFFICIENT AND TO DENY THE PROTEST. MOVED BY
24 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO FIND
25 THE PROTEST INSUFFICIENT AND TO DENY THE PROTEST. EXECUTIVE



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SUPERVISORS

1 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS. OH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. OH,
4 SHE'S COMING BACK. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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

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10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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

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14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
21 0.

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23 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THE PROTEST HAVING BEEN FOUND
24 INSUFFICIENT AND HAVING BEEN DENIED BY THE BOARD ITEM 65 IS
25 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I WILL SECOND TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLE.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

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

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

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

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

14

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

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

22

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING
2 THAT THERE ARE NO SPECIALS. SO, WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM MEMBERS
3 OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING
4 ITEMS NOT HELD BY SUPERVISORS AS WELL AS GENERAL PUBLIC
5 COMMENT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE PLEASE
6 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. YOU MUST
7 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS
8 INCLUDING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IN ORDER FOR US TO ALLOCATE
9 THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF TIME. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ
10 THE CALL-IN INFORMATION AND CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
11 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE REMAINING ITEMS AS WELL AS
12 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO
15 THREE MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND
16 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM,
17 TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS, AND ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE
18 FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CLEARLY
19 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING. YOU
20 MAY ONLY ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THESE ITEMS.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND
23 WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC
24 SPEAKERS. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD?
25 JESUS ROJAS, DAPHNE BRADFORD, HARRIET ELLIOTT, DR. KRIDIKAL



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1 TRUTHBEY, AND LIONEL MARES, PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL
2 ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER,
3 PLEASE.

4

5 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, NO REMOTE SPEAKERS IN THE QUEUE TO
6 ADDRESS THE BOARD. OKAY, THEN WE WILL CLOSE VIRTUAL PUBLIC
7 COMMENT AND FOCUS ON OUR SPEAKERS IN PERSON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS HARRIET ELLIOTT. I COME FROM HOLLY
10 MITCHELL'S DISTRICT. WHEN I CAME AT 10 O'CLOCK, I SIGNED IN
11 SAYING THAT I'M BEING NOT ALLOWED A VOICE. AND HOW IS THAT
12 HAPPENING? THIS IS A SUMMONS FOR JURY DUTY. I KNEW IT WAS A
13 FALSE THING. SOME PEOPLE IN THE GOVERNMENT ARE KIND OF
14 DESTROYING MY LIFE. THEY'RE THE ONES THAT KILLED MY SON. MY
15 SON DIED 32 YEARS AGO WITH NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS IN HIS
16 BLOODSTREAM AND HE WAS AT 10, IT WAS AT NIGHT, LATE AT NIGHT
17 AT A PARTY AND HE DIDN'T DRINK. BY THE WAY, THIS IS A, LIVID
18 IS A NAME OF A BOOK BY PATRICIA CORNWELL AND IT'S EASY READ,
19 VERY FAST READING ABOUT DIRECTED ENERGY. THE MAIN THING THAT'S
20 HAPPENED IS THAT 20 PEOPLE OF MY FRIENDS HAVE DIED AND THEIR
21 TEACHERS AT CSUN, HERE'S A TEACHER THAT HAD SHORT HAIR. I
22 DIDN'T EVEN KNOW BACK THEN IN 92, 93, THAT SHORT HAIR MEANT
23 GAY. SHE'S PROBABLY GAY. SHE DID A FAVOR FOR ME. SHE SIGNED A
24 LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR ME. --

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

2

3 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M DAPHNE BRADFORD. I'M COMMENTING
4 ON ITEM 10, WORKING WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO SUPPORT
5 LOS ANGELES COUNTY VALUES. DEAR LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS, I'M SUBMITTING THIS LETTER ALONG WITH THESE 372
7 SIGNATURES TO REQUEST THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS INCLUDE THIS LETTER AS PART OF THEIR 5 SIGNATURE
9 LETTER TO GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM IN SUPPORT OF HIS EFFORTS TO
10 PROTECT CALIFORNIA VALUES. I ALONG WITH THE LADERA HEIGHTS
11 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COALITION AND THE 372 INDIVIDUALS WHO
12 SIGNED THIS PETITION CALLING ON GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM AND THE
13 LA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PROTECT CALIFORNIA VALUES IN
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BY REFORMING THE FLAWED RHNA FORMULA, THE
15 REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT FORMULA WHICH IS INEQUITABLY
16 REZONING LADERA HEIGHTS AS PART OF LA COUNTY'S WEST SIDE AREA
17 PLAN IS SET TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON
18 FEBRUARY 12, 2025. WE ARE RESPECTFULLY CALLING --

19

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

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HI, LINA MORRIS FROM SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE
24 TO MAKE IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE G TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR
25 LAUNCHING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE G AND TO RECOGNIZE THE



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1 DEDICATION OF EVERYONE WHO MADE THIS EFFORT POSSIBLE. I'D LIKE
2 TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SOLIS FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND I
3 LOOK FORWARD TO REFORMING OUR GOVERNMENT, BETTER
4 REPRESENTATION FOR OUR LOCALS, AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK
5 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND A SHOUT OUT TO SAVANNAH AND YOUR TEAM
6 FOR THE RORY SHAW WETLANDS PARK PROJECT IN SUN VALLEY BECAUSE
7 IT'S AN ENVIRONMENTAL INJUSTICE OUR COMMUNITY HAVE FOR 2
8 DECADES WITHOUT WATERSHED STORM CAPTURE SYSTEM SO I LOOK
9 FORWARD TO THAT PROJECT MOVING FORWARD AND THANK YOU FOR
10 MEASURE G AND BECAUSE DEMOCRACY NEEDS TO BE HEARD THANK YOU SO
11 MUCH HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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

