



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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TUESDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 2025

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, AND WELCOME, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. WELL, SORT OF. WE'VE GOT 2 ON THE WAY. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING WITH THE COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, 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 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 FERNANDENO TATAVIAM, BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. GABRIELINO
5 TONGVA, INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL.
6 GABRIELENO/TONGVA, SAN GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS.
7 GABRIELINHO, BAND OF MISSION INDIANS - KIZH NATION. SAN
8 MANUEL, BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION
9 INDIANS. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY, PLEASE VISIT THE LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE
11 AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION WEBSITE AT LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV.

12
13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE INVITATION WILL BE
14 LED BY THE REVEREND TICEY M. BROWN FROM MOUNT TABOR MISSIONARY
15 BAPTIST CHURCH FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND THEN FOLLOWED BY
16 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY ULYSSES HERMOSILLO,
17 POST-QUARTERMASTER, VETERANS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FROM THE THIRD
18 DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND.

19
20 **TICEY M. BROWN:** LET US PRAY. OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, WE COME
21 TOGETHER TODAY AND AS WE COME, WE SEEK YOUR GUIDANCE AND YOUR
22 WISDOM. WE PRAY THAT YOU WOULD GRANT US CLARITY OF MIND AND
23 OPEN HEARTS AS THESE TRUSTED STEWARDS OF OUR COUNTY DISCUSS
24 THE MATTERS AT HAND. WE PRAY FOR AN EXCELLENT SPIRIT OF UNITY
25 AND COLLABORATION AS THEY MAKE DECISIONS THAT BENEFIT OUR



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1 COMMUNITY AND PROMOTE THE COMMON GOOD. MAY THE CONVERSATIONS
2 BE RESPECTFUL AND THE INTENTIONS BE PURE AND THE ACTIONS
3 REFLECT A COMMITMENT TO SERVE THOSE THAT ARE REPRESENTED.
4 THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER AND FOR THE PURPOSE
5 THAT UNITES US. IN YOUR NAME WE PRAY, AMEN.

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7 **ULYSSES HERMOSILLO:** PLEASE STAND AND JOIN ME FOR THE PLEDGE OF
8 ALLEGIANCE. VETERANS MAY SALUTE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE
9 FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR
10 WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH
11 LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

14

15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING COLLEAGUES, LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR, ONE AND ALL. PASTOR, I HAD THE
17 PRIVILEGE, COLLEAGUES OF WORSHIPING AT MOUNT TABOR ABOUT A
18 MONTH OR SO AGO BEFORE THE ELECTION. THAT'S RIGHT. SO EARLY
19 NOVEMBER. AND AS I WAS LEAVING, YOU DON'T KNOW THIS, A WOMAN
20 STOPPED ME WHO KNEW MY PARENTS BEFORE I WAS BORN AND I'VE LOST
21 BOTH OF MY PARENTS. SO THAT WAS SO WONDERFUL BECAUSE WHEN YOU
22 HAVE THOSE KIND OF ENCOUNTERS IT'S LIKE IT'S YOU KNOW ANGELS
23 TAPPING YOU ON YOUR SHOULDER. SO, I WANTED YOU TO KNOW YOU'VE
24 GOT A MEMBER WHO KNEW MY PEOPLE BEFORE THEY KNEW ME. SO AGAIN,
25 ALL PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING PASTOR TICEY BROWN TO TODAY'S



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1 BOARD MEETING. PASTOR BROWN HAS BEEN PREACHING SINCE THE AGE
2 OF 13 AND BEGAN HIS MINISTRY UNDER HIS GRANDFATHER AT THE
3 LAUREL STREET MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH IN WATTS. HE CURRENTLY
4 SERVES AS PASTOR OF MOUNT TABOR MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
5 WHERE HE RECENTLY CELEBRATED HIS 18TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY.
6 PASTOR BROWN ALSO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY, I SAW YOU
7 SALUTING, WHERE HE WAS STATIONED IN IRAQ DURING THE PERSIAN
8 GULF WAR. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S, MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL
9 DEGREES FROM CAL STATE UNIVERSITY DOMINGUEZ HILLS AND BIOLA
10 UNIVERSITY. HE'S TRAVELED TO THE HOLY LAND AND STUDIED
11 EXTENSIVELY ACROSS EUROPE. HE ALSO STUDIED AT OXFORD
12 UNIVERSITY AND THE LOS ANGELES BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL. HE'S
13 BEEN MARRIED TO LADY LYSANDRA BROWN FOR ALMOST 40 YEARS AND
14 THEY ARE THE PROUD PARENTS OF 3, TYLESHA, TYRELL AND TYLER.
15 PASTOR BROWN, PLEASE ACCEPT OUR HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR YOUR
16 COMMITMENT TO SERVICE TO THE SECOND DISTRICT AND EVERY
17 RESIDENT OF LA COUNTY AND FOR GIVING THIS MORNING'S INVOCATION
18 AS WE START THE NEW YEAR. WE THANK YOU. APPRECIATE YOU.

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

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I
23 WOULD LIKE TO THANK POST-QUARTERMASTER ULYSSES HERMOSILLO FOR
24 LEADING US IN OUR PLEDGE TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ULYSSES
25 SERVED IN THE ARMY FROM 2006 THROUGH 2013 WITH HIS HIGHEST-



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1 RANKING BEING SPECIALIST. WHILE SERVING, HE TOOK PART IN THE
2 KOSOVO CAMPAIGN AND THROUGHOUT HIS TENURE RECEIVED MANY
3 DECORATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS INCLUDING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE
4 SERVICE MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL, ARMY
5 SERVICE RIBBON, OVERSEAS SERVICE RIBBON, ARMED FORCES RESERVE
6 MEDAL, KOSOVO CAMPAIGN MEDAL WITH BRONZE SERVICE STAR, NATO
7 MEDAL, AND GERMAN ARMY MARKSMANSHIP BADGE GOLD. AFTER LEAVING
8 THE ARMY, ULYSSES PURSUED HIGHER EDUCATION, RECEIVING A
9 BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE FROM WOODBURY UNIVERSITY, A MASTER OF
10 ARCHITECTURE FROM CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, AND AN
11 EXECUTIVE MASTER OF URBAN PLANNING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
12 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AS WELL AS MANAGEMENT WORK AT UCLA. HE
13 RECEIVED NUMEROUS SCHOLARSHIPS AND RECOGNITIONS DURING HIS
14 STUDIES, INCLUDING HAVING ONE OF HIS PROJECTS PUBLISHED IN
15 DIZINE MAGAZINE. ULYSSES CURRENTLY WORKS AS A POST-QUARTER
16 MASTER AT THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST NUMBER 3834 IN
17 GRANADA HILLS, WHILE ALSO WORKING AS AN ARCHITECT. IN HIS FREE
18 TIME, YOU HAVE FREE TIME WITH ALL OF THAT? IN HIS FREE TIME,
19 ULYSSES ENJOYS WATCHING HIS 15-YEAR-OLD SON'S HIGH SCHOOL
20 BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL GAMES. PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING
21 ULYSSES FOR BEING HERE TODAY AND FOR ALL HE DOES FOR OUR
22 COMMUNITY. WE ARE PROUD TO HAVE YOU AS A THIRD DISTRICT
23 RESIDENT. THANK YOU. AND THIS IS FOR YOU.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND NOW WE'RE GOING TO DO THE PET



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1 ADOPTION AND I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO MARBLE. AND I'M
2 GOING TO LET HER HOLD MARBLE, BECAUSE MARBLE'S A LITTLE
3 SKITTISH, JUST TRYING TO GET USED TO THIS NEW ENVIRONMENT. IN
4 2024, OUR DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL GOT AN
5 INCREDIBLE 18,580 ANIMALS ADOPTED TO LOVING HOME AND RESCUES.
6 MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION IS TO GET EVEN MORE ADOPTED IN 2025.
7 AND TO START THE YEAR, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO MARBLE.
8 SHE'S A TWO-YEAR-OLD AUSTRALIAN CATTLE DOG MIX WHO DEFINITELY
9 HAS A LITTLE BIT OF GERMAN SHEPHERD, STAYING AT THE AGOURA
10 ANIMAL CARE CENTER AFTER BEING TRANSFERRED FROM THE PALMDALE
11 CENTER IN DECEMBER. HER FAVORITE THINGS ARE SNUDDLING, PLAYING
12 WITH TOYS, AND GOING ON WALKS. AND IF YOU CAN GIVE HER THOSE,
13 SHE WILL BE YOURS FOREVER. A NEW YEAR IS THE PERFECT TIME TO
14 ADOPT A PET. THAT'S WHY ALL OF OUR CARE CENTERS HAVE WAIVED
15 ADOPTION FEES FOR THE ENTIRE MONTH OF JANUARY. SO, I WOULD
16 ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO ONLINE AND TAKE A LOOK AND SEE WHAT IS IN
17 STORE FOR YOU IF YOU COME AND ADOPT ONE OF OUR PETS. IF YOU'D
18 LIKE TO GIVE MARBLE THE YEAR SHE DESERVES, BABY, THE AGORA
19 CARE CENTER AT 818-991-0071. AGAIN, 818-991-0071. AND THEN I
20 WOULD DIRECT YOU TO LOOK UP AND SEE THE SWEET THING THAT WON'T
21 RUIN YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS. CANDY IS A TWO-YEAR-OLD
22 SIBERIAN HUSKY WHO IS CURRENTLY STAYING AT OUR PALMDALE CARE
23 CENTER. SHE WAS FOUND AS A STRAY WITH HER 4 PUPPIES, AS WAS
24 MARBLE, ACTUALLY, UP IN PALMDALE. CANDY HAS A LOT OF LOVE TO
25 GIVE AND WOULD BE THRILLED TO COME INTO YOUR HOME. IF YOU'D



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1 LIKE TO MAKE THIS SWEET DOG YOUR FOREVER PET, CALL THE
2 PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT 661-575-2888 TO ADOPT CANDY. THANK
3 YOU. BYE BYE, SO, WHO'S GOING TO ADOPT MARBLE OUT THERE? NOW
4 THAT YOU'VE CLAPPED. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR HAHN, I UNDERSTAND
5 THAT YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A FEW REMARKS REGARDING THE PASSING OF
6 FORMER PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER. SO, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

7
8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. ACTUALLY, THIS IS, I
9 WANTED TO MAKE THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH HABITAT
10 FOR HUMANITY. WE HAVE PUT A MEMORIAL BOOK IN THE HEARING ROOM
11 RIGHT UP, RIGHT THERE. YEAH, YOU'RE POINTING TO IT OVER IN
12 THAT CORNER. AND ASKING EVERYONE THAT COMES HERE TODAY TO SIGN
13 THE MEMORIES AND WRITE A MESSAGE ABOUT HOW PRESIDENT CARTER
14 IMPACTED YOU OR THE COUNTRY AND WHETHER IT WAS DURING HIS
15 PRESIDENCY OR HIS WORK IN THE DECADES AFTER. HE TOUCHED SO
16 MANY LIVES HERE IN LA COUNTY AND AROUND THE WORLD, BUT I
17 INVITE EVERYONE, CERTAINLY MY COLLEAGUES AS WELL, TO SIGN THE
18 BOOK AND WRITE A SHORT MESSAGE ABOUT WHAT HE MEANT TO YOU.
19 WE'RE GOING TO SEND THIS BOOK TO THE CARTER CENTER FOR HIS
20 FAMILY. THERE ARE THESE MEMORIAL BOOKS ALL ACROSS THE COUNTRY.
21 PEOPLE ARE SIGNING THEM EVERYWHERE AND THEY'RE GATHERING THEM
22 ALL TO SHOW THE FAMILY HOW MUCH THIS COUNTRY LOVED JIMMY
23 CARTER. SO, IT'LL BE UP THERE DURING THE WHOLE MEETING GET UP
24 AND WALK DOWN THERE AND SIGN IT WHENEVER YOU WANT TO THANK
25 YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU WITH THAT WE WILL MOVE
3 ON TODAY TO TODAY'S AGENDA EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
4 AGENDA.

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
7 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTER. ON
8 SET MATTER 1, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
9 CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 18TH, 2025 AS INDICATED ON THIS POSTED
10 AGENDA. ON PAGE 3, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
11 ITEMS 2 THROUGH 14. ON ITEM 2, THIS INCLUDES ADDITIONS AS
12 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR
13 HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 5, THIS
14 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
15 ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISORS HORVATH AND BARGER WOULD LIKE
16 TO REVISE THEIR MOTION TO UPDATE RECOMMENDATION 1C TO INCLUDE
17 THE CLIMATE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND TO ADD RECOMMENDATION
18 3 TO INSTRUCT THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER TO PROVIDE
19 QUARTERLY UPDATES AT COMMUNITY SERVICES CLUSTER MEETINGS
20 THROUGH 2025. ON ITEM 9 SUPERVISOR HORVATH WOULD LIKE TO
21 RECORD A NO VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ON ITEM 12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS
22 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS
23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 13, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
24 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A
25 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 15,



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1 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 15 THROUGH 48. ON ITEM 15, THE
2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED
3 BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM 17, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS
4 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 20, SUPERVISOR HORVATH IS
5 RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
6 SECTION 84308 BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR
7 CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$500 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM
8 JAMES MANGIA AND MICHAEL WEINSTEIN WHO ARE PARTIES,
9 PARTICIPANTS, OR AGENTS OF A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT IN THE
10 PROCEEDING. ALSO, SUPERVISOR HAHN IS RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE
11 VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308 BECAUSE SHE
12 RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$500
13 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM SPECIAL SERVICES FOR GROUPS WHO
14 IS A PARTY PARTICIPANT OR AGENT OF A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT IN
15 THE PROCEEDING. ON ITEM 29, SUPERVISOR BARGER IS RECUSING
16 HERSELF FROM THE VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
17 84308 BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS OF
18 MORE THAN \$500 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM BRIAN DRAWER,
19 WHO IS A PARTY PARTICIPANT OR AGENT OF A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT
20 IN THE PROCEEDING. ON ITEM 30, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT
21 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 32, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT
22 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 39, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT
23 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 38, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS
24 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
25 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL



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1 AGENDA. ON PAGE 39, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 49, THE
2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED
3 BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE AND
4 REFERRAL OF ITEMS BACK THROUGH ITEM 49 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
7 MITCHELL SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS
8 THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE PLAY THE CODE
9 OF CONDUCT.

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



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

16
17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** TODAY WE WILL BEGIN WITH PUBLIC
18 COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD, THEN ITEMS 3, 12, 13,
19 AND 17, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 30, 32, AND 39, AND FINISHING WITH
20 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
21 PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON
22 THE AGENDA AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO
25 PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE CALL



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



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1 DIRECTED TO DO SO.

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF
4 THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL ITEMS NOT HELD
5 BY THE SUPERVISORS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
6 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE
7 ITEMS. YOU MUST INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS YOU WISH TO
8 ADDRESS IN ORDER FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF
9 TIME. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE
10 PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME
13 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DR. CHAVEZ. MODERATOR, MAY
14 WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

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20 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ELLEN DENT AND I AM A PLANT-
21 BASED TREATY CAMPAIGNER. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR LINDSEY
22 HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS SO MUCH FOR BRINGING FORTH
23 THIS MOTION FOR AGENDA NUMBER 3, ITEM NUMBER 3. I
24 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT
25 ANALYZING THE FOOD PROCURED AND ADDING MORE PLANT-BASED



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1 OPTIONS FOR LA COUNTY IS SO IMPORTANT TO MEETING THEIR
2 GREENHOUSE EMISSION GOALS. SO, ANIMAL AGRICULTURE IS
3 RESPONSIBLE FOR OVER A THIRD OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS,
4 WHICH WE KNOW IT UTILIZES 83% OF FARMLAND, BUT IT ONLY
5 PROVIDES 18% OF GLOBAL CALORIC INTAKE. SO, I REALLY HOPE THAT
6 THIS MOTION WILL BE PASSED. MY DAUGHTER WAS BORN IN LA. I WANT
7 HER TO BE ABLE TO VISIT LA AND LIVE IN LA AND HAVE LOS
8 ANGELENOS THRIVE ON PLANT-BASED DIETS. THANK YOU.

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

11 **MODERATOR:** LAURA CASCADA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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13 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LAURA CASCADA. I'M WITH THE BETTER
14 FOOD FOUNDATION AND I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 3. I WANTED TO
15 DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO A RECENT CHATHAM HOUSE REPORT WHICH
16 CALLED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF SHIFTING TO A PLANT-FORWARD FOOD
17 SYSTEM TO ADDRESS AND FOR THE WORST IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE
18 AND IN THAT REPORT THEY ACTUALLY NOTED THAT IT IS THE ROLE OF
19 GOVERNMENT TO SPEARHEAD EFFORTS TO ADDRESS UNSUSTAINABLE
20 CONSUMPTION OF MEAT AND NOT IF THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T ACT THAT
21 SIGNALS TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE ISSUE IS UNIMPORTANT OR
22 UNDESERVING OF CONCERN. SO, I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT LA IS
23 TAKING STEPS IN THIS DIRECTION. YOU'VE ALREADY COME REALLY FAR
24 AND I AM HOPEFUL THAT YOU CONTINUE WITH PASSING THIS ITEM. I
25 ALSO WANTED TO NOTE THAT IN THE LAST FEW YEARS MANY OTHER



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1 MAJOR LOCALITIES HAVE BEEN CENTERING PLANT-BASED FOODS AND ONE
2 EXAMPLE IN PARTICULAR IS NEW YORK CITY'S HOSPITAL SYSTEM GOING
3 PLANT-BASED BY DEFAULT. MORE THAN HALF OF ELIGIBLE PATIENTS
4 ARE STICKING WITH THE PLANT-BASED OPTION AND THEY'RE SAVING
5 OVER \$500,000 A YEAR --

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

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9 **MODERATOR:** LEAH KELLY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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11 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LEAH KELLY AND I'M A LOCAL LOS
12 ANGELES RESIDENT REPRESENTING THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL
13 NONPROFIT CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY AND OUR MANY
14 CALIFORNIA SUPPORTERS. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 3 TO
15 EXPAND L.A. COUNTY'S ACTION TO REDUCE GHG EMISSIONS THROUGH
16 FOOD PROCUREMENT. WE PREVIOUSLY WORKED WITH THE COUNTY ON HOW
17 GOOD TO MEASURE ITS CLIMATE FOOTPRINT AND ARE EXCITED TO SEE
18 IT TAKE THIS IMPORTANT STEP FORWARD. I'M THRILLED TO SEE MY
19 LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZING THE PIVOTAL ROLE THAT FOOD
20 SYSTEMS PLAY IN THE CLIMATE CRISIS AND TAKING THE LEADERSHIP
21 INITIATIVE TO TACKLE THIS PROBLEM BY REDUCING ITS FOOD-BASED
22 EMISSIONS THROUGH MORE PLANT-BASED FOOD PROCUREMENT. A
23 SOCIETAL SHIFT TOWARDS MORE PLANT-BASED DIETS IS ABSOLUTELY
24 ESSENTIAL FOR MEETING URGENT CLIMATE GOALS AS WELL AS FOR
25 PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY, NATURAL RESOURCES, PUBLIC HEALTH,



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1 MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES, FOODS AND AGRICULTURAL WORKERS, AND
2 COUNTLESS OTHER STAKEHOLDERS. THIS IS AN INCREDIBLE
3 OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD ON LA COUNTY'S ROLE AS A NATIONAL LEADER
4 IN PROGRESSIVE EQUITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD POLICY AND MAKE
5 A HUGE DIFFERENCE FOR ITS CONSTITUENTS AND THE PLANET. PLEASE
6 VOTE IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

9
10 **MODERATOR:** SUSAN EVANS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** I WISH TO SPEAK ON ITEM 11. PLEASE GO AHEAD. GO
13 AHEAD. I WISH TO SPEAK ON ITEM 11.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE GO AHEAD.

16
17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** I WISH TO SPEAK ON ITEM 11.

20
21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. THE FLOOR IS YOURS. ON
22 ITEM 11.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** ITEM 11, OKAY. WHATEVER YOU DO TO REMEDY THE
25 SITUATION AT CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL THAT THE BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS CREATED IN 2017 BY ALLOWING EXPANSION, YOU MUST
2 FOOT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS FIRST AND FOREMOST
3 AT THIS TIME. FIRST THING I BELIEVE YOU SHOULD DO IS DECLARE A
4 STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE RESIDENTS THAT HAVE BEEN SUFFERING
5 FROM THIS ECOLOGICAL DISASTER FOR CLOSE TO 3 YEARS. SECOND,
6 PUT YOUR CONSTITUENTS FIRST AND PROFITS LAST. RELOCATE THE
7 CITIZENS AND THE SCHOOLS IN ADDITION TO DECLARING A STATE OF
8 EMERGENCY. --

9

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

11

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

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW RETURN TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
16 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR LADY, AND THE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ILYA TSEGLIN. I'M OPPOSING NUMBER 4
20 BECAUSE IT'S NOT RELATING, ENHANCING THE CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR
21 FORMER FOSTER YOUTH AND FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
22 BECAUSE IT'S NOT PROVIDING THE HELP FOR CHILDREN AND FOSTER
23 CARE. THE FOSTER CARE COMPLETELY IN THE HANDS OF CORRUPTED
24 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, SUPERIOR COURT, AND DEPARTMENT
25 OF PUBLIC DEFENDER AND EVERYBODY ELSE. THE CORRUPTION OF THE



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1 SYSTEM DOESN'T ALLOW REALLY TO DO.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
4 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC
7 COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE
8 AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEMS
11 2, 4, 5 AS REVISED. ITEMS 6 THROUGH 8. ITEM 9 WITH SUPERVISOR
12 HORVATH VOTING NO. ITEMS 10 AND 11. 14, 16, 18 AND 19. ITEM 20
13 WITH SUPERVISORS HORVATH AND HAHN RECUSING THEMSELVES FROM THE
14 VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308 ITEMS 21
15 THROUGH 28 ITEM 29 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER RECUSING HERSELF
16 FROM THE VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308 ITEM
17 31, 33, THROUGH 38, 40 THROUGH 45, 46A THROUGH 46C THESE ITEMS
18 ARE BEFORE YOU

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH
20 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE
21 EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER
22 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THESE ITEMS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

25



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

2

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

4

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

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

8 HORVATH?

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AYE

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

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14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE

15

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

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTIONS PASSED.

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEM NUMBER 3

23 EXPANDING COUNTY ACTION TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

24 THROUGH FOOD PROCUREMENT, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR

25 HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE



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1 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW IF YOU WISH TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

2 SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO
5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME. I
6 WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THIS WORK TODAY IN PART BASED ON THE
7 COMMENTS THAT WE HEARD ALREADY THIS MORNING BUT MOST
8 IMPORTANTLY BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE IN ACHIEVING OUR CLIMATE
9 CHANGE AND HEALTH GOALS THAT ARE SET OUT HERE IN LA COUNTY. I
10 ENCOURAGE ALL DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE INVOLVED WITH THIS WORK TO
11 IMPLEMENT IT EXPEDITIOUSLY. THE FOOD WE CHOOSE TO BUY AND
12 CONSUME HAS SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES, NOT ONLY
13 ON OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES, BUT ALSO ON THE PLANET AS A WHOLE.
14 PLANT-BASED FOODS SUCH AS FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND BEANS
15 GENERALLY USE LESS ENERGY, LAND, AND WATER AND HAVE LOWER
16 GREENHOUSE GAS INTENSITIES COMPARED TO ANIMAL-BASED FOODS.
17 THIS IS WHY BACK IN FEBRUARY, OUR BOARD UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED
18 EXAMINING THE COUNTY'S FOOD PROCUREMENT POLICIES IN ORDER TO
19 SET US ON A PATH TO REDUCE OUR GHG EMISSIONS. AS OUR REGION'S
20 LARGEST EMPLOYER, WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE COUNTY
21 FACILITIES HAVE A POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT. WE ALSO, I'M
22 SORRY, IT COULD BE A LITTLE BIT QUIETER OVER HERE, THANKS. WE
23 ALSO MUST ENSURE THAT THE FOOD WE PROVIDE TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES
24 AND OTHERS THAT WE SERVE IS HEALTHY AND SUSTAINABLE. RESEARCH
25 HAS DEMONSTRATED A LINK BETWEEN ANIMAL-BASED PRODUCTS AND



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1 HIGHER RISK OF CHRONIC DISEASES. OUR EMPLOYEES AND THE PEOPLE
2 WE SERVE DESERVE ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS IF THEY SO CHOOSE. SINCE
3 OUR FEBRUARY MOTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HAS TAKEN
4 IMPORTANT STEPS TOWARD REDUCING GHG EMISSIONS FROM FOOD.
5 THEY'VE UPDATED THE DEPARTMENT'S NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS FOR
6 PREPARED FOODS, SNACKS, AND BEVERAGES, WITH EVIDENCE-BASED
7 PRACTICES TO REQUIRE MORE PLANT-FORWARD FOOD OPTIONS. IN
8 RESPONSE TO OUR MOTION, DPH PROVIDED AN IN-DEPTH REPORT BACK
9 WITH EVIDENCE-BASED RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO REDUCE THE
10 AMOUNT OF ANIMAL PRODUCTS PURCHASED MOTION BEFORE US TODAY
11 SEEKS TO IMPLEMENT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AND INTEGRATE FOOD
12 PROCUREMENT GOALS INTO THE COUNTY'S BROADER SUSTAINABILITY
13 PLAN. SPECIFICALLY, THIS MOTION WOULD DIRECT PUBLIC HEALTH TO
14 AMEND EXISTING CONTRACTS WHEN FEASIBLE TO ALIGN WITH THE
15 DEPARTMENT'S NEW NUTRITION STANDARDS. ADDITIONALLY, ALL NEW
16 AND RENEWING CONTRACTS WOULD ALSO NEED TO ALIGN WITH THESE
17 STANDARDS. A NEW EVALUATION CRITERIA WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR NEW
18 RFPS THAT PRIORITIZES PLANT-BASED AND LOCAL GROWERS. AND THE
19 CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE WILL ALSO LEAD ON DEVELOPING A
20 BASELINE OF GHG EMISSIONS FROM COUNTY FOOD PRODUCTS AND CREATE
21 FOOD-BASED EMISSIONS AND IMPACT REDUCTION TARGETS FOR THE NEXT
22 DECADE. IT'S ESPECIALLY EXCITING THAT THIS DATA, IN ADDITION
23 TO THE ANNUAL REPORTS, WILL BE TRACKED THROUGH AN ONLINE
24 PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE PORTAL HOLDING US ALL ACCOUNTABLE AND
25 SHARING THE IMPACT OF OUR EFFORTS. MUNICIPALITIES AROUND OUR



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1 COUNTRY ARE ADOPTING SIMILAR POLICIES AND HAVE HAD TREMENDOUS
2 SUCCESS, INCLUDING THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, WHICH PASSED A
3 RESOLUTION THIS YEAR TO INCREASE PLANT-BASED FOOD PROCUREMENT
4 AT CITY-SPONSORED EVENTS. I ENCOURAGE MORE CITIES TO ADOPT
5 SUCH PRACTICES AND TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY IN IMPLEMENTING
6 THESE CHANGES. AS NOTED EARLIER, WE ARE THE LARGEST EMPLOYER
7 IN THE REGION WITH OVER 110 FOOD SERVICE CONTRACTS. WE HAVE
8 THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE MEANINGFUL IMPACT FOR ALL RESIDENTS IN
9 OUR COUNTY. FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE AND HEALTHY FUTURE, I ASK
10 FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU.

11
12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

13
14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND THANK
15 YOU SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR CONTINUING TO UPLIFT THIS ISSUE AND
16 ASKING ME TO BE YOUR CO-AUTHOR. AT THIS POINT MOST OF US KNOW
17 GREENHOUSE GASES ARE THE CULPRIT FOR THE ACCELERATION OF
18 CLIMATE CHANGE. JUST LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY OUTSIDE.
19 THAT SAYS A LOT, I THINK, IN TERMS OF WHAT'S GOING ON IN OUR
20 CLIMATE. BACK EAST, WE SEE SNOWSTORMS. PEOPLE ARE FACING
21 CHALLENGES THERE AND HERE AT HOME IN OUR AREA. WE'RE GOING TO
22 BE SEEING SOME VERY HIGH WINDS AND POSSIBLY SOME FIRE ALERTS
23 AND I HOPE WE DON'T BUT NONETHELESS THESE ARE THINGS THAT ARE
24 ACTUALLY HAPPENING TO US THIS VERY DAY ON THE FIRST WEEK OF
25 JANUARY WHICH IS NOT TYPICAL. WE'RE LIVING DURING A TIME IN



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1 WHICH WE'RE SEEING THOSE RAMIFICATIONS UPON US. PEOPLE AROUND
2 THE WORLD HAVE LOST THEIR HOMES AND LIVELIHOOD. ENTIRE SPECIES
3 HAVE GONE EXTINCT. AND THE LOSS OF LIFE FROM NATURAL DISASTERS
4 HAS CONTINUED TO INCREASE, ALL BECAUSE OF EXTREME AND CHANGING
5 WEATHER PATTERNS DUE TO CLIMATE CHANGE. LOCALLY, THE EXTREME
6 HEAT DAYS AS WE FACED IN MY DISTRICT AND AROUND THE COUNTY AND
7 ACROSS THE LA BASIN HAVE IMPACTED THE MOST VULNERABLE, THE
8 HARDEST HIT. IN MY OPINION HAVE BEEN SENIORS, PERSONS
9 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, AND THE VERY YOUNG PEOPLE AND
10 PEOPLE WITH UNDERLYING ILLNESSES. AS MENTIONED BY MY
11 COLLEAGUE, THE GLOBAL FOOD SYSTEM ACCOUNTS FOR 30% OF HUMAN-
12 CAUSED GREENHOUSE GASES. THIS IS ASTONISHING, BUT NOT
13 SURPRISING, AS THE FOOD INDUSTRY NEEDS TRANSPORTATION AND IS
14 HEAVILY RELIANT ON RED MEAT. LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION ALONE
15 ACCOUNTS FOR 18% OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS AND 37% OF
16 METHANE GAS EMISSIONS WORLDWIDE. METHANE FROM CATTLE IS
17 ACTUALLY PROVEN TO BE 28 TIMES MORE POTENT IN WARMING THE
18 ATMOSPHERE THAN CARBON DIOXIDE. I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR
19 HORVATH THAT WE MUST REACH FOR SUSTAINABILITY WHEN IT COMES TO
20 OUR FOOD SUPPLY AND IT CAN START WITH ADDRESSING OUR OWN
21 COUNTY'S INTERNAL PRACTICES. AS ONE OF THE LARGEST EMPLOYERS
22 IN CALIFORNIA, WE ARE A SIGNIFICANT CONSUMER OF FOOD PRODUCTS.
23 AND ENSURING THAT WE PRIORITIZE LOCAL GROWERS, PARTICULARLY
24 THE SMALL BUSINESSES THAT BRING NUTRITIOUS PRODUCE TO OUR
25 LOCAL FARMERS MARKETS IN OUR COUNTY SHOULD BE UPLIFTED THROUGH



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1 THE CHANGES BEING ADDRESSED BY THIS MOTION. AND I APPRECIATE
2 SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR TAKING MY SUGGESTIONS ALONG. I REALLY
3 DO THINK THAT'S ONE IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN HELPING OUR LOCAL
4 COMMUNITIES. WE NEED TO HELP THESE SMALL BUSINESSES ALSO
5 BECOME SUSTAINABLE AND HELP TO KEEP TRANSPORTATION DISTANCE
6 DOWN, IN TURN DECREASING GREENHOUSE GAS CONTRIBUTIONS AND
7 INCREASE HEALTHY OPTIONS THAT WILL REDUCE OUR COUNTY'S CURRENT
8 RELIANCE ON PRODUCTS THAT HAVE A HEAVIER NEGATIVE IMPACT ON
9 OUR ENVIRONMENT. ADDITIONALLY, I THINK THAT SUPPORTING OUR
10 FARMERS MARKETS ALSO SUPPORTS OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN
11 ACCESSING HEALTHY FOODS, PARTICULARLY IN AREAS THAT ARE FOOD
12 DESERTS, SOME OF WHICH I REPRESENT, LIKE EAST LOS ANGELES AND
13 AREAS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. ALSO WANT TO MAKE NOTE THAT
14 IN MANY OF THESE FARMER MARKETS THAT WE'RE SEEING, WE'RE ABLE
15 TO USE EBT CARDS, WHICH CAN NOW BE ACCESSED. AND WE NEED TO
16 IMPLEMENT THAT AT A HIGHER RATE AND MAKE SURE THAT THAT
17 HAPPENS BECAUSE NOT ONLY ARE THERE FOOD DESERTS, BUT
18 AFFORDABILITY FOR SOME OF THESE FOOD ITEMS IS OUTRAGEOUS. AND
19 WE NEED TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE IMPACTED THE MOST,
20 THOSE SENIORS, VULNERABLE FAMILIES AND OTHERS THAT ARE IN NEED
21 OF MY HELP. I TOO SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND HOPE THAT MY
22 COLLEAGUES WILL JOIN US IN SUPPORTING AYE. THANK YOU.

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



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1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK BOTH
2 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD.
3 I THINK IT'S A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US
4 TO LEVERAGE THE POWER OF THE COUNTY'S CONTRACTING PROCESS TO
5 SET AN EXAMPLE, AS YOU SAID. I ALSO WANTED TO TAKE THIS
6 OPPORTUNITY TO WELCOME PAULA DANIELS AS THE NEW EXECUTIVE
7 DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF FOOD EQUITY WHERE SHE WILL PLAY A
8 KEY ROLE IN ADVANCING THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO BUILDING MORE
9 COMMUNITY CENTERED FOOD SYSTEMS. HER INNOVATIVE WORK AS CO-
10 FOUNDER OF THE CENTER FOR GOOD FOOD PURCHASING HAS TRANSFORMED
11 FOOD SYSTEMS ACROSS 25 MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREAS AND EVEN
12 EARNED HER RECOGNITION BY THE UNITED NATIONS. SO WELCOME TO
13 HER AND THANK YOU TOO FOR THIS MOTION. I HEARD FROM SUPERVISOR
14 HORVATH THAT IT'S SOMETHING THAT WEST HOLLYWOOD HAS DONE. IT'S
15 PERHAPS SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD TAKE TO CSAC TO MAKE SURE
16 THAT OTHER COUNTIES ACROSS THE STATE ARE LOOKING TO THIS AS AN
17 EXAMPLE THAT THEY COULD MODEL AS WELL. LOOK FORWARD TO
18 SUPPORTING THE MOTION.