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16 **SPEAKER:** HI MY NAME IS JESUS I'M SPEAKING ON GENERAL PUBLIC
17 COMMENT AND ITEM NUMBER 20. HI, MY NAME IS JESUS ROJAS FOR THE
18 APARTMENT ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. WITH THIS
19 MOTION, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ACTIVELY ENCOURAGING
20 ENERGY CONSERVATION. AS SUCH, IT IS DIRECTLY IN CONTRADICTION
21 TO THE MOTION FOR INDOOR AIR TEMPERATURE, FOR WHICH THE
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS NOW RECONSIDERING 82 DEGREES AS
23 THE MAXIMUM. THIS TEMPERATURE IS SO LOW THAT ONLY AIR
24 CONDITIONING HAS ANY CHANCE OF COMPLYING WITH IT, ESPECIALLY
25 IN HIGH HEAT AREAS SUCH AS THE SAN FERNANDO, SAN GABRIEL, AND



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1 ANTELOPE VALLEYS. 82 DEGREES IS NOT RELATED TO HEALTH NEEDS
2 AND IS SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF REQUIRING AIR CONDITIONING AS
3 A WINNING AND SOLE TECHNOLOGY. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
4 ORIGINAL REPORT PROPOSED 86 DEGREES TO ALLOW FOR EVAPORATING
5 COOLING AS WELL AS AIR CONDITIONING. EVAPORATING COOLING IS
6 MUCH MORE AFFORDABLE TO PURCHASE AS A DEVICE AND RUN FOR
7 RENTERS. IT REQUIRES FAR LESS STRUCTURAL AND ELECTRICAL WORK
8 FOR BUILDING OWNERS TO ACCOMMODATE. IN ADDITION, IT DOES FAR
9 LESS DAMAGE TO THE ENVIRONMENT AS IT REQUIRES FAR LESS
10 ELECTRICITY TO RUN AND DOES NOT HARM THE OZONE WITH
11 REFRIGERANT. FURTHER IN JUNE 2024 THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT
12 OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS SET AN INDOOR TEMPERATURE MAXIMUM OF
13 87 DEGREES FOR ALL WORKPLACES THROUGHOUT THE STATE. THIS
14 CLEARLY SHOWS THAT 87 DEGREES IS A REASONABLE HEALTH
15 TEMPERATURE. IF THE COUNTY TRULY WANTS TO ENCOURAGE ENERGY
16 CONSERVATION AND ACHIEVE ITS CLIMATE CHANGE GOALS, THEN IT
17 MUST SELECT AN INDOOR AIR TEMPERATURE OF AT LEAST 87 DEGREES
18 TO BETTER ALIGN WITH STATEWIDE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS. ALLOW
19 FOR TECHNOLOGIES WITH FAR LOWER ELECTRICITY, DEMANDS FOR LESS
20 EXPENSIVE USAGE AND INSTALLATION. THANK YOU.

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

23
24 **SPEAKER:** HI, ALL AVAILABLE ITEMS, 7, 10, 26, 35, 32, 38, AND
25 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. OKAY. SO, 7, EXPANDING THP,



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1 TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FOR HOUSING FOR TRADITIONAL AGE YOUTH.
2 THERE IS NO AMOUNT ON HOW MUCH YOU'RE GOING TO SPEND FOR THAT.
3 SO IF WE CAN CLARIFY HOW MUCH MONEY FOR HOUSING FOR TEA, WHICH
4 IS WELL NEEDED. 10, STATE OF CALIFORNIA SUPPORT LA COUNTY
5 VALUES THROUGH WRITE A FIVE-LETTER SIGNATURE TO GAVIN NEWSOM
6 TO SUPPORT LA COUNTY VALUES. I'M CONFUSED BY THIS. WHAT
7 EXACTLY ARE THE VALUES WE'RE SPEAKING OF? IS IT REPARATIONS?
8 IS IT, YOU MENTIONED IMMIGRATION, STUFF LIKE THAT. SO, GAVIN
9 NEWSOM HAS NO VALUE. SO, I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE
10 FIGURING THAT OUT. 26, PROBATION PROVIDERS TO USE NARCAN. YES,
11 THAT WILL BE NECESSARY. WE NEED PROBATION OFFICERS TO ALSO BE
12 KIND TO THE YOUTH THERE, NOT SEXUALLY HARASS THEM OR ABUSE
13 THEM. DO YOU THINK WE COULD TRY THAT FIRST BEFORE WE PROVIDE
14 THEM WITH FENTANYL PREVENTING MEASURES? NOW, YOU HAVE 5
15 LOCATIONS ACCORDING TO MR. ALDERMAN, ACTUALLY 21. SO 3501
16 SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD IN TORRANCE, 1140 COMMERCE CENTER IN
17 LANCASTER, 5757 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD IN A TUNE OF \$32,000,000,
18 AND 2325 CRENSHAW BOULEVARD IN THE TUNE OF 5,800,000. IT'S A
19 TOTAL OF \$60,000,000 JUST ON THESE AGENDAS FOR LOCATIONS TO
20 LEASE FOR YOUR DCFS WORKERS. THE SAME CASE WORKERS THAT DRAFT
21 ON CERTAIN FAMILIES CASES ON CHILDREN. THEY DON'T EVEN HAVE
22 THE CORRECT NAMES. THEY NEVER GET BACK TO THE PARENTS. THEY
23 MAKE THE PARENTS GO THROUGH ALL THESE PARENTING CLASSES ONLY
24 TO TELL THEM, I'M SORRY YOU STILL GOT TO DO THIS, DO THAT,
25 CAUSING MORE TRAUMA TO THIS DAY. AND YOU KNOW THIS, HOLLY