19
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GOOD SUGGESTION. THANK YOU,
21 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SEEING NO OTHER SUPERVISORS REQUESTING TO
22 MAKE REMARKS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF
23 THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 3.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL CHRISTINA KOO AND SAMANTHA LAU PLEASE



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

6

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

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ALEX FERRIS AND
12 I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MERSEY FOR ANIMALS IN SUPPORT OF
13 ITEM 3. THIS MOTION BUILDS UPON THE COUNTY'S 2024 MOTION OF
14 REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS THROUGH FOOD PROCUREMENT AND
15 SHOWS HOW THE COUNTY CAN DEMONSTRATE ITS COMMITMENT TO
16 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND INCLUSIVITY
17 BY IMPLEMENTING POLICIES THAT CENTER HEALTHY PLANT-BASED
18 FOODS, ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGING INTEGRATED DPHS PUBLIC HEALTH
19 STANDARDS AND ALL NEW RENEWING THOSE THROUGH ITS CONTEXT, AND
20 THROUGH THE EARTH'S ACCOUNTING AND INSTITUTIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL
21 AND SOCIAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PURCHASING ANIMAL-BASED
22 FOODS. OUR ORGANIZATION REMAINS ENTHUSIASTIC AND WILL BE A
23 RESOURCE UPON PASSAGE OF EARTH-BASED COSTS. SO, THANKS FOR ALL
24 OF YOUR WORK TO PROMOTE A SUSTAINABLE, HEALTHY, AND HUMANE
25 POLICY.



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

3
4 **MODERATOR:** MELANA WATTS YOUR LINE IS OPEN, YOU MAY BEGIN.

5
6 **SPEAKER:** HELLO GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS MELANA WATTS AND I'M
7 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE PLANT-BASED TREATY. I URGE THE BOARD
8 OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 3, EXPANDING COUNTY
9 ACTION TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS THROUGH FOOD
10 PROCUREMENT. ANIMAL AGRICULTURE IS A LEADING CONTRIBUTOR TO
11 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, MAPPING THE OUTPUT OF THE ENTIRE
12 TRANSPORTATION SECTOR. WITHOUT MEANINGFUL CHANGES TO THE FOOD
13 SYSTEM, EVEN ACHIEVING CARBON NEUTRALITY IN OTHER ALL SECTORS
14 BY 2050, IT WOULD STILL RESULT IN EXCEEDING THE 1.5 CELSIUS
15 TARGET SET BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT. SHIFTING TO PLANT-BASED
16 FOOD OPTIONS IS A TANGIBLE, EFFECTIVE SOLUTION AS THESE FOODS
17 HAVE A CARBON FOOTPRINT THAT IS 63% LOWER THAN ANIMAL-BASED
18 PRODUCTS. ADDITIONALLY, PLANT-BASED DIETS OFFER SIGNIFICANT
19 HEALTH BENEFITS ACCORDING TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON
20 CLIMATE CHANGE. THESE DIETS NOT ONLY REDUCE EMISSIONS BUT ALSO
21 DECREASE THE RISK OF CHRONIC DISEASE, SUCH AS CARDIOVASCULAR
22 DISEASE AND TYPE 2 DIABETES. BY PRIORITIZING PLANT-BASED FOODS
23 AND PROCUREMENT POLICIES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN SET AN
24 EXAMPLE IN ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE AND IMPROVING HEALTH --



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

2

3 **SPEAKER:** WE ARE EXCITED TO--

4

5 **MODERATOR:** ERIC PREVIN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HAPPY NEW YEAR TO THE BOARD AND THANKS FOR THE
8 ONGOING EFFORT TO ADDRESS THE CLIMATE CHANGE AND
9 SUSTAINABILITY. AND I THINK THE GOALS IN THIS MOTION TO REDUCE
10 GREENHOUSE GAS THROUGH FOOD, PURE TERMINAL, GOOD AND NOBLE.
11 BUT I'M WORRIED THAT THE UNNECESSARY COMPLEXITY AND THE BURDEN
12 THAT THIS IS GOING TO INTRODUCE REQUIRING DETAILED ANNUAL FOOD
13 PURCHASING DATA FROM EACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT AND VENDOR, IT'S A
14 BIG LIFT. AND FRANKLY, ESTABLISHING A BASELINE FOR WHO THE
15 MISSIONS ALIGNS WITH TARGET GLOBAL PLEDGES AND ALL THAT IS
16 GREAT. BUT HONESTLY, WE CAN'T EVEN PROMOTE BASIC TRANSPARENCY
17 WITHIN THE COUNTY FOR OTHER THINGS. WE CAN'T, WE'RE CONSTANTLY
18 CLOSING UP WITH SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENTS. AND THEN WHEN WE ASK,
19 OKAY, CAN WE SEE WHAT'S GOING ON THERE? YOU SAY, NO, YOU CAN'T
20 LOOK AT IT BECAUSE IT'S PRIVILEGED. THAT'S JUST NOT
21 RIDICULOUS. SO, BEFORE WE BURDEN THESE DEPARTMENTS WITH SO
22 MANY CRAZY REQUIREMENTS, WHY DON'T WE WORK ON SOME OF THE
23 PROCUREMENT ISSUES ACROSS THE BOARD? THEN WE CAN APPROACH
24 SOMETHING LIKE THIS SENSIBLY, BECAUSE THIS IS GONNA CAUSE A
25 LOT OF DIFFICULTY--



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

3

4 **MODERATER:** ANNALISA CARR, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME
7 IS ANNALIESE CARR, DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND COALITION WITH THE
8 LOS ANGELES FOOD POLICY COUNCIL. A COLLECTIVE IMPACT
9 ORGANIZATION FOCUSED ON ENSURING FOOD IS HEALTHY, AFFORDABLE,
10 SUSTAINABLE, AND FAIR FOR ALL. WE ARE CALLING IN IN SUPPORT OF
11 TODAY'S MOTION TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS THROUGH FOOD
12 PROCUREMENT, INCREASING PROCUREMENT AND OFFERINGS AND
13 VARIETIES OF PLANT-BASED AND PLANT FORWARD OPTIONS, PLANS TO
14 IMPROVEMENTS IN PUBLIC HEALTH, ANIMAL WELFARE, AND
15 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY. AS CHAMPIONS OF THE GOOD FOOD
16 PURCHASING POLICY, WE RECOGNIZE THAT INSTITUTIONAL PROCUREMENT
17 CAN HAVE AN IMPACT ON DRIVING MARKET DEMAND FOR GOOD FOOD AND
18 FOR CREATING A SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEM WE KNOW IS POSSIBLE. WE
19 ARE ENCOURAGED BY TODAY'S MOTION AND LOOK FORWARD TO BUILDING
20 UPON ITS SUCCESS. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** ELLEN DENT, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** HI. YES, I WENT EARLIER JUST IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS
2 MOTION, I REALLY BELIEVE THAT MORE PLANT-BASED OPTIONS OFFERED
3 BY LA COUNTY IS GOING TO BE SUCH A REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE THAT'S
4 GOING TO REVERBERATE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. AND IT COULD SET
5 SUCH A GREAT EXAMPLE. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT SUPERVISOR
6 SOLIS BROUGHT UP THE WINDSTORM THAT IS HAPPENING OUT THERE
7 RIGHT NOW OR OUT HERE IN LOS ANGELES YOU KNOW AND YEAH JUST IN
8 FULL SUPPORT SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD
9 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS AGAIN AND I'M LOOKING
10 FORWARD TO USING IT IMPLEMENTED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK
11 YOU.

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

14
15 **MODERATOR:** LAURA CASCADA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, YOU MAY BEGIN.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, YES, I ALREADY SPOKE AS WELL BUT I WILL JUST
18 ADD AGAIN I'M WITH BETTER FOOD FOUNDATION AND WE ARE IN
19 SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 3. AND YEAH, AND THEN WITH THE NEW YORK
20 CITY PROGRAM THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER, ALL THE PATIENTS, 95%
21 OF THEM WHO HAVE BEEN CHOOSING THE PLANT-BASED FOODS HAVE
22 FOUND THEM APPETIZING AND HAVE BEEN SATISFIED WITH THEM AND
23 IMPORTANTLY THIS PROGRAM HAS HELPED NEW YORK CITY MEET THE
24 DIVERSE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY ESPECIALLY PEOPLE OF COLOR WHO
25 ARE OFTEN BOMBARDED WITH UNHEALTHY FOODS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO



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1 HEART DISEASE AND DIABETES. AND SO I REALLY APPRECIATE LA
2 STEPPING FORWARD IN ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE AND BRINGING MORE
3 INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE FOODS TO THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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

6
7 **MODERATOR:** HANNAH TRUXALL, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8
9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS HANNAH TRUXALL.
10 I'M THE SENIOR POLICY COUNSEL FOR THE HUMANE LEAGUE AND I'M
11 HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF OUR ORGANIZATION AND OVER 12,000
12 SUPPORTERS IN LA COUNTY TO REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT FOR AGENDA
13 ITEM NUMBER 3. THIS MOTION SUPPORTS THE COUNTY'S
14 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN BY PROMOTING PLANT-BASED MENU OPTIONS,
15 DEMONSTRATING A COMMITMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY,
16 PUBLIC HEALTH, INCLUSIVITY, AND ANIMAL WELFARE. RESEARCH SHOWS
17 THAT SWITCHING TO PLANT-BASED FOODS CAN REDUCE FOODS' CARBON
18 FOOTPRINT BY 40% AND WATER FOOTPRINT BY 24%, WITH THE
19 POTENTIAL TO LOWER FOOD EMISSIONS BY UP TO 70%. IN ADDITION,
20 EXPANDING PLANT-BASED OPTIONS ALSO PROMOTES INCLUSIVITY, WITH
21 65% OF THE GLOBAL POPULATION BEING LACTOSE INTOLERANT. PLANT-
22 BASED OPTIONS CATER TO DIVERSE DIETARY PRACTICES ACROSS
23 DIFFERENT CULTURES AND RELIGIONS WHERE CERTAIN ANIMAL PRODUCTS
24 MAY BE RESTRICTED. PASSAGE OF THIS MOTION WILL POSITION LA
25 COUNTY AS A LEADER IN INCLUSIVE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY



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1 RESPONSIBLE FOOD PRACTICES. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION
2 OF THIS MOTION.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** JULIE SCHULTZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. HAPPY NEW
9 YEAR TO YOU ALL. MY NAME IS JULIE SCHULTZ. I'M A 20-YEAR
10 RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES. I FULLY SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 3 TO
11 EXPAND THE COUNTY'S ACTION TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS
12 THROUGH FOOD PROCUREMENT. AS YOU'VE HEARD, THERE'S SO MANY
13 BENEFITS FOR A PLANT-RICH DIET. I ALSO URGE YOU TO LOOK AT AND
14 CONSIDER THE HEAVY ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COSTS ASSOCIATED
15 WITH PURCHASING ANIMAL-BASED PRODUCTS. THIS IS A NEEDED SHIFT
16 TO REDUCE A LARGE PORTION OF FOOD-RELATED SCOPE 3 EMISSIONS
17 AND OFFER HEALTHIER MORE INCLUSIVE FOOD FOR OUR COUNTY. SO, I
18 URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION AND I WANT TO MENTION
19 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR MAKING THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE
20 PUBLIC WHICH WILL BE REALLY GREAT FOR US TO SUPPORT THE COUNTY
21 ALONG THIS MISSION THANK YOU.

22

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

24

25 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS IN



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1 THE QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO IN-PERSON
4 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SAMANTHA LAU
7 AND I'M A PLANT-BASED TREATY ORGANIZER CAMPAIGNER. I'M
8 SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF THIS ITEM. I'D LIKE TO FIRST THANK
9 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS
10 MOTION TO THE BOARD AND THANK YOU ALL FOR CONSIDERING IT. THIS
11 MOTION REALLY SHOWS LA COUNTY'S LEADERSHIP IN TAKING ACTION ON
12 CLIMATE CRISIS WE'RE FACING. THE IPCC 6 ASSESSMENT REPORT HAS
13 WARNED THAT WE ARE ON TRACK TO REACH 1.5 DEGREES CELSIUS BY
14 2030, AND WE'RE HEADING TO 2 DEGREES INCREASE BY 2040. WE'RE
15 ALSO UNDER A METHANE EMERGENCY. CURRENTLY 32% OF ALL METHANE
16 COMES FROM ANIMAL AGRICULTURE. WE NEED ALL HANDS ON DECK TO
17 TAKE ACTION ON MAKING SURE LA COUNTY IS SUSTAINABLE AND
18 RESILIENT. USING THE FOOD SYSTEM TO FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE IS
19 PROVEN AN EFFECTIVE METHOD FOR REACHING EMISSIONS TARGET.
20 PLANT-BASED FOODS HAVE A 63% LOWER CARBON FOOTPRINT THAN
21 ANIMAL-BASED FOODS, WHICH IS PRECISELY WHY THIS MOTION IS SO
22 EFFECTIVE. IN MY LINE OF WORK, I MEET A LOT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN
23 L.A. WHO HAVE TOLD ME.

24

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



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2 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. HI. GOOD MORNING. SO, I AM HERE ALSO IN
3 SUPPORT OF OUR SUPERVISORS IN LA COUNTY, ONE OF THE MOST
4 FAMOUS COUNTIES IN THE WORLD, TO CONSIDER A PLANT-BASED
5 SOLUTION CONSIDERATION OF BECAUSE OF HEALTH BENEFITS. AND IT'S
6 MENTAL. IT ALSO HELPS PEOPLE HEAL INTERNALLY ON THEIR OWN BY
7 EATING THE RIGHT FOODS. I THINK THE FACTS AND THE STATISTICS
8 AND THE MEDICAL SUPPORT IS UNDENIABLE. AND SOMETHING THAT OUR
9 COUNTY IS CONSIDERING AS AN ATTORNEY, AS A HEALTH ADVOCATE.
10 I'VE WORKED ON CIVIL RIGHTS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, AND I
11 SPECIFICALLY WORK WITH HEALTH PATIENTS AS A HEALTH ADVOCATE,
12 ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO ARE LOW INCOME IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, LOS
13 ANGELES CITY AREA. AND I'VE SEEN THE BENEFITS AND THE EASE OF
14 TRANSITIONING INTO A MORE HEALTHY LIFESTYLE, WHICH INCLUDES
15 100% OF CHANGE IN DIET. NOW IT'S EASY TO SAY DIET, BUT IT'S
16 REALLY IMPORTANT.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
19 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, I DON'T SEE ANYONE ELSE
22 WISHING TO SPEAK ITEM 3 AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS
23 BEFORE US MOVED BY I MEAN BY SOLIS I'M SORRY BY SO I JUST
24 SOLIS IS BEFORE US MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH SECONDED BY
25 SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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1 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

2

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
12 HORVATH?

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

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

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18 **SUP. JANCIE HAHN:** AYE.

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

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

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24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO
25 0.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM NUMBER
3 12, COMPASSION AND EQUITY ELIMINATION OF THE MEDICAL
4 EXAMINER'S TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE FEE FOR LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY RESIDENTS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR
6 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON
7 THIS ITEM, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 TO COMMENT.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT
10 TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME.
11 COLLEAGUES, AS WE ALL KNOW, THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE CAN BE ONE
12 OF THE MOST DIFFICULT MOMENTS IN ANYONE'S LIFE. AND
13 UNFORTUNATELY, IT CAN ALSO BE FINANCIALLY STRESSFUL, GIVEN THE
14 MANY EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH LAYING A LOVED ONE TO REST. ONE
15 SUCH EXPENSE INCLUDED THE FORMALLY REQUIRED COUNTY DEPARTMENT
16 OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE FEE OF
17 \$400. THIS FEE WAS OFTEN UNEXPECTED AND OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS
18 WERE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY FOR IT. SADLY, RESIDENTS WERE REQUIRED
19 TO PAY TO TRANSPORT THE BODY OF A DECEASED LOVED ONE FROM ONE
20 PLACE OF DEATH TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER WHERE
21 BODIES UNDERGO EXAMINATION. HOWEVER, THE BOARD RECOGNIZED THE
22 IMPORTANCE OF SUPPORTING OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS IN LAYING THEIR
23 LOVED ONES TO REST WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT. THAT'S WHY IN
24 MARCH OF 2024 THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED A MOTION TO WAIVE
25 THE TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE FEES FOR ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS



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1 DURING A 180-DAY ASSESSMENT PERIOD. IT TOOK PLACE. IN OTHER
2 WORDS, THAT WAS A PILOT PROGRAM. DURING THIS TIME, THE CHIEF
3 MEDICAL EXAMINER ALSO COLLECTED THE DATA, INCLUDING
4 DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION, TO ASSESS AND EVALUATE THE IMPACT OF
5 THE PILOT PROGRAM. PRELIMINARY DATA SHOWED THAT THE BURDEN OF
6 TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE FEES DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS
7 LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES, MANY OF WHOM HAPPEN TO BE FAMILIES OF
8 COLOR. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND THE CHIEF MEDICAL
9 EXAMINER SUCCESSFULLY IDENTIFIED FUNDING FOR THE DURATION OF
10 THE PILOT PROGRAM TO END BY THIS CURRENT FISCAL YEAR,
11 ALLOCATING ALMOST \$1,000,000 FOR THAT TIME. HOWEVER, WE MUST
12 ENSURE THAT THE COUNTY DOES WHAT IT CAN TO PRACTICE COMPASSION
13 AND EQUITY BY CONTINUING TO EASE THE FINANCIAL BURDEN FOR
14 RESIDENTS WHO ARE SEEKING TO LAY THEIR LOVED ONES TO REST.
15 THIS IS SO IMPORTANT BECAUSE DURING COVID, WE SAW A
16 DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT ON MANY OF OUR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. I
17 SAW THAT FIRSTHAND IN THE FIRST DISTRICT IN EAST LOS ANGELES
18 WHERE YOU HAD MULTIPLE FAMILY MEMBERS THAT WERE DECEASED AND
19 THERE WAS NO WAY THAT THEY COULD ACCOUNT FOR THE ECONOMIC
20 CONSTRAINTS THAT THE COUNTY WAS PLACING ON THEM. AND THAT'S
21 WHY TODAY'S MOTION WILL DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE IN
22 COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER TO
23 IDENTIFY ONGOING FUNDING TO PERMANENTLY ELIMINATE THE
24 TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE FEES FOR ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS. AND
25 I PERSONALLY WANT TO THANK OUR MEDICAL EXAMINER FOR HIS



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1 EFFORTS IN HELPING US FIND A SOLUTION HERE AND FOR CARRYING
2 THIS PILOT PROGRAM OUT. AND WITH THAT, I'D LIKE TO TURN TO MY
3 CO-AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR HAHN. THANK YOU.

4
5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND I AGREE. I
6 REALLY THINK THE THANKS GOES TO OUR CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER,
7 DR. UKPO, BECAUSE IT WAS HIS IDEA TO ELIMINATE THESE FEES. HE
8 CAME UP WITH THE IDEA AND HE APPROACHED THIS BOARD TO ASK FOR
9 OUR SUPPORT, AND WE GAVE HIM THE SUPPORT FOR A 6 MONTH PILOT
10 PROGRAM AND IT WAS CLEARLY VERY SUCCESSFUL AND AS YOU SAID TO
11 WHETHER SO LEAST \$400 FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF YOUR DECEASED
12 LOVED ONE AT A TIME WHEN IT'S ALREADY A TERRIBLE TIME IN YOUR
13 LIFE IS REALLY A HUGE BURDEN FOR MANY OF OUR FAMILIES HERE IN
14 LA COUNTY. SO, THIS MOTION IS ASKING OUR CEO TO FIND THE FUNDS
15 TO MAKE THIS PILOT PROGRAM PERMANENT SO NO ONE WILL EVER HAVE
16 TO WORRY ABOUT FINDING FUNDS TO PAY FOR THIS KIND OF SERVICE
17 AGAIN. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT WE'RE THE FIRST AND ONLY
18 JURISDICTION IN CALIFORNIA TO WAIVE THESE FEES. AND THE REASON
19 IT'S WORTH NOTING, I THINK, AND THE REASON WE'RE ABLE TO DO
20 THIS IS BECAUSE WE DON'T CONTRACT OUT OUR TRANSPORTATION
21 SERVICES. WE PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES IN-HOUSE, WHICH GIVES US
22 THE FLEXIBILITY TO MAKE DECISIONS LIKE THIS ONE TO ELIMINATE A
23 FEE FOR THE GOOD OF ALL OF OUR CONSTITUENTS IN LA COUNTY. YOU
24 KNOW, LOS ANGELES COUNTY TAKES CARE OF PEOPLE FROM THE MOMENT
25 THEY'RE BORN UNTIL THE DAY THEY DIE. AND THIS MOTION, WHAT



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1 WE'RE DOING TODAY, I THINK, IS PART OF THAT SAFETY NET THAT
2 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS FOR SO MANY PEOPLE. AND IT HELPS THOSE
3 FAMILIES GRIEVE A LOVED ONE WITH DIGNITY AND CARE AND LIFTING
4 THE BURDEN OF THIS TRANSPORTATION FEE. SO, THANK YOU, I ASK
5 FOR EVERYONE'S SUPPORT.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

8

9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE THE
10 WORK OF DR. UKPO AND IN BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND AS I WAS
11 LISTENING TO YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS I'VE EXPERIENCED WITH
12 RESIDENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT IT WASN'T JUST DURING COVID
13 BUT SOME OF THE EARLY CALLS I GOT WHEN I FIRST JOINED THE
14 BOARD WERE FROM AREAS OF THE DISTRICT WHO WERE REALLY
15 STRUGGLING WITH THEY HAD, YOU KNOW, DECEASED FAMILY MEMBERS,
16 PEOPLE WHO WERE MURDERED, FRANKLY, WHO WOULD LAY OUT IN THE
17 STREET SOMETIME FOR HOURS WAITING TO BE PICKED UP. AND THAT'S
18 HOW I UNDERSTOOD THE BURDEN OF THIS PROCESS ON OUR DEPARTMENT
19 HOW THEY ARE UNDER RESOURCED AND SO IT'S REALLY TWOFOLD I
20 COMPLETELY AGREE GREAT THAT WE ARE LEADING THE EFFORT TO MAKE
21 SURE THAT FAMILIES DON'T HAVE TO ADD THIS ON TO WHAT THEY'RE
22 ALREADY EXPERIENCING I SUPPORT THAT. I JUST WANT US TO
23 CONTINUE TO BE MINDFUL IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS WILL
24 HIT OUR NCC WHICH SHOULD TRIGGER OUR FISCAL RESILIENCY PROCESS
25 AND JUST AS WE CONTINUE AS A BOARD TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE



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1 PRIORITIZE CRITICAL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY THAT WE ARE
2 MINDFUL THAT WE ARE ADDING TO THAT LIST OF THINGS THAT WE'RE
3 GOING TO HAVE TO PRIORITIZE AND MAKE THE TOUGH DECISIONS AS A
4 BOARD IN TERMS OF WHAT WE FUND. AND I WAS CURIOUS IF DR. UKPO
5 WAS HERE. IF I COULD ASK A QUICK QUESTION. I THINK PRIMARILY
6 FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION. GOOD MORNING AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. THANK
7 YOU. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP OF THIS
8 DEPARTMENT. YOU AND YOUR TEAM DO VERY DIFFICULT WORK AND AS A
9 BOARD, WE ABSOLUTELY VALUE THAT. COULD YOU SHARE IF THERE ARE
10 ANY EFFORTS YOUR DEPARTMENT HAS TAKEN TO CIRCUMVENT THE NEED
11 FOR TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE IN SOME CASES AND IF THOSE
12 EFFORTS HAVE BEEN HELPFUL IN LOWERING THE FINANCIAL BURDEN ON
13 SOME FAMILIES AND FINANCIAL BURDEN ON YOUR DEPARTMENT.

14
15 **DR. ODEY C. UKPO:** THANK YOU SO MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU
16 SO MUCH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THAT QUESTION. THE
17 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HOSPITAL SIGN OUT PROGRAM, PART OF THAT
18 STRATEGY WAS ALSO TO REDUCE THE BURDEN OF TRANSPORTATION. I
19 HAD TO ASK THE QUESTION WERE WE ADDING VALUE TO FAMILIES BY
20 TRANSPORTING FROM THE HOSPITAL TO OUR DEPARTMENT. AND IT
21 TURNED OUT THERE WAS A SUBSET OF CASES THAT DID NOT MEET THAT.
22 SO, I COULDN'T JUSTIFY THAT NEED. AND SO, BY REDUCING THAT
23 TRANSPORTATION, WE EFFECTIVELY REDUCED 1,300 FEWER CASES A
24 YEAR BEING TRANSPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT. AS A RESULT THAT IS
25 APPROXIMATELY \$500,000 SAFE TO THE COMMUNITY. AND SO THAT'S



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1 ONE WAY THAT WE'VE CIRCUMVENTED THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS FROM
2 ANOTHER SORT OF PROGRAM. SO THAT'S ALREADY IN EFFECT. SO, THIS
3 WILL BE THE OTHER HALF TO ADDRESS THE OTHER CASES THAT WE DO
4 STILL NEED TO TRANSPORT. BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT THIS
5 OPPORTUNITY FOR KINDNESS TO COMPLETE THE WHOLE THING IS WHERE
6 WE ARE TODAY. AND SO THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE YOU SHARING THAT BECAUSE
9 THAT'S ALSO A TIMELINESS ISSUE. THAT'S ONE LESS STEP. IF I'M
10 ABLE TO TRANSPORT MY LOVED ONE FROM THE HOSPITAL WHERE THEY
11 PASS DIRECTLY TO THE MORTUARY. IT'S ALSO TIME-SAVED AND LESS
12 BURDEN ON YOUR WOMAN POWER AND MANPOWER.

13

14 **DR. ODEY C. UKPO:** YEAH, EXACTLY AND ALSO WHEN SOMEONE DIES IN
15 THE HOSPITAL THE FAMILIES CAN'T VISIT THEM. THAT'S ALSO
16 IMPORTANT TO ME. THREE WEEKS THEY CAN'T SEE THEM, BUT AS A
17 MORTUARY THEY CAN CERTAINLY COME AND SEE THEIR LOVED ONES. SO
18 THAT'S THE OTHER COMPONENT AS WELL.

19

20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** EXCELLENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
21 LEADERSHIP AND REALLY BEING STRATEGIC AND FIGURING OUT BOTH
22 KIND OF SIDES OF THAT EQUATION. LOOKING FORWARD TO SUPPORTING
23 THE MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24

25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU. THANKS TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR
3 BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD AND TO DR. UKPO FOR IDENTIFYING
4 THIS NEED AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO SOLVE IT. I AM
5 SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MOTION. I'M INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER
6 FROM YOU DR. UKPO OR PERHAPS FROM OUR CEO HOW WE MIGHT BE ABLE
7 TO COVER THE ESTIMATED \$720,000 ANNUAL COST PROJECTION,
8 WHETHER THERE ARE ANY SOURCES OF GRANT FUNDING THAT MIGHT BE
9 ABLE TO HELP COVER THAT OR WHETHER WE'VE LOOKED AT POTENTIALLY
10 DEPARTMENTAL EFFICIENCIES TO COVER THAT COST ON A GOING
11 FORWARD BASIS.

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13 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YES. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
14 FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. SO, THIS WAS A TWO-
15 PART MOTION. THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS IN MARCH OF 2024 ASKING
16 US TO DO A PILOT. IT WAS SCORED ON OUR FISCAL RESILIENCE
17 PROTOCOL AS DR. UKPO COLLECTED THE DATA AND ISSUED HIS REPORT
18 IN OR AROUND SEPTEMBER. WE ACTUALLY IDENTIFIED ONGOING FUNDING
19 AND PLACED IT IN A PFU IN ANTICIPATION THAT THIS MOTION WOULD
20 BE COMING FORWARD. SO, THERE WILL BE PERMANENT FUNDING. AND I
21 TOO WOULD LIKE TO THANK DR. UKPO FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY OF
22 KINDNESS. MY OFFICE WAS INFORMED THAT THIS GREAT IDEA WAS
23 GENERATED BY BOARD OFFICES, BUT HELPFUL TO KNOW THAT IT CAME
24 FROM OUR ESTEEMED COLLEAGUE, AND WE ARE READY TO SUPPORT HIM
25 AS WE IMPLEMENT THIS IN BUDGET WITH ONGOING FUNDING.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THAT'S GREAT NEWS. GREAT NEWS ALL
3 AROUND. THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, DR. UKPO,
4 AND TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I AM
5 SUPPORTIVE.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND DOCTOR, I ALSO WANT
8 TO THANK YOU. I THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION BEING BROUGHT IN
9 TODAY, BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMPASSION AND
10 EMPATHY, NOT ONLY YOU, BUT YOUR ENTIRE STAFF. YOU TRULY, AND I
11 KEEP TELLING YOU THIS BECAUSE I REALLY WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW
12 MUCH WE APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU'RE PUTTING INTO THE
13 MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE. AND I KNOW YOUR TEAM FEELS THAT
14 SUPPORT EACH AND EVERY DAY. AND I HEAR THE ISSUE REGARDING
15 FISCAL CONCERNS, BUT I'M TOLD THAT BECAUSE YOU RUN SUCH A
16 TIGHT DEPARTMENT AND BECAUSE THIS IS A PRIORITY FOR YOU, THAT
17 IF THERE'S COST SAVINGS EACH YEAR AT THE END, THAT THAT CAN BE
18 ROLLED OVER AND APPLIED TOWARD THESE TYPE OF PROGRAMS. IS THAT
19 CORRECT, FESIA?

20

21 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SUPERVISOR, THEIR BUDGET IS PRETTY SLIM EVERY
22 YEAR. THEY DO HAVE A VERY SMALL AMOUNT OF FUND BALANCE. I
23 DON'T THINK WE'LL NEED TO USE THE FUND BALANCE SINCE WE HAVE
24 ALREADY IDENTIFIED THE ONGOING FUNDING IS JUST SITTING IN A
25 PFU.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH, BUT I THINK THAT SPEAKS
3 VOLUMES TO YOUR LEADERSHIP, BECAUSE WHEN WE BROUGHT THIS
4 QUESTION UP TO THE CEO, THEY FELT CONFIDENT, ESPECIALLY GIVEN
5 THE FACT THAT THIS IS YOUR PRIORITY FOR YOU. SO, I WILL BE
6 SUPPORTING THIS ITEM TODAY, BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW AND PLEASE
7 TAKE BACK TO YOUR ENTIRE TEAM HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE THE WORK
8 THAT YOU ALL DO EACH AND EVERY DAY IN AN AREA THAT THAT TRULY
9 CAN BE VERY CHALLENGING. AND I KNOW THAT. I KNOW THAT ACTUALLY
10 YESTERDAY WAS A BUSY DAY FOR YOU ALL IN MY COMMUNITY. AND THE
11 FEEDBACK I GOT FROM OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT IS YOU WERE
12 RESPONSIVE, YOUR TEAM WAS RESPONSIVE, AND I JUST REALLY
13 APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU DO. WITH THAT, SEEING NO OTHER
14 COMMENTS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL MEMBERS OF
15 THE PUBLIC WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON
18 SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM. AS A FINAL
19 REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
20 TO ADDRESS ITEM 12, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE
21 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
22 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE? MODERATOR?

23

24 **MODERATOR:** TRAMELL RADCLIFFE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY
25 BEGIN.



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2 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS TREMAYL RADCLIFFE AND I'M WITH THE
3 ORGANIZATION CALLED JUSTICE FOR YOUTH. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK
4 IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 12. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA
5 SOLIS TO ELIMINATE THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL, EMERGENCY AND
6 JUDICIAL HISTORICITIES. JUST WITHIN THESE PAST FEW YEARS,
7 WE'VE LOST JUST ABOUT 27 YOUNG PEOPLE DUE TO VARIOUS VIOLENCE
8 ISSUES, GANG ISSUES, DRUG OVERDOSE, AND SO MUCH MORE. AND JUST
9 TO BE ABLE TO ALLEVIATE THE FURNITURE BURDEN FOR MANY OF THESE
10 FAMILIES THAT ARE MOURNING THE LOSS OF THEIR LOVED ONES.
11 HELLO?

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU GO AHEAD.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** OH, SORRY OH, SORRY, SORRY, SORRY. DID I? I
20 APOLOGIZE. DID I START FROM THE BEGINNING?

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** NO, YOU ARE AT THE END OF YOUR
23 TIME.

24

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



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2 **MODERATOR:** DIANA STANLEY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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4 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS DIANA STANLEY AND I TOO AM A
5 REPRESENTATIVE FROM JUSTICE FOR YOUTH, BUT I'M ALSO A LIFELONG
6 LA COUNTY RESIDENT. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR
7 ALWAYS BRINGING FORWARD WAYS TO HELP LA COUNTY RESIDENTS, MANY
8 WHO ARE VULNERABLE AND LOW INCOME, THIS TIME BY ELIMINATING
9 THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE FEE. I
10 REQUEST THE BOARD SUPPORT THIS MOTION TO RELIEVE THIS BURDEN
11 ON FAMILIES SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON HEALING DURING THESE
12 DIFFICULT TIMES. IT'S CERTAINLY THE RIGHT THING TO DO. AND
13 THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR
14 YOUR WONDERFUL PUBLIC SERVICE. THANK YOU.

15

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

17

18 **MODERATOR:** VIVIANA ENGLISH, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. HAPPY NEW YEAR. MY NAME IS VIVIANA ENGLISH.
21 I'M WITH THE WELLNESS CENTER AT THE HISTORIC GENERAL HOSPITAL.
22 I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO DR. UKPO FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. I
23 ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM, ITEM 12, I
24 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS TO ELIMINATE THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER'S TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE 3.



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1 AS THE COUNTY SHOULD DO WHAT IT CAN TO ALLEVIATE THE FINANCIAL
2 BURDEN, WARNING THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES. HAVING LOST A FAMILY
3 MEMBER IN DIFFICULT TIMES, I UNDERSTAND THE DIFFICULTY
4 FAMILIES FACE IN MOURNING THEIR LOVED ONES AND HAVING TO COME
5 UP WITH THE MONEY NEEDED TO GIVE THEM A PROPER BURIAL. MANY OF
6 OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE CHALLENGED WITH THESE FEES DUE TO
7 HARD TIMES AND IT SHOULD NOT BE A REASON TO HAVE TO BURY THEIR
8 LOVED ONES WITH DIGNITY. I REQUEST THE BOARD'S SUPPORT TO ITEM
9 12. THANK YOU.

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

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13 **MODERATOR:** AMY ZHAO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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15 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS AMY ZHAO. I'M WITH CHINATOWN SERVICE
16 CENTER. I LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 12. I JUST WANT TO
17 THANK THE PROVIDERS HELPLESSLY TO ELIMINATE THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 MEDICAL EXAMINER TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE FEE. THIS IS A
19 REALLY IMPORTANT ITEM ESPECIALLY THOSE THAT ARE OF LOW INCOME
20 AND HAVE FINANCIAL BURDEN DURING THIS HARD TIME. SO, I WOULD
21 LIKE TO REQUEST THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS ITEM 12 TO MOTION.
22 THANK YOU.

23

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

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THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** ERIC PREVIN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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3 **SPEAKER:** THANKS. I'M SUPPORTIVE OF WAIVING THESE FEES, YOU
4 KNOW, BUT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$700,000, WHICH WOULD HELP ABOUT
5 1,800 DEAD RESIDENTS' FAMILIES, WHICH IS NICE. BUT WHY STOP
6 HERE? WHY NOT GO FOR SOME OF THE REAL PERNICIOUS FEES? LIKE, I
7 DON'T KNOW IF YOU KNOW THERE'S A 10% LATE FEE ON PROPERTY
8 TAXES. THIS IS AN EGREGIOUS GRAB, AND IT'S OUTRAGEOUS, AND IT
9 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS THE STRUGGLING PEOPLE, THE SENIORS,
10 PEOPLE ON FIXED INCOME. SO, I, YOU KNOW, THESE HUMANE
11 INITIATIVES, WHY IS IT SUCH A SLIM, WHY IS THE DEPARTMENT
12 UNDERFUNDED, WHY IS THERE A STRUCTURAL DEBT PROBLEM WITH THE
13 FIRE DEPARTMENT? AND ALSO, THIS IS IMPORTANT, BARGER, EVERY
14 ITEM ON THE AGENDA ON THE WEBSITE IS LISTED AS PRE-APPROVED.
15 THAT'S A BROWN ACT VIOLATION. YOU'VE GOT TO GO ONE AT A TIME.
16 YOU DIDN'T APPROVE ALL THE ITEMS BEFORE TAKING PUBLIC COMMENT,
17 RIGHT? SO, TALK WITH MR. YEN, WHO'S DOING A GREAT JOB, AND
18 CLARIFY THAT BECAUSE IT REALLY IS A BLUNDER AND I JUST ADMIRE
19 YOU ALL FOR THE HARD WORK YOU'RE DOING BUT --

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

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

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THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT WITH THAT THIS ITEM IS
2 BEFORE US. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLE ON THIS
3 ITEM. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN,

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE

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

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

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
14 HORVATH?

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16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AYE

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18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER;** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE

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

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24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE

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THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO
2 0.

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 13,
5 RAISING AWARENESS ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION, WHICH WAS
6 HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WISH
7 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 TO COMMENT.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR
10 RECOGNIZING ME AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR CO-
11 AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION WITH ME THIS MORNING. COLLEAGUES, SADLY,
12 IN MY DISTRICT AN AZUSA RESIDENT WAS KILLED, A TEENAGE GIRL
13 WHO WAS BRUTALLY STABBED DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS. MEDIA REPORTS
14 THAT HER EX-BOYFRIEND HAD BEEN ARRESTED AS A MAN SUSPECTED OF
15 HER DEATH. THIS TRAGEDY AMPLIFIES THE EXPERIENCES OF DOMESTIC
16 AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE THAT MANY OF OUR COUNTY
17 RESIDENTS FACE. THE 2023 LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH SURVEY
18 INDICATED THAT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IMPACTS WOMEN ACROSS ALL
19 RACES, ETHNICITIES AND INCOME LEVELS. IN FACT, THROUGHOUT THE
20 COUNTY APPROXIMATELY 1 IN 4 WOMEN REPORT HAVING ENDURED SEXUAL
21 OR PHYSICAL VIOLENCE FROM AN INTIMATE PARTNER. AND WE KNOW
22 THAT THE NUMBER IS LIKELY HIGHER AS MANY INSTANCES OF DOMESTIC
23 AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE GO UNREPORTED. ALTHOUGH DOMESTIC
24 VIOLENCE DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS WOMEN, WE KNOW THAT IT
25 ALSO IMPACTS MEN. AND IN 2021, AN ESTIMATED 10% OF MEN IN THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY INDICATED HAVING EXPERIENCED SEXUAL OR PHYSICAL
2 VIOLENCE FROM AN INTIMATE PARTNER DURING THEIR ADULT LIVES. WE
3 ALSO KNOW THAT OUR LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY IS PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE
4 TO INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE. ADDITIONALLY, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
5 CAN BE A DRIVER OF HOMELESSNESS AND ACCORDING TO THE 2024
6 GREATER LOS ANGELES HOMELESS COUNT, APPROXIMATELY 43% OF
7 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN LA COUNTY THROUGH OUR
8 COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE EXPERIENCE DOMESTIC OR INTIMATE
9 PARTNER VIOLENCE. IN FACT, 10% INDICATED THAT DOMESTIC
10 VIOLENCE WAS THE REASON THAT THEY ENDED UP BEING HOMELESS OR
11 ON THE STREETS. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AS YOU KNOW,
12 PROVIDES A SURVIVOR-CENTERED COORDINATED APPROACH TO
13 ADDRESSING INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE THROUGH VARIOUS
14 INITIATIVES INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION, THE
15 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL AND THE OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH. WE
16 MUST CONTINUE TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES TO RAISE AWARENESS AND
17 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT SYSTEMS TO THOSE EXPERIENCING
18 DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE, PARTICULARLY AMONG OUR
19 YOUTH. AND THAT'S WHY I BROUGHT THIS MOTION BEFORE US, BECAUSE
20 THIS YOUNG WOMAN WAS A TEENAGER, JUST BARELY STARTING IN HER
21 LIFE, AND TO SEE THAT HER LIFE GOT CUT SHORT BECAUSE SOMEONE
22 WAS ANGRY OR MAD AND SHE HAD NO ONE TO TURN TO. THAT'S WHY
23 THIS MOTION WILL DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S
24 OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN COLLABORATION WITH THE
25 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL, THE OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH, THE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE
2 OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A TOOLKIT THAT CAN BE DISSEMINATED BY
3 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND OUR COUNTY PARTNERS,
4 INCLUDING OUR SCHOOLS, TO RAISE THIS AWARENESS ON HOW TO BREAK
5 THAT CYCLE OF DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AND TO
6 REPORT BACK TO THIS BOARD WITH PLANS AND RESOURCES NEEDED TO
7 FACILITATE THAT PUBLIC OUTREACH CAMPAIGN. THESE RESOURCES
8 SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES, BE CULTURALLY
9 RESPONSIVE AND INCLUSIVE OF DIFFERENT GENDER IDENTITIES AND
10 SEXUAL ORIENTATIONS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR DIVERSE LA COUNTY
11 RESIDENTS. ADDITIONALLY, THE MOTION ALSO REQUESTED THAT THE
12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY
13 STUDY ON OPTIONS TO BETTER PARTNER AND DEVELOP A COORDINATED
14 RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE. DOMESTIC
15 VIOLENCE HAS FAR-REACHING CONSEQUENCES, AS WE ALL KNOW, THAT
16 NEGATIVELY IMPACT INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND THE FABRIC OF OUR
17 COMMUNITIES. WE MUST CONTINUE TO DO MORE TO SAFEGUARD THE
18 WELL-BEING OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS, INCLUDING THE
19 YOUNG LADY THAT LOST HER LIFE IN THE CITY OF AZUSA.

20 COLLEAGUES, I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. OVER 1/3 OF
25 WOMEN AND OVER A 1/4 OF MEN IN THE COUNTRY WILL EXPERIENCE



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SUPERVISORS

1 RAPE, PHYSICAL VIOLENCE, AND OR STALKING BY THEIR PARTNER IN
2 THEIR LIFETIME. WE'VE HEARD THESE STATISTICS BEFORE, BUT WITH
3 RATES OF INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE SO HIGH, WE CLEARLY HAVE
4 MORE WORK TO DO AND WE CANNOT LET THEM FALL ON DEAF EARS. THIS
5 IS WHY GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION WAS A PRIORITY FOR ME
6 DURING MY TIME AS CHAIR AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE AT THE
7 FOREFRONT OF MY WORK AS A SUPERVISOR. AT THE COUNTY, WE ARE
8 WORKING TIRELESSLY TO IDENTIFY GAPS IN EXISTING PREVENTION
9 EFFORTS AND ARE COORDINATING WITH OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS
10 TO ENSURE WE BRING AN END TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. THE OFFICE OF
11 VIOLENCE PREVENTION, THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL AND THE
12 OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH, ALL HOUSED IN OUR DEPARTMENT OF
13 PUBLIC HEALTH, HAVE LED ON THESE ISSUES AND ARE DEVELOPING A
14 GAP ANALYSIS TO INFORM PREVENTION WORK. A STUDY OF OPTIONS TO
15 BETTER DEVELOP COORDINATED RESPONSE BY OUR SHERIFF'S
16 DEPARTMENT AND THE COUNTY IS ALSO UNDERWAY. WE HAVE TO CENTER
17 THE EXPERIENCE OF SURVIVORS IN ORDER TO GET THIS RIGHT. AS WE
18 DEVELOP BETTER WAYS TO SUPPORT SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,
19 AN ACTION WE CAN ALL IMMEDIATELY TAKE IS SPREADING AWARENESS
20 OF THIS PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. PREVENTION STARTS WITH AWARENESS
21 AND THAT STARTS WITH US. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HAVING
22 ME AS YOUR CO-AUTHOR AND THIS IMPORTANT MOTION AND I CERTAINLY
23 WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS WORK AHEAD.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU TO
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION, SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR YOUR
4 REMARKS. IT'S TOO OFTEN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE GOES UNNOTICED OR IS
5 UNSPOKEN AND IT'S HARD TO IDENTIFY FOR OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND
6 OTHERS. AND AS AN ALL-FEMALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
7 THE LARGEST COUNTY IN THIS COUNTRY, IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
8 ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC IS AWARE OF THE SIGNS OF DOMESTIC AND
9 INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE SO THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE ABLE TO GET
10 THE HELP THAT THEY DESERVE. WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB OF
11 INFORMING THE PUBLIC ON THE COUNTY'S VARIOUS RESOURCES AND
12 PROTECTIONS FOR THOSE WHO ARE VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF
13 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. THIS ALSO MEANS THAT WE NEED MORE DOMESTIC
14 VIOLENCE SHELTER BEDS, LOCATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, AND DIRECT
15 CONNECTIONS TO THE ELIGIBLE PUBLIC BENEFITS. AND TODAY'S
16 MOTION DEMONSTRATES THE COUNTY'S CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO
17 IMPROVING AND ADDRESSING SHORTFALLS. I HOPE THE REPORT BACK
18 CAN PRODUCE TANGIBLE SOLUTIONS FOR BETTER SUPPORTING DOMESTIC
19 AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE SURVIVORS IN THE COUNTY. THANK
20 YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU AND I WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS
21 MOTION.

22
23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT IN. IN
24 THE COURSE OF MY CAREER HERE IN THE COUNTY YOU KNOW, I'VE SEEN
25 US PUT THIS FRONT AND CENTER AS A PRIORITY AND THAT'S WHY I



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 WENT HOPE GARDENS WANTED TO OPEN IN CAGLE CANYON FOR WOMEN AND
2 CHILDREN. I RECOGNIZED THAT THIS WAS A VITAL COMPONENT TO
3 GETTING MANY OF THESE WOMEN OUT OF ABUSIVE SITUATIONS AND
4 PROTECTING THEIR CHILDREN AS WELL. WE KNOW THAT THE LARGEST
5 NUMBER, WELL, ONE OF THE LARGEST NUMBERS ON THE STREET, ARE A
6 RESULT OF PEOPLE FLEEING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. SO HOUSING IS A
7 KEY COMPONENT. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I WOULD ENCOURAGE WITH
8 THE DEPARTMENTS IS TO WORK WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S
9 OFFICE. THEY HAVE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR VICTIMS. AND I WOULD
10 HOPE THAT THEY WOULD BE COORDINATING AS IT RELATES TO NOT ONLY
11 PROVIDING FOR THE VICTIMS BUT ALSO FOR THE ABUSER BECAUSE AT
12 THE END OF THE DAY, THEY'RE LOCKING THEM UP IS NOT GOING TO
13 GET RID OF THE PROBLEM. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE IS
14 SOME SORT OF PROGRAM IN PLACE FOR THOSE THAT ARE DOING THIS
15 HORRIFIC ABUSE ON PARTNERS. AND SO, I'M GOING TO BE SUPPORTING
16 THIS TODAY. AND I APPRECIATE YOU, UNFORTUNATELY, BECAUSE OF
17 THE TRAGIC SITUATION THAT TOOK PLACE IN AZUSA. AND MY HEART
18 DOES BREAK FOR THE FAMILY RIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS HAVING TO
19 DEAL WITH SOMETHING AS HORRIFIC AS THAT BUT I THINK IT'S
20 IMPORTANT FOR US TO LOOK AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE TO
21 MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANOTHER HORRIFIC SITUATION LIKE
22 THIS. SEEING NO OTHER SUPERVISOR'S WISHING TO SPEAK EXECUTIVE
23 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP
24 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
2 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DONICIA AUGUSTUS, DR.
3 CHAVEZ, GABRIELLA EDDY, AND JESSICA HERNANDEZ. MODERATOR, MAY
4 WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

5

6 **MODERATOR:** RUTH RIVERA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISOR
9 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS RUTH RIVERA AND I AM WITH THE EAST LOS
10 ANGELES WOMEN'S CENTER. FIRST AND FOREMOST, I WOULD LIKE TO
11 THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO RAISE AWARENESS ON
12 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION VIA TOOLKIT AND OUTREACH
13 CAMPAIGN. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS A PERVASIVE ISSUE THAT IMPACTS
14 ALL RACES, AGES, SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, AND GENDERS.
15 UNFORTUNATELY, IT DOES NOT ONLY AFFECT THE PRIMARY INDIVIDUAL,
16 BUT THEIR FAMILIES, LOVED ONES, AND COMMUNITIES. THE BEST WAY
17 TO STOP THIS PERPETUATION OF VIOLENCE TO CONTINUE IS THROUGH
18 PREVENTION AND AWARENESS. FOR THIS AND MANY MORE REASONS, I
19 REQUEST THE BOARD'S SUPPORT FOR A VERY IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK
20 YOU.

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** MARY ROSELLE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS MARY ROSELLE, AND I'M THE CALIFORNIA
2 STATE LEGISLATIVE CO-LEAD VOLUNTEER WITH MONSIGNOR IN ACTION
3 FOR GUNSENSE IN AMERICA. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM
4 NUMBER 13, AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION
5 TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND END DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER
6 VIOLENCE. THERE IS AN UNEQUAL BURDEN OF FIREARM-RELATED
7 DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AS MOST WOMEN KILLED BY
8 THESE PERPETRATORS ARE KILLED WITH GUNS. DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE
9 PARTNER VIOLENCE AFFECTS MILLIONS OF NOT ONLY WOMEN BUT ALSO
10 CHILDREN AND MANY OTHER VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. SO, I URGE THE
11 BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS CRUCIAL MOTION AS IT REPRESENTS THIS
12 FINAL STEP FORWARD TOWARDS SAFEGUARDING OUR MOST VULNERABLE
13 RESIDENTS, AIDING THE VOICE TO THOSE WHO CANNOT PROTECT
14 THEMSELVES. THANK YOU.

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

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18 **MODERATOR:** AARON DORMAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.
19 AARON, PLEASE BEGIN.

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21 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS AARON DORMAN, AND I AM SPEAKING ON
22 ITEM 13.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** SORRY. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND GUN VIOLENCE ARE DEEPLY
2 INTERCONNECTED, IMPACTING MILLIONS OF WOMEN, FAMILIES, AND
3 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE U.S. GUNS ARE MORE LIKELY TO KILL, OR
4 MORE LIKELY TO TURN TO FATAL ABUSE, AND ARE ALSO THE LEADING
5 CAUSE OF THE DEATH OF CHILDREN IN THIS COUNTRY. THE MAJORITY
6 OF WOMEN KILLED BY AN INTIMATE PARTNER ARE KILLED WITH A GUN.
7 I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO RAISE
8 AWARENESS ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION VIA A TOOLKIT AND
9 OUTREACH PROGRAM. DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE HAS A
10 NEGATIVE IMPACT ON ENTIRE COMMUNITIES. THE COUNTY MUST
11 CONTINUE TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES TO RAISE AWARENESS AND
12 IMPROVE SUPPORTS TO PREVENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SAFEGUARD
13 OUR MOST VALUABLE RESIDENTS. I REQUEST THE BOARD TO SUPPORT
14 THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

17
18 **MODERATOR:** RILEY QUANG, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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20 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS RILEY QUANG AND I REPRESENT NOBLE
21 AMANECER MOHEDIN BIGAR, A NONPROFIT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
22 WORKING WITH WOMEN IN EAST LOS ANGELES. I'M SPEAKING TODAY IN
23 SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 13. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
24 YOUR MOTION TO RAISE AWARENESS AND PREVENT DOMESTIC AND
25 INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE THROUGH A CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE



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SUPERVISORS

1 MULTILINGUAL TOOLKIT AND OUTREACH CAMPAIGN. AT NO WOMAN'S
2 FIFTH, WE WORK ENTIRELY IN SPANISH BECAUSE MOST OF THE WOMEN
3 WE SERVE DO NOT SPEAK ENGLISH, AND MANY ARE NOT LITERATE. WHEN
4 PUBLIC OUTREACH CAMPAIGNS RELY ON ENGLISH FLYERS OR TEXT-
5 HAVING MATERIALS, THEY LEAVE MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY BEHIND. FOR
6 SURVIVORS WHO LIVE IN A BUBBLE OF ISOLATION, I'M SURE HOW TO
7 REACH OUT FOR HELP, THESE BARRIERS CAN BE INSURMOUNTABLE.
8 EVERY WEEK WE SEE WOMEN TAKING THEIR VERY FIRST STEPS TO
9 CONNECT WITH RESOURCES, AND WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE SO MANY
10 MORE WHO HAVE NOT YET MADE THOSE STEPS. INCLUSIVE,
11 MULTILINGUAL, AND ACCESSIBLE OUTREACH MATERIALS LIKE THOSE
12 PROPOSED IN THIS MOTION ARE ESSENTIAL TO BREAKING THROUGH
13 THOSE BARRIERS AND REACHING THOSE WHO NEED TO HELP THEM UP. WE
14 URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND CONTINUE ADDRESSING
15 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN A WAY THAT TRULY SERVES OUR DIVERSE
16 COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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

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20 **MODERATOR:** DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY
21 BEGIN.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** I AM. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK WITH THEM. I
24 REALLY APPRECIATE IT. THEY'RE NOT DONE UP. WE CAN'T DO
25 SOMETHING. ANYWAY. ALL RIGHT,



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE, PLEASE TAKE CARE OF
3 YOURSELF. MY COLLEAGUES, I WAS GOING TO TELL YOU THAT SHE'S IN
4 THE HOSPITAL RIGHT NOW, AND SO WE ARE SENDING YOU OUR PRAYERS
5 AND LOVE.

6

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** CRYSTAL LOZA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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11 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS CRYSTAL LOZA FROM JOYOUS VENTURES, AN
12 INTERIM HOUSING SHELTER FOR FAMILIES, AND WE SUPPORT ITEM 13.
13 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, FOR HER INITIATIVE TO RAISE
14 AWARENESS ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION THROUGH A TOOLKIT
15 AND OUTREACH CAMPAIGN. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HAS A FAR-REACHING
16 IMPACT IN OUR COMMUNITY, BUT IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE COUNTY TO
17 ENHANCE SUPPORT SYSTEMS AND RAISE AWARENESS TO SAFEGUARD OUR
18 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. I URGE THE BOARD TO ENDORSE THIS
19 IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU.

20

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

22

23 **MODERATOR:** BRITTANY MASON, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HEY, MY NAME IS BRITTANY MASON I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF



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SUPERVISORS

1 OF HOVENESS INC. LEADING HOUSING AGENCIES SERVING TRANSITION
2 AGED 18 THROUGH 24 AND STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN
3 OUR COMMUNITIES. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 13.
4 I WANT TO ESPECIALLY THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO
5 RAISE AWARENESS ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION, AS WELL AS
6 THE TOOLKIT AND OUTREACH CAMPAIGN. DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE
7 PARTNER VIOLENCE IS A CRITICAL ISSUE THAT HAS DEVASTATING
8 IMPACT ON OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE AT THE
9 INTERSECTION OF MULTIPLE VULNERABILITIES. THERE'S SOMETHING
10 THAT DEEPLY IMPACTS ECONOMIC MOBILITY, HOUSING SECURITY, AND
11 EVERY ASPECT OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S LIFE. AS A YOUTH HOUSING
12 PROVIDER, WE'VE SEEN THE IMPACT OF THAT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND
13 INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE ON LEADING TO HOMELESSNESS AND
14 HOUSING INSECURITY. THE COUNTY MUST CONTINUE TO IDENTIFY
15 OPPORTUNITIES TO RAISE AWARENESS AND IMPROVE THE SUPPORT FOR
16 OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. I REQUEST THAT THE BOARD
17 SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

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21 **MODERATOR:** LILY TRAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LILY TRAN AND I'M WITH THE YWCA OF
24 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA
25 SOLIS FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN PROPOSING A MOTION TO RAISE TV



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SUPERVISORS

1 AWARENESS AND ACTION. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND INTIMATE PARTNER
2 VIOLENCE NEGATIVELY IMPACTS ENTIRE COMMUNITIES, PERPETUATING
3 CYCLES OF TRAUMA AND INSTABILITY. SO, ONE MONTH OF AWARENESS
4 IN OCTOBER IS NOT ENOUGH TO ADDRESS THE ONGOING CHALLENGES
5 FACED BY SURVIVORS AND COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY THIS VIOLENCE.
6 I REQUEST SUPPORT TO SUPPORT THIS CRITICAL INITIATIVE. THANK
7 YOU.

8

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

10

11 **MODERATOR:** TRACY SATTLE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS TRACY SATTLE, AND I'M A VOLUNTEER
14 WITH MOMS DEMAND ACTION. AND LIKE THE OTHER SPEAKERS, I'M
15 SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 13. WE KNOW THAT TOO MANY WOMEN
16 ARE SHOT AND KILLED BY INTIMATE PARTNERS OR ARE THREATENED
17 WITH GUNS BY INTIMATE PARTNERS. AND I JUST VERY MUCH SUPPORT
18 THIS ITEM. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR
19 HER MOTION TO RAISE AWARENESS ON THIS ISSUE AND A REQUEST THAT
20 THE BOARD SUPPORTS THIS MOTION. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

21

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** TAYA HISSLE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TAYA HEISEL AND I'M WITH
2 DOWNTOWN WOMEN'S CENTER SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 13. WE
3 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN THIS
4 MOTION. WE KNOW ACCORDING TO OUR 2022 LA COUNTY WOMEN'S NEEDS
5 ASSESSMENT, THAT INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE IS THE MOST
6 COMMONLY CITED REASON FOR LEAVING HOUSING FOR WOMEN. WE KNOW
7 THAT DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE PREVENTION IS
8 HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND IS PREVENTION OF CONTINUED TRAUMA.
9 THE COUNTY MUST CONTINUE TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES TO RAISE
10 AWARENESS AND IMPROVE SUPPORTS TO PREVENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
11 AND WE URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO IN-PERSON
14 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. I'M
17 GABRIELA AEREA, AN SBC COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. I'M PRESENT HERE
18 TODAY IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 13. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
19 HILDA SOLIS FOR STANDING LIGHT IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE
20 CONCERNING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ITS ABUSE OF POWER, AND ITS
21 HOPEFUL PREVENTION. I BELIEVE IT IS OUR DUTY TO RAISE
22 AWARENESS AND TO IMPROVE AND ALL SUPPORTIVE MEASURES FOR ALL
23 AT-RISK RESIDENTS. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CANNOT CONTINUE TO HIDE
24 IN THE SHADOWS. WE THE PEOPLE SHOULD STAND HERE TOGETHER IN
25 FULL SUPPORT OF THIS NECESSARY MOTION. [SPEAKING SPANISH].



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1 THANK YOU.

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

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5 **SPEAKER:** HI MY NAME IS JESSICA HERNANDEZ AND I REPRESENT SBCC,
6 I HEART MOVEMENT. I'M HERE TO SEPARATELY SPEAK ON BEHALF OF
7 ITEM 13. I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND MY GRATITUDE TO SUPERVISOR
8 HILDA SOLIS FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT
9 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION. AS A SURVIVOR OF DOMESTIC
10 VIOLENCE, I UNDERSTAND THAT THE CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF THE
11 ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT OUR COMMUNITIES
12 ALONG WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS
13 RECOGNIZE THE EARLY SIGNS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. WE MUST UNITE
14 TO CREATE A SAFER ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
15 ATTENTION AND FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO THIS CAUSE.

16

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

18

19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. DEAR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO THANK
21 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HORVATH FOR RECOMMENDING BRINGING
22 AWARENESS TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. OUR DAUGHTER WAS A VICTIM OF
23 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. AND HER ABUSER WAS ALLOWED TO JUST CONTINUE
24 TO ABUSE HER. IN APRIL OF 2018, OUR DAUGHTER PASSED AWAY AND
25 WE LANDED IN PROBATE COURT. AND HER ABUSER WAS A PARTY TO THE



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1 CASE. AND ALL ALONG, WE FOUGHT AND BEGGED AND PLEADED THAT WE
2 SHOULD ALL HAVE THERAPY AND THEY NEVER WOULD GRANT ANY. AND
3 OUR DAUGHTER'S ABUSER WAS SUBSEQUENTLY KILLED IN SELF-DEFENSE
4 AND NOW OUR GRANDSON IS A ORPHAN. I URGE YOU ALL TO NOT ONLY
5 SUPPORT IT, BUT MAKE SURE THERE'S OVERSIGHT. THANK YOU.

6

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

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MA'AM.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. AS OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025, WE THE PEOPLE
12 OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND SUPPORTING CONTINENTS IN
13 THE WORLD HEAR AND SEE THAT HUMAN RIGHTS OF BIOLOGICAL WOMEN,
14 THE ONLY GENDER BORN WITH THE UTERUS, GOD WILLING, RIGHTS ARE
15 STILL BEING VIOLATED IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND IN THE
16 CITY OF LOS ANGELES AS OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025. THE LEGAL
17 DEFINITION OF ADJUSTING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND
18 CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS STILL PENDING IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE
19 MOST VULNERABLE POPULATION, WHICH ARE BIOLOGICAL WOMEN, THE
20 ONLY GENDER WHO BRING LIFE INTO THIS WORLD. WE ARE STILL
21 WAITING FOR THAT LEGAL DEFINITION TO SUBMIT IN COURT. PLEASE
22 EMAIL CHAVEZ.DR.LLC@ICLOUD.COM.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW RETURN TO REMOTE
25 SPEAKERS. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?



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2 **MODERATOR:** DANNY GONZALEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HI, EVERYONE. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE TIME. MY NAME
5 IS DANNY GONZALEZ WITH THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER. I WANT TO
6 THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR THIS INCREDIBLE MOTION THAT
7 RAISES AWARENESS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. THE LOS ANGELES LGBT
8 CENTER IS PROUD TO HOST THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON LGBT
9 INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE. AND WE HAVE SEEN THAT DOMESTIC
10 VIOLENCE AFFECTS ALL PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF THEIR SEXUAL
11 ORIENTATION OR THEIR GENDER IDENTITY, WE RECOGNIZE THAT
12 INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AFFECTS US ALL. SO WE THINK THAT A
13 TOOLKIT THAT IS INCLUSIVE IS AN INCREDIBLE STEP TO MAKING SURE
14 THAT ALL OF LA COUNTY FEELS SAFE, PROTECTED, AND UPLIFTED IN
15 RECEIVING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CARE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

16

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** ERIC PREVIN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVIN. AND, YOU KNOW, I
22 APPRECIATE THE ATTENTION. THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF ATTENTION,
23 DISPROPORTIONATE, BUT VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE. AND ONE IDEA ABOUT
24 FUNDING THE OUTREACH AND PREVENTION MEASURES IS TO ENGAGE. THE
25 MEGA EVENT COMPLEX THAT YOU ALL ARE TACIT PARTICIPANTS IN,



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1 WHICH BRINGS HUGE EVENTS FULL OF DRUNKEN PEOPLE WHO, BELIEVE
2 IT OR NOT, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LIKE THIS, TRAFFIC WOMEN AND
3 PEOPLE IN THEIR FAMILY AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE MEGA
4 EVENTS BRINGING TO LOS ANGELES THAT YOU ARE ALL INTENT ON
5 DOING BECAUSE YOU WANT THE MONEY. BUT WHAT YOU'RE NOT DOING IS
6 PROTECTING THE PEOPLE FROM THESE INSIDIOUS ACTIVITIES WHERE
7 THEY BEHAVE BADLY. THEY COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. LOOK
8 WHAT HAPPENED IN NEW ORLEANS AND IN OTHER BIG CITIES. IT'S
9 WE'VE GOT A REAL PROBLEM WE'RE FACING A GIANT CLIFF OF BEING
10 ABLE TO PROTECT PEOPLE NOT JUST FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, BUT
11 FROM ALL SORTS OF TROUBLE AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND. I DON'T
12 MAYBE WE SHOULD SOAK THE BILLIONAIRE FOOTBALL PLAYER--

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

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16 **MODERATOR:** ODILEZA BRAILLE YOUR LINE IS OPEN YOU MAY BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU TO SUPERVISORS SOLIS I'M BRINGING ATTENTION
19 TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. I BELIEVE IT
20 IS A CHILD'S RIGHT TO BE AWARE OF HOW TO USE THEIR KNOWLEDGE
21 FOR THE USE OF THEIR PROTECTION. IN REGARDS TO THIS AGENDA
22 ITEM, I WOULD LIKE TO ADVOCATE FOR AN EMPHASIS ON PARENT AND
23 GUARDIAN ENGAGEMENT TO NOT ONLY INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY, BUT
24 ALSO TO BUILD TRUSTING FOUNDATION UPON COMMUNITY MEMBERS. AS A
25 PERSON WHO HAS EXPERIENCED WORKING WITH VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS



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1 OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, I KNOW PEOPLE WHO CAUSE HARM. I WOULD
2 LIKE TO BRING AWARENESS TO PEOPLE WHO ALSO CAUSE HARM AND ARE
3 INVOLVED IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEMS WHO HAVE ALSO BEEN VICTIMS AND
4 SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. IF YOUTH ARE NOT BEING
5 APPROPRIATELY TAUGHT ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, THEY CAN FOLLOW
6 THE PATH OF BEING VICTIMS OR A PERSON WHO CAUSES HARM. IT IS
7 TIME TO INCREASE OVERSIGHT OF ALL PARTIES INVOLVED TO MODEL
8 ACCOUNTABILITY AND MOBILIZE CHANGE TO A SAFER FUTURE. THANK
9 YOU ALL.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** TANYA MCKENZIE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS TANYA MCKENZIE AND EVERY TOWN FELLOW,
16 A MOM'S DEMAND VOLUNTEER AND A LOS ANGELES COUNTY
17 COMMISSIONER, THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER
18 LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE AND I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THE BOARD
19 SUPPORT THIS MOTION. I LEARNED AT AN EARLY AGE HOW IMPACTFUL
20 INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE, FAMILY VIOLENCE, AND DOMESTIC
21 VIOLENCE CAN BE ON YOUNG PEOPLE. IT PERMEATES EVERY ASPECT OF
22 THEIR LIFE AS THEY PROGRESS FORWARD. IT'S NO SECRET HOW MUCH
23 MENTAL HEALTH WEIGHS ON OUR SOCIETY. MENTAL ILLNESS MANY TIMES
24 STARTS AT HOME. I APPLAUD EVERY EFFORT TO BRING AWARENESS TO
25 THIS AVOIDABLE AND PREVENTABLE ISSUE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.



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1 PLEASE SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

4

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

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO IN-PERSON
9 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. YES. THANK YOU. MY WIFE JUST SPOKE ABOUT MY
12 DAUGHTER DYING AND THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE
13 PERSON WHO DID IT. SHE MENTIONED THAT HIM DYING BY SELF-
14 DEFENSE, IT WASN'T HIM DYING BY SELF-DEFENSE, THE PERSON WHO
15 KILLED HIM, KILLED HIM WHILE SURVIVING, WHILE HE WAS DOMESTIC
16 VIOLENCE, WHILE HE'S BEATING ON SOMEONE ELSE AGAIN. AND THAT'S
17 JUST, I JUST DON'T WANT TO BE LIKE HE WAS DEFENDING HIMSELF,
18 NO, THE PERSON WAS DEFENDING HIMSELF AGAINST HIM. THANK YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH, THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER
23 COMMENTS, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR, ITEM 13 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. TO APPROVE
25 THIS ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

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

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

9

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

11 HORVATH?

12

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

14

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

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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

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21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO

24 0.