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1 MITCHELL. YOU UNDERSTAND? YOU KNOW THIS PERSONALLY, KATHRYN
2 BARGER. SO WHY ARE WE INVESTING ALMOST \$60,000,000 IN THESE
3 OFFICES JUST TO EXPAND SERVICES FOR INCOMPETENT WORKERS IF
4 THEY WERE DOING THE RIGHT THING BY THESE FAMILIES, I WOULD
5 HAVE NO PROBLEM. BUT WHAT I'M ASKING FOR THESE 21 LOCATIONS IS
6 AN OVERSIGHT OFFICE SPACE TOO. SO WE CAN OVERLOOK THE
7 TEENAGERS, THE YOUNG PEOPLE SO THEY CAN HAVE ALTERNATIVES,
8 MAYBE A STATE OF THE ART STUDIO SO THEY CAN CREATE STUFF
9 RATHER, WHILE THEY'RE GOING THROUGH THE TRAUMATIZATION OF LA
10 COUNTY DCFS. IT'S A BROKEN SYSTEM. I'M NOT BLAMING YOU
11 PERSONALLY, BUT YOU KNOW A LOT OF THESE CASE WORKERS ARE NOT
12 DOING THEIR JOB. AND THEY'RE NOT REPAIRING FAMILIES. THEY'RE
13 TEARING THEM APART. THEY'RE CAUSING THE PARENTS AND THE
14 CHILDREN TO NOT EVEN KNOW EACH OTHER ON PURPOSE. SO, I'M
15 DISGUSTED. I NEED ALDO MARIN TO REALLY FIND ANOTHER JOB. BUT
16 THIS, PLEASE, I'M RECOMMENDING TO HAVE ALTERNATIVE RESOURCES
17 FOR THESE --

18
19 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE. NO OTHER SPEAKERS. THEN THAT CONCLUDES OUR
21 TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE
22 THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE'LL BE VOTING.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. 2, ON
25 THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THE IN LIEU OF



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1 ELECTION APPOINTMENT OF CHASTITY D. JENNINGS-NUNEZ BE REFERRED
2 BACK TO HER OFFICE. 3 AND 4, 6 AND 7, 09, 10 WITH SUPERVISOR
3 BARGER VOTING NO. 11 THROUGH 16, 18, 20, 22, 24 THROUGH 33,
4 35, 36 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE
5 PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 8 4 3 0 8, 37 THROUGH 52,
6 54 AND 55, 56 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTING NO, 57-60, 61A,
7 64, 1D-3D. THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

8
9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** MOVE BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED
10 BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE
11 EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. PLEASE CALL THE
12 ROLL.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

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

19
20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

23
24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.



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

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

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

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

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9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5