25



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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE ARE NOW GOING TO
2 MOVE ON TO ITEM NUMBER 17, TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
3 THE TAX COLLECTOR'S POWER TO SELL, WHICH WAS HELD BY
4 SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK ON
5 THIS ITEM, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 AND YOU WILL BE PUT IN THE
6 QUEUE. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

7
8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS WE LOOK ALWAYS AT
9 WAYS TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES, MANY TIMES ONE OF THE
10 DIFFICULTIES WE FACE IS AVAILABILITY OF PROPERTIES AND LAND
11 FOR DEVELOPMENT. SO AS I WAS REVIEWING THE AGENDA AND SAW THIS
12 BOARD LETTER FROM OUR TREASURY TAX COLLECTOR REGARDING THE
13 SELLING OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTIES, I THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE A
14 GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT THIS LIST AND POTENTIALLY HAVE
15 COUNTY PURCHASED PROPERTIES AND VACANT LOTS THAT WE COULD USE
16 TO ADDRESS NOT ONLY OUR HOMELESS CRISIS BUT ALSO THE LACK OF
17 PARK SPACE HERE IN LA COUNTY. IF WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO BUY
18 VACANT PROPERTIES AND REUSE THEM TO HOUSE THOSE WHO ARE
19 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS OR TO CREATE A NEW DOG PARK OR A NEW
20 PARK WITHIN A COMMUNITY. WE KNOW THAT THIS WILL INCREASE THE
21 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR RESIDENTS OF LA COUNTY OR LOOK TO PARTNER
22 WITH SOME OF THE NONPROFITS, LIKE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, THAT
23 ONLY NEEDS A SMALL VACANT PIECE OF PROPERTY TO BUILD HOMES FOR
24 THOSE WHO ARE LESS FORTUNATE. THAT'S WHAT I DID IN SAN PEDRO A
25 FEW YEARS BACK, I TOOK A VACANT COUNTY BUILDING AND TURNED IT



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1 INTO AN INTERIM HOUSING FOR MORE THAN 50 INDIVIDUALS. I ALSO
2 TURNED A SMALL PIECE OF VACANT LAND IN WALNUT PARK INTO A
3 THRIVING POCKET PARK FOR THE COMMUNITY. SO I WOULD LIKE TO
4 OFFER AN AMENDMENT TO THIS BOARD LETTER TO DIRECT THE TREASURY
5 TAX COLLECTOR IN COORDINATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
6 THE CEO HOMELESS INITIATIVE, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
7 PARKS AND REC, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
8 HEALTH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
9 DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE LOS
10 ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AGENCY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
11 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AFFORDABLE
12 HOUSING SOLUTIONS AGENCY TO REPORT BACK IN 45 DAYS WITH THE
13 REVIEW OF OUR OF THE TTC TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTIES AND ANY
14 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THEIR POTENTIAL PURPOSE AND USE AS PARK
15 PARKS, INTERIM HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH BEDS, ACCESS CENTERS, OR
16 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I ALSO THINK THAT
17 MAYBE LONG-TERM COLLEAGUES, WE COULD LOOK INTO MODIFYING OUR
18 POLICY WHEN IT COMES TO AUCTIONING THESE PROPERTIES. FESIA,
19 YOU HAD MENTIONED YESTERDAY IN OUR MEETING THAT THERE IS A
20 REPORT FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF COUNTIES ABOUT
21 KEEPING COUNTY PROPERTIES FROM GOING INTO THE HANDS OF
22 CORPORATIONS FOR THE GOOD OF COMMUNITIES, MANY TIMES THEY
23 PURCHASE THESE TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTIES, MANY TIMES IN LOW-
24 INCOME NEIGHBORHOODS, AND THEN USE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE
25 THE RENTS. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING THE NACO REPORT, AND



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1 MAYBE THAT'S SOMETHING YOU COULD PRESENT TO US IN A WAY THAT
2 WE COULD ACTUALLY LOOK AT A GLOBAL POLICY IN THE COUNTY FOR
3 WHAT WE DO WITH TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTIES. I FEEL LIKE THAT
4 WOULD BE THE FIRST STEP AT LOOKING TO CHANGE THINGS, BUT I
5 ALSO THINK THIS CURRENT AMENDMENT WILL TAKE THESE CURRENT
6 PROPERTIES AND HAVE SEVERAL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS JUST TAKE A
7 LOOK AT THEM TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT THAT IS SOMETHING THAT THE
8 COUNTY COULD PURCHASE.

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THAT WAS AN ACADEMIC
11 INSTITUTION THAT PRESENTED AT NACO, AND WE CAN HAVE THEM COME
12 AND PRESENT HERE TO THE BOARD, THE FINDINGS FROM THEIR REPORT
13 AND DATA THAT'S SPECIFIC TO LA COUNTY.

14

15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
18 SUPERVISORS WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS? SEEING NONE,
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
20 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, NUMBER 17.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON
23 SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM. AS A FINAL
24 REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
25 TO ADDRESS ITEM 17, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE



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1 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.

2 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** ERIC PREVIN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. CANDIDLY, I LIKE THE IDEA OF USING COUNTY
7 OR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY FOR THIS KIND OF THING, BUT I THINK IT
8 COMES ACROSS AS A LITTLE OPTIMISTIC IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT
9 WE HAVE ALL OF THE PROBLEMS. YOU SHOULD SEE A BIG STORY IN THE
10 LA TIMES OVER THE WEEKEND ABOUT HOW NEIGHBORS MOBILIZE. I
11 MEAN, DESPITE KAREN BASS'S EFFORTS, NINDIES AROUND THE CITY
12 HAVE ERECTED BARRIERS TO DOING WHAT I THINK HE'D LIKE TO DO.
13 SO GREAT. IT'S A LOVELY IDEA. AND WHAT A NICE THING TO SORT OF
14 CHEER ON AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING. BUT DO YOU KNOW THAT
15 THE CITY COUNCIL SUPERVISORS HAHN WHERE YOU USED TO RUN IS
16 ELIMINATED VIRTUAL TESTIMONY FOR THEIR PUBLIC COMMENT, HARRIS-
17 DOSS AND THE ACTIVISTS HAS DECIDED ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. SO, I
18 JUST FIND THAT SO GRIM AND SAD THAT IT'S VERY UPSETTING
19 BECAUSE IT REMINDS ME OF THE MANY TIMES THAT CITY HALL THEY'RE
20 CONSTANTLY KICKING THE DRUM ON ALL THESE UNUSED CITY PROPERTY

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

24
25 **SPEAKER:** IT'S REALLY SHAMEFUL.



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

4

5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT ITEM 17 AS AMENDED IS
6 BEFORE US MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
7 MITCHELL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL
8 THE ROLL.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM NUMBER 17 AS AMENDED, SUPERVISOR
11 SOLIS?

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

14

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

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

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
20 HORVATH?

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AYE.

23

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

25



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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

2

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

4

5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

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7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5-0.

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 30,
10 ONLINE TUTORING SERVICES CONTRACT, WHICH WAS HELD BY
11 SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK ON
12 THIS ITEM, PRESS 1 AND THEN 0, AND YOU'LL BE PUT IN THE QUEUE.
13 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

14

15 **SUP. JANCIE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I KNOW WE HAVE
16 SKYE PATRICK, OUR WONDERFUL DIRECTOR OF OUR LIBRARY DEPARTMENT
17 HERE TODAY. AND I HAD A FEW QUESTIONS FOR HER. SO, COLLEAGUES,
18 I HELD THIS ITEM NOT BECAUSE I HAVE ANY PROBLEM WITH THIS
19 BOARD LETTER, BUT I REALLY WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THIS VERY
20 IMPORTANT SERVICES THAT OFFERED BY OUR COUNTY LIBRARIES. OUR
21 COUNTY LIBRARIES ARE PRETTY INCREDIBLE IN TERMS OF WHAT WE
22 OFFER. THEY'RE NOT JUST ABOUT BOOKS, BUT TODAY WHAT WE'RE
23 DOING WITH THIS BOARD LETTER IS WE'RE APPROVING A CONTRACT
24 WITH BRAINFUSE, INC. TO CONTINUE PROVIDING FREE ONLINE
25 TUTORING SERVICES FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS. ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS



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1 SIGN UP FOR A LIBRARY CARD, OR IF YOU HAVE A LIBRARY CARD, YOU
2 CAN HAVE ACCESS TO FREE ONE-ON-ONE HOMEWORK HELP IN ACADEMIC
3 SUBJECTS LIKE MATH, SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES, ENGLISH. BUT
4 THAT'S NOT ALL. THE PROGRAM ALSO PROVIDES ADDITIONAL SERVICES
5 SUCH AS RESUME REVIEW, CAREER PREP, JOB RESOURCES, GED,
6 CITIZENSHIP TEST PREPARATION. YOU CAN LEARN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE
7 AND SO MUCH MORE. THIS IS SUCH AN EXCELLENT SERVICE FOR OUR
8 RESIDENTS AND THOSE WHO HOLD A LIBRARY CARD. BUT HONESTLY WHEN
9 I SORT OF DID A INFORMAL POLL OF FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS AND
10 SOME EVEN SOME OF MY STAFF IT WAS NOT SOMETHING THAT EVERYONE
11 ACTUALLY KNEW THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM
12 OFFERED. AND SO, I WAS GOING TO ASK SKYE WHAT YOUR THOUGHTS
13 ARE ABOUT THAT. I'M SURE, YOU KNOW, YOU DO A GREAT JOB OF
14 MARKETING. I'M WONDERING WHAT YOU'RE THINKING THAT HOW WE CAN
15 MAKE LIBRARY CARD HOLDERS MORE AWARE OF THIS SERVICE AND ALSO
16 AS AN INCENTIVE FOR PEOPLE TO GET A LIBRARY CARD IN LA COUNTY?
17 ARE THERE THINGS THAT WE CAN DO MORE? IS THERE A BETTER
18 OUTREACH PROGRAM THAT WE COULD DO? WHAT COULD YOU USE FROM
19 SUPERVISORS IN OUR DISTRICTS TO HELP PROMOTE IT? LOVE TO HEAR
20 YOUR THOUGHTS ON THIS.

21
22 **SKYE PATRICK:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO
23 THE BOARD. THERE'S A LOT MORE WE COULD DO. IT'S, IT'S, WE ARE
24 SOMETIMES A VICTIM OF OUR OWN SUCCESS WITH THE PUBLIC LIBRARY
25 AT THE COUNTY LIBRARY AND PEOPLE DON'T ALWAYS KNOW ALL OF THE



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1 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS WE HAVE I MEAN YOU'VE SAID IT WE DO HAVE
2 OUR EDUCATION ENGAGEMENT ASSISTANT DIRECTOR HERE SITTING WITH
3 ME AND SHE'S ALSO IN CHARGE, WELL, OBVIOUSLY EDUCATION, BUT
4 ALSO MARKETING, THE MARKETING DEPARTMENT. CURRENTLY, WE DO
5 SEVERAL THINGS. WE HAVE PALM CARDS AT OUR LIBRARIES. WE HAVE
6 PROMOTED THROUGH WHAT WE CALL LIBRARY WORLD TOURS, WHERE WE GO
7 TO DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS HERE WITHIN THE COUNTY SO THAT WE
8 SHARE WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OTHER DEPARTMENTS HERE ABOUT THE
9 SERVICES THAT WE HAVE. WE ALSO PROMOTE DURING ANY LIBRARY
10 OUTREACH WHEN WE GO OUT WITH OUR BOOKMOBILES AND OUR READING
11 MACHINES. AND WE, OF COURSE, PROMOTE ON OUR WEBSITE. NOW, WITH
12 THAT, WE COULD CERTAINLY WORK MORE WITH EACH OF YOUR OFFICES,
13 WHICH WE'RE DOING FOR THIS, WITH THIS NEW CONTRACT, TO MAKE
14 SURE THAT WE GET THE WORD OUT. WE DID A GREAT JOB WITH
15 MARKETING OUR SUMMERSTARS, WHICH IS OUR IN-PERSON TUTORING.
16 THIS IS REALLY JUST AN ADDENDUM TO THAT PROGRAM, AND WE COULD
17 DO, CERTAINLY DO MORE OUTREACH TO THE SCHOOLS, WHICH WE PLAN
18 TO DO.

19
20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I THINK ABOUT, AGAIN,
21 JUST THIS ONE CONTRACT FOR ONLINE TUTORING. IT'S SO MUCH OF
22 WHAT I HEAR FROM FAMILIES IS, YOU KNOW, SOME OF THEIR KIDS
23 MIGHT BE STRUGGLING IN SCHOOL AND, YOU KNOW, THEY STRUGGLE TO
24 FIND A GOOD AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM AND SOMETIMES THE COST, YOU
25 SEE THE MARKETING FOR SOME OF THESE TUTORING, PRIVATE



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1 TUTORING, YOU KNOW, CONTRACTS ARE QUITE EXPENSIVE FOR PEOPLE.
2 SO, THE FACT THAT OUR LIBRARY OFFERS ONE-ON-ONE TUTORING, I
3 THINK, AGAIN, IS SO VALUABLE. IT COULD REALLY MEAN THE
4 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A STUDENT SUCCEEDING OR FAILING. AND AGAIN,
5 I JUST FEEL LIKE, AGAIN, THERE'S SO MUCH OUR LIBRARY DOES. I
6 MEAN, YOU CAN RENT SMALL APPLIANCES FROM OUR LIBRARIES. I
7 MEAN, YOU KNOW, CHRISTMAS PEOPLE WERE RENTING OR CHECKING OUT,
8 YOU KNOW, COOKIE MOLDS AND THINGS. THERE'S SO MUCH OUR LIBRARY
9 DOES. BUT AS YOU SAID, YOU'RE A VICTIM OF YOUR OWN SUCCESS.
10 BUT I DO THINK THIS IS SOMETHING THAT OUR FAMILIES IN SO MANY
11 OF OUR COMMUNITIES WOULD REALLY, YOU KNOW, BENEFIT FROM AND
12 ALSO MAYBE ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO GET LIBRARY CARDS BECAUSE IT
13 MIGHT BE JUST THAT ONE LITTLE THING THAT WE MARKET THAT
14 ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO ACTUALLY GET A LIBRARY CARD. ONCE YOU GET
15 A LIBRARY CARD TO LA COUNTY, YOU HAVE THE WHOLE WORLD OPENED
16 UP TO YOU. SO, THANK YOU FOR THIS. I WAS JUST, THE MORE I READ
17 ABOUT IT AND THE MORE I DID INFORMAL INSTA-POLLS WITH PEOPLE,
18 VERY FEW PEOPLE ACTUALLY KNEW THAT WE OFFERED THIS.

19
20 **SKYE PATRICK:** WELL, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT WITH THIS
21 ITEM AND THIS CONTRACT, AND CERTAINLY WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO
22 GET MORE MARKETING OUT THERE. AND AGAIN, REALLY PARTNER WITH
23 THE SCHOOLS. I THINK THAT'S SORT OF THE MISSING LINK. IT'S
24 ALWAYS A CHALLENGE TRYING TO PARTNER WITH PUBLIC SCHOOL
25 SYSTEMS. WE HAVE 62 SCHOOL SYSTEMS DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTY



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1 LIBRARY SERVICES, SO TRYING TO FORMULATE RELATIONSHIPS AND GET
2 INFORMATION OUT TO THOSE IS OUR BIGGEST CHALLENGE BUT ARE ALSO
3 OUR GREATEST OPPORTUNITY.

4

5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. I THINK THAT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR
6 US TO WORK WITH DR. DUARDO AT LACOE AS WELL. THANK YOU, MADAM
7 CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU. THANKS, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR
12 BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I KNOW THAT A LOT OF TIMES ITEMS LIKE
13 THIS, YOU KNOW, CAN JUST MOVE FORWARD. IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE
14 DO AS A SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY, BUT TO HOLD IT AND HAVE A
15 CONVERSATION HELPS PEOPLE UNDERSTAND A LITTLE BIT MORE WHAT IS
16 ACTUALLY AVAILABLE, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING OR
17 AS WE MAKE CLIPS AND PUT IT ON OUR OWN SOCIAL MEDIA TO BE ABLE
18 TO SHARE. AND TO KNOW THAT OUR K THROUGH 12 STUDENTS HAVE THE
19 ABILITY TO TAP INTO FREE ON-DEMAND HELP FROM A LIVE ONLINE
20 TUTOR AND THAT SERVICE IS PROVIDED AS I UNDERSTAND IT IN
21 ENGLISH, SPANISH, AND CHINESE? MANDARIN.

22

23 **SKYE PATRICK:** AND MANDARIN.

24

25 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY. SO, THERE ARE A VARIETY OF



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1 LANGUAGES, MAYBE EVEN MORE TO COME. THIS RESOURCE IS BECOMING
2 MORE AND MORE POPULAR AMONG USERS. ON AVERAGE, THERE ARE ABOUT
3 1,150 TUTORING SESSIONS A MONTH WITH AN AVERAGE LENGTH OF 21
4 MINUTES. FROM 2023 TO 2024, UNIQUE USER VISITS WENT UP BY 35%
5 FROM 12,000 TO 16,000. SO GLAD TO HEAR THAT PEOPLE ARE AWARE
6 THAT THIS IS AVAILABLE, AT LEAST IN THIS SPACE. AND I CAN
7 IMAGINE IF YOU'RE A STUDENT WHO'S STRUGGLING WITH A MATH
8 QUESTION, YOU CAN LOG ON BETWEEN 1 TO 10 P.M. EVERY DAY AND
9 HAVE A TUTOR WORK WITH YOU THROUGH THAT MATH PROBLEM SO YOU
10 HAVE SOMEBODY WHO'S ABLE TO ASSIST YOU IN REAL TIME. AND IF
11 YOU'RE A STUDENT, YOU CAN ALSO SIGN UP FOR A STUDENT CARD TO
12 GET UNLIMITED ACCESS TO THE LIBRARY'S ONLINE RESOURCES,
13 PRINTING SERVICES, AND ACCESS TO LIBRARY COMPUTERS. SO, I KNOW
14 A LOT OF OUR STUDENTS NEED A VARIETY OF SUPPORTS, AND WE TRY
15 TO WORK WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, AND THIS IS ONE WAY THAT WE'RE
16 ABLE TO HELP SUPPORT THEM. BUT WE ALSO KNOW THAT THESE
17 SERVICES ARE NOT LIMITED TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. FOR OLDER ADULTS
18 AND ADULTS OF ALL AGES, YOU CAN ALSO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE
19 PLATFORM TO HELP PREPARE FOR NEW JOBS WITH COACHING, RESUME
20 PREPARATION, INTERVIEW PRACTICE, AMONG THE OTHER THINGS THAT
21 HAVE BEEN HIGHLIGHTED HERE TODAY. SO, I JUST WANT TO THANK OUR
22 LIBRARY TEAM FOR SUPPORTING THIS PLATFORM AND MAKING IT
23 AVAILABLE TO OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS AND FOR CONTINUING TO EXPAND
24 HOW WE'RE ABLE TO PROVIDE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES. I KNOW THIS
25 BRAINFUSE HELP NOW APP WILL MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE THE MORE



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1 THAT PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT IT AND THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT TO US.

2
3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. ALSO, THANK YOU
6 SKY FOR OFFERING THIS PROGRAM. I KNOW WHEN I FIRST READ ABOUT
7 IT, I THOUGHT, WOW, FANTASTIC IDEA, ESPECIALLY IN LOW-INCOME
8 NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE MANY OF OUR YOUNGSTERS DON'T HAVE THE
9 ABILITY BECAUSE OF FINANCIAL REASONS, ECONOMIC REASONS, OR
10 JUST LOCATION TO BE ABLE TO GET TUTORING. BUT I WAS WONDERING
11 WITH THE CONTRACT GOING BACK TO BRAINFUSE, IS THERE AN
12 OPPORTUNITY TO GET MORE INFORMATION, DISAGGREGATE INFORMATION
13 REGARDING WHO IS BEING SERVED, WHERE, WHAT INCOME, ZIP CODES,
14 THINGS OF THAT NATURE, BECAUSE I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO
15 UNDERSTAND THAT. I UNDERSTAND THAT WASN'T PROVIDED ORIGINALLY.
16 IS THAT SOMETHING THAT WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO?

17
18 **SKYE PATRICK:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. AND YES, WE ARE
19 WORKING CURRENTLY, WORKING WITH THE VENDOR TO DISAGGREGATE THE
20 DATA SO THAT WE CAN BIFURCATE IT BY DISTRICT, BY AGE GROUP, BY
21 ZIP CODE, SO THAT WE CAN HAVE MORE INFORMED DATA COMING
22 THROUGH TO SHARE. WE HAVE, LIKE, ALMOST 100,000 USERS EACH
23 YEAR, AND SO THAT'S ONE LARGE POP, BUT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO
24 KNOW WHERE THOSE FOLKS ARE AND WE KNOW HOW LONG THEY'RE ON BUT
25 WE JUST DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHERE THEY ARE AND WHAT PART OF THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTRY WHAT PART OF THE COUNTY THEY ARE COMING FROM,
2 ORIGINATING FROM?

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL, ESPECIALLY FOR SOME
5 OF OUR CHALLENGE COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE INTERNET.
6 IT WOULD BE GOOD TO BE ABLE TO GO BACK TO DO THE OUTREACH TO
7 MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE IN SOUTHEAST COMMUNITIES, AS WELL AS MY
8 COMMUNITIES AND EAST LA AND OTHERS, KNOW THAT THERE'S
9 OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF.

10

11 **SKYE PATRICK:** AND SUPERVISOR, YOU'LL RECALL THAT WE HAVE OUR
12 PARK AND CONNECT PROGRAM AT MOST OF OUR COUNTY LIBRARIES,
13 AROUND 80 OF OUR COUNTY LIBRARIES, WHERE PEOPLE WHO DO NOT
14 HAVE ACCESS TO WI-FI CAN COME INTO THE PARKING LOT, ALL THE
15 WAY OUT TO THE PARKING LOT, AND LEVERAGE THAT EVEN WHEN THE
16 LIBRARY IS CLOSED.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** GOOD. I THINK WE JUST NEED TO REPEAT,
19 REPEAT, REPEAT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IT TRIGGERED A
23 THOUGHT WHEN YOU TALKED ABOUT THE DIFFICULTY IN PARTNERING
24 WITH SCHOOLS, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WHAT THE THOUGHT THAT
25 HIT ME WAS THE BOOKMARK CONTEST IS HUGELY POPULAR IN THE



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1 SECOND DISTRICT, MAKES MY JOB VERY DIFFICULT TO GO THROUGH AND
2 LOOK AT THEM ALL TO SELECT THE WINNER. AND SO, I'M HOPING
3 YOU'RE USING WHATEVER OUTREACH MECHANISM YOU'RE USING FOR THE
4 BOOKMARK CONTEST BECAUSE IT PERMEATES. I'M ALWAYS THRILLED TO
5 SEE THE VARIOUS SCHOOLS AND THE LIBRARIES ACROSS THE SECOND
6 DISTRICT THAT PARTICIPATE. IT ALSO TRIGGERED A THOUGHT IN
7 TERMS OF OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT SERVE FAMILIES AND KIDS
8 AND MAKING SURE SOMETIMES WE FOCUS SO ON OUTREACH THAT WE
9 DON'T OFTEN THINK ABOUT IN REACH AND SO ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS
10 PUBLIC HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, THE MORE YOU KNOW DSS, DCFS,
11 DYD, SO I'M HOPING THAT WE'RE DOING A GOOD JOB IN TERMS OF IN-
12 REACH ALSO TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR COUNTY FAMILY IS HELPING
13 GETTING THE WORD OUT AS WELL.

14
15 **SKYE PATRICK:** YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THAT, SUPERVISOR. AND THAT
16 WAS WHAT I WAS MENTIONING ABOUT THE LIBRARY. WE CALL IT THE
17 LIBRARY WORLD TOUR, WHERE 3 OF US GO OUT TO MANY OF OUR COUNTY
18 ASSETS AND OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO INFORM THEM ABOUT THE
19 KINDS OF PROGRAMS WE HAVE WE'VE DONE DCFS DPSS WE HAVE NOT
20 DONE DOID. THAT'S A NEWER DEPARTMENT SO THAT IS AN OPPORTUNITY
21 THERE, BUT WE DEFINITELY TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND
22 WHAT'S AVAILABLE WE ARE A GREAT PARTNER AGENCY AN ANCHOR
23 AGENCY FOR MANY OF THEIR SERVICES. SO, THERE IS THAT SORT OF
24 CROSS-COLLABORATION CONSISTENTLY.



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1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU.

2

3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHERS
4 WISHING TO SPEAK, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE
5 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS
6 ITEM.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON
9 SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM AS A FINAL REMINDER
10 FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS
11 ITEM 30. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN
12 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR MAY WE
13 HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER PLEASE.

14

15 **MODERATOR:** ERIC PREVIN YOUR LINE IS OPEN YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I MEAN I THINK EVERYBODY KNOWS HOW MUCH I ENJOY
18 AND LOVE LIBRARIES. THERE'S NOT A COUNTY LIBRARY NEAR ME BUT
19 WE LOVE LIBRARIES AND THIS IS A GREAT FEATURE TO OFFER. ONCE
20 AGAIN, THE BOARD COMES UP WITH BEAUTIFUL IMAGES AND DRAWINGS
21 OF THE HELP BEING ADMINISTERED. IT'S SO MOVING AND FRANKLY
22 IT'S A LITTLE SELF-CONGRATULATORY AND THE NUMBERS ARE
23 IMPRESSIVE. 16 TO 17,000, WAS IT UNIQUE VISITS OR 12 TO 16
24 TIMES UNIQUE? I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THAT MEANS, BUT IT
25 SOUNDS LIKE SOME PEOPLE ARE GETTING HELP. AND TUTORING MAKES



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1 ALL THE DIFFERENCE. PEOPLE NEED TIME. THE SCHOOL SYSTEM IS A
2 SHAMBLES. THE CLASSES ARE WAY TOO BIG. WE HAVE A CRISIS
3 BASICALLY AMONG US AND YET THE CITY HALL HAS DECIDED TO CANCEL
4 THE OPPORTUNITY TO CALL IN AND GIVE TESTIMONY SO I HOPE YOU'LL
5 ALL DO A 5 SIGNATURE LETTER TO HARRIS-DAWSON TO COME TO HIS
6 FRICKIN SENSES. IT'S AN OUTRAGE AND IT WILL NEVER STAND AND
7 YOU CAN TELL THE LA TIMES AS WELL. THANK YOU.

8

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

10

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

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, ITEM 30 IS BEFORE US MOVED
15 BY SUPERVISOR HAHN SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE
16 THIS MOTION. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 30 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

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

22

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

24

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



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1 HORVATH?

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AYE.

4

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

6

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

8

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

10

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

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO
14 0.

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 32,
17 RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION FRANCHISE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS,
18 WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AGAIN FOR MEMBERS OF THE
19 PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 32 PLEASE PRESS 1 AND
20 THEN 0 AND YOU'LL BE PUT IN THE QUEUE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR FOR RECOGNIZING
23 ME. YOU KNOW ITEM 32 IS PROPOSING NEW RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL
24 WASTE COLLECTION IN SEVERAL AREAS. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY,
25 INCLUDING IN MY DISTRICT, ROWLAND HEIGHTS IN THE SOUTH DIAMOND



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1 BAR AREA. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT PUBLIC WORKS IS CONSIDERING
2 RATE INCREASES DUE TO ASSOCIATED EXPENSES FOR WASTE HAULERS,
3 WHICH WE UNDERSTAND. HOWEVER, I'M CONCERNED THAT THESE
4 INCREASES MAY MAKE THESE SERVICES UNAFFORDABLE FOR RESIDENTS
5 WHO DEPEND ON THEM, ESPECIALLY SENIORS AND OLDER ADULTS. THE
6 ROWLAND HEIGHTS AREA IN PARTICULAR HAS A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF
7 OLDER ADULTS LIVING ON FIXED INCOMES AND YET THEY'VE BEEN
8 SUBJECTED TO HIGHER RATES ACCORDING TO WHAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED
9 TO US BY THE DEPARTMENT. I'M ALSO EQUALLY CONCERNED THAT THEY
10 HAVE RECEIVED INSUFFICIENT OUTREACH GIVEN THESE RATES AND MORE
11 IMPORTANTLY WE'RE TOLD I THINK RIGHT BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS SO A
12 LOT OF PEOPLE MAY NOT HAVE BEEN PAYING ATTENTION I THEREFORE
13 WOULD LIKE TO YOU KNOW ASK THE DEPARTMENT WHAT REMEDIES WE
14 MIGHT SEE HERE IF THERE'S BEEN ANY ENGAGEMENT AND WHY WERE THE
15 RATES HIGHER FOR ROLAND HEIGHTS AS PROPOSED IN ANY OTHER AREA?

16
17 **MARK PESTRELLA:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS YES TODAY BEFORE YOU
18 HAVE A NUMBER OF FRANCHISES THAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING CONTRACTS
19 FOR AND SOME OF THEM DO INCLUDE RATE INCREASES AND A FEW OF
20 THEM HAVE A RATE DECREASE. SO, THERE'S VERY VARIABLE TO IT. I
21 BROUGHT WITH ME OUR FRANCHISE EXPERT, OUR CONTRACTING EXPERT,
22 AS WELL AS OUR BUSINESS MANAGER OVER WASTE MANAGEMENT TO
23 DISCUSS THE SPECIFICALLY ROWLAND HEIGHTS, THIS IS THE ONE
24 YOU'RE ASKING ABOUT TODAY. SO, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO CID TESORO
25 TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **CID TESORO:** ALRIGHT, APOLOGIZE FOR THAT. GOOD MORNING,
5 SUPERVISOR. SO, THE PROCESS THAT WE WENT THROUGH FOR THIS GO-
6 AROUND IS NOT A LOW BID. THIS PROCESS IS TO GET THE BEST
7 RANKING COMPANY TO DO THE WORK BASED ON SIX FACTORS. PRICING
8 WAS JUST ONE OF THE FACTORS BUT WHAT THE REASON WANTED TO DO
9 THIS TIME AROUND WAS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GOT THE BEST
10 CONTRACTOR TO DO THE WORK IN THE GIVEN AREA. SO THE REASON FOR
11 THE PRICING INCREASE THAT YOU THAT DIRECTOR JUST HAD MENTIONED
12 WAS BECAUSE EACH COMPANY THAT BIDS THE ITEM BIDS IT ON WHAT
13 THEY FORESEE OR WHAT THEY SEE AS THE CHALLENGES THAT OCCUR IN
14 THAT PARTICULAR LOCATION FOR THEM TO PROVIDE THE QUALITY OF
15 SERVICES THAT THEY NEED TO PROVIDE. SO FOR EXAMPLE, ROWLAND
16 HEIGHTS, HILLY AREA, RIGHT? SO YOU'VE GOT TO FACTOR IN THE
17 TERRAIN, THE TYPE OF NEIGHBORHOODS AND WHAT KIND OF VEHICLES
18 THEY NEED WHEREAS YOU'D GET TO ANOTHER AREA THAT COULD BE ON A
19 LOWER VALLEY WHICH IT DOESN'T HAVE THE TERRAIN FACTOR SO
20 THERE'S MULTIPLE FACTORS THAT THAT AFFECTS HOW BIDDERS PUT
21 THEIR BID PACKAGE TOGETHER IN TERMS OF HOW THEY COME UP WITH
22 THE PRICING.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I DON'T FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL OF THAT BECAUSE
25 I HAVE AREAS OF MY DISTRICT THAT ARE EVEN HILLIER AND MORE



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1 CONSTRAINED LIKE CITY TERRACE, WHICH IS ALSO AN INCORPORATED.
2 THERE'S ANOTHER PROVIDER THERE. SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT AND
3 I DON'T THINK MY RESIDENTS DO EITHER AND THAT'S WHY WE WERE
4 CONTACTED BY RESIDENTS BECAUSE THEY FELT THAT THEY HAD JUST
5 GONE THROUGH AN INCREASE ALMOST A YEAR AGO AND HERE THIS WAS
6 PROPOSED AGAIN AND THEY HAVE LET MY OFFICE KNOW THAT THEY WERE
7 NOT GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO FULLY UNDERSTAND AND TO HAVE ANY
8 INPUT AND I QUESTION WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME AND WHY WAS IT
9 DIFFERENT FROM THIS TIME AND WHY WAS IT DONE SO QUICKLY I MEAN
10 WHY THE INCREASE IN A MATTER OF THE SPAN OF A YEAR IS WHAT I
11 UNDERSTAND.

12
13 **CID TESORO:** SO, THE INCREASE THAT THEY GOT THAT THEY RECEIVED
14 LAST YEAR WAS BASED ON THE EXISTING CONTRACT THAT THEY HAVE
15 NOW AND THE TERMS UNDER THAT CONTRACT. GOING FORWARD, WITH A
16 NEW CONTRACT GOING IN PLACE, THE NEW RATES WOULD KICK IN
17 ACCORDINGLY. I THINK IT'S JULY 1 IS WHEN THE NEW RATES WOULD
18 KICK IN FOR THIS PARTICULAR LOCATION.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** BUT WHY ARE THEY HIGHER THAN OTHER? BECAUSE
21 YOU SAY THE GEOGRAPHY?

22
23 **CID TESORO:** WELL, GEOGRAPHY IS JUST ONE. THE OTHER THINGS THAT
24 AFFECT THE PRICING ARE ALSO A STATE RULE STATE LAWS THAT HAVE
25 KICKED IN SO YOU HAVE ORGANICS MANAGEMENT THAT NEEDS TO BE



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1 DONE CHANGES IN WHERE HOW CERTAIN TYPES OF YOUR TRASH ARE
2 BEING HANDLED THERE WAS ALSO A CHANGE IN POLICY WITH THE CHINA
3 SWORD POLICY THAT ALSO AFFECTED RECYCLING AS TO WHAT CAN BE
4 RECYCLED. RIGHT.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** BUT I THINK OTHER, I MEAN I GET THAT BECAUSE
7 I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT I'M JUST TRYING TO DERIVE WHY THIS
8 COMMUNITY WAS NOT GIVEN THE SAME OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE MORE
9 OUTREACH DONE TO THEM, WITH THEM, AND THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I
10 WOULD ASK US TO DO. SO, AT THIS POINT, I MEAN, I DON'T HAVE A
11 PROBLEM WITH THE OTHER ITEMS THAT ARE ON. BUT ON THIS ONE, I
12 THINK IT'S WORTHWHILE, AT LEAST THE CALLS THAT I GOT FROM MY
13 COMMUNITY. AND THERE ARE A LARGE NUMBER OF ELDERLY RESIDENTS
14 THERE. AND NOT ALL OF THEM LIVE ON THE HILLY SIDES. YOU KNOW,
15 I KNOW THE DISTRICT MYSELF. SO, I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE CAN GET TO
16 A POINT HERE, BUT I NEED TO SEE THAT THERE'S SOME ACTION DONE.

17

18 **MARK PESTRELLA:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK, CORRECT, I WAS LOOKING AT
19 SOME OF THE COMMENTS MYSELF THIS MORNING AND I CAN SEE THAT
20 THERE'S SOME MISUNDERSTANDING ABOUT THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS.
21 MANY OF THE COMMENTS WERE ASSUMING IT'S A LOW BID CONTRACT SO
22 I THINK IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO GO BACK TO COMMUNITY AND
23 HAVE A CONVERSATION DIRECTLY WITH THEM ON HOW WE CAME TO THIS
24 RECOMMENDATION FOR THEIR COMMUNITY. WE DID REACH TO THEM EARLY
25 ON BEFORE THE RFP PROCESS, WHICH IS ALLOWED, TO ASK THE



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1 COMMUNITY WHAT THEY'D LIKE TO SEE IN THIS NEW CONTRACT. WE DID
2 GET INPUT AND BUILD THAT INTO THE RFP PROCESS. ONCE THE
3 PROCESS STARTS, WE'RE PRETTY MUCH FORBIDDEN TO ACTUALLY
4 PROVIDE, YOU KNOW, COMMUNICATION ABOUT THE BID PROCESS UNTIL
5 IT'S OVER AND IT HAS RECENTLY ENDED. AND THIS IS, SO WE'RE AT
6 A PLACE OF RECOMMENDATION NOW, BUT I CAN EASILY GO BACK IF
7 YOU'D LIKE AND TALK TO THESE RESIDENTS, ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE,
8 SO WE CAN WALK THEM THROUGH HOW WE CAME TO THIS RECOMMENDATION
9 TODAY.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK IS THAT THERE
12 BE TWO COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND THAT THEY BE HELD EITHER
13 VIRTUALLY OR AND IN PERSON AND THAT WE GO BEYOND JUST THE TWO
14 LANGUAGES BECAUSE WE HAVE DIFFERENT A API COMMUNITY RESIDENTS
15 THAT LIVE THERE. THEY DON'T ALL THEY'RE NOT ALL CHINESE
16 VIETNAMESE WE HAVE OTHER GROUPS THERE AND I'D LIKE TO SEE A
17 MAILER GO OUT, YOU KNOW AND I WANT TO SEE FOLLOW-UP ON THAT
18 AND THIS COMMUNITY IS DIFFERENT FROM EAST LA AND CITY TERRACE,
19 THERE'S NO DOUBT. BUT I DO THINK THAT THIS SENDS A MESSAGE TO
20 OUR OTHER CONTRACTORS, THAT IT REALLY DOES MATTER. BECAUSE
21 PEOPLE WANT TO UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING IS GOING UP, FEES, COST
22 OF LIVING AND ALL THAT. BUT SENIORS IN THE AREA ARE CONFUSED
23 LIKE WHEN DID THIS HAPPEN? WHY DID IT HAPPEN SO QUICKLY AND
24 RIGHT BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS WHERE PEOPLE PROBABLY DIDN'T HAVE A
25 CHANCE TO REALLY FOCUS AND I UNDERSTAND THAT SO I WOULD I



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1 WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT I WAS GOING TO BIFURCATE THIS AND I
2 THINK THAT WE WANT WE WANT TO MOVE I WANT TO DO THAT IF I CAN
3 PRESENT THAT AS A AS A MOTION I WANT TO I WOULD LIKE TO READ
4 THAT IN MADAM CHAIR IF I MIGHT I WANT TO JUST BIFURCATE THE
5 SECTION THAT DEALS WITH THIS CONTRACT IN MY DISTRICT AND I'D
6 LIKE TO READ THAT IN. I THEREFORE MOVE TO BIFURCATE ITEM 32
7 AND REFER BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 3C, THE
8 RATE BEING PROPOSED TO ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND SOUTH DIAMOND BAR
9 WITH ATHENS SERVICES. AND I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE DEPARTMENT
10 OF PUBLIC WORKS TO CONDUCT COMMUNITY OUTREACH VIA IN-PERSON,
11 VIRTUAL PLATFORMS AND BRING THE ITEM BACK TO THE BOARD WITH
12 THE REPORT DETAILING COMMUNITY FEEDBACK. AND SO AS I SAID
13 EARLIER MARK AND STAFF IF WE COULD BUILD INTO THAT JUST MORE
14 ROBUST COMMUNICATION AND THEN FEEDBACK THAT WOULD BE VERY
15 HELPFUL.

16
17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND I'LL SECOND YOUR MOTION AND
18 WITH THAT ARE YOU OKAY? SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. OBVIOUSLY, THIS
21 IS REGARDING FRANCHISE CONTRACTS AMENDMENTS IN A SPECIFIC
22 DISTRICT BUT FOR MY EDIFICATION ON HOW THIS PROCESS WORKS, YOU
23 SAID THAT NOT ONLY PRICE IS CONSIDERED. SO, WHAT ARE SOME OF
24 THE, I KNOW YOU MENTIONED THE TERRAIN BUT ARE THERE OTHER
25 FACTORS BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE OF CONTRACTS THAT MIGHT LEAD



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1 YOU TO BELIEVE THAT A LOW, AS THE DIRECTOR INDICATED, A LOW
2 BID MIGHT NOT BE THE BEST BID FOR A PARTICULAR NEIGHBORHOOD.
3 CAN YOU SPEAK TO SOME MORE OF THE SPECIFICS AROUND THAT, WHAT
4 YOU'RE CONSIDERING?

5

6 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY. SO, PART OF THE EVALUATION,
7 SORRY, MY NAME IS LUIS RAMIREZ AND I OVERSEE PUBLIC
8 CONTRACTING AND ASSET MANAGEMENT. AND SO, WE WERE THE ONES
9 RESPONSIBLE FOR DOING THIS SOLICITATION. AND THE EVALUATION
10 THAT TOOK PLACE, ESSENTIALLY, LOOKS AT PERFORMANCE HISTORY,
11 PAST PERFORMANCE HISTORY, THE WORK PLAN THAT THEY'VE
12 SUBMITTED, THEIR PAST EXPERIENCE, THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES, AND
13 ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY THAT EACH OF THE CONSULTANTS SUBMITTED
14 AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S EVALUATED ACROSS THE BOARD FOR
15 ALL THE PROPOSALS THAT WE RECEIVED FOR THE SPECIFIC
16 SOLICITATION.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** SO, IF A SERVICE PROVIDER BIDS IN THE
19 FUTURE AND THEY HAVEN'T PROVIDED A GREAT SERVICE IN THE PAST,
20 THAT GETS FACTORED INTO HOW YOU'RE LOOKING AT THIS. CORRECT.
21 SO EVEN THOUGH THEY MIGHT BE THE LOWEST BIDDER, THEY WOULDN'T
22 BE CONSIDERED IN THE SAME WAY BECAUSE OF PAST EXPERIENCE. YES,
23 AND THAT IS WHY, AS THE DIRECTOR MENTIONED, THESE ARE NOT
24 REALLY, THEY'RE NOT LOW-BIT CONTRACTS, RIGHT, BECAUSE WE'RE
25 LOOKING AT THE SERVICES THAT THEY'RE PROVIDING THE COMMUNITY



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1 AND COST IS JUST A FACTOR, BUT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
2 THEY'RE ABLE TO PERFORM, THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO DO THE WORK
3 CORRECTLY, AND THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO COMPLY WITH ALL CURRENT
4 EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS RELATED TO THE DISPOSAL OF WASTE.

5
6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** YEAH, I GET ASKED ABOUT THIS FROM MY
7 COMMUNITIES. I'M IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE SANTA
8 MONICA MOUNTAINS, AND SO I'M GLAD TO HEAR A LITTLE BIT MORE
9 ABOUT THE FACTORS THAT YOU CONSIDER, BECAUSE I KNOW COST
10 CERTAINLY IS AN IMPACT AND A FACTOR, BUT THEY DON'T WANT TO
11 CONTINUE TO RECEIVE SERVICE FROM SOMEBODY JUST BECAUSE THEY'RE
12 THE—

13
14 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** ABSOLUTELY.

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY. AND THEN THE SECOND QUESTION I
17 HAD, IF WE BIFURCATE, I KNOW SOMETIMES FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS
18 CONSIDER THEIR COSTS BASED ON MULTIPLE LOCATIONS BEING SERVED.
19 SO, IF WE CHANGE THAT TODAY, ARE THERE ANY RISKS OR ARE THERE
20 ANY POTENTIAL COST IMPACTS TO CONSIDERING SOME AREAS AND NOT
21 OTHERS AND MOVING FORWARD WITH EVERYTHING TODAY? OR SHOULD WE
22 HOLD OFF ON?

23
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** COULD I CLARIFY? I MISSPOKE. WE'RE NOT GOING
25 TO BIFURCATE. I'M GOING TO ACTUALLY READ IN AN AMENDMENT THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 DOES ESSENTIALLY THE SAME THING THAT I'M ASKING SO IT DOESN'T
2 DISRUPT WHAT THE OTHER CONTRACTS THAT ARE BEFORE US SO THIS
3 WOULD BE A SEPARATE ITEM TO VOTE ON. THERE'S A HANDOUT.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** OKAY, SO THERE WON'T BE ANY FINANCIAL
6 IMPACTS BASED ON THIS TODAY.

7
8 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** CORRECT. YES, IT SHOULDN'T AFFECT THE OTHER
9 CONTRACTS.

10
11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY.

12
13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

14
15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH. THANK YOU. YEAH, LOOKING AT THIS, AND
16 CLEARLY, AS WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS REALLY ABOUT ROWLAND
17 HEIGHTS. AND WHAT WAS INTERESTING TO HEAR THAT YOU DID MEET
18 WITH THE COMMUNITY AND THEY ACTUALLY SAID SOME OF THE THINGS
19 THEY WANTED IN THIS CONTRACT AND THAT WAS SORT OF BAKED INTO
20 THE RFP WHAT WERE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT THE COMMUNITY WANTED
21 FROM THIS WASTE HAULER.

22
23 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** SO, I'LL TAKE A STAB AT THIS. PART OF THE
24 FEEDBACK THAT WE WANTED IS THAT THEY WANTED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE
25 THE WASTE HAULERS CLEAN UP BULKY ITEMS, FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 COMMUNITY, RIGHT? HAVING ACCESS TO E-WASTE PICKUP, WHICH IS
2 SOMETHING ELSE THAT IS PROCURED THROUGH THESE CONTRACTS. FOR
3 EXAMPLE, PAPER SHREDDING, PICK UP OF MATTRESSES THAT GOES
4 UNDER BULKY ITEMS, AS WELL AS HAVING MULCH GIVEAWAYS, WHICH IS
5 PART OF THE GREEN WASTE THAT'S COLLECTED THROUGH THESE
6 CONTRACTS. SO THOSE WERE SOME OF THE DIFFERENT THINGS THAT THE
7 COMMUNITY BROUGHT UP THAT THEY WERE INTERESTED IN. AND IT'S
8 PART OF WHAT WAS FACTORED INTO THE PRICE THAT WAS GIVEN BY THE
9 FRANCHISEES.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. AND AGAIN ATHENS WAS THE WASTE
12 HAULER THAT YOU RECOMMENDED BASED ON SEVERAL CRITERIA NOT JUST
13 PRICE.

14

15 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** CORRECT SUPERVISOR. SO, THE CRITERIA THAT I
16 MENTIONED EARLIER, THEY SCORED THE HIGHEST OUT OF ALL THE
17 VENDORS THAT SUBMITTED PROPOSALS FOR THIS SPECIFIC AREA.

18

19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO AGAIN, YOU KNOW, I'M HAPPY WITH MY
20 RECOMMENDATIONS IN MY DISTRICT THAT ARE PART OF THIS BOARD
21 LEVEL, BECAUSE WE HAD A LOT OF PROBLEMS IN OUR SOUTH WHITTIER
22 AND WEST WHITTIER WITH ANOTHER HAULER. SO WE'RE REALLY PLEASED
23 THAT YOU RECOMMENDED ATHENS, AND I THINK MY RESIDENTS ARE
24 HAPPY THEY HAD MORE COMPLAINTS FOR THE PREVIOUS HAULER. AND
25 AGAIN, THAT'S PART OF WHAT YOU LOOK AT AS PAST PERFORMANCE. IS



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SUPERVISORS

1 IT MY UNDERSTANDING THAT ATHENS WAS THE PREVIOUS CONTRACTOR IN

2 - -

3

4 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** THAT'S CORRECT. ATHENS IS THE CURRENT CONTRACTOR
5 IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS.

6

7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. AND SO, THEY WERE GRADED ON PAST
8 PERFORMANCE AS WELL AS SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS.

9

10 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** THAT'S CORRECT. THAT'S CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. SO ACCORDING TO YOUR AMENDMENT,
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU THINK ALL THESE SHOULD GO THROUGH EXCEPT
14 FOR THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS SOUTH DIAMOND BAR AREA, RIGHT? AND YOU
15 WANT PUBLIC WORKS TO MEET WITH THE COMMUNITY MINIMUM 2 TIMES
16 BLAME THE PROCESS AND THEN BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD WITH THE
17 SAME - -

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WELL, HOPEFULLY THEY CAN EXPLAIN ALL OF THIS
20 COMING THE FACT THAT THEY WENT WITH THE NOT THE LOWEST BIDDER
21 I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF CONFUSION OUT THERE IN FACT BECAUSE
22 IT WAS DONE BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS A LOT OF FOLKS DON'T PAY
23 ATTENTION TO WHAT COMES IN THE MAIL OR WHATEVER SO I MEAN THAT
24 THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF CALLS THAT WE GOT IN TO OUR OFFICE. SO,
25 I'M JUST TRYING TO ADDRESS THEM BECAUSE WHAT WAS GLARING FOR



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SUPERVISORS

1 ME WAS THE RATES WERE HIGHER THAN ALL OTHERS. AND THAT KIND OF
2 CAUSED ME TO SAY, WELL, WHY? PEOPLE WERE ASKING THAT.

3

4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OF COURSE.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO THAT'S WHAT I'M ATTEMPTING TO DO IN THIS
7 AMENDMENT.

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BUT WHEN YOU ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO THEN
10 BRING IT BACK TO US, IT'S THE SAME, IT'LL BE THE SAME VENDOR
11 THAT WE'RE AWARDED IT TO JUST WITH YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
12 THE COMMUNITY IS AWARE OR ARE YOU LOOKING TO START OVER?

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WELL, I'M LOOKING TO HEAR FROM THE
15 COMMUNITY. THAT'S WHAT I WANT. I WANT SOME ASSURANCES FROM THE
16 COMMUNITY. THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ABOUT.

17

18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. BECAUSE I THINK SUPERVISOR HORVATH
19 BROUGHT IT UP. I KNOW YOU SAID IT DOESN'T IMPACT THE OTHER
20 ONES, BUT I DO KNOW THAT SOMETIMES IF THERE WAS AN EFFORT TO
21 OVERTURN THIS, THEN I DO THINK ATHENS COULD BE. WOULD THEY
22 HAVE ANY KIND OF STANDING ON HOW THE REST OF THEM WERE BID?
23 WOULD THERE BE A NEED TO REBID THOSE AS WELL?

24

25 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THIS IS A SEPARATE SOLICITATION, SO NO, THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 OTHER ONES THAT ARE GOING FORWARD TODAY WOULD GO FORWARD AND
2 THEY WOULD HAVE NO IMPACT. SHE'S ASKING TO COME BACK SOLELY ON
3 THE RULE OF LIMITATIONS.

4

5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO, I KNOW, BUT WHAT ABOUT THE VENDOR? I
6 MEAN, THEY MIGHT SAY, LOOK, WE BID ALL THESE.

7

8 **DAWYN HARRISON:** BUT IT WAS A SEPARATE SOLICITATION, SO IT WILL
9 NOT HAVE AN EFFECT ON THE OTHER AREAS THAT ARE BEFORE THE
10 BOARD TODAY.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WHAT IF THEY THINK THERE'S AN IMPACT?

13

14 **DAWYN HARRISON:** WELL, AGAIN, ANYBODY CAN THINK THAT THEY HAVE
15 AN IMPACT AND TRY TO YOU KNOW, MAKE A CLAIM OR SUE BUT THEY WE
16 FEEL CONFIDENT THEY DO NOT.

17

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

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL

21

22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT WAS MENTIONED
23 SEVERAL TIMES THAT THERE WERE 6 FACTORS USED TO CONSIDER THE
24 CONTRACT. I THINK, YOU KNOW, THE GENERAL PUBLIC, WE ALL THINK
25 IF IT'S GOVERNMENT, IT'S LOWEST BID. AND SO, IF THAT'S NOT THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 CASE, SIX FACTORS WAS REFERENCED, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT
2 ANYBODY EVER SPECIFIED WHAT THE SIX FACTORS WERE. I'D LIKE TO
3 KNOW. AND THEN I THINK THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL IN THE OUTREACH
4 IF, ONCE YOU EXPLAIN THE PROCESS, THAT YOU IDENTIFY WHAT THOSE
5 6 FACTORS ARE. BUT IF YOU COULD START WITH US HERE TODAY.

6

7 **MARK PESTRELLA:** SURE, SUPERVISOR. THE SIX FACTORS ARE PRICING,
8 PERFORMANCE HISTORY, WORK PLAN, EXPERIENCE, FINANCIAL
9 RESOURCES, DISPUTES IN ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY, AND THEY'RE ALL
10 WEIGHTED DIFFERENTLY.

11

12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND YOU SAY FINANCIAL RESOURCES YOU
13 MEAN THE FINANCIAL HEALTH OF THE ORGANIZATION?

14

15 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES.

16

17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** PRICING, WORK PLAN, FINANCIAL
18 RESOURCES, I'M SORRY.

19

20 **MARK PESTRELLA:** PRICING, PERFORMANCE HISTORY, WORK PLAN,
21 EXPERIENCE, FINANCIAL RESOURCES, DISPUTES, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
22 HISTORY.

23

24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND THEY'RE ALL WEIGHTED DIFFERENTLY.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND I THINK EVEN IN THE PUBLIC
4 OUTREACH, EXPLAINING HOW THEY'RE WEIGHTED DIFFERENTLY WOULD BE
5 HELPFUL FOR A COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF, PARTICULARLY IF YOUR
6 BILL IS GOING TO INCREASE. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH, AND I JUST HAVE TO POINT OUT
9 THAT, YOU KNOW, WHEN I LOOK AT THIS AND I LOOK AT ATHENS IS
10 BEING RECOMMENDED FOR A FEW, I HEAR WHAT YOU'RE SAYING
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS THAT ROWLAND HEIGHTS SOUTH DIAMOND BAR IS
12 HIGHER BY THE SAME CONTRACT BUT I HAVE TO BELIEVE THERE'S
13 SOMETHING BUILT IN THERE THAT THEY'RE BEING REQUIRED TO DO
14 THAT IS A COST BEING ADDED ON. SO, I DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT
15 FOR THE COMMUNITY TO UNDERSTAND WHY. BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME
16 MUNICIPALITIES, AND I KNOW I LIVE IN ONE, THAT HAS BUILT-IN
17 DEMANDS THAT INCREASE THE COST OF REMOVAL. AND SO, I'D BE
18 CURIOUS TO KNOW WHAT IT IS, BECAUSE I'M LOOKING AT THIS, AND
19 YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, BUT I MEAN, ATHENS HAS GOT OTHER
20 CONTRACTS THAT ARE NOT TO THE AMOUNT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. SO,
21 I HAVE TO WONDER IF THERE'S SOMETHING IN THAT AREA THAT
22 TRIGGERED THE INCREASE IN COST, EVEN IN TERMS OF THE COST TO
23 DISPOSE OF THE RUBBISH?

24

25 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES, I THINK THE THING TO REMEMBER IS THAT WE



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SUPERVISORS

1 HAVE A SET GROUP OF CONTRACTORS APPLYING FOR THE RFP. THEY'RE
2 ALL SUBJECT TO THE SAME REQUIREMENTS, THEY EACH DECIDE WHAT
3 IT'S GOING TO COST THEM IN THAT AREA, SPECIFIC AREA, TO
4 PROVIDE THAT SERVICE. IT COULD BE EVEN DISTANCE TO WHERE THEY
5 DISPOSE OF THE MATERIAL. THAT COULD BE ONE OF THE FACTORS. WE
6 CERTAINLY CAN HAVE ATHENS COME AND SPEAK TO COMMUNITY, TOO.
7 THEY ARE THE CURRENT CONTRACTOR SUPERVISOR, SO THEY COULD COME
8 AND ALSO SPEAK TO COMMUNITY ABOUT WHAT THAT COST IS, WHY THEY
9 BID AT THAT LEVEL.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THAT'S KIND OF OBVIOUS.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH. AND THEN I WILL SAY--

14

15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE ASKING FOR, RIGHT, IS
16 TO SPEAK TO THE COMMUNITY.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND I WOULD ASK, IN LA CRESENTA,
19 WE HAD A HORRIBLE EXPERIENCE IN ALTADENA WHEN WE TOOK ATHENS
20 OFF AND PUT A NEW CONTRACTOR ON. AND THE COMMUNITY IS STILL
21 BETTER. IT'S BETTER. BUT THERE ARE STILL ISSUES AS IT RELATES
22 TO PICKUP OF TRASH AND ALL. AND SO, I WOULD CAUTION YOU WITH
23 WHEN YOU'RE SWITCHING PROVIDERS TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU DO IT IN
24 A WAY THAT THE COMMUNITY DOES NOT GET LACK OF SERVICES,
25 BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED IN ALTADENA. SOME PEOPLE DIDN'T



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SUPERVISORS

1 GET THEIR RECIPROCALS DELIVERED SO THEY DIDN'T GET TRASH
2 PICKED UP AND SO AS I MOVE FORWARD THIS AND I DON'T KNOW IF
3 BURTECH IS CURRENTLY PROVIDING IN THERE THEY ARE OKAY THEN
4 IT'S NOT GOING TO BE AN ISSUE THANK GOODNESS BUT IT'S FOR THE
5 COMMUNITY THEY HAVE AN EXPECTATION ESPECIALLY LOOK AT THE COST
6 OF WHAT THEY'RE PAYING FOR SERVICE AND SO I WOULD EXPECT NO
7 LESS.

8

9 **MARK PESTRELLA:** ABSOLUTELY SUPERVISOR.

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND I NOTICED THAT IN YOUR AMENDMENT YOU
14 DIDN'T PUT A TIME SENSITIVE WHEN TO BRING IT BACK. ARE WE
15 CONCERNED THAT THE CURRENT CONTRACT IS EXPIRING OR WHAT'S
16 THAT? WHAT'S YOUR TIMELINE ON THAT.

17

18 **MARK PESTRELLA:** CURRENT CONTRACT EXPIRES IN JULY ON JULY 1
19 SUPERVISOR.

20

21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO, SHOULD YOU PUT THAT IN THE AMENDMENT?

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WOULD DEFER TO THE DEPARTMENT. I MEAN HOW
24 QUICKLY COULD THEY TURN THIS AROUND, RIGHT?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YEAH, WE CAN WE HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO TURN
2 AROUND AND BRING THIS BACK TO YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YEAH. OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** JUST MAKE A NOTE OF THAT BECAUSE THAT'S TIME
7 THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN AND WE HAVE CONTRACTS THAT EXPIRE.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, I NEED TO READ IN THE--

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SURE, GO AHEAD, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO, WE'RE NOT BIFURCATING THIS ITEM AND I
14 WANT TO READ IN THE FOLLOWING. SO REGARDING ITEM 32,
15 RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION FRANCHISE CONTRACTS AMENDMENT, I
16 THEREFORE MOVE TO APPROVE ALL OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH
17 IN ITEM 32 ACCEPT THE PROPOSED AWARD FOR THE RESIDENTIAL
18 FRANCHISE CONTRACT FOR THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS/SOUTH DIAMOND BAR
19 AREA TO ARAKELIAN ENTERPRISES, INC DBA ATHENS SERVICES I
20 FURTHER MOVED AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO MEET WITH
21 THE COMMUNITY AND I WOULD AMEND IT AND INCLUDE THE VENDOR TO
22 ALSO INCLUDE THE VENDOR. A MINIMUM OF 2 TIMES. SO, I WOULDN'T
23 SAY MINIMUM, 2 TIMES. TO EXPLAIN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR
24 THE RESIDENTIAL FRANCHISE CONTRACT IN A CULTURALLY COMPETENT
25 MANNER IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES, INCLUDING CHINESE AND SPANISH,



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SUPERVISORS

1 INCLUDING THE BASIS FOR THE DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION OF THE
2 AWARD OF THE CONTRACT AND BRING BACK TO THE BOARD THE PROPOSED
3 AWARD FOR THE RESIDENTIAL FRANCHISE CONTRACT FOR THE ROWLAND
4 HEIGHTS/SOUTH DIAMOND BAR AREA WITH THE REPORT REGARDING ANY
5 COMMUNITY FEEDBACK. THAT'S MY AMENDMENT.

6
7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM 32 AS, OH, I DO HAVE A
8 PUBLIC COMMENT. WOULD YOU PLEASE INVITE THE PEOPLE THAT WOULD
9 LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEM 32 TO SPEAK?

10
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
12 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ANGELICA PRIETO, BRANDON
13 MACIAS, DARCY STINSON, DR. CHAVEZ, JELANI ARRIAGA, LILLIA
14 LOPEZ, MARK AUGUSTUS, MARY MARTINEZ, MICHAEL TORRES, AND PETER
15 GONZALEZ. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
16 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 32, IF YOU HAVE
17 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
18 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
19 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

20
21 **MODERATOR:** KEVIN HAYAKAWA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I JUST WANTED TO THANK
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPPORT HER MOTION FOR GETTING ADDITIONAL
25 COMMUNITY FEEDBACK AND HEARING FROM THE RESIDENTS. JUST TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 INTRODUCE MYSELF, MY NAME IS KEVIN HAYAKAWA. I'M A RESIDENT OF
2 ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND A GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER FOR THE ROWLAND
3 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR
4 SALISE THAT IT FEELS LIKE RESIDENTS WERE KEPT IN THE DARK AND
5 THIS PROCESS WAS VERY RUSHED THROUGHOUT THE HOLIDAY SEASON SO
6 MANY RESIDENTS WEREN'T PAYING ATTENTION. LOOKING AT THE AGENDA
7 HANDOUT I KNOW IT'S ONLY LIKE 2, 3, \$4 PER MONTH HIGHER THAN
8 OTHER UNINCORPORATED AREAS BUT ON A MONTHLY BASIS FOR BILLS
9 THAT ARE BETWEEN 6 AND \$40 THAT'S YOU KNOW IF IT'S A 6 TO 10%
10 HIGHER RATE THAT ROWLAND HEIGHTS RESIDENTS WOULD BE PAYING
11 OVER OTHER SURROUNDING AREAS. I COMPLETELY AGREE THAT WE
12 SHOULD HAVE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SESSIONS AND WE'RE A WORKING-
13 CLASS COMMUNITY SO VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION AND OPTION LIKE THAT
14 BE REALLY HELPFUL FOR OUR COMMUNITY. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE
15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU.

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

18
19 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY
20 BEGIN.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. AND HERE WE HAVE MARK PESTRELLA AND HIS
23 CREW FROM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS WITH THEIR ABJECT ARROGANCE
24 COMING TO A MEETING ON SOMETHING THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN
25 PREPARED FOR OBJECTIVELY AND HAD SOME SLIDES. THIS IS THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 CRITERIA. PICKING UP TRASH IS NOTHING NEW. IT'S BEEN GOING ON.
2 AND WHAT IS THE RATING OF THESE VARIOUS, WHAT THEY HAVE FIVE
3 DIFFERENT ENTITIES THAT ARE DOING THIS BUSINESS, WHAT IS THEIR
4 RATING AND WHAT DID THEY RATE THEM ON? THIS IS ALL OBJECTIVE
5 SITUATION. AND YOU COME TO HAVE THESE PUBLIC MEETINGS WITH A
6 HOT AIR SITUATION AND RESOLVE NOTHING AND THIS IS THE SAME
7 THING AND WHAT THEY SENT OUT TO TERRY MALCOLM FROM EDICK
8 THOMPSON WAS 75% BULLVINE AND WE DON'T NEED ANOTHER BULLVINE
9 MEETING OUT HERE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. WE NEED OBJECTIVE
10 BUSINESS PEOPLE WHO KNOW HOW TO CONDUCT BUSINESS AND TREAT
11 PEOPLE WITH RESPECT. MARK PESTRELLA, THOSE GUYS, I FIRED THEM
12 A LONG TIME AGO. THIS IS DISGRACEFUL, WASTING OUR TIME WHEN
13 IT'S OBJECTIVISM. AND GET THE NUMBERS OUT THERE --

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

16
17 **MODERATOR:** BRIAN CORREAS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** HELLO EVERYONE. HELLO SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BRIAN
20 CORREAS. I LIVE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND I'M REALLY HAPPY TO
21 HEAR THAT THE ISSUE ON ITEM 32 REGARDING THE COLLECTION
22 DISPOSAL CONTRACTS WILL BE HELD FOR ROWLAND HEIGHTS. I DO
23 THINK, I MEAN THE WHOLE RANKING IS NEAR TO ME. I ALSO THOUGHT
24 IT WAS LOWEST BID. SO, I JUST REALLY APPRECIATE THAT WE'RE
25 GOING TO HOLD A PAUSE ON THIS ESPECIALLY OVER THE HOLIDAYS.



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1 GET FOLKS ACQUAINTED TO THIS NEW SYSTEM AND EVEN POTENTIALLY
2 HAVE THE CURRENT CONTRACTOR EXPLAIN ALONG WITH PUBLIC WORKS
3 THEIR PROCESS AND WHAT THEY'RE CURRENTLY PROVIDING TO OUR
4 RESIDENTS. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **MODERATOR:** WANDA EWING, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9
10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR YOUR MOTION FOR
11 OUTREACH WITH OUR COMMUNITY. WE HOPE THAT THE DECISION ON A
12 CONTRACT FOR THE WASTE TOLER FOR ROWLAND HEIGHTS WILL BE IN
13 THE BEST INTEREST OF THE MANY RETIRED INDIVIDUALS RESIDING
14 HERE. AS ONE OF THE LARGER UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES
15 AND MORE RESIDENTS DESERVE, THE CONTRACT SHOULD BE AWARDED TO
16 THE PROVIDER OFFERING A MORE COMPETITIVE RATE, NOT A HIGHER
17 RATE THAN SMALLER UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY AREAS. OUR RATES
18 HAVE INCREASED 48% IN THREE YEARS AND WILL BE HIGHER THAN ANY
19 OTHER COMMUNITY. THIS WILL BE AN EXTREMELY LUCRATIVE CONTRACT
20 IN THE NEXT SEVEN YEARS WITH THE ADDITION OF 1,800 RESIDENTIAL
21 UNITS DUE TO THE RECENT LOSS AND REZONING OF 156 ACRES OF OPEN
22 SPACE IN OUR COMMUNITY. AS A RESIDENT OF 45 YEARS AND A BOARD
23 MEMBER OF THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COORDINATING COUNCIL,
24 WE REQUEST YOU RENEGOTIATE WITH ATHENS OR RE-EVALUATE OTHER
25 WASTE HAULER PROPOSALS. THANK YOU.



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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** TERRY MELKIN YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** I'M TERRY MELKIN AND I OPPOSE NUMBER 32. I'M A
7 RESIDENT OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND A MEMBER OF SEVERAL
8 NONPROFITS. AND ONE OF MY CONCERNS, AND I DO SUPPORT HILDA
9 SOLIS, OUR SUPERVISOR'S SEPARATE AMENDMENT 242, BUT ONE OF THE
10 CONCERNS WITH THE HIGHER RATE IS THAT IT IS COMPOUNDED AND IN
11 THEIR OWN WORDS THIS REPRESENTS \$4 AND 28% PER MONTH HIGHER
12 THAN MANY OTHER SERVICE AREAS AND WE'D LIKE MORE SPECIFICALLY
13 WHAT CRITERIA WAS USED AND IF ANY OF THE BIDDERS THAT BID ON
14 ROWLAND HEIGHTS WERE APPROVED WITH THE OTHER COMMUNITIES THAT
15 ARE ALSO LISTED AS 32 IF THEIR RECORDS MEETING ALL SIX
16 CRITERIA WERE GOOD ENOUGH FOR THOSE AREAS, WHY WOULDN'T THEY
17 BE GOOD ENOUGH FOR ROWLAND?

18

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

20

21 **MODERATOR:** DEBORAH ENOS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD DAY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO THE BOARD.
24 MY NAME IS DEBORAH ENOS. I APPRECIATE HEARING SUPERVISOR
25 SOLIS'S CONCERN FOR OUR COMMUNITY TODAY AND THAT THERE WILL BE



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SUPERVISORS

1 OUTREACH TO OUR COMMUNITY AS TO HOW THIS HAPPENED AND WHAT IS
2 BEING PULLED. HELLO?

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICE:** YES, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN'S COMMENTS PLEASE KNOW THAT THIS NEW
7 PROPOSED RATE WILL BE 48% HIGHER THAN JUST 2 1/2 AGO. OVER THE
8 LAST FEW YEARS, WE NO LONGER RECEIVE THREE EXTRA RECYCLING
9 BINS. THEY NOW CHARGE \$9 EACH FOR. ALSO, NO COMPOST BINS,
10 WHICH WERE PROVIDED BY OTHER HAULERS SUCH AS IN SOUTH
11 WHITTIER. WE WERE TOLD TO GO TO THE GROCERY STORE AND GET
12 PLASTIC PRODUCE BAGS. I DON'T SEE HOW THIS IS HELPFUL FOR OUR
13 COMMUNITY. ADDITIONALLY, OUR UNLIMITED GREEN WASTE PICKUPS
14 HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO FOUR TIMES A YEAR AND 10 BAGS ONLY. OUR
15 SERVICES WITH ATHENS HAVE BEEN CONTINUALLY REDUCED WHILE WE
16 HAVE BEEN ASKED TO CONTINUALLY PAY MORE.

17

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** SO, I AGREE WITH THE --

21

22 **MODERATOR:** ERIC PREVIN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. AND I THINK IT WAS SUPERVISOR SOLIS WHO
25 MENTIONED THAT A LOT OF THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE AREA, A LOT OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 ANGELENOS IN GENERAL, DON'T READ THE NOTICES, WHICH I THINK IS
2 REALLY, YOU KNOW, UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE YOU SHOULD LOOK AT THESE
3 NOTICES. BUT I ALSO THINK THAT FOR CONTEXT, PEOPLE NEED TO
4 UNDERSTAND THAT THE SANITATION CONTRACTS, DESPITE THE
5 UPSTANDING INTEGRITY OF MARK PESTRELLA AND PUBLIC WORKS, THESE
6 CONTRACTORS, INCLUDING ATHENS, ARE LONG-TIME BASTIONS OF
7 MASSIVE CORRUPTION. YOU WANT TO LOOK ANY FURTHER THAN GREG
8 SMITH, WHO WAS THE GUY WHO WAS WORKING OVER AT WASTE
9 MANAGEMENT FOR YOU, THEN SATIATE RIGHT BACK INTO THE CITY.
10 WHEN I LOOKED AT IT, TWO INDIVIDUALS IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF
11 LOS ANGELES HAVE HAD MORE IMPACT ON WASTE MANAGEMENT
12 CONTRACTS. GREG SMITH AND MARK RIDLEY THOMAS. SO, SUPERVISOR
13 MITCHELL, I KNOW YOU'RE VERY PLEASED TO GET THINGS GOING. I
14 THINK WE SHOULD HAVE REAL TRANSPARENCY ABOUT THESE CONTRACTS.
15 AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY IT WAS DONE DURING THE HOLIDAYS.
16 JUST LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE, IT'S DONE TO DEFLAVORIZE INPUT,
17 MINIMIZE--

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

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

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24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO IN-PERSON
25 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BRANDON MACIAS.
3 AS A MEMBER OF THE ROWLAND COMMUNITY, I'M APPALLED THAT SUCH A
4 MASSIVE INCREASE IN COLLECTION FEES HAS ALMOST NO OVERSIGHT OR
5 TRANSPARENCY MECHANISMS FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE. IT IS APPARENT
6 THAT THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND SOUTH DIAMOND BAR COMMUNITY HAVE
7 THE HIGHEST COLLECTION RATES OF ANY AT ISSUE TODAY WITH AN
8 OVERALL STEEP INCREASE OF NEARLY 50% IN THE LAST FEW YEARS. AS
9 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, WE REST THE DUTY OF OVERSIGHT AND
10 REPRESENTATION ON THE COUNTY AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
11 WORK IN OUR BEST INTERESTS. IF YOU WANT PEOPLE TO BELIEVE THAT
12 COUNTY HAS OUR BACK, THEN SHOW IT BY OPENING THE SYSTEM UP AND
13 ASKING PEOPLE FOR REAL INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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

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17 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS ANGELICA PRIETO AND I OPPOSE ITEM 32.
18 THANK YOU HILDA SOLIS FOR LISTENING TO US, THE COMMUNITY. ONE
19 OF THE THINGS THAT MOST WORRY ME IS THE INCREASE OF THE
20 PRICES. IN 2022, WAS \$28 ROUGHLY PER MONTH AND NOW THIS YEAR
21 IS GOING TO BE \$41. I THINK IT'S A LOT OF MONEY THAT THEY'RE
22 INCREASING. WE HAVE VALLEY VISTA THAT'S A VERY RELIABLE
23 COMPANY FOR TRASH. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE AND HOPEFULLY YOU GUYS
24 LISTEN. THANK YOU.