10 TO 0.

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** AT THIS TIME IT WOULD BE

13 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR BARGER WILL

14 BEGIN.

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN

17 TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF LONGTIME ANTELOPE VALLEY

18 BUSINESSWOMAN FAYE HARRISON BERGER, WHO PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER

19 11TH AT THE AGE OF 69. BORN OCTOBER 5, 1955 IN EDMONTON,

20 ALBERTA, CANADA, FAYE MOVED TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH HER

21 FAMILY ON JULY 4, 1968. FAYE WAS OFFICE MANAGER OF THE DESERT

22 NEWS COMPANY FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. FROM 2003 UNTIL 2024, SHE

23 WAS CO-OWNER WITH HER SISTER OF BOLTS IN THE BATHTUB FABRIC

24 STORE IN LANCASTER. FAYE WAS A MEMBER OF THE ASSISTANCE LEAGUE

25 OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FROM 1982 TO 2024. SHE WAS AN



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1 ASSISTANCE LEAGUE PRESIDENT FROM 1989 TO 1991, SERVED MULTIPLE
2 YEARS AS TREASURER, AND WAS CHAIR OF THE LEAGUE'S DESIGNER
3 SHOWCASE FUNDRAISING FASHION SHOW 4 TIMES. THEY ARE SURVIVED
4 BY HER HUSBAND, LEITH BERGER, DAUGHTER, BRIANNA BERGER, SON,
5 JOHN BERGER, MOTHER, AURA HARRISON, AND SISTER, DONNA
6 HARRISON. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LABOR LEADER AND
7 ANTEL VALLEY COMMUNITY LEADER DAVE GOMEZ WHO PASSED AWAY AT
8 THE AGE OF 57 ON NOVEMBER 18TH IN PALMDALE. DAVE WORKED IN THE
9 ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY FOR MORE THAN 38 YEARS AND LIVED A LIFE
10 DEDICATED TO HIS COMMUNITY. DAVE WAS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
11 BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FOR THE LABOR MANAGEMENT CORPORATION
12 COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL
13 WORKERS NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR'S ASSOCIATION
14 REPRESENTING IBEW LOCAL 11 AND NECA OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
15 DAVE SERVED FROM 2005 TO 2009 ON THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT
16 BOARD. BEFORE THAT, DAVE SERVED ON THE CITY OF PALMDALE
17 PLANNING COMMISSION AND ON THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
18 DISTRICT BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. HE ALSO HAD BEEN IN THE
19 ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTOR'S ASSOCIATION
20 COMMISSIONER, DEPUTY MAYOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE
21 CITY OF LANCASTER, AND A BOARD MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA
22 FOUNDATION ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY. DAVE IS SURVIVED BY
23 HIS WIFE KATHY MCLAREN GOMEZ, DAUGHTERS SAMANTHA AND BARBARA,
24 4 GRANDCHILDREN AND A BROTHER AND A SISTER, HE WILL BE GREATLY
25 MISSED BY ALL. AND I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
2 IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3 MEDICAL EXAMINER AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND
4 HONOR AT RIVERSIDE NATIONAL CEMETERY IN THE LAST MONTH. JOHN
5 GILBERT, MARINES; HOWARD EDWARD HIRSCH, ARMY; WILLIAM GARRICK
6 FOLZENBY, 111, NAVY; GEORGE EDWARD HARTLEY, ARMY; BILLY DEAN
7 EDWARDS, ARMY; BILLY CHARLES CLARK, ARMY; JAMES STEPHEN
8 ZAMBITO, NAVY; DAVID JOSEPH ENDEREZ, NAVY; BRUCE ALDEN BURT,
9 AIR FORCE; POYUS JARED DEBNAM, NAVY; MERRILL ROY GREEN, AIR
10 FORCE; RICHARD MARIO SMITH JR., NAVY. THEIR CONTRIBUTION AND
11 SACRIFICE IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTY AND COUNTRY WILL NEVER BE
12 FORGOTTEN.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

16
17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
18 THAT I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY. THERE ARE ACTUALLY
19 2 MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY FAMILY, SO IN KEEPING WITH OUR PATTERN
20 AND PRACTICE, I HOPE THAT EVERYONE WILL CONSIDER JOINING ME.
21 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, COLLEAGUES, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
22 MEMORY OF FIREFIGHTER JAMES O. TAYLOR. FIREFIGHTER TAYLOR WAS
23 BORN ON JULY 1ST, 1968 TO JAMES E. AND RENAT TAYLOR IN THE
24 CITY OF INGLEWOOD AND PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 13TH AT THE AGE OF
25 56. MR. TAYLOR BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE LA COUNTY FIRE



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1 DEPARTMENT IN OCTOBER OF 1988. HE SERVED AT NUMEROUS FIRE
2 STATIONS THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, INCLUDING SERVING THE CITIES
3 OF CALABASAS, CARSON, LAWDALE, AND HUNTINGTON PARK, WITH HIS
4 LAST ASSIGNMENT AT FIRE STATION 38 IN THE CITY OF LA. HE
5 SERVED FOR 36 YEARS AS A DEVOTED FIREFIGHTER, COMMITTED TO
6 PROTECTING THE LIVES AND PROPERTY OF RESIDENTS AND
7 COMMUNITIES. MR. TAYLOR CHERISHED BEING A SON, BROTHER,
8 FIREFIGHTER, AND FRIEND TO MANY. HE ENJOYED ADVENTURE AND
9 EXERCISE, AS WELL AS A LOVE FOR MUSIC, READING, AND
10 BASKETBALL. MR. TAYLOR WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A DEDICATED AND
11 WELL-RESPECTED FIREFIGHTER. HE POURED EVERY OUNCE OF
12 COMMITMENT AND CARE INTO HIS DAILY WORK AND WAS AN
13 ACCOMPLISHED PROFESSIONAL. HE TOUCHED COUNTLESS LIVES AND HIS
14 PASSING IS FELT DEEPLY BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM, PARTICULARLY HIS
15 COUNTY AND FIRE DEPARTMENT FAMILY. MR. TAYLOR IS SURVIVED BY
16 HIS MOTHER RENATE, HIS SISTER SABRINA, AND A HOST OF EXTENDED
17 FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND COLLEAGUES. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE
18 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF KEVIN B. JONES. MR.
19 JONES WAS BORN ON JUNE 7, 1970, AND PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 11
20 AT THE AGE OF 54 HERE IN LOS ANGELES. MR. JONES GRADUATED FROM
21 GEORGE WASHINGTON PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL, AND AT THE AGE OF
22 27, HE BEGAN HIS LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAREER AS AN ELIGIBILITY
23 WORKER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. ON
24 JULY 1, 2003, HE PROMOTED TO ELIGIBILITY WORKER 2, DEDICATING
25 28 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT AT THE TIME OF HIS