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SUPERVISORS

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

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3 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LILIA
4 LOPEZ. I OPPOSE CONTRACTING ATHENS FOR THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS.
5 THE PRICE HAS ALMOST DOUBLED IN THREE YEARS, AND THERE ARE
6 MORE AFFORDABLE COMPANIES THAT CAN BE CONTRACTED INSTEAD OF
7 ATHENS. PLEASE CONSIDER STOPPING THE CONTRACT WITH ATHENS.
8 THANK YOU.

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

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12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. MY NAME IS JELANI AND I OPPOSE
13 NUMBER 32 AND CONTINUING TO WORK WITH ATHENS IN REGARDS TO OUR
14 TRASH COLLECTION. WE HAVE MANY OPTIONS FOR DIFFERENT TRASH
15 HAULERS WE COULD GO WITH THAT WOULD HELP OUT ROWLAND HEIGHTS
16 AND PROBABLY MAKE IT SO THAT THE FEES WOULD FINALLY DROP AND
17 BE COMPARABLE TO OTHER AREAS THAT ARE UNINCORPORATED. I HOPE
18 THE BOARD WILL DENY ATHENS THIS NEW CONTRACT AND I SUPPORT
19 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR WANTING TO TAKE A PAUSE ON THIS. THANK
20 YOU.

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

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
25 MY NAME IS MICHAEL TORRES AND I'M HERE TO OPPOSE THE ATHENS



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 CONTRACT FOR TRASH COLLECTING IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. I ALSO
2 FULLY SUPPORT HILDA SOLIS'S AMENDMENT TO REACH OUT TO THE
3 COMMUNITY SO THAT INFORMATION IS TRANSPARENT TO THEM. ATHENS
4 HAS BEEN OUR SUB PART TRASH COLLECTING SERVICE FOR SOME TIME
5 NOW AND THROUGHOUT THIS TIME OUR COST HAS BEEN STEADILY
6 RAISING. HOW MUCH WILL THIS COST, HOW MUCH WILL THE SERVICE
7 COST RISE THROUGHOUT THE YEARS? THE COST OF LIVING HAS BEEN
8 STEADILY INCREASING AND HAS PUT A LOT OF STRESS ON PEOPLE. WE
9 DON'T NEED OUR UTILITIES BEING RAISED YEAR AFTER YEAR. WE NEED
10 GOOD, AFFORDABLE TRASH SERVICE AND I BELIEVE THE BOARD CAN DO
11 RIGHT BY THE COMMUNITY BY OPPOSING THIS CONTRACT AND CHOOSING
12 A DIFFERENT COMPANY. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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

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16 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS PETER GONZALEZ. I OPPOSE CONTRACTING
17 WITH ATHENS SERVICES FOR TRASH COLLECTION. ROWLAND HEIGHTS IS
18 PAYING HIGHER TRASH FEES THAN OTHER SURROUNDING AREAS. ATHENS
19 HAS BEEN TRASH HAULER FOR YEARS IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND THE
20 SERVICES HASN'T BEEN THAT GREAT. SO, I URGE THE BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS TO DENY ATHENS A NEW CONTRACT FOR TRASH SERVICES
22 IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. THANK YOU.

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



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MARY MARTINEZ. I OPPOSE THE
2 CONTRACTING WITH ATHENS SERVICES FOR TRASH COLLECTION SINCE
3 ROWLAND HEIGHTS IS PAYING THE HIGHEST TRASH FEES THAN OTHER
4 SURROUNDING AREAS. I URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DENY
5 ATHENS A NEW CONTRACT FOR TRASH SERVICES IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS.
6 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

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10 **SPEAKER:** YES. HI. I'M DARCY STINSON. I JUST WANTED TO SAY
11 THANK YOU MISS SOLIS. OUT OF ALL THE SUPERVISORS YOU'RE THE
12 ONLY ONE THAT IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE PAYING ATTENTION TO YOUR
13 PEOPLE. MOST OF THEM ARE ON THEIR PHONES OR HAVING
14 CONVERSATIONS WITHIN ONE ANOTHER. THAT'S SUPER DISRESPECTFUL,
15 INSANELY DISRESPECTFUL. AND SO, YOU KNOW, THE SURPRISE BILL
16 THAT THEY GOT FOR CHRISTMAS, THAT'S BAD FOR THEM. BUT THE
17 OTHER SUPERVISORS, I THINK I DID HEAR ONE OF THE OTHER ONES
18 SPEAKING ABOUT YOUR CONSTITUENTS. SO, ONE THING I WILL SAY
19 ABOUT YOU GUYS IS THANK YOU FOR TRYING TO LISTEN TO YOUR
20 CONSTITUENTS, ESPECIALLY MS. SOLIS. I DON'T KNOW YOU, BUT I'VE
21 WATCHED YOU THROUGH THIS MEETING AND YOU'RE PAYING ATTENTION
22 TO YOUR PEOPLE. I REALLY WISH, KATHRYN BARGER, YOU WOULD DO
23 THAT TO YOUR CONSTITUENTS. THANK YOU.

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SPEAKER:** [PLAYING AUDIO, NOT SPEAKING]

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4 **DAWYN HARRISON:** MA'AM, THIS IS ON A SPECIFIC ITEM. IF YOU WANT
5 TO DO THAT DURING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU'D BE ALLOWED TO
6 DO SO, BUT YOU NEED TO BE ON TOPIC OF THE ITEM BEING
7 DISCUSSED.

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

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11 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER PERSONS TO ADDRESS
12 THE BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ITEM NUMBER 32 BEFORE US AS
15 AMENDED. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLÍS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
16 MITCHELL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
17 THE ROLL.

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ON ITEM 32 SUPERVISOR SOLÍS?

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

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23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLÍS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
3 HORVATH?

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

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

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9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE

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

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

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15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION PASSES 5 TO
16 0.

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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO
19 ITEM 39. A REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR MEASURE E
20 WHICH I HELD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE PLEASE
21 PRESS 1 THEN 0 TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SO, WITH THAT I THINK
22 CHIEF MARRONE YOU'RE HERE. IF YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE A
23 PRESENTATION, I KNOW TODAY IS A BUSY DAY SO WE'LL TRY TO GET
24 YOU OUT BECAUSE I KNOW WE'VE GOT A COUPLE OF FIRES THAT YOU'RE
25 DEALING WITH RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. WITH MEASURE



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SUPERVISORS

1 E PASSING, I KNOW THAT THERE HAVE BEEN PRIORITIES THAT YOU'VE
2 HAD WITHIN YOUR DEPARTMENT AS IT RELATES TO EQUIPMENT,
3 STAFFING, WHICH WHEN WE TALK ABOUT STAFFING THAT'S THE OVERALL
4 WELL-BEING OF EACH AND EVERY ONE OF OUR FIREFIGHTER
5 PARAMEDICS. SO, I WOULD JUST LIKE YOU TO KIND OF GIVE US AN
6 OVERVIEW IN TERMS OF HOW YOU SEE THIS ROLLING OUT AND WHAT YOU
7 PLAN ON DOING WITH THE REVENUE.

8

9 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** ABSOLUTELY. GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS.
10 BEFORE I BEGIN, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MEMBERS OF MY TEAM CHIEF
11 DEPUTY OF A BUSINESS OPERATIONS TERESA BARRERA AND I ALSO HAVE
12 OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT ADMIN DEPUTY WITH US JULIA KIM BEFORE I
13 START WITH THE MEASURE E SPENDING PLAN DRAFT I JUST WANTED TO
14 GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE VERY DESTRUCTIVE PALISADES FIRE THAT
15 STARTED ABOUT 10:30 IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. IT WAS BEING
16 IT WAS BEING FOUGHT BY CITY OF LOS ANGELES RESOURCES ONLY.
17 HOWEVER, L.A. COUNTY FIRE DID GIVE A FIRST ALARM BRUSH HOWEVER
18 WE ARE NOW IN UNIFIED COMMAND WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
19 BECAUSE OF THE SIGNIFICANT THREAT TO THE TOPANGA CANYON AREA
20 WHICH IS JUST TO THE WEST STRUCTURES ARE THREATENED AND WE DO
21 HAVE REPORTS THAT STRUCTURES ARE BURNING RIGHT NOW AND THAT
22 GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM IS EN ROUTE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SO,
23 THE FIRE IS NOW BEING FOUGHT BY BOTH LA COUNTY AND LA CITY
24 RESOURCES AND I'LL KEEP THE BOARD UPDATED WHEN THE FIRE
25 TRANSITIONS INTO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** _THANK YOU CHIEF. THAT'S IN MY DISTRICT
3 AND THAT IS WHAT I'VE BEEN FOLLOWING ON THE PHONE. I KNOW
4 THERE WAS A SPEAKER WHO WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THAT BUT WE HAVE
5 TO BE ENGAGED WHEN THERE'S A FIRE EMERGENCY.

6

7 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** SO YEAH, VERY DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

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9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** I APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP. THANK YOU.

10

11 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** YEAH. SO, AN OVERVIEW OF THE FIRE
12 DISTRICTS 24-25 FINAL ADOPTED BUDGET. OUR BUDGET IS
13 \$1,756,000,000. THE REVENUE GENERATED BY MEASURE E, THE
14 SPECIAL TAX, WILL REQUIRE ANNUAL APPROVAL OF THE SPENDING PLAN
15 BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BY JUNE 30TH OF EACH YEAR BEFORE
16 THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR BEGINS. MEASURE E IS PROJECTED TO
17 GENERATE \$152,000,000 ANNUALLY AND WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE
18 DISTRICT IN 2026 AND CAN BE USED FOR THE FOLLOWING PRIORITIES.
19 HIRING, TRAINING AND CERTIFYING ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTERS AND
20 PARAMEDICS, COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS,
21 FACILITIES, VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT AND BOATS, LIFE-SAVING RESCUE
22 TOOLS, WILDFIRE PROTECTION, AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE TOOLS AND
23 INFRASTRUCTURE. OUR PRIORITIES WILL BE FACILITIES, THE
24 CONSTRUCTION, REPLACEMENT, AND REPAIR AND UPGRADE OF OUR 261
25 FACILITIES THAT HAVE AN AVERAGE AGE OF OVER 50 YEARS OLD. OUR



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 OLDEST FIRE STATION CURRENTLY IS 99 YEARS OLD. IT WAS PLACED
2 INTO SERVICE IN 2024. AND HAVE LIMITED CAPACITY TO MEET
3 INCREASING DEMANDS FOR FIRE, PARAMEDIC AND LIFEGUARD SERVICE
4 DELIVERY. THEREFORE, WE WILL PRIORITIZE THE FOLLOWING IN THE
5 SPENDING PLAN. \$15,000,000 SET ASIDE EACH YEAR FOR THE NEXT
6 FIVE YEARS TO FUND THE REPLACEMENT OF 5 FIRE STATIONS DUE TO
7 SEISMIC ISSUES. \$6,800,000 FOR FACILITY REPAIR SEISMIC
8 RETROFITTING OF FIVE FIRE STATIONS AND TOWARDS THE NEW CEOC
9 CENTER BUILD OUT. \$35,600,000 TO FUND THE REPLACEMENT OF FIRE
10 STATION 81 IN ACQUA DULCE WHERE ONE OF OUR MEMBERS WAS
11 MURDERED AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF ANOTHER FIRE STATION IN
12 LANCASTER TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE CALL VOLUME BURDEN ON FIRE
13 STATION 33. ONE OF THE BUSIEST FIRE STATIONS IN THE NATION AND
14 THEN \$5,000,000 AS I DISCUSSED EARLIER TOWARDS THE FIRE
15 DEPARTMENT'S CONTRIBUTION FOR THE COUNTY'S NEW EMERGENCY
16 OPERATIONS CENTER. VEHICLES AND APPARATUS. THE FIRE DISTRICT
17 NEEDS TO IMMEDIATELY REPLACE AGING ENGINES, TRUCKS, PARAMEDIC
18 SQUADS, AND OTHER EMERGENCY VEHICLES. WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY
19 1,600 VEHICLES, 1,000 EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND 600 NON-EMERGENCY
20 VEHICLES. OUR OLDER VEHICLES INCUR MORE MAINTENANCE COSTS. AND
21 WE DO NOT MEET THE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ADMINISTRATION
22 RECOMMENDATION OF 15 YEARS FRONT LINE SERVICE 5 YEARS RESERVE.
23 THE DISTRICT HAS HAD TO ADD FIVE YEARS TO EACH ONE OF THOSE
24 METRICS. SO, WE NOW HAVE VEHICLES THAT ARE 20 YEARS IN SERVICE
25 FRONTLINE AND 25 YEARS FOR RESERVE. THEREFORE, THE MEASURE E



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SUPERVISORS

1 SPENDING PLAN WILL INCLUDE 25 MILLION TO INCREASE OUR EXISTING
2 BUDGET FOR VEHICLES AND APPARATUS REPLACEMENT BRINGING IT FROM
3 \$13,800,000 ANNUALLY TO \$38,800,000. PERSONNEL STAFFING. THE
4 NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ADMINISTRATION STANDARD FOR
5 FIREFIGHTING ENGINES IS FOUR-PERSON STAFFING. THEREFORE, WE
6 WILL PRIORITIZE THE CONVERSION OF THE FIRST 15 ENGINE
7 COMPANIES FROM THREE-PERSON STAFFING TO FOUR-PERSON STAFFING,
8 COSTING APPROXIMATELY \$12,000,000 A YEAR ANNUALLY ONGOING. THE
9 DISTRICT'S GOAL IS TO SYSTEMATICALLY TRANSITION ALL 163 ENGINE
10 COMPANIES TO FOUR PERSON STAFFING TO MEET THE NFPA STANDARD TO
11 PROVIDE BETTER CARE TO THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE. HELICOPTER
12 REPLACEMENT. THE DISTRICT CURRENTLY HAS 10 HELICOPTERS. MANY
13 ARE IN NEED OF REPLACEMENT. UPGRADED HELICOPTERS ARE NEEDED
14 FOR FIGHTING FAST MOVING WILDFIRES LIKE THE ONE WE'RE
15 EXPERIENCING TODAY DUE TO CLIMATE CHANGE. THE DISTRICT
16 CURRENTLY HAS TWO FIRE HAWKS ARE SO COURSE THE FIRE HAWKS THAT
17 HAVE BEEN IN SERVICE OVER 25 YEARS. WE ARE PRIORITIZING THE
18 REPLACEMENT OF ONE OF THE SIKORSKY FIREHAWKS AT A COST OF
19 \$36,400,000. COMMUNICATIONS AND IT EQUIPMENT DUE TO THE
20 DISTRICT'S LONG-TERM FINANCIAL CHALLENGES, COMMUNICATION AND
21 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT HAS NOT BEEN UPGRADED FOR
22 OVER A DECADE. THEREFORE, \$5,100,000 IN MEASURE E FUNDING WILL
23 BE USED FOR THE FOLLOWING. \$2,800,000 TO AUGMENT OUR COMPUTER
24 AIDED DISPATCH REPLACEMENT PROJECT WE'VE HEARD IN THE NEWS
25 LATELY THAT LASD HAD A FAILURE OF THEIR COMPUTER AIDED



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SUPERVISORS

1 DISPATCH COMPUTER AND WE NEED TO REPLACE OURS IT'S OVER 30
2 YEARS OLD.

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN I ASK YOU A QUESTION ON THAT?
5 BECAUSE I WAS TALKING TO YOU ABOUT THIS LEASE. AND I'M GLAD
6 YOU BROUGHT THAT UP BECAUSE I WAS GOING TO ASK YOU ABOUT IT.
7 WHY ARE YOU NOT WORKING WITH THE SHERIFF WITH THEIR RFP TO
8 LEVERAGE LIKE A BETTER PRICE PER CONTRACT? BECAUSE YOU WANT
9 THE INOPERABILITY. I MEAN WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE
10 ESPECIALLY THE OLYMPICS COMING UP.

11

12 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** CORRECT. INTEROPERABILITY IS IMPORTANT. WE
13 DO HAVE LA RICKS. WE DO HAVE A CONSOLE SWITCH INTERFACE
14 BETWEEN THE SHERIFF'S DISPATCH CENTER AND THE FIRE DISPATCH
15 CENTER. I WAS UNAWARE THAT THE SHERIFF'S DISPATCH CAD WAS IN
16 SUCH BAD CONDITION. YOU'RE CORRECT. WHENEVER TWO LARGE COUNTY
17 DEPARTMENTS NEED TO DO THE SAME THING, THEY SHOULD PARTNER
18 TOGETHER TO GET THE BEST PRICE AVAILABLE AND WE WILL BE
19 WORKING WITH THE SHERIFFS TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN THEY GO OUT
20 FOR AN RFP FOR A NEW CAT THAT WE'RE ALSO DOING THAT. WE'RE
21 DOING THAT NOW.

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** IT'S OUT. THEIR RFP IS OUT.

24

25 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** OUR RFP IS GOING TO BE OUT IN EARLY 2025.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT'S MY POINT. FESIA, CAN YOU
3 WORK WITH THEM? BECAUSE I'M WONDERING, BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOT
4 AWARDED THE CONTRACT, BECAUSE IF THEY'RE USING ABC AND YOU
5 CHOOSE EFG, I MEAN, I'M WONDERING WHY WE'RE NOT BETTER FOR THE
6 --

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8 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** WE WILL WORK WITH THE CIO AND GET THE 2
9 DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER TO SEE WHAT THE OPERATIONAL NEEDS ARE FOR
10 EACH DEPARTMENT AND THEN WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE SOLICITATION.

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12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SORRY.

13

14 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** THAT'S QUITE ALL RIGHT. BUT WE ARE MOVING
15 FORWARD WITH A NEW CAP. WE WERE GOING TO HAVE IT BY EARLY
16 2027, BUT I'M MORE THAN HAPPY TO PARTNER WITH THE SHERIFFS. I
17 WAS UNAWARE OF THE CHALLENGES THEY WERE FACING.

18

19 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** WE COULD DO A MEETING BEFORE 2027.

20

21 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** THANK YOU. SO, \$1,500,000 FOR THE DISPATCH
22 CONSOLE HARDWARE THAT IS OVER SEVEN YEARS OLD, \$600,000 TO
23 UPGRADE THE BACK CALL NETWORKING EQUIPMENT. OUR STATION
24 CONTROL UNITS AND OUR AIR TO GROUND SIMULCAST NETWORK TO
25 STRENGTHEN EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES DURING TIMES



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SUPERVISORS

1 OF LOCAL AND WIDESPREAD DISASTER. AND FINALLY, \$200,000 FOR
2 MOBILE ROUTERS ON OUR DISTRICT VEHICLES. FOR FIREFIGHTING
3 EQUIPMENT TO ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR REPLACEMENT
4 EQUIPMENT THE DISTRICT PLANS TO SET ASIDE \$11,100,000 ANNUALLY
5 OF MEASURE E FOR SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS, ZOLL
6 CARDIAC MONITORS AND DEFIBRILLATORS, AND AUTOMATED EXTERNAL
7 DEFIBRILLATORS THAT ALLOW FIREFIGHTER EMTS TO IMMEDIATELY
8 TREAT CARDIAC ARREST PATIENTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. OTHER
9 PRIORITIES, THE DISTRICT IS ALSO PLANNING TO INCLUDE THE
10 FOLLOWING ITEMS AS THE STRATEGIC AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS
11 DEVELOPED. FULLY FUNDING THE DEPARTMENT'S APRUS, ADVANCED
12 PRACTITIONER RESPONSE UNITS, AND EXPANDING INTO SD3 AND 4 IN
13 2026 WITH MEASURE E-FUNDING. WE WILL HAVE A ONE-YEAR GAP IN
14 2025 WHERE THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT HAVE THE FUNDING BUT WE ARE
15 GOING TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE CEO TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN
16 GET THAT HANDLED. ALSO, A WHOLE BLOOD PILOT PROGRAM HAS BEEN
17 APPROVED WITH A GRANT FROM THE PRODUCTIVITY INVESTMENT FUND.
18 THE DEPARTMENT IS AFTER THE PILOT PROGRAM IS DONE IS GOING TO
19 LOOK TOWARDS A WHOLE BLOOD PROGRAM THROUGHOUT LA COUNTY TO
20 SAVE THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE BLEEDING OUT. ALSO REPAIR AND
21 REPLACEMENT OF SELECT FIRE STATIONS, AIR OPERATIONS
22 FACILITIES, LIFEGUARD FACILITIES, TRAINING FACILITIES, AND
23 LOGISTICS SUPPORT FACILITIES TO INCLUDE A NEW FIRE
24 HEADQUARTERS. I.T. INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS INCLUDING NEW
25 SCHEDULING AND TIMEKEEPING SYSTEMS FOR FIREFIGHTERS, EXPANSION



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SUPERVISORS

1 OF THE TRAINING DIVISION TO SUPPORT THE TRAINING OF NEW
2 FIREFIGHTERS AND PARAMEDICS, AND FUTURE REPLACEMENT OF
3 HELICOPTERS, BOATS, COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, AND
4 FIREFIGHTING TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT. I'M NOW AVAILABLE TO ANSWER
5 ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

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7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. YOU
8 AND I REQUESTED IT THAT'S WHY.

9
10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, OKAY THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
11 THANK YOU, CHIEF, FOR THAT PRESENTATION. FIRST OF ALL, THANK
12 YOU LA COUNTY VOTERS IN THE FIRE DISTRICT FOR APPROVING
13 MEASURE E IN NOVEMBER. IT'S A HUGE VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN OUR
14 LA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND IT'S A HUGE BOOST, OBVIOUSLY,
15 TO EVERYTHING THAT YOU NEED TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE
16 THE BEST CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE MEN AND
17 WOMEN IN OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT. AGAIN, I ALWAYS SAY IT IS SO
18 UNIQUE HERE IN LA COUNTY. OUR VOTERS WILL VOTE TO RAISE THEIR
19 OWN TAXES SPECIFICALLY WHEN THEY KNOW IT'S GOING FOR SOMETHING
20 THAT WILL ULTIMATELY BENEFIT THEM. IT IS NOT THAT CASE IN
21 OTHER PARTS OF PROBABLY THE STATE AND CERTAINLY NOT IN OTHER
22 PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. PEOPLE COMPLAIN ABOUT HIGH TAXES BUT
23 HERE WHEN YOU MAKE THE CASE TO OUR VOTERS THEY WILL AGREE TO
24 RAISE THEIR OWN TAXES. SO, AND AGAIN, I THINK IT'S A TESTAMENT
25 TO OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HOW MUCH AVERAGE PEOPLE EVERY



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1 SINGLE DAY, NOTWITHSTANDING, YOU KNOW, HIGH FIRE INSTANCES,
2 REALLY RELY ON THEIR FIRE DEPARTMENT, PARTICULARLY AS IT
3 RELATES TO 911 CALLS. WE KNOW THAT CALLS TO THE PARAMEDICS
4 CONTINUE TO STAY VERY HIGH. SO, THIS MONEY COULD NOT HAVE COME
5 AT A BETTER TIME FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT CHIEF. AND YOU'VE
6 IDENTIFIED A LOT OF THE NEEDS AND HOW YOU PLAN TO SPEND THIS
7 MONEY. SO JUST A FEW QUESTIONS FOR ME. LOOKING AT THE FIRE
8 STATIONS THAT YOU HAVE HIGHLIGHTED AS NEEDING REPLACEMENT AND
9 THE ONES THAT WILL BE PRIORITIZED, OF COURSE, I'VE BEEN
10 HEARING FOR YEARS FROM THE CITY OF WHITTIER THAT THEIR FIRE
11 STATION 17 NEEDS TO BE REPLACED. AND THEY, OF COURSE, WERE
12 THRILLED WHEN MEASURE E WAS PASSED AND HOPED THAT MEANT THAT
13 THAT STATION COULD BE REPLACED. WASN'T ONE OF THE ONES THAT
14 YOU INITIALLY MENTIONED. SO HOW DID YOU DETERMINE IN THE FIRST
15 GO AROUND WHICH STATIONS NEEDED TO BE REPLACED?

16
17 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. SO, IN 2018
18 AN ASSESSMENT BY AE COM WAS PERFORMED OF DISTRICT FACILITIES
19 AND THEN AGAIN IN NOVEMBER OF 2019 JOHNSON FAIN DID A SIMILAR
20 REPORT REGARDING THE DISTRICT'S 261 FACILITIES. WE DID THAT IN
21 CONJUNCTION WITH THE CEO. HOW WE PRIORITIZED NEW REPLACEMENT
22 FIRE STATIONS WAS WE DO HAVE 5 FIRE STATIONS THAT ARE NOT
23 SEISMICALLY SAFE. SO, WE'RE GOING TO PRIORITIZE THE
24 REPLACEMENT OF THOSE STATIONS. BUT SIMULTANEOUSLY, WE WANT TO
25 WORK ON A NEW STATION 81 AND A NEW STATION 33. WE'RE ALSO



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1 CURRENTLY WORKING ON A REPLACEMENT TO FIRE STATION 8 IN WEST
2 HOLLYWOOD. WE'RE GOING TO BE RETROFITTING SEISMICALLY FIRE
3 STATION 171 IN INGLEWOOD. WE'RE GOING TO BE REPLACING FIRE
4 STATION A NEW FIRE STATION 17 AND WHITTIER BECAUSE IT IS AN
5 UNREINFORCED MASONRY STRUCTURE.

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7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I SEE, THANK YOU FOR THAT SO SOME OF THE
8 THINGS THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT TOO WAS FUNDS TO REPLACE VEHICLES
9 AND DIDN'T REALLY SPECIFY WHAT KIND OF WHAT ARE YOU TALKING
10 ABOUT WHAT KIND OF VEHICLES ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT REPLACING?

11
12 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** OUR IMMEDIATE NEED IS FOR NEW EMERGENCY
13 VEHICLES. 1,000 ENGINES, YOU KNOW, 1,000 VEHICLES. THEY
14 REPRESENT ENGINES, HOOK AND LADDER TRUCKS, PARAMEDIC SQUADS,
15 CREW BUSES, AND THOSE NEED TO BE REPLACED IMMEDIATELY. THE
16 ONES THAT ARE 25 YEARS OLD. WE ALSO HAVE NON-EMERGENCY
17 VEHICLES, AND WE ARE TRANSITIONING OUR FLEET OF 600 NON-
18 EMERGENCY VEHICLES TO EITHER ALL-ELECTRIC OR HYBRID. WE'RE
19 ALSO WORKING WITH THE LIFEGUARD DIVISION ON ELECTRIC VEHICLES
20 FOR OUR BEACHES.

21
22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT, GOOD. THANK YOU. THAT WAS MY NEXT
23 QUESTION. AND THEN HOW DID YOU, HOW DO YOU PLAN TO IDENTIFY
24 THE 15 ENGINE COMPANIES THAT WILL BE CONVERTED FROM THREE
25 PEOPLE TEAMS TO FOUR PEOPLE TEAMS?



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2 **ANTHONY MARRONE:** YEAH, WE'RE GOING TO DO AN ASSESSMENT OF OUR
3 121 THREE-PERSON ENGINES TO FIND OUT WHO HAS THE GREATEST NEED
4 DUE TO CALL VOLUME AND THE TYPES OF CALLS THAT THEY GO ON.
5 IT'S GOING TO TAKE A WHILE FOR THE DISTRICT TO TRANSITION TO
6 90 THREE-PERSON ENGINES BECOMING FOUR-PERSON ENGINES. THAT
7 WILL COST THE DISTRICT ONGOING \$72,000,000 IN SALARY AND
8 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS. SO, WE HAVE TO BE REALLY CAUTIOUS WITH THE
9 USE OF MEASURE E. NOT ALL OF IT CAN GO TO PROGRAMS THAT COVER
10 S AND E B. WE DO NEED TO BUY EQUIPMENT BECAUSE FOR MANY YEARS
11 DUE TO OUR STRUCTURAL DEFICIT. WE'VE NEGLECTED FACILITIES AND
12 APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT. SO, IT'S GOING TO BE A BALANCING ACT
13 FOR THE FIRE DISTRICT. BUT WE ARE GOING TO WORK CLOSELY WITH
14 THE CEO TO MAKE SURE THAT WE COME UP WITH A SPENDING PLAN THAT
15 NOT ONLY MAKES SENSE, BUT THAT'S SUSTAINABLE.

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT, THANK YOU. AND I KNOW MADAM
18 CHAIRWOMAN, YOU TALKED ABOUT THE CAD SYSTEM A LITTLE BIT AND I
19 KNOW CHIEF, YOU AND I HAD SPOKE ABOUT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S
20 CAD SYSTEM AND BEING DIFFERENT THAN THE SHERIFF'S BECAUSE THE
21 SHERIFF'S WAS STATION-BASED AND THEIR RFP NOW IS TO CENTRALIZE
22 IT, BECAUSE APPARENTLY THERE ARE NO CONTRACTORS OUT THERE THAT
23 EVEN DO STATION-BASED CAD SYSTEMS. YOU'VE ALWAYS HAD A
24 CENTRALIZED CAD SYSTEM, AND IT DOES LOOK LIKE, I THINK IT'S
25 TOO LATE TO LEVERAGE THE RFP PROCESS BECAUSE IT'S MY



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1 UNDERSTANDING THE SHERIFF WENT OUT A 1 1/2 AGO WITH THAT. BUT
2 IT DOES SEEM LIKE THERE'LL BE, WE DON'T HAVE TO GO INTO IT,
3 BUT YOU AND I DID SPEAK ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CO-
4 LOCATION OF THIS CENTRALIZED CAD SYSTEM, BOTH FOR THE SHERIFFS
5 AND BOTH FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING
6 WE'LL PROBABLY BE LOOKING AT IN THE FUTURE TO UNIFY THOSE
7 SYSTEMS. JUST MY LAST POINT IS THAT SO MUCH OF THIS IS ABOUT
8 FACILITIES, PHYSICAL THINGS, REPLACING VEHICLES, HELICOPTERS,
9 FIRE STATIONS, FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY. AND
10 OBVIOUSLY, IT'S OUR GOAL TO HAVE THE BEST EQUIPPED AND THE
11 BEST TECHNOLOGY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.
12 BUT I THINK MOST RESIDENTS PROBABLY WANT TO KNOW HOW IS THIS
13 SPENDING PLAN GOING TO TRANSLATE TO THEM FOR FASTER RESPONSE
14 TIME FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND CAN YOU BRIEFLY SAY HOW THIS
15 SPENDING PLAN ACTUALLY WILL TRANSLATE ULTIMATELY TO BETTER
16 SERVICES FOR OUR FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE FIRE DISTRICT.

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18 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION SO
19 YOU'RE CORRECT WE DO WANT TO REDUCE RESPONSE TIMES. THE
20 DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY OPERATES OUT OF 176 FIRE STATIONS
21 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. MOST OF OUR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
22 HAVE GOOD RESPONSE TIMES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SD 5. SD 5 IS
23 VERY RURAL AND NOT EVERYBODY IS 5 TO 8 MINUTES AWAY FROM FIRST
24 RESPONDERS. SO BY BUILDING NEW FIRE STATIONS THAT REDUCE
25 RESPONSE TIMES WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO BETTER SERVE OUR



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1 RESIDENTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND THEN BY ADDING PARAMEDIC
2 RESCUE SQUADS TO EXISTING FIRE STATIONS IN THE OTHER
3 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS, WE CAN BRING THAT LIFE-SAVING
4 PARAMEDIC CARE CLOSER TO EXISTING COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE ENOUGH
5 FIRE STATIONS, THEY JUST DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PARAMEDIC UNITS. WE
6 NEED TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PARAMEDIC UNITS, THE NUMBER OF
7 APRU'S, AND WE NEED TO EMBRACE LIFE-SAVING PROGRAMS LIKE THE
8 WHOLE BLOOD PROGRAM IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE LIFE EXPECTANCY
9 OF OUR RESIDENTS.

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11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. AND, YOU KNOW, I DID MISS A NOTE
12 THAT I HAD MADE ON THE CAD SYSTEM. SO, YOUR CAD SYSTEM IS ALSO
13 OLD AND OUTDATED, AS YOU SAID. I THINK THE ONE THING WE ALL
14 WOULD LIKE TO PREVENT IS WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT WHERE IT ACTUALLY CRASHED AND ULTIMATELY AFFECTED
16 PUBLIC SAFETY. YES. I MEAN, WHAT'S TO PREVENT YOURS FROM
17 CRASHING AND WHAT'S YOUR TIMELINE FOR REPLACING IT?