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1 PASSING. THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, MR. JONES WAS RECOGNIZED FOR
2 HIS DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE FAMILIES AND CHILDREN OF
3 LA COUNTY. IN HIS FREE TIME, HE ENJOYED SINGING AS A TENOR IN
4 THE TENOR SECTION, AS THE TENOR SECTION LEADER IN THE MOUNT
5 MORIAH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR AND SPENDING TIME WITH
6 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE'LL BE REMEMBERED AS A GREAT SON AND
7 GODFATHER AND FOR HIS UNWAVERING FAITH AND KIND HEART. HE
8 LEAVES BEHIND TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS MOTHER OPAL, AUNT
9 VIOLET, AND 3 GODCHILDREN, ANDREW, ARIANA, AND AUTUMN, AS WELL
10 AS A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND COLLEAGUES WHO WILL
11 MISS HIM DEARLY AND INTEND TO HONOR HIS LEGACY. THANK YOU,
12 MADAM CHAIR.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
15 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARK HAEFLI, WHO PASSED
16 AWAY ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, AT THE AGE OF 82, FOLLOWING A
17 LONG AND COURAGEOUS BATTLE WITH CANCER. MARK WAS A JOURNALIST,
18 HISTORIAN, EDITOR, AND RADIO PERSONALITY WHO LEFT AN
19 INCREDIBLE IMPACT ON THE CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. FOR 3
20 DECADES, MARK WAS ONE OF THE MOST AVID AND LIVELY CHRONICLERS
21 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND CITY GOVERNMENT AND ITS MANY
22 CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES. HIS WORK WHICH SPANNED
23 PUBLICATIONS INCLUDING THE LA WEEKLY, THE LOS ANGELES TIMES,
24 THE NEW YORK TIMES, AND CITY NEWS SERVICE BECAME ESSENTIAL
25 READING FOR A GENERATION OF ANGELENOS AND IS AN INDISPENSABLE



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1 RECORD OF THE REGION'S HISTORY. HE WAS A MENTOR AND A ROLE
2 MODEL TO OTHER JOURNALISTS FOR HIS HIGH STANDARDS, HIS
3 INTEGRITY, HIS WIT, AND HIS SEARING YET STYLISH WRITING.
4 BEYOND HIS JOURNALISM, MARK'S CAREER AS AN EDITOR WAS EQUALLY
5 DISTINGUISHED. HE WORKED WITH LITERARY GREATS SUCH AS PHILIP
6 K. DICK, MARGE PIERCY, KATE MILLETT, AND ISAAC ASIMOV, SHAPING
7 THE VOICES OF SOME OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL WRITERS OF OUR
8 TIME. MARK'S TALENTS EXTENDED FAR BEYOND THE NEWSROOM. HE WAS
9 A BON VIVANT, A CELLIST, A SINGER, A CAR ENTHUSIAST, AND A
10 DEVOTED CAT LOVER. HE BORE WITNESS TO HISTORY, ATTENDING
11 PIVOTAL EVENTS SUCH AS THE MARCH ON WASHINGTON AND WOODSTOCK.
12 AS A LOVING HUSBAND TO VIVIAN ROTHSTEIN, MARK SHARED A LIFE OF
13 DEEP PARTNERSHIP AND MUTUAL SUPPORT. AS WE REMEMBER MARK
14 HAEFLI, WE HONOR HIS DEDICATION TO STORYTELLING, HIS
15 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HISTORICAL RECORD OF LOS ANGELES, AND THE
16 LEGACY HE LEAVES BEHIND. HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BUT HIS WORK
17 AND HIS SPIRIT WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE US FOR YEARS TO COME
18 AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE HIS DEAR FRIEND ROBERT GREEN WHO'S
19 HERE WITH US AS WELL AS HIS FAMILY WHO'S WATCHING AND WE
20 EXTEND OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES TO YOU ALL. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

21
22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
23 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ELIZABETH BETSY
24 ZIVKOVIC. BETSY WAS THE BELOVED SISTER OF MY HARBOR AREA FIELD
25 DEPUTY, JENNIFER LAMARQUE. SHE WAS THE FIRST OF 5 DAUGHTERS



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1 BORN TO JOHN AND JUDITH ZIVKOVIC. BETSY ATTENDED LELAND STREET
2 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MARY STAR, AND FINISHED AT SAN PEDRO HIGH
3 SCHOOL. AFTER HIGH SCHOOL, BETSY HAD A LOT OF FUN WORKING AT
4 TRANE'S MAJESTIC RESTAURANT. AS A HUGE DODGER FAN, SHE WAS
5 THRILLED TO SERVE THE DODGERS PLAYERS WHO WOULD COME IN FOR
6 THEIR MONTHLY LINGUINE AND BASEBALL LUNCHEONS. FOLLOWING A
7 CAREER IN THE SHIPPING INDUSTRY, BETSY LATER FOUND HER CALLING
8 AS AN IN-HOME CAREGIVER AND PUT HER HEART AND SOUL INTO THIS
9 WORK. SHE WAS PARTICULARLY GIFTED IN MAKING PEOPLE FEEL
10 COMFORTABLE AND AT PEACE IN THEIR FINAL DAYS AND COMFORTING
11 THOSE WHO HAD LOST LOVED ONES. HER GREATEST JOY IN LIFE WAS
12 BEING A MOTHER TO HER SON JOHN. BETSY'S PASSING WAS
13 UNEXPECTED. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND HER
14 FRIENDS. BETSY IS SURVIVED BY HER SON JOHN, GRANDDAUGHTER
15 MERCY, HER SISTERS JENNIFER, TRINA, KAREN, AND CHRISTINA, AND
16 HER NIECES AND NEPHEWS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL TAKE ALL MOTIONS
19 AS SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT
20 WILL BE THE ACTION. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COLLEAGUES,
21 WE'RE NOW GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION. WHILE WE'RE IN CLOSED
22 SESSION, WE'LL BE SHOWING VIDEO PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR
23 BARGER HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING JAMES SU AND THE
24 20TH CHINESE AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL AND CHINESE AMERICAN
25 TELEVISION FESTIVAL. SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION



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1 RECOGNIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S
2 PARTNERSHIP WITH VARIOUS CONSERVATION CORPS. I HAVE A VIDEO
3 PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING MADE IN LA, A COALITION OF BUSINESSES
4 THAT MAKE ORIGINAL PROJECTS RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES.
5 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
8 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
9 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS1,
10 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
11 ITEM NUMBER CS2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
12 ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, AND ITEM NUMBER CS3, CONFERENCE WITH
13 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON
14 THE POSTED AGENDA.

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16 [CLOSED SESSION]
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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** ANNUAL CHINESE AMERICAN
19 FILM FESTIVAL AND CHINESE AMERICAN TELEVISION FESTIVAL. THIS
20 NOVEMBER MARKS THE 20TH YEAR OF THE BELOVED EVENT. THE THEME
21 IS A FITTING TRIBUTE TO THE FESTIVAL'S LEGACY, FOREVER LOVE,
22 FOREVER FILM. IT'S A TRUE TESTAMENT TO THE POWER OF THE ARTS
23 AND THE ENDURING IMPACT OF STORYTELLING. EVERY YEAR, THE
24 HIGHLY ANTICIPATED FESTIVAL UNITES MOVIEMAKERS, STARS, AND
25 RESIDENTS FROM CHINA AND AMERICA ACROSS 20 LOCATIONS. SINCE



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1 THE FESTIVAL BEGAN, MORE THAN 1,800,000 FANS HAVE ENJOYED OVER
2 8,000 FILMS. BY FEATURING ACTORS AND CREATORS FROM DIFFERENT
3 BACKGROUNDS, THE EVENT HIGHLIGHTS THE BEAUTY OF DIVERSITY IN
4 MEDIA AND THE ARTS. EACH YEAR, IT'S INSPIRING TO SEE HOW THE
5 FESTIVAL BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER TO BRIDGE THE BARRIERS OF
6 LANGUAGE AND CULTURE WITH A COMMON LOVE OF CREATIVITY. IN
7 ADDITION TO ITS CULTURAL IMPACT, THE FESTIVAL IS COMMITTED TO
8 DOING GOOD FOR THE COMMUNITY. DURING THE PROGRAMMING, THEY
9 PROMOTE THE IMPORTANCE OF GENEROSITY, PUBLIC WELFARE, AND
10 UPLIFTING THOSE IN NEED. THANK YOU TO EDI MEDIA, LED BY
11 CHAIRMAN AND CEO, JAMES SU, FOR CONTINUING THIS IMPACTFUL
12 TRADITION. AS A TOKEN OF MY THANKS, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THESE
13 SCROLLS TO JAMES ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MY
14 CONGRATULATIONS FOR 20 YEARS OF INCREDIBLE FESTIVALS. THIS
15 YEAR'S EVENT WILL BE FROM NOVEMBER 8TH THROUGH THE 30TH AND I
16 ENCOURAGE MOVIE LOVERS TO ATTEND.

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18 **JAMES SU [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THIS IS A GREAT HONOR TO HAVE THIS
19 AWARD AGAIN AND ON BEHALF THE COMMITTEE OF THE CAF I WOULD
20 LIKE TO THANK HONORABLE COUNTY SUPERVISOR MS. KATHRYN BOGARD
21 AND ALSO GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS A HOME OF THE
22 CALF AND THE CATF LIKE THEME OF THIS YEAR FOREVER LOVE FOREVER
23 FILM OVER PAST 20 YEARS WE CONTINUE TO BUILD A BRIDGE OF
24 CULTURAL EXCHANGE AND FRIENDSHIP. IN THE NEXT 20 YEARS, WE
25 WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT MORE AND MORE AAPI LOCAL FILMMAKERS TO



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1 MAKE EXCELLENT FILMS AND ALSO AGAINST ASIAN HATE CRIMES. THANK
2 YOU SO MUCH AND BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THE POWER OF FILM CAN BRING
3 THE PEACE AND THE LOVE BACK TO OUR COMMUNITY. AND THANK YOU
4 AGAIN AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU.

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6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THANK YOU.

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8 **JAMES SU [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THANK YOU.