18

19 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** SO, I THINK THAT THE ONLY THING WE CAN DO
20 TO PREVENT OUR CAD FROM CRASHING, ALTHOUGH IT APPEARS TO BE
21 VERY STABLE RIGHT NOW IS TO REPLACE IT WITH A NEW CLOUD-BASED
22 CAD SYSTEM. YOU'RE CORRECT. THE LA COUNTY SHERIFF'S CAD SYSTEM
23 IS A LINEAR-BASED SYSTEM THAT OPERATES OUT OF THEIR
24 NEIGHBORHOOD SHERIFF'S STATIONS. WE HAVE A CENTRALIZED CAD
25 SYSTEM THAT OPERATES OUT OF OUR DISPATCH CENTER ON EASTERN



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1 AVENUE. IT'S NOT THE SAME TYPE OF CAD AS THE SHERIFF. IF THE
2 SHERIFF COULD ADOPT A CAD SIMILAR TO WHAT WE USE, WE COULD CO-
3 LOCATE AND ACT AS A BACKUP TO THE SHERIFFS AND THE SHERIFFS
4 COULD ACT AS A BACKUP TO US. SO, IF ONE CAD DOES GO DOWN,
5 THERE'S ANOTHER CAD IN THE COUNTY THAT CAN IMMEDIATELY TAKE
6 OVER TO MAKE SURE THAT 911 OPERATIONS AREN'T INTERRUPTED. THAT
7 SEEMS EFFICIENT.

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9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND WHAT WAS YOUR TIMELINE FOR REPLACING
10 YOURS?

11

12 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** WE WERE ON TRACK FOR A NEW CAD TO BE
13 IMPLEMENTED IN JANUARY OF 2027.

14

15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND YOU'RE CONFIDENT THAT THIS ONE WILL
16 LAST?

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18 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** WELL, CORRECT. OUR CURRENT CAD HAS LASTED
19 FOR 30 YEARS. IT'S WRITTEN IN COBOL, SO THEY DO HAVE TROUBLE
20 FINDING PEOPLE THAT CAN WORK AND UPGRADE COBOL SYSTEMS. SO, IF
21 WE GET A NEW CAD AND CO-LOCATE WITH THE SHERIFFS IN A NEW
22 COUNTY CEOC, I THINK THAT WOULD BE DOING THE BEST FOR OUR
23 RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES.

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** FESIA, DID YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT NORM AND



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1 BOB?

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3 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** ON THE MAINTENANCE, SO WE DON'T JUST HAVE TO
4 RELY ON PRAYER. I DO BELIEVE THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS A
5 MAINTENANCE CONTRACT THE SHERIFF DID NOT AND SO EVEN THOUGH
6 THE SYSTEM IS OLD AND IT'S WRITTEN IN COBALT AND NOT MANY
7 PEOPLE KNOW THAT LANGUAGE. THEY DO HAVE SOME MAINTENANCE AND
8 SUPPORT TO KEEP IT ONGOING. AND THAT WAS NOT THE CASE THAT WE
9 HAD WITH THE SHERIFF.

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11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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15 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO START AGAIN BY
16 SAYING THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING NOW. I KNOW
17 THERE WAS ALSO A SMALL FIRE JUST NORTH OF SUNSET BOULEVARD IN
18 WEST HOLLYWOOD AND LA BOUNDARY. SO, THERE'S A LOT OF ACTIVITY
19 GOING ON AND WE ARE HOLDING OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS CLOSE AND OF
20 COURSE THE MEMBERS OF YOUR DEPARTMENT CLOSE WHO WILL BE OUT
21 THERE RESPONDING IN THESE EMERGENCIES. THANK YOU. AND I ALSO
22 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DID ON
23 THE FRANKLIN FIRE. I DON'T THINK WE'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO
24 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT HERE SINCE THAT TIME, BOOKENDING OUR HOLIDAYS
25 WITH THESE TWO FIRES. AND WE JUST THANK YOU FOR THE WAYS THAT



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1 YOU SHOW UP FOR OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND GET THE JOB DONE. I
2 APPRECIATE THE DETAILED SUMMARY ON HOW MEASURE E FUNDS WILL BE
3 USED BY THE DEPARTMENT. AND I KNOW THAT YOU'RE THINKING OF
4 YOU'VE ARTICULATED, YOU KNOW, A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT AREAS
5 WHERE YOU'LL BE INVESTING HOW ARE YOU PRIORITIZING SINCE IT
6 SOUNDS LIKE THERE'S A LOT THAT'S HAPPENING IN EACH OF OUR
7 DISTRICTS AS WELL AS FOR THE DEPARTMENT AS A WHOLE THAT SERVES
8 COUNTYWIDE SO WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT FACILITIES VERSUS SOME OF
9 THE VEHICLES THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT, ETC., HOW ARE YOU
10 PRIORITIZING THOSE INVESTMENTS? BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY EVERYBODY'S
11 GOING TO WANT THINGS TO HAPPEN QUICKLY. AND SO, HELP US MANAGE
12 OUR EXPECTATIONS. WHAT SHOULD WE EXPECT IN THAT REGARD?

13
14 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** I THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. I BELIEVE
15 THAT WE'RE GOING TO PRIORITIZE IN COMMUNICATION WITH THE FIVE
16 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND THE CEO TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
17 MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICES ON HOW TO DIVIDE UP THAT
18 \$152,000,000. IT CANNOT GO TOWARDS ALL OF IT CANNOT GO TOWARDS
19 MORE PERSONNEL BECAUSE PERSONNEL ARE S&AB COSTS THAT ARE
20 ONGOING. CURRENTLY DEPARTMENTS \$1,700,000,000 BUDGET.
21 \$1,700,000,000 SOUNDS LIKE A LOT. BUT ONE FOOT \$1,400,000,000
22 OF THAT GOES TOWARDS SALARY AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS THAT LEAVES
23 \$300,000,000 A YEAR THAT WE CAN UTILIZE FOR OTHER CHARGES FOR
24 SNS, FOR CAP PROJECTS, ALL OF THE THINGS THAT WE NEED TO DO TO
25 RUN OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT DAY-TO-DAY. BUT WE REALLY DO NEED TO



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1 FOCUS ON REPLACING APPARATUS AND FIXING OUR FACILITIES.
2 OPERATING OUT OF A 99-YEAR-OLD FIRE STATION IS A CHALLENGE,
3 AND THAT'S AN UNREINFORCED MASONRY FIRE STATION THAT'S AN SD5,
4 FIRE STATION 12. AND THAT NEEDS TO BE REPLACED BECAUSE WE HAVE
5 TO BE WE HAVE TO BE PREPARED FOR A BIG EARTHQUAKE AND WE NEED
6 SEISMICALLY SAFE FIRE STATIONS AND THAT WAS REALLY THE DRIVING
7 FACTOR BEHIND REPLACING FIRE STATION 8 WEST HOLLYWOOD.
8 ALTHOUGH IT WAS A POURED IN PLACE CONCRETE STRUCTURE. IT IS
9 NOT EARTHQUAKE SAFE AND WOULD COST OVER \$3,000,000 TO
10 EARTHQUAKE RETROFIT IT. WHY NOT TAKE THAT \$3,000,000 AND ADD
11 IT TO THE REPLACEMENT OF A BRAND-NEW FIRE STATION THAT WILL
12 LAST ANOTHER 50 YEARS.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AGREED. AND SO, WHAT IS THE, HOW ARE YOU
15 MANAGING THE TIMELINES OF THESE FACILITIES THAT ARE VERY HIGH
16 NEED FOR THIS SORT OF--

17
18 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** WE'RE WORKING WITH DPW, ANY CAP PROJECT, A
19 PROJECT OVER A \$1,000,000 THAT'S A FIRE STATION BUILD. WE'RE
20 GOING TO HAVE TO PARTNER WITH DPW TO DO THAT. THE FIRE
21 DEPARTMENT DOES NOT ADMINISTER ITS OWN FIRE STATION
22 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. WE'RE WORKING AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
23 WE HAVE BUILT A NUMBER OF NEW STATIONS IN SD 5. BUT WE NEED TO
24 START FOCUSING ON OUR OTHER DISTRICTS THAT NEED REPLACEMENT
25 FIRE STATIONS. BUT PRIORITIZING SEISMIC REPLACEMENTS, THEN



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1 SEISMIC RETROFITS AND BEING ABLE TO DO IT CONCURRENTLY I THINK
2 IS THE BEST APPROACH RATHER THAN ONE AFTER ANOTHER. IT HAS TO
3 BE A TWO TRACK APPROACH BECAUSE IT COULD TAKE UP TO TWO YEARS
4 TO BUILD A NEW FIRE STATION.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** IT'S HELPFUL TO HEAR. I KNOW OUR
7 RESIDENTS IN MALIBU WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY FIRES AND ARE
8 ALWAYS AT RISK ALSO ARE INTERESTED IN THE INVESTMENT IN FIRE
9 STATION 70. AND SO, IT'S HELPFUL TO HEAR HOW YOU ARE
10 PRIORITIZING THESE FACILITIES UPGRADES BECAUSE EVERY DISTRICT
11 IS GOING TO BE LOOKING AT HOW WE'RE MAKING SURE THESE DOLLARS
12 ARE BEING INVESTED BACK INTO THE RESOURCES IN EACH OF OUR
13 COMMUNITIES.

14

15 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** AND FIRE STATION 70 IS ON THE SEISMIC
16 RETROFIT LIST OF THE FIRST FIVE STATIONS AND BUT WE DO HAVE
17 FIVE FIRE STATIONS IDENTIFIED ON THE SEISMIC REPLACEMENT LIKE
18 FIRE STATION 8 AND SD3.

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** GREAT. WELL, WE'LL BE WORKING WITH YOUR
21 DEPARTMENT DIRECTLY, BUT IT'S HELPFUL FOR YOU TO SHARE
22 COLLECTIVELY HOW YOU'RE LOOKING AT MANAGING, YOU KNOW, --

23

24 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** WE DID PROVIDE BOARD OFFICES WITH OUR
25 FIRST DRAFT. WE CAN FURTHER REFINE THAT AND COME UP WITH



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1 ADDITIONAL DRAFTS AS TIME COMES ON. WE DO HAVE UNTIL JUNE 30TH
2 BUT I WOULD LIKE TO GET IT DONE BEFORE THAT.

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4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** YES, AND TO WORK WITH YOU ON THE PLANS
5 FOR THOSE RESPECTIVE LOCATIONS. OKAY. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
8 MITCHELL.

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10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND JUST LET ME
11 ECHO THE COMMENTS MADE BY MY COLLEAGUES. I WANT TO THANK YOU
12 AND THE WOMEN AND MEN OF YOUR DEPARTMENT FOR ALL THAT THEY DO
13 EVERY DAY TO KEEP ANGELENO SAFE. I APPRECIATE THAT.
14 RECOGNIZING THAT WE ARE NOW LIVING IN A NEW NORMAL WHERE THERE
15 WAS A PERIOD OF TIME THAT WE HAD FIRE SEASON ACROSS THE STATE
16 OF CALIFORNIA AND WE KNOW THANKS TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND OTHER
17 FACTORS THERE IS NO SEASON IT'S ALWAYS AND YOU LOOK LET ME I
18 AGREE WITH EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN SAID. I JUST WANT TO SAY
19 PUBLICLY HOW DEEPLY I APPRECIATE THE TRANSPARENCY AND THE
20 CLARITY OF YOUR SPENDING PLAN AND THE FACT THAT YOUR
21 PRIORITIZATION IS INFORMED BY DATA. SO, I JUST WANT TO TIP MY
22 HAT AND CONGRATULATE YOU AND AGAIN TO THANK THE VOTERS FOR
23 MEASURE E AND I THINK THAT WHEN THE PUBLIC SEES A PLAN THAT IS
24 CLEAR AND TRANSPARENT AND INFORMED BY DATA IT INCREASES THE
25 LIKELIHOOD THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO HELP



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1 US HELP THEM LIVE IN A SAFE LA COUNTY. I ALSO APPRECIATE THAT
2 WHILE THE VOTERS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT RESPONSE TIME, THAT YOU
3 ALSO HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SAFETY OF THOSE IN YOUR
4 COMMAND. AND WE HAVE HEARD OVER AND OVER AGAIN, WE HAD A
5 DISPLAY HERE IN THE BOARDROOM FROM YOUR WOMEN FIREFIGHTERS
6 ABOUT THEIR UNIFORMS AND THEIR PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. AND I
7 HAVE HEARD FROM YEARS WHEN I SERVED IN THE LEGISLATURE ABOUT
8 THE DANGERS OF ANTIQUATED PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. AND SO, I AM
9 CLEAR THAT A PART OF YOUR RESPONSIBILITY IS THE SAFETY OF
10 THOSE IN YOUR COMMAND. AND SO, I APPRECIATE SEEING THOSE
11 ISSUES ELEVATED IN THE PLAN AS WELL. IT IS ALWAYS DIFFICULT TO
12 TRY TO ALLOCATE PUBLIC RESOURCES TO INFRASTRUCTURE UNTIL THAT
13 INFRASTRUCTURE COLLAPSES. AND SO, YOU BEING PROACTIVE AND
14 BEING CLEAR ABOUT WHICH FIRE STATIONS ARE GOING TO REQUIRE
15 IMMEDIATE REVAMPING AND RETROFITTING DUE TO SEISMIC, YOU KNOW,
16 UPGRADES, YOU KNOW, SEISMIC RULES THAT WE PUT ON OURSELVES I
17 THINK IS REALLY IMPORTANT. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE WORK
18 AND WE'LL LOOK FORWARD TO ONGOING REPORTS FROM YOU AND OF
19 COURSE WORKING COLLABORATIVELY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

20
21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK YOU, CHIEF
24 MARONEY AND YOUR TEAM. I WANT TO THANK CHIEF TERESA BARRERA.
25 IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOUR TEAM AND ALSO JULIA KIM



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1 AND THE OTHER FOLKS THAT MAKE UP YOUR OPERATION. THERE'S NO
2 DOUBT THAT THIS WAS SUCH AN IMPORTANT MEASURE FOR US TO GET
3 PAST. WE'VE ATTEMPTED IN THE PAST, AND IT WASN'T SUCCESSFUL.
4 THIS TIME, WE WERE ON THE MARK. SO THANK GOODNESS THAT THE
5 VOTERS OF LA COUNTY SAW FIT TO SUPPORT THE INVALUABLE SERVICE
6 THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PROVIDES AND I WANT TO SAY THAT
7 YOU'VE ALREADY MENTIONED A LOT OF PROGRAMS THAT YOU'RE GOING
8 TO BE FUNDING ONE THAT I'M FOND OF IS THE APR USE THAT YOU
9 MENTIONED AND THE FACT THAT WE DID PUT INITIALLY FUNDING FROM
10 ARPA THERE, AND THAT'S GOING TO BE GOING AWAY. AND I HOPE THAT
11 WE CAN GET SUPPORT TO PRIORITIZE THAT. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE
12 TICKET IS. \$7,000,000? IS THAT WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT?

13
14 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** I THINK IT WAS \$6,600,000 FOR FIVE APRUS,
15 ALTHOUGH WE CURRENTLY ONLY OPERATE THREE. SO, IT'S THE
16 EXPANSION INTO SD3 AND 4 WITH THAT VERY IMPORTANT PROGRAM.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** RIGHT. AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT YOU ON
19 THAT BECAUSE IT HAS DRAMATICALLY PROVIDED, YOU KNOW, COST
20 SAVINGS TO OUR UNINSURED PATIENTS, MEDI-CAL, MEDICARE, HEALTH
21 PLANS, AND HOSPITALS. I DON'T THINK THE ENTIRE PUBLIC
22 UNDERSTANDS THAT FULLY, BUT IT'S A COST SAVINGS IN AND OUT. I
23 ALSO WANTED TO ASK YOU REGARDING MEASURE E WHEN WE LOOK AT
24 SOME OF OUR OLD FIRE STATIONS AND I KNOW THE ONES YOU'VE
25 LISTED THEY DON'T FALL INTO MY DISTRICT WHICH IS SOMEWHAT



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1 SURPRISING TO ME BUT THEN AGAIN I DON'T HAVE ALL THE DATA AND
2 THE FACTS SPECIFICALLY OUTLINE WHAT SOME OF THOSE SOME OF
3 THOSE FACTORS ARE BUT I DO WANT TO RECALL THAT AND MAYBE YOU
4 WERE NOT THE CHIEF AT THE TIME I THINK IT WAS OSBORNE THAT I
5 VISITED THE FIRE STATION 87 THAT SERVES A HIGHLY
6 INDUSTRIALIZED AREA OFF OF, I THINK IT'S OFF OF VALLEY,
7 AVOCADO HEIGHTS AND BASSETT, BUT IT IS CITY OF INDUSTRY. IT'S
8 ALL THE SURROUNDING, I WANT TO SAY UNINCORPORATED, BUT ALSO
9 BUSINESS COMMUNITY. AND WHEN I WAS THERE VISITING, THIS WAS
10 ALREADY A COUPLE OF YEARS BACK, I RECALL BEING TOLD THAT THIS
11 IS ONE OF THE MOST BUSIEST FIRE STATIONS, AND IT'S, IN MY
12 VIEW, IS ONE OF THE SMALLEST. AND I ASKED, WELL, WHAT ARE SOME
13 OF THE CHALLENGES? QUITE FRANKLY, IT HAS TO DO WITH THE
14 BUSINESS, YOU KNOW, FIRES AND CHEMICAL HAZARDOUS MATERIAL,
15 WHICH I THINK IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR OUR SURROUNDING
16 COMMUNITIES. AND WOULD ASK IF THERE'S BEEN ANY CURRENT
17 UPGRADES THERE SINCE THIS HAS BEEN NOW MAYBE FOUR OR FIVE
18 YEARS MAYBE SEVEN THERE HAVE BEEN ANY UPGRADES THERE AND I
19 VISITED AT THE TIME ALSO WHEN YOU HAD SOME NEW RECRUITS SOME
20 WOMEN AND PARAMEDICS, BUT I UNDERSTOOD THAT THERE WAS A NEED
21 TO HAVE EXTENDED FACILITIES FOR THE WOMEN, BATHS, BATHROOMS
22 AND SHOWERS. CAN YOU GIVE ME AN UPDATE ON THAT OR IS THAT
23 EVEN, HOW DOES THAT EVEN GET TO THE SCALE OF BEING LOOKED AT?

24
25 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** SO, IN ADDITION TO BUILDING NEW FIRE



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1 STATIONS AND UPGRADING CURRENT FIRE STATIONS AND REPLACING
2 FIRE STATIONS, WE DO HAVE A PRIVACY AND ACCESS PROGRAM WHERE
3 WE'RE SYSTEMATICALLY GOING THROUGH OUR 261 FACILITIES TO MAKE
4 SURE THAT WE HAVE EQUAL BATHROOMS AND SHOWERS FOR EVERYONE WHO
5 WORKS THERE, NOT ONLY MEN AND WOMEN, BUT NON-BINARY PERSONNEL.
6 AND FIRE STATION 87 IN BASSETT, I BELIEVE THAT'S THE STATION
7 YOU'RE REFERENCING, IS ONLINE FOR OUR NEXT PRIVACY AND ACCESS
8 UPGRADE THAT WILL PROVIDE WOMEN WITH THEIR OWN SHOWER AND
9 TOILET FACILITY. SO, WE DO HAVE A PLAN. I CAN SHARE IT WITH
10 THE BOARD OF WHAT --

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WE SHARE WITH MY OFFICE.

13
14 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** OKAY, I COULD SHARE IT WITH ABSOLUTELY. SD
15 1 BUT WE CAN LET YOU KNOW WHAT WE'VE COMPLETED THUS FAR AND
16 WHAT WE HAVE TO COMPLETE IT IS VERY EXPENSIVE WE WORK WITH ISD
17 ON BATHROOM UPGRADES BUT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF OUR
18 WOMEN AND MEN IN THE LA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT HAVE FACILITIES
19 THAT ARE TAILORED TO THEM. AND YOU KNOW THAT'S PART OF WHAT
20 WE'RE DOING TO TRY TO ATTRACT MORE WOMEN TO THE FIRE SERVICE
21 IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY HAVE THE APPROPRIATE PLACES TO SLEEP
22 AND BATH. SO, FIRE STATION 87 IS ON OUR LIST.

23
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WHEN WOULD THAT HAPPEN? WHAT IS THE TIME
25 FRAME FOR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?



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2 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** I WOULD HAVE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
3 PROVIDE YOUR OFFICE WITH THE TIMELINE RATHER THAN SAY
4 SOMETHING NOW THAT'S INCORRECT. AND YOU KNOW, I JUST WANTED TO
5 CAP IT OFF WITH \$152,000,000 IS A LOT OF MONEY TO GET EVERY
6 YEAR, BUT IT'S NOT ENOUGH. AND THAT'S WHY IT'S MANDATORY THAT
7 I GET CONTRACTS WITH OUR FEE-FOR-SERVICE CITIES, OUR CONTRACT
8 CITIES, THAT FULLY REIMBURSE THE DISTRICT FOR THE FIRE AND
9 LIFEGUARD SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE. RIGHT NOW, THE DISTRICT
10 SPENDS \$60,000,000 A YEAR ON OUR 13 CONTRACT CITIES FOR FIRE
11 SERVICES AND OUR FIVE CITIES THAT ARE ALONG THE COAST FOR
12 LIFEGUARD SERVICES, WE CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY A CITY TO BE THEIR
13 FIRE DEPARTMENT.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I FULLY APPRECIATE THAT AND I KNOW THAT WE
16 HAVE THOSE ISSUES IN OUR DISTRICT. JUST LASTLY I WOULD JUST
17 SAY THAT I TOO WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE WOMEN AND YOUNGER AND I
18 KNOW LIFEGUARDS HAVE DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB THE SPORTS REALLY
19 PUSHED AHEAD ON MANY OF THOSE THINGS BUT SEEING HOW MORE WOMEN
20 AT AN EARLIER AGE AND PERHAPS COLLABORATING MORE WITH THE
21 CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS WHO ARE FINE CANDIDATES AND
22 OTHER GROUPS LIKE YOUTHBUILD AND THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
23 CONSERVATION CORPS, JOB CORPS PROGRAMS AS WELL THAT ARE
24 FEDERALLY FUNDED. IT CAN ALSO SERVE AS PERHAPS TRAINING WITH
25 YOU COLLABORATION JUST SO WE SEE MORE DIVERSITY AND PEOPLE



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1 COMING FROM COMMUNITIES THAT THEY WANT TO STAY IN AND WORK IN.
2 I MEAN IT'S AN HONORABLE JOB TO BE ABLE TO BE A FIREFIGHTER
3 AND I THINK THAT'S WHY THE VOTERS SUPPORTED IS SO
4 OVERWHELMINGLY AND CONGRATULATE YOU AND I LOOK FORWARD TO
5 WORKING WITH YOUR STAFF ON THESE ITEMS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

6

7 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

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9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND I JUST IN CLOSING
10 WAS FIRST OF ALL ON THE APRU I WHOLEHEARTEDLY AGREE UP IN THE
11 ANTELOPE VALLEY TO YOUR POINT BECAUSE OF THE REGION UP THERE
12 DR. PIZAN HAS BEEN UNBELIEVABLE AND THAT PROGRAM HAS BEEN A
13 SUCCESS. A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE THAT STATION 33 IS THAT
14 BUSY, BUT IT IS BECAUSE THE POPULATION UP IN THE ANTELOPE
15 VALLEY HAS GROWN TREMENDOUSLY. AND AS A RESULT, YOU'VE GOT ONE
16 STATION ACCOMMODATING A POPULATION THAT QUITE FRANKLY IN OTHER
17 AREAS MIGHT HAVE MORE JUST FOR POINT OF CLARIFICATION THOUGH
18 ON WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT SPECIAL DISTRICTS, SO IF YOU'VE GOT A
19 SPECIAL DISTRICT, FOR EXAMPLE, LANCASTER, AND THEN YOU'VE GOT
20 A SPECIAL DISTRICT THAT COMES IN AFTER WHAT IS THE DATE THAT
21 THEY THAT IS A CUTOFF DATE FOR CONTRACTING WITH FIRE LIKE
22 POMONA.

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24 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** I THINK THAT WELL, POMONA CAME TO THE
25 DISTRICT IN 1994.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** RIGHT SO THEY ARE BILLED
3 DIFFERENTLY IS MY POINT.

4

5 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO HOW CAN WE STREAMLINE IT AND
8 MAKE THEM ALL BECAUSE I KNOW THAT WHEN I REPRESENTED COVINA
9 AND I KNOW YOU'RE HAVING THE SAME PROBLEM, THEY FEEL THAT THEY
10 ARE PAYING FOR OR SUBSIDIZING FOR CITIES THAT ARE ALREADY PART
11 OF SPECIAL DISTRICT. AND I'VE ALWAYS TRIED TO FIGURE OUT HOW
12 DO YOU EVEN THAT PLAYING FIELD AND I DON'T HAVE THE ANSWER.

13

14 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** IN MY TOUGH CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR
15 CONTRACT CITIES AND THE CONTRACT CITY LEADERSHIP YOUR CORRECT
16 SUPERVISOR. THEY BELIEVE THAT THEIR COSTS ARE PAYING FOR THE
17 UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND ALSO DISTRICT CITIES. IT'S NOT THE
18 CASE. THEY ARE NOT COVERING THE COST OF THE FIREFIGHTERS THAT
19 ARE IN THEIR FIRE STATIONS IN THOSE CONTRACT CITIES. ONE
20 EXAMPLE WOULD BE THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD. IT COSTS THE DISTRICT
21 \$30,000,000 A YEAR TO STAFF FOUR STATIONS IN THE CITY OF
22 INGLEWOOD. THEY GIVE THE DISTRICT \$20,000,000 AND THE DISTRICT
23 CONTRIBUTES \$10,000,000. THAT'S NOT FAIR. IT'S NOT FAIR TO THE
24 TAXPAYERS IN THE DISTRICT CITIES THAT NOT ONLY PAY PROPERTY
25 TAX BUT PAY THE SPECIAL TAX AND ALSO THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS



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SUPERVISORS

1 THAT PAY THEIR TAXES FOR THOSE TAXES TO GO TOWARDS CONTRACT
2 CITIES AND WE'RE HAVING THOSE TOUGH NEGOTIATIONS RIGHT NOW,
3 BUT I'M GOING TO PRIORITIZE LA COUNTY RESIDENTS AND LA COUNTY
4 FIREFIGHTERS BEFORE OUR CONTRACT CITIES.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND I DON'T THINK ANYONE UP ON
7 THIS DAIS WOULD DISAGREE WITH THAT. THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT
8 IT I REGARDING THE FOUR FIREFIGHTERS JUST ONE MORE QUESTION ON
9 THAT. DO YOU FIND YOU'RE GONNA BE LOOKING STRATEGICALLY AT
10 WHERE THE VOLUME IS CORRECT?

11

12 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** THAT THE BUSIEST ENGINES AND THE ONES THAT
13 HAVE THE MOST WORKING INCIDENTS WILL BE THE FIRST ENGINE
14 COMPANIES TO GET THE FOUR PERSON STAFFING.

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY GREAT THANK YOU. ALRIGHT
17 SEEING NO OTHER SUPERVISORS WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS
18 ITEM EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
19 WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON IT.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS
22 THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR
23 PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS
24 ITEM 39, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND
25 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY



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SUPERVISORS

1 WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

2

3 **MODERATOR:** JARED WRIGHT, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** ALL RIGHT. GERARD WRIGHT WITH THE GREATER LA
6 REALTORS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE THOROUGH PRESENTATION OF
7 AT LEAST WHAT'S GOING TO BE THE PARCEL TAX DOLLARS ARE GOING
8 TO BE SPENT ON FOR FIRE SAFETY. WILL THIS INFORMATION BE AT
9 LEAST PUBLICIZED IN A DOCUMENT FOR THE PUBLIC? BECAUSE I THINK
10 THIS WAS KIND OF A STICKING POINT FOR SOME OF MY MEMBERS WHO
11 SAW THE HIGH PARCEL TAX BUT DIDN'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THIS WAS
12 GOING TO BE SPENT ON. AND I THINK HAVING THIS INFORMATION BE
13 VERY, VERY IMPORTANT FOR SOME AREAS WHO ARE MAKING THOSE
14 TRANSACTIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, IN WEST HOLLYWOOD OR IN INGLEWOOD
15 OR IN THE NORTH COUNTY AREA, MAKE AN IMPORTANT INFORMED
16 DECISION ON WHAT'S GOING ON. SO, THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

17

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

19

20 **MODERATOR:** ROY HUMPHREY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** YES. YOU LIVE IN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, HOME OF
23 SILICON VALLEY AND HOME OF ELON MUSK, 2025 AND FAILED TO HAVE
24 STATE OF THE ART INTEGRATED INTERACTIVE COMPUTER SYSTEMS IS AN
25 ABOMINATION AND YOU IF YOU PAY ONE PENNY TO THE SUPPORT OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 BIDEN ILLEGAL ALIENS, MAY YOU AND YOUR FAMILY SLEEP WITH THE
2 FLEAS OF A THOUSAND CAMELS. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

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

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THIS IS A RECEIVE AND FILE.
10 HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU,
11 CHIEF MARRONE. I HOPE WE GET THINGS UNDER CONTROL OUT THERE.

12

13 **ANTHONY C. MARRONE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE MOVE ON TO
16 SPECIALS. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT NONE OF MY COLLEAGUES
17 HAVE ANY SPECIALS TO INTRODUCE FOR THE NEXT BOARD MEETING. SO,
18 WE WILL GO ON TO GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM
19 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL
20 PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR MEMBERS ON THE PHONE, YOU CAN PRESS 1 AND
21 0 TO BE PUT IN THE QUEUE. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ IN
22 THE CALL-IN INFORMATION FOR THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO'VE
23 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC YOU WILL HAVE ONE



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SUPERVISORS

1 MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE
2 STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. YOU MAY ONLY ADDRESS THE BOARD
3 ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL NOW CALL IN-PERSON SPEAKERS
4 AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC
5 SPEAKERS.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
8 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ADELAIDE VASQUEZ, ALEJANDRO
9 ESTEA, DARCY STINSON, DARRELL TERRELL, DONICIA AUGUSTUS, ERICA
10 LARSON, IAN JAMISON, ILYA SAGLIN, JENNIFER ELKINS, KADIM
11 BOOTH, KATHLEEN DALTON, KAYLEE ELKINS, NOEMI SANCHEZ, OSHAYA
12 ORKID, RON CUNNINGHAM, AND SAVANNAH ROBERTSON. AS A FINAL
13 REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
14 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, IF YOU HAVE
15 NOT, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING
16 QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

17

18 **MODERATOR:** LUCA CONTRERAS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LUCAS CONTRERAS AND I WANT TO
21 ADDRESS THE BOARD, PLEASE, AND TO SAY ON ITEM NUMBER 17, AS A
22 GENERAL COMMENT, THAT APPROACH TO SEEK TO HAVE THE LAND BE
23 OWNED BY THE GOVERNMENT WHEREAS IT WOULD NOT BE OWNED BY
24 CORPORATE OFFICES OR BY CORPORATIONS. AS I UNDERSTOOD THE ITEM
25 ONCE AMENDED, IF IT CAN BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION TO SEEK



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SUPERVISORS

1 FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS OR THIRD PARTIES TO SEEK AFTER
2 THAT LAND SO THAT IT WOULD BE A SHARE OF POWER INSTEAD OF NOW
3 AS A PERSON THAT SEES THE GOVERNMENT THAT CAN ALSO BUY LAND
4 THAT'S BEEN AUCTIONED.

5
6 **MODERATOR:** ROY HUMPHREY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7
8 **SPEAKER:** AND YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND TO THIS COUNTY
9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IF YOU IN ANY WAY IMPEDE DONALD TRUMP
10 AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN ATTEMPTING TO REMEDY THIS
11 ILLEGAL INFLUX OF BORDER CROSSERS INTO THIS STATE, I HOPE AND
12 I PRAY THAT YOU WILL FIND YOURSELF IN FEDERAL DETENTION AND
13 PROSECUTED ACCORDINGLY. THIS IS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
14 IN CASE YOU FORGOT, YOU DID A PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE UNLESS YOU
15 WERE FALSIFYING THAT ENDEAVOR AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS
16 MEETING. THIS IS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND THIS
17 GARBAGE PUT OUT BY YOUR COUSIN NEWSOM IS NAUSEATING. YOU ARE
18 DISGRACEFUL THAT YOU IMPEDE AND THAT YOU EMBELLISH THIS THING
19 AND SPEND ONE PENNY ON YOU SHOULD BE TAKEN TO TASK IMMEDIATELY
20 THANK YOU.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER,

23
24 **MODERATOR:** ANN NO LAST NAME YOUR LINE IS OPEN YOU MAY BEGIN.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** THERE WAS A MENTION RECENTLY OF LA COUNTY
2 INSTITUTIONAL PROPERTIES AND AVAILABLE PROGRAMMING. PLEASE
3 CONSIDER THE TUESDAY MEETING PROVIDED THERE IN THE HALL AND
4 ALSO THE CLUSTER MEETINGS TO BE BROADCAST AT LA COUNTY
5 INSTITUTIONAL PROPERTIES. WHEN MONITORS ARE NOT AVAILABLE,
6 AUDIO OVER THE LOUDSPEAKERS COULD WORK. ALSO, THE SHARING OF
7 THE CODE OF CONDUCT. PERHAPS THOSE LISTENING WILL REALIZE THAT
8 THEIR BEHAVIOR IS THE REASON FOR MUCH OF THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS MEETINGS, AND THOSE AT LA COUNTY INSTITUTIONAL
10 PROPERTIES CAN SEE THAT WHEN THEY ARE NOT POSITIVELY
11 CONTRIBUTING TO SOCIETY, THERE ARE OTHERS IN POWER THAT WILL
12 DECIDE THEIR FATE AND FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES. PERHAPS YOU WILL
13 INSPIRE CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY AND SOME FUTURE POLITICIANS WITH
14 LIVED EXPERIENCE DIRECTING REFORM. THANK YOU.

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

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

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO IN-PERSON
22 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
25 ALEJANDRO ESTELA, AND I AM HERE TODAY TO REQUEST YOUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 ASSISTANCE TO THOROUGHLY REVIEW AND REEXAMINE THE RESULT OF
2 THE COMPLAINT I FILED WITH THE COUNTY POLICY OF EQUITY ON
3 SEPTEMBER 10, 2024. I RECEIVED THEIR RESPONSE ON NOVEMBER 1,
4 2024, AND I DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW THEY COULD COME UP WITH THE
5 RESULT OF MY COMPLAINT. I AM ASSERTING MY RIGHTS, AND I ALSO
6 SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF MY COMPLAINT. I QUESTIONED
7 THE HANDLING AND COMPLIANCE OF THE COUNTY PERFORMANCE
8 EVALUATION POLICY AND PROCEDURE AND THAT EMPLOYEES ARE ALSO TO
9 BE PRE-PUBLISHED FROM DISCRIMINATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

12
13 **SPEAKER:** HEY, MY NAME IS KADEEM BOOTH. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT
14 ASK SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW WOULD HOW WOULD I COMMUNICATE
15 WITH Y'ALL AND GET A FEEDBACK FROM MY SUPERVISOR, WHICH
16 LINDSAY P. HORVATH, YOU'RE MY SUPERVISOR, AND I'M HOMELESS, SO
17 THEY TOLD ME JANICE HAHN WAS MY SUPERVISOR, WHICH IS KIND OF
18 WEIRD, I DON'T KNOW. SO, I WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ALL ABOUT
19 A COUPLE OF THINGS, ONE OF THEM BEING SECTION 1711 OUT OF THE
20 WELFARE INSTITUTIONS CODE. WHEN I CALLED IT TO THE OFFICE, IT
21 ASKED TO SPEAK ABOUT WIC. Y'ALL ASSISTANTS DIDN'T KNOW WHAT IT
22 WAS. THEY SAID, WELL, THE WOMEN'S AND INFANTS AND CHILDREN'S,
23 I SAY, NO, NO, NO. I SAY WELFARE INSTITUTION COACH. HE SAY, I
24 DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT IS. I SAY, OMG, YOU KNOW, SO I NEED TO
25 SPEAK TO Y'ALL. AND THEN, ANOTHER THING IS I WANT TO TALK



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SUPERVISORS

1 ABOUT HOW TO GET OUT THE UNCLASSIFIEDS INTO THE CLASSIFIEDS.

2

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

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, COULD WE HAVE SOMEONE HELP HIM?

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH. SIR, IF YOU CAN GO OVER. CAN
8 SOMEONE RAISE THEIR HAND IN THE BACK THERE THAT CAN ASSIST?

9

10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES, WE'RE NOT SURE WHO YOUR SUPERVISOR IS,
11 BUT WE HAVE PEOPLE HERE TODAY THAT MAYBE CAN HELP SORT OUT
12 SOME STUFF FOR YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND TO CLARIFY FOR THE PUBLIC, IF YOU
15 ARE UNHOUSED, IS IT THE CHAIR'S OFFICE THAT THEN --

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** TYPICALLY, IS ON THE UNLESS THEY
18 CHOOSE FOR EXAMPLE IF WE'VE GOT UNHOUSED IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT
19 THEY WILL BE CONNECTED WITH OUR OFFICE YEAH, I MEAN IT'S NOT A
20 PERFECT SENSE AND THEY QUITE FRANKLY I THINK IF THEY CALL ANY
21 OF OUR OFFICES WE ALL RESPOND WITH A SENSE OF URGENCY ON THAT
22 YEAH

23

24 **SPEAKER:** MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISOR, MY NAME IS DARRELL
25 TERRELL. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY IN



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 RIVERSIDE COUNTY. I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO ADOPT OUR CATALYTIC
2 CONVERTER UNLAWFUL POSSESSION ORDINANCE. THIS THEFT IS NOT A
3 VICTIMLESS CRIME. THIS THEFT COSTS OUR RESIDENTS MILLIONS OF
4 DOLLARS IN REPAIRS TO THIS CAR WHICH FILLED THESE POCKETS MY
5 COUNTY DID SOMETHING ABOUT IT. WE ADOPTED A ORDINANCE THAT WE
6 CALL THE ONE AND YOU'RE DONE. MEANING THAT IF YOU HAVE ONE
7 ATTACHED CATALYTIC CONVERTER WITHOUT A PROOF OF OWNERSHIP, YOU
8 WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. UNLIKE THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, YOU
9 SKATE WHERE YOU'RE ALLOWED TO STEAL UP TO EIGHT CATALYTIC
10 CONVERTERS AND NOTHING HAPPENED TO YOU. ANOTHER COUNTY THAT
11 DID THE SAME THING WAS SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. I WOULD LIKE YOU
12 GUYS TO JOIN US TO CLOSE THE LOOPHOLES, AND MAYBE WE CAN HOLD
13 THESE PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE STATEWIDE. THANK YOU.

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

16
17 **SPEAKER:** IAN JAMIESON. ON 28TH OF MARCH 2013, DR. SIMON WADE
18 HOBSON, A PROFESSOR OF MOLECULAR RETROVIROLOGY AT THE
19 INSTITUTE PASTEUR, PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE IN VOLUME 495 OF
20 NATURE ENTITLED H5N1 VIRAL ENGINEERING DANGERS WILL NOT GO
21 AWAY, IN WHICH HE WROTE, QUOTE, SO LET'S BE CLEAR, THE END
22 GAME COULD BE VIRUSES MORE DANGEROUS THAN THE SPANISH FLU
23 STRAIN. H5N1 GAIN OF FUNCTION WORK, INDEED ALL VIROLOGICAL
24 GAIN OF FUNCTION WORK, SHOULD BE SUSPENDED AND VIROLOGISTS
25 OPEN UP ENGAGED IN PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF THEIR WORK AND THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 ISSUES IT RAISES. WE KNOW FOR A FACT, ACCORDING TO
2 DOCUMENTATION IN FRONT OF ALL OF YOU, THAT A VERY RENOWNED
3 VIROLOGIST BY THE NAME OF YOSHIHIRO KAWOTA HAS DONE GAIN-OF-
4 FUNCTION RESEARCH ON H5N1 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MADISON,
5 WISCONSIN FOR OVER A DECADE. WE KNOW THIS IS A CAREFULLY
6 ORCHESTRATED SCAM, AND WE'RE NOT COMPLYING WITH ANY FUTURE
7 EROSION OF OUR CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES BY
8 A BAND OF MAD SCIENTISTS AND PSYCHOPATHIC PLUTOCRATS. AND IT
9 CAN ALL GO TO HELL WITH WHATEVER STATES OF EMERGENCIES AND
10 MANDATES YOU'RE PLANNING ON IMPOSING ON US IN THE COMING
11 MONTHS AND YEARS. YOU ALL HAVE A GREAT DAY.

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

14
15 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS ERICA LARSON. I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE
16 VAL VERDE CIVIC ASSOCIATION, A LANDOWNER IN VAL VERDE, AND A
17 FORMER RESIDENT EFFECTIVE TOMORROW. I'D LIKE TO ADDRESS THE
18 ISSUES OF THE CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL. MY HUSBAND AND I HAVE
19 SERVED OUR COMMUNITY ON MULTIPLE BOARDS SINCE 2014. WE LOVE
20 VALVERDE SO MUCH AND I NEED MORE THAN A MINUTE TO DESCRIBE THE
21 HEARTBREAK WE HAVE RIGHT NOW. WE STARTED EXPLORING MOVING IN
22 MAY OF 2024 AFTER REPEATED TRIPS TO THE URGENT CARE FOR OUR 2
23 KIDS HAVING RESPIRATORY ISSUES. THE SECOND REASON WAS THE
24 LANDFILL MAKING OUR DECADE-LONG WORK TO DEVELOP THE SEVENTH
25 ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND IN THE U.S. ON ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL



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1 TWO ACRES OF LAND, A NON-STARTER. OUR HOPES AND DREAMS TO
2 BUILD OUR LIFE IN VAL VERDE IS UNATTAINABLE BECAUSE OF THE
3 LANDFILL AND THIS BOARD'S DECISION TO ALLOW IT TO DOUBLE IN
4 SIZE IN 2017. PLEASE TAKE ACTION ON OUR SUFFERING AND CONNECT
5 WITH US TO REPAIR THE DAMAGES CAUSED BY THIS BOARD. USE THE
6 CLOSURE AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DIVERT YOUR WASTE FROM ALL OF
7 YOUR DISTRICTS AWAY FROM THE CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL AND
8 LANDFILLS NEAR ANY HOMES. CALL FOR A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO GET
9 OUR RESIDENTS OUT AND FOR--

10

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS JENNIFER ELKINS. I'M A RESIDENT OF VAL
14 VERDE AND I'M GRATEFUL THAT CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL IS
15 FINALLY CLOSED AND NO LONGER TAKING IN TRASH THIS SHOULD HAVE
16 HAPPENED YEARS AGO AS PROMISED INSTEAD OF THE COUNTY APPROVING
17 THEM FOR A 30-YEAR EXTENSION. HOWEVER, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT
18 THIS CLOSURE MAY NOT BE PERMANENT AND THAT THE LANDFILL COULD
19 REOPEN IN THE FUTURE. WE URGE THE COUNTY TO TERMINATE THE CUP
20 AND CLOSE THE LANDFILL PERMANENTLY. WE ALSO ARE AWARE THAT
21 THIS CLOSURE DOES NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE
22 ARE BEING POISONED DAILY BY THE LANDFILL AND WE URGE THE
23 SUPERVISORS TO RECONSIDER DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY.
24 PEOPLE IN MY COMMUNITY, INCLUDING CHILDREN AT OUR LOCAL
25 SCHOOLS, ARE VERY SICK AND NEED TO BE RELOCATED TO SAFETY



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SUPERVISORS

1 IMMEDIATELY. PEOPLE RECOVERING FROM CANCER SHOULD NOT BE
2 RECOVERING IN THE SAME ENVIRONMENT THAT LIKELY CAUSED THEIR
3 CANCER IN THE FIRST PLACE WE DO NOT HAVE ALL OF THE RESOURCES
4 WE NEED LASTLY THERE WILL BE SOME CHILDREN SPEAKING TODAY I
5 KINDLY ASK THAT YOU SHOW THEM RESPECT BY LOOKING AT THEM WHILE
6 THEY SPEAK IT TAKES A LOT OF COURAGE FOR A CHILD TO STAND UP
7 IN FRONT OF OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS. PLEASE SHOW THEM THAT
8 YOU'RE LISTENING THANK YOU.

9

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** I'M HAPPY THAT CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL IS FINALLY
13 CLOSED BUT I AM STILL BREATHING IN THE TOXIC AIR, AND I DO NOT
14 FEEL SAFE GOING BACK TO SCHOOL NEXT WEEK. PLEASE TAKE ACTION
15 NOW TO PROTECT US. IT IS NOT FAIR THAT WE HAVE TO SUFFER AND
16 LIVE IN THIS. WHAT HAVE WE DONE TO DESERVE THIS? I JUST WANT
17 TO BE A NORMAL KID AND PLAY OUTSIDE WITH MY FRIENDS. I DON'T
18 WANT TO HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT GETTING SICK OR GET CANCER.

19

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

21

22 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ADELAIDE VASQUEZ. I GO TO CUSTACHE
23 MIDDLE SCHOOL. WE ARE TRULY SUFFERING. WE RUN TWICE A WEEK
24 EVERY WEEK. WE HAVE NOSEBLEEDS AND REALLY BAD HEADACHES, BUT I
25 TRULY FEEL WORSE FOR THE LIVE-OUT KIDS. THEY LIVE CLOSER TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE LANDFILL AND IT IS SO BAD FOR THEM THEY ARE SUFFERING
2 DEARLY. DO YOU WANT A FIVE-YEAR-OLD TO HAVE CANCER? ANOTHER
3 THING I THINK IS RIDICULOUS, WE DRIVE AN HOUR JUST TO GET HERE
4 TO SPEAK FOR ONE MINUTE. WHY 1 MINUTE? THANK YOU FOR YOUR
5 TIME.

6

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

8

9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SAVANNAH ROBERTSON. I GO
10 TO THE CASTAIC MIDDLE SCHOOL AND I'M IN SEVENTH GRADE. THIS
11 LANDFILL AFFECTED OUR DAY-TO-DAY LIVES. FOR EXAMPLE, ME AND MY
12 FRIENDS WANTED TO GO RIDE BIKES, BUT WE WENT OUTSIDE AND WE
13 CAN JUST SMELL THE LANDFILL ODOR. WE HAD TO GO BACK INSIDE.
14 BUT THE ODOR IS NOT THE ONLY PROBLEM WITH THIS LANDFILL. THERE
15 IS MANY CHEMICALS IN THE AIR, AND SOMETIMES IT'S REALLY HARD
16 TO BREATHE. BUT I ALSO, SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE IN LIKE, CASTAIC,
17 I'VE BEEN GETTING LOTS OF BLOODY NOSES AND HEADACHES. I'M
18 TRYING TO TELL YOU GUYS THAT THE PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING, DYING,
19 AND GETTING SICK. AND ARE YOU REALLY JUST GOING TO LET THAT
20 HAPPEN? WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. I SAY WE SET A STATE
21 OF EMERGENCY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

22

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

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. HELLO. MY NAME IS NAOMI SANCHEZ AND I LIVE IN



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1 VAL VERDE. I AM A MOTHER OF 6 KIDS. I STILL HAVE 2 ATTENDING
2 LOCAL SCHOOLS IN THE AREA. LIVE OAK ELEMENTARY IS THE MOST
3 AFFECTED. THESE CHILDREN SHOULD BE AND NEED TO BE RELOCATED.
4 MY CHILDREN HAVE CONSTANT HEADACHES AND EXPERIENCE NOSEBLEEDS
5 WITH CONSTANT NAUSEA. THESE CHILDREN ARE NOT ONLY GETTING THE
6 SMELLS FROM WHERE THEY LIVE, THEY ALSO ARE EXPERIENCING THESE
7 SMELLS WHEN ATTENDING SCHOOLS. PLEASE HELP THESE CHILDREN.
8 THEY ARE OUR FUTURE. THANK YOU.

9

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

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12 **SPEAKER:** YES. HI, I'M DARCY STINSON. THE LANDFILL'S CLOSED,
13 RIGHT? BASED OFF OF THE LANDFILL, NOT THE COUNTY, NOT THE
14 SUPERVISORS. WE'VE BEEN ASKING FOR IT FOREVER. SO, I'M GLAD
15 THAT THE LANDFILL CHOSE TO CLOSE, BUT IT DOES ALLOW THEIR CUP,
16 I MEAN DOES IT ALLOW THEM TO REOPEN? BECAUSE YOU GUYS HAVEN'T
17 PULLED THEIR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND SO THERE'S NOTHING
18 STOPPING THEM FROM SAYING THEY'RE GOING TO START AGAIN. WE ARE
19 SUFFERING. I HAVE CANCER. I FOUGHT IT, CAME BACK. I HAVE TO
20 FIGHT IT CONSTANTLY. THIS IS SOMETHING I DO AT OTHER MEETINGS.
21 I HAVE A MAJOR TWITCH. I LIVE ON SOME PARTS LIKE SOMEONE WITH
22 PARKINSON'S THAT CAN'T HOLD SOMETHING AND GRAB, BUT THE
23 DOCTORS SAY NO. THEY COULDN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT IT IS. EPA SAID,
24 OH, CAUSE OF BENZENE POISONING IS TWITCHING, UNCONTROLLABLE.
25 THAT'S ME. I'M A POSTER CHILD FOR IT.



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SUPERVISORS

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

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4 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M KATIE DALTON. I'M A RESIDENT OF VAL VERDE OF
5 30 YEARS. THE ODORS AND PROBLEMS THAT HAVE BEEN CREATED FOR
6 THIS LANDFILL IS UNREMARKABLE. I HAVE TALKED TO MANY PEOPLE
7 WHO HAVE COME DOWN WITH CANCER, WHO HAVE INCREDIBLY HORRIBLE
8 SINUS PROBLEMS. THEIR CHILDREN ARE SICK. THEIR ANIMALS ARE
9 SICK. I AM SICK, RECENTLY BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER. I'M 71
10 YEARS OLD, OKAY, LIFE MIGHT HAVE PRESENTED ME WITH CANCER
11 ANYWAY, BUT I DON'T BELIEVE THAT. I DON'T KNOW WHERE ELSE TO
12 TURN TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN IN OUR COMMUNITY TO HELP US. WE
13 NEED TO TAKE CARE OF OUR PEOPLE AND WE NEED TO MAKE THEM WELL
14 AGAIN AND THERE'S NO WAY TO DO IT. CANCER IS TREATABLE, NOT
15 CURABLE. THANK YOU.

16

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

18

19 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS RON CUNNINGHAM. I'M A RESIDENT OF EL
20 VERDE FOR 26 YEARS. I BOUGHT MY HOUSE, LIVED THE AMERICAN
21 DREAM. I DID EVERYTHING RIGHT. I WENT TO WORK. I PAID MY
22 BILLS. I RAISED MY FAMILY. AND I'M AT A POINT IN MY LIFE WHERE
23 I CAN'T EVEN GO OUTSIDE IN MY OWN FRONT YARD. AS SOON AS I GO
24 OUTSIDE, WHEN THE SMELL IS THERE, I GET AN INSTANT HEADACHE, I
25 GET DIZZY, I GO BACK IN MY HOUSE. I GOT A TIME WHEN I CAN GO



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1 MOW MY LAWN. I HAVE MY GRANDCHILDREN OVER, I DON'T LET THEM GO
2 OUTSIDE. I'M ASKING YOU PLEASE, WE NEED A STATE OF EMERGENCY
3 FOR THE RESIDENTS OF VAL VERDE. I WENT OUT AND TRY TO PRICE
4 OTHER HOUSES. I CAN'T AFFORD IT. I CAN'T AFFORD TO MOVE AND
5 IT'S UNFAIR. THIS IS UNFAIR TO THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE AROUND
6 THIS PLACE WHY THIS THIS COMPANY PROFITS AND POISONS THE
7 RESIDENTS. IT'S UNFAIR AND I'M ASKING PLEASE WE NEED A STATE
8 OF EMERGENCY.

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

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12 **SPEAKER:** IT WASN'T LETTING ME SPEAK HI, I'M OSHA ORCHID, I'M A
13 RESIDENT OF VAL VERDE AS WELL. YOU'VE JUST HEARD FROM A NUMBER
14 OF MY NEIGHBORS. I'M ALSO A MOTHER. I'M ALSO WITH THE CIVIC
15 ASSOCIATION AND THE CASTAIC AREA TOWN COUNCIL. ALL OF THOSE
16 ORGANIZATIONS AND THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE THAT
17 ADVISES THIS COUNTY HAVE ASKED FOR A STATE OF EMERGENCY. THERE
18 IS NO REASON NOT TO HAVE A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR OUR
19 COMMUNITY. PEOPLE ARE GETTING VERY SICK. THIS IS A PUBLIC
20 HEALTH CRISIS CLEARLY AND IT'S VERY CLEAR TO US THAT WE NEED A
21 STATE OF EMERGENCY. IF THERE IS ANY DOUBT IN ANY OF YOUR MINDS
22 THAT WE NEED A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THIS COMMUNITY, WE
23 INVITE YOU PLEASE COME. PLEASE ENGAGE WITH OUR COMMUNITY. WE
24 HAVE PLENTY OF UPCOMING MEETINGS THIS MONTH WE COULD TUNE ANY
25 OF YOUR STAFF INTO. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU HEAR FROM



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1 RESIDENTS HOW MUCH THE SUFFERING IS HAPPENING. FINALLY I JUST
2 WANT TO SAY THAT ON THE AGENDA FOR NUMBER 11 THE LANDFILL WAS
3 DISCUSSED BUT NOTHING IN THERE WAS PUT TO TALK ABOUT WHAT'S
4 HAPPENING TO RESIDENTS AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS THAT WE'RE
5 EXPERIENCING.

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

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9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M SORRY. GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR AND
10 THE BOARD. MY NAME IS ILYA TSEGLIN. I STAND BEFORE YOU TODAY,
11 NOT MERELY AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN, BUT AS A FATHER WHOSE LIFE
12 HAS BEEN IRREVOCABLY SHATTERED BY THE FAILURES OF THE SYSTEM
13 DESIGNED TO PROTECT THE MOST VULNERABLE AMONG US, OUR
14 CHILDREN. THE ORANGE COUNTY SUPERIOR APPROPRIATE COURT CASE
15 NUMBER A246780 IS A BOLD EXAMPLE TO A TESTAMENT OF THE DEEP-
16 SEATED CORRUPTION OF SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES WHERE THEIR
17 DECISION AFFECTED BY THE BRIBERY'S SYSTEMATICALLY NEGLECTING
18 RULES OF LAW AND CONSTITUTION. THE COURT DECLARED DECISION
19 BASED ON FALSE MANUFACTURE REPORT IN ORDER TO TURN AN INNOCENT
20 PERSON INTO A SLAVE.

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

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24 **SPEAKER:** DEAR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I'M DONICIA AUGUSTUS. MY FAMILY HAS



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1 TRAGICALLY EXPERIENCED FIRSTHAND THE DEVASTATING CONSEQUENCES
2 OF A SYSTEM RIDDLED WITH CORRUPTION. THE ACTIONS OF COURT-
3 APPOINTED ATTORNEYS SEEMINGLY FUNDED BY HIDDEN LINE ITEMS IN
4 THE COUNTY'S BUDGET HAVE SHATTERED OUR FAMILY UNIT. THESE
5 ATTORNEYS, DESPITE THEIR ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS AND THE OATHS
6 THAT THEY'VE SWORN TO UPHOLD, HAVE FAILED TO FULFILL THEIR
7 DUTIES LEADING TO IRREPARABLE HARM. OUR CHILDREN'S SISTER, OUR
8 GRANDCHILDREN'S MOTHER, BRIANNA LENEA WILLIS, TRAGICALLY
9 PASSED AWAY IN APRIL OF 2018. THESE PERSONAL LOSSES HAVE
10 FUELED MY DETERMINATION TO ENSURE THAT OTHER FAMILIES DO NOT
11 SUFFER THE SAME FATE. I BELIEVE IT IS CRUCIAL FOR THE PUBLIC
12 TO UNDERSTAND THE SYSTEMIC FLAWS WITHIN OUR PROBATE SYSTEM AND
13 DCFS FUNDING, A SYSTEM THAT LACKS TRANSPARENCY AND
14 ACCOUNTABILITY. PLEASE GET AN OVERSIGHT --

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

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18 **SPEAKER: [PLAYING AUDIO RECORDING]** OF COURSE, OF HUMAN EVENTS,
19 IT BECOMES CONNECTED THEM WITH ANOTHER AND TO ASSUME AMONG THE
20 POWERS OF THE EARTH, THE SEPARATE AND EQUAL STATION TO WHICH
21 THE LAWS OF NATURE AND OF NATURE'S GOD ENTITLED THEM, A DECENT
22 RESPECT TO THE OPINIONS OF MANKIND REQUIRES THAT THEY SHOULD
23 DECLARE THE CAUSES WHICH IMPEL THEM TO THE SEPARATION. WE HOLD
24 THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF-EVIDENT, THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED
25 EQUAL, THAT THEY ARE ENDOWED BY THEIR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN



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1 UNALIENABLE RIGHTS, THAT AMONG THESE ARE LIFE, LIBERTY, AND
2 THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS, THAT TO SECURE THESE RIGHTS,
3 GOVERNMENTS ARE INSTITUTED AMONG MEN DERIVING THEIR JUST
4 POWERS FROM THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED. THAT WHENEVER ANY
5 FORM OF GOVERNMENT BECOMES DESTRUCTIVE OF THESE ENDS, IT IS
6 THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO ALTER OR TO ABOLISH IT AND TO
7 INSTITUTE NEW GOVERNMENT.

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9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
10 PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME
13 FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. AT THIS TIME IT WOULD BE
14 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR HORVATH WILL
15 BEGIN FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN FIFTH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR
16 SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE THAT WHEN
19 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES JOSEPH GARVEY,
20 WHO PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 6, 2024 AT THE AGE OF 35. BORN IN
21 SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS, JAMES BROUGHT LIGHT AND LAUGHTER
22 TO ALL WHO KNEW HIM. WHETHER LEADING DIGITAL MARKETING EFFORTS
23 IN THE FAMILY BUSINESS, MENTORING THROUGH MASS CHALLENGE, OR
24 RIDING THE CANYONS OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ON HIS
25 BELOVED MOTORCYCLES, JAMES LIVED HIS LIFE WITH PASSION AND



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1 PURPOSE. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF THE PORTER AND CHESTER INSTITUTE
2 AND BMW'S PRESTIGIOUS STEP PROGRAM, EXCELLING IN THE
3 AUTOMOTIVE WORLD BEFORE TRANSITIONING TO DIGITAL MARKETING AND
4 REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT IN LOS ANGELES. JAMES WAS KNOWN FOR HIS
5 ABILITY TO BRING JOY EVEN IN CHALLENGING TIMES. AS ONE FRIEND
6 DESCRIBED, JAMES HAD A WAY OF BRINGING LEVITY, LAUGHTER, AND
7 SMILES INTO SOME OF THE MOST CHALLENGING MOMENTS. JAMES IS
8 SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, SUSAN AND JOHN GARVEY, HIS SISTER
9 QUINN GARVEY, AND HIS BELOVED BOSTON TERRIER, GUINNESS AND KAT
10 WHITEY. WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY,
11 FRIENDS, AND LOVED ONES, INCLUDING HIS BEST FRIEND, JEREMY
12 BELLINGER, WHO HAS PROVIDED STEADFAST SUPPORT DURING THIS
13 DIFFICULT TIME. MAY JAMES'S MEMORY INSPIRE US TO FIND JOY AND
14 CONNECTION IN EVERY MOMENT, JUST AS HE DID. I ALSO MOVE TODAY
15 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JULIA GERARD
16 AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS LADY J. THE FASHION DESIGNER AND
17 ARTIST DIED OF CANCER ON DECEMBER 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY. SHE WAS
18 73 AND A LONGTIME BUSINESS OWNER AND RESIDENT OF WEST
19 HOLLYWOOD. LADY J WAS THE OWNER OF J. GERARD DESIGN STUDIO, A
20 MELROSE STAPLE FOR MORE THAN FOUR DECADES. LEGENDARY ARTISTS
21 LIKE PRINCE, RINGO STARR, CHER, AND PATTI SMITH TURNED TO LADY
22 J TO CREATE COUTURE CLOTHING. FOLLOWING 9-11, SHE EXPANDED HER
23 BUSINESS TO INCLUDE THE PEACE GALLERY, FEATURING ORIGINALLY
24 DESIGNED T-SHIRTS, JEANS, JEWELRY, ART, AND HOME ACCESSORIES
25 EMBLAZONED WITH PEACE SIGN SYMBOLS. LADY J'S LOVE FOR FASHION



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1 WAS INSPIRED BY A LOVE OF JAPANESE DESIGN AND PATTERN MAKING
2 METHODS. HER EXCEPTIONAL CRAFT LED TO A FIVE-YEAR PARTNERSHIP
3 WITH YOSHISADA MINASE IN 1982. THE TWO LAUNCHED THEIR LINE ON
4 MELROSE IN 1984, THE BEGINNING OF LADY J'S LONGTIME HOME ON
5 THE ICONIC AVENUE. LADY J LEAVES BEHIND MANY FRIENDS AND
6 CLIENTS AND IN CLOSING MAY WE REMEMBER HER THROUGH HER WORDS,
7 YOUR DREAMS ARE NOT YOUR FANTASIES THEY ARE YOUR DESTINIES.
8 DON'T EVER WASTE YOUR DAYS NOT DOING WHAT YOU DREAM TO DO. I
9 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES
10 SELMAN, A VISIONARY LEADER WHO WAS KNOWN AS THE GRANDFATHER OF
11 COACHING, HE WAS 82. JIM WAS BORN IN OKLAHOMA CITY IN 1942. HE
12 ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA WHERE HE MAJORED IN SOCIAL
13 PSYCHOLOGY AND PHILOSOPHY. HE'S KNOWN FOR BRINGING THE
14 PRINCIPLES OF COACHING TO THE CORPORATE WORLD, HELPING
15 BUSINESSES UNLOCK THE POTENTIAL OF THEIR PEOPLE. JIM FOUNDED
16 SELMAN AND ASSOCIATES IN 1976. THROUGH HIS CONSULTANCY, JIM
17 HELPED ORGANIZATIONS MAXIMIZE THE POTENTIAL OF THEIR
18 WORKFORCE. FROM THERE, HE WORKED WITH WERNER ERDhardt TO
19 CREATE TRANSFORMATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES, A CONSULTING AND
20 TRAINING PRACTICE. IN 2008, JIM PARTICIPATED WITH 22 OTHER
21 TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERS AND OFFICIALS IN THE UNITED NATIONS
22 TO BEGIN A DIALOGUE TO EMPOWER DEVELOPING NATIONS AND ASSIST
23 LEADERS IN THOSE COUNTRIES ADDRESS THEIR MOST INTRACTABLE
24 PROBLEMS. JIM WAS A PIONEER IN THE FIELD OF CORPORATE COACHING
25 AND CONSULTING AND HE WAS AN AUTHOR AND FRIEND TO MANY HE



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1 PASSED AWAY AT HIS OJAI HOME SURROUNDED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS
2 ON DECEMBER 29TH HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS POSITIVITY AND
3 PASSION FOR PEOPLE AND WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO
4 THE SELMAN FAMILY, ESPECIALLY LAUREN SELMAN. AND I UNDERSTAND
5 THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN WILL BE ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF PRESIDENT
6 CARTER, SO I HAVE A FEW REMARKS AT THAT POINT. THANK YOU,
7 MADAM CHAIR.

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9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YES, I MOVE THAT
12 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PRESIDENT JIMMY
13 CARTER, WHO WAS BORN ON OCTOBER 1, 1924, IN PLAINS, GEORGIA, A
14 TOWN HE LOVED AND CALLED HOME FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE. HE
15 GRADUATED FROM THE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY IN 1946 AND JOINED THE
16 NAVY WHERE HE WORKED ON SUBMARINES. SAME YEAR HE MARRIED THE
17 LOVE OF HIS LIFE, ROSALIND SMITH, AND THEY REMAINED MARRIED
18 FOR 77 YEARS. AFTER THE DEATH OF HIS FATHER, HE RETURNED TO
19 GEORGIA WHERE HE TOOK OVER AND REVIVED THE FAMILY PEANUT FARM.
20 AND IT WAS THERE THAT HE FIRST BECAME INVOLVED IN LOCAL
21 POLITICS, INCLUDING A SEAT ON HIS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
22 BEFORE SERVING IN THE GEORGIA SENATE AND AS GOVERNOR OF
23 GEORGIA FROM 1971 TO 1975. IN 1976, THIS PEANUT FARMER FROM
24 PLAINS, GEORGIA WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT DURING A TIME WHEN OUR
25 COUNTRY WAS GOING THROUGH SOME OF ITS MOST DIFFICULT TIMES,



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1 FROM ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION TO CONFLICT ABROAD TO A NATION
2 THAT HAD LOST SO MUCH OF ITS FAITH IN THE PRESIDENCY ITSELF.
3 AT HIS CORE, JIMMY CARTER WAS A SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN AND A MAN
4 OF EXTRAORDINARY FAITH, SO HE TOOK ON THOSE CHALLENGES WITH
5 UNBREAKABLE GRACE AND OPTIMISM AND NEVER LOST HIS PERSONAL
6 TOUCH AND CONCERN FOR PEOPLE. I WILL NEVER FORGET ONE EXAMPLE
7 OF THAT WHEN HE EXTENDED AN INVITATION TO MY DAD TO RIDE
8 ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE WITH HIM AND THAT FOR ANY ELECTED
9 OFFICIAL IS THE PINNACLE OF A BUCKET LIST IS TO BE INVITED ON
10 AIR FORCE ONE. BUT THE DATE THAT HE WAS INVITED HAPPENED TO BE
11 MY PARENTS' WEDDING ANNIVERSARY. SO, MY DAD POLITELY DECLINED
12 THE OFFER AND SAID HE COULDN'T ABANDON MY MOTHER ON THAT DAY.
13 WELL, THAT GOT BACK TO PRESIDENT CARTER WHO IMMEDIATELY CALLED
14 MY DAD AND SAID, OF COURSE, YOUR WIFE, RAMONA, CAN JOIN YOU ON
15 AIR FORCE ONE. SHE DID, AND WHEN THEY BOARDED, PRESIDENT
16 CARTER HAD RED ROSES WAITING FOR HER. AS PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT
17 CARTER ACCOMPLISHED THINGS THAT WE MAY TAKE FOR GRANTED TODAY
18 BUT WERE ALMOST UNTHINKABLE AT THE TIME. HE PUT SOLAR PANELS
19 ON THE ROOF OF THE WHITE HOUSE AND SIGNED LANDMARK LEGISLATION
20 TO FIGHT POLLUTION. HE REACHED OUT TO THE SOVIET UNION, OUR
21 GREATEST ENEMY, AND MANAGED TO HALT THE TESTING OF NUCLEAR
22 WEAPONS THAT HAD DONE SO MUCH HARM. AND OF COURSE, HE HELPED
23 BROKER THE PEACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT, PAVING
24 THE WAY FOR THE COLLABORATIVE RELATIONS THAT THEY MAINTAIN TO
25 THIS DAY. HE ALSO PUSHED TO MAKE OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MORE



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1 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE IT SERVED, APPOINTING A RECORD
2 NUMBER OF WOMEN AND PEOPLE OF COLOR TO ROLES IN HIS
3 ADMINISTRATION. PRESIDENT CARTER'S PRESIDENCY ENDED IN 1980,
4 BUT HIS PUBLIC SERVICE WAS FAR FROM DONE. TWO YEARS LATER, HE
5 FOUNDED THE NONPROFIT CARTER CENTER, WHICH AMONG OTHER THINGS
6 HAS HELPED RESOLVE CONFLICTS, BOLSTER THE RULE OF LAW, FIGHT
7 DISEASES, AND CHAMPION MENTAL HEALTH POLICIES IN MORE THAN 80
8 COUNTRIES. IN 2002, PRESIDENT CARTER RECEIVED THE NOBEL PEACE
9 PRIZE FOR HIS EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO PEACE AND HUMAN
10 RIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD. HE ALSO DEDICATED HIS TIME AND HARD
11 WORK TO BUILDING HOMES FOR POOR PEOPLE HERE IN OUR COUNTRY AND
12 AROUND THE GLOBE WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY. IN 2007, WHEN I
13 WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN LOS ANGELES, I WAS FORTUNATE TO
14 WORK WITH HIM TO BUILD 16 OF THOSE HOMES IN SAN PEDRO. HE
15 BELIEVED IN THE POWER OF HOME OWNERSHIP TO HELP PEOPLE ACHIEVE
16 ECONOMIC PROSPERITY FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND
17 THERE ARE ENTIRE GENERATIONS OF FAMILIES TODAY WHOSE LIVES
18 WERE TRANSFORMED, THANKS TO HIS WORK WITH HABITAT FOR
19 HUMANITY. WE HAVE A BOOK HERE TODAY IN THE HEARING ROOM WHERE
20 EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO WRITE MESSAGES IN HONOR OF PRESIDENT
21 CARTER WHICH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF GREATER LOS ANGELES WILL
22 BE SENDING TO THE CARTER CENTER. IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED IT YET,
23 PLEASE MAKE YOUR WAY DOWN FRONT TO SIGN IT. WE WERE LUCKY TO
24 HAVE PRESIDENT CARTER FOR AS LONG AS WE DID. THERE ARE FEW
25 PEOPLE WHO COULD PACK AS MUCH