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10 **SAMMI SU [VIDEO RECORDING]:** TO ADD ON, IN RECENT YEARS, CAF
11 HAS ACTUALLY DEVOTED MUCH OF OUR TIME TO SUPPORT THE EMERGING
12 ASIAN AMERICAN FILM COMMUNITY. THIS YEAR WE'VE PARTNERED WITH
13 UCLA, USC, LMU, AMONG MANY OTHER COLLEGES AROUND LA TO HOST
14 ROUNDTABLE PANELS GUIDED BY EXPERIENCED FILMMAKERS TO INTERACT
15 WITH NEW AND EMERGING FILMMAKERS IN LA. SINCE LAST YEAR WE'VE
16 CONTINUED TO WORK WITH SHANGHAI FILM GROUP AND WARNER BROTHERS
17 DISCOVERY TO LAUNCH THE PROJECT PITCH COMPETITION, WHICH HAS
18 ALLOWED MANY NEW FILMMAKERS TO FIND AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE
19 THEIR STORIES TO A BOARD OF INVESTORS. AND FROM THE OVER 100
20 SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED, WE'LL RECOGNIZE THE TOP 3 WHO WILL BE
21 PRESENTED WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO PITCH THEIR FILMS AT OUR
22 ANNUAL SUMMIT AND SHOWCASE TO DOZENS OF EXECUTIVES AND SENIOR
23 PRODUCERS THIS YEAR. AMONG THE FINALISTS LAST YEAR, MANY FILMS
24 HAVE ALREADY BEEN PICKED UP BY THESE STUDIOS AND HAVE BEEN
25 GREENLIT FOR PRODUCTION. WE HOPE TO CONTINUE TO COLLABORATE



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1 WITH LA COUNTY AND TO SHARE ABOUT CHINESE CULTURE THROUGH
2 SCREENINGS AND PANELS AND TO CONTINUE TO PROMOTE CULTURAL
3 EXCHANGE THROUGH A SHARED LOVE FOR FILM AND TELEVISION.
4 THERE'S SO MUCH MORE THAT WE HAVE YET TO DO AND WE HOPE THAT
5 YOU WILL JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE AMAZING FILMS AND THEIR
6 CREATORS BOTH THIS YEAR AND IN THE MANY YEARS TO COME.

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8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** AND WE WILL. THANK YOU
9 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. AND THANK YOU FOR REALLY BRIDGING THE
10 CULTURAL DIVIDE. THANK YOU.

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12 **NORMA E. GARCIA GONZALEZ [VIDEO RECORDING]:** LA COUNTY PARKS IS
13 PROUD OF OUR LONGSTANDING PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR CONSERVATION
14 CORPS. SINCE 2016, TOGETHER WITH OUR CONSERVATION CORPS, WE
15 HAVE COMPLETED 150 PARK PROJECTS FROM WORKING ON TRAILS,
16 DEFERRED MAINTENANCE, AND BUILDING NEW PARKS. AND THIS YEAR,
17 THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE CEO. WE RECEIVED
18 ONE-TIME FUNDING TO INVEST \$1,000,000 IN OUR URBAN TREE
19 CANOPY. AND WE'RE WORKING WITH OUR CONSERVATION CORPS TO
20 IMPROVE OUR TREE HEALTH.

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22 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** CONSERVATION WORK ALLOWS THE PUBLIC
23 TO GET A VIEW OF WHAT IT IS TO BE WORKING IN AN OUTDOOR
24 SETTING AND ALSO JUST TO GIVE THEM ACCESS TO OUTDOOR AREAS AND
25 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.



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2 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** WE ARE RIGHT NOW IN THE SAN
3 FERNANDO AREA. OUR MISSION FOR THIS PARK IS TO CLEAR OUT THE
4 CREEK.

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6 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** WE'RE CREATING MORE SPACE FOR OTHER
7 NATIVE SPECIES. FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE SOME NATIVE WHITE SAGE
8 COMING ALONG THE CREEK, SO WE'RE MAKING SURE TO CREATE ENOUGH
9 SPACE FOR IT TO GROW FURTHER AND AS WELL AS TO RESTORE THE
10 PARK, HELP WITH THE NATIVE PLANTS THAT NEED TO BE HELPED, AND
11 AS WELL AS TO DO BRUSH CLEARANCE.

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13 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THERE ARE ALWAYS BIKERS AROUND THIS
14 AREA. THEY LIKE, YOU KNOW, RIDING THEIR DIRT BIKES ON THE
15 TRAILS AND STUFF. SO, YOU KNOW, WE TRY TO PUT AS MANY FENCES
16 AS WE CAN TO STOP IT. UNFORTUNATELY, THEY ALWAYS TRY TO FIND A
17 WAY TO DESTROY OUR THINGS, BUT WE COME RIGHT BACK.

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19 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I'M CURRENTLY GOING TO GRADUATE IN
20 ABOUT LIKE TWO, THREE MONTHS, AND I FEEL LIKE THAT'S ONE OF MY
21 BIGGEST GOALS THAT I WANTED TO COME TO THIS JOB FOR. THROUGH
22 THIS PARTNERSHIP YOUNG ADULTS AND YOUTH ARE GAINING JOB SKILLS
23 WHILE WORKING ON LA COUNTY PARK PROJECTS AND I'M VERY PROUD
24 THAT THROUGH THE PLACE PROGRAM FORMER CONSERVATION CORPS YOUTH
25 ARE NOW LA COUNTY FULL-TIME PARK STAFF.



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2 **NORMA E. GARCIA GONZALEZ [VIDEO RECORDING]:** ON BEHALF OF THE
3 VISITORS AND STAFF OF VALLEY COUNTY PARKS, I'D LIKE TO THANK
4 THE LEADERSHIP OF THE CONSERVATION CORPS FOR THEIR
5 COLLABORATION. THANK YOU, LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS.
6 THANK YOU SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS. THANK YOU
7 CONSERVATION CORPS OF LONG BEACH. THANK YOU, CALIFORNIA
8 CONSERVATION CORPS. AND THANK YOU TO OUR NEWEST CONSERVATION
9 MEMBER, THE TIERWOCK I TRIBAL CONSERVATION CORPS. THANK YOU
10 FOR ALL THE GOOD WORK.

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** HI, I'M LINDSAY
13 HORVATH, SUPERVISOR FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S 3RD DISTRICT. AND
14 I'M HERE WITH SARAH BIANCHETTI, WHO IS CO-FOUNDER OF MADE IN
15 LA, A COALITION OF BUSINESSES THAT MAKE ORIGINAL PRODUCTS
16 RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES. THEY CREATE PRODUCTS RANGING FROM
17 FOOD TO FASHION AND HOME GOODS TO COSMETICS DURING THIS
18 HOLIDAY SEASON AND ALL YEAR ROUND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT
19 LOCAL BUSINESSES IN OUR COMMUNITIES BUYING LOCAL STRENGTHENS
20 OUR LOCAL ECONOMY BY CREATING JOBS FOR YOUR FRIENDS AND
21 NEIGHBORS. WITH ME HERE TODAY ARE MADE IN LA MEMBERS WHOSE
22 BUSINESSES ARE LOCATED IN THE 3RD DISTRICT. WE HAVE LEVINA
23 LEWIS WITH VINA VINA HANDCRAFTED LOCATED IN HOLLYWOOD. VINA VINA
24 CREATES BEAUTIFUL LEATHER CRAFT WORK LIKE THIS. ALSO WITH ME
25 IS TALPINK WITH ORLY, WHICH IS LOCATED IN VAN NUYS, A FAMILY-



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1 OWNED BUSINESS. ORLY IS A LEADER IN NAIL COLOR AND DESIGN, AND
2 I SEE THEM HERE. VERY EXCITED. I ALSO HAVE BRIAN HALAWATI WHO
3 IS HERE WITH US FROM LOS ANGELES BRANDS, A MANUFACTURING
4 FACILITY IN NORTH HOLLYWOOD. THEY PRODUCE CRUELTY FREE
5 SKINCARE AND BEAUTY PRODUCTS LIKE THESE. I'M PROUD TO HONOR
6 MADE LA AND TO RECOGNIZE VIENNA VIENNA, ORLY AND LOS ANGELES
7 BRANDS FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO GROWING THEIR BUSINESSES IN LOS
8 ANGELES. THIS SEASON OF GIVING, CHECK OUT THE MADE IN LA GIFT
9 GUIDE FEATURING MORE THAN 2 DOZEN COMPANIES COMMITTED TO
10 MAKING THEIR PRODUCTS RIGHT HERE IN LA COUNTY. SOMETHING FOR
11 EVERYONE ON YOUR LIST.

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13 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** ON BEHALF OF THE MADE IN LA
14 COALITION, WE HAVE MADE THE CHOICE TO MANUFACTURE PRODUCTS
15 HERE IN LA COUNTY. OUR 2024 HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE FEATURES MORE
16 THAN 2 DOZEN COMPANIES WHO ARE LOCAL COMPANIES THAT ARE
17 OFFERING DISCOUNTS WHEN YOU BUY THROUGH THE GUIDE. WE'RE PROUD
18 TO MAKE OUR PRODUCTS HERE IN L.A. BECAUSE L.A. ISN'T JUST
19 WHERE WE MAKE IT. IT'S EVERYTHING WE'RE MADE OF.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** ABSOLUTELY. AND
22 ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WE WANT TO THANK MADE IN L.A.
23 FOR ALL OF YOUR WORK ON BEHALF OF ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES,
24 THESE FABULOUS BUSINESS LEADERS, AND WE JUST CAN'T THANK YOU
25 ENOUGH FOR ALL THE WAYS THAT YOU'RE MAKING LA THE BEST PLACE



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3 [CLOSED SESSION]

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ
6 THE REPORT OF ACTION.

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN
9 IN CLOSED SESSION ON NOVEMBER 26, 2024. ITEM NUMBER CS1,
10 CONFERENCE OF LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, NO
11 REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN. ITEM NUMBER CS2, CONFERENCE OF
12 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, NO REPORTABLE
13 ACTION WAS TAKEN. ITEM NUMBER CS3 CONFERENCE OF LEGAL COUNSEL
14 REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. THE BOARD AUTHORIZED
15 INITIATION OF LITIGATION. THE DEFENDANTS AND THE OTHER
16 PARTICULARS WILL ONCE THE ACTION IS FORMALLY COMMENCED BE
17 DISCLOSED TO ANY PERSON UPON INQUIRY. THE VOTE OF THE BOARD
18 WAS UNANIMOUS WITH ALL SUPERVISORS BEING PRESENT. THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING.
21 THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY,
22 DECEMBER 3, 2024, AT 9:30 A.M. WE ARE ADJOURNED.

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24 I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
25 qualified in and for the State of California, do



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1 hereby certify:

2 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
3 Angeles County Board of Supervisors November 26, 2024, were
4 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
5 supervision;

6 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
7 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
8 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
9 me.

10 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
11 related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise
12 interested in the outcome thereof.

13 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
14 9th day of December 2024, for the County records to be used
15 only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
16 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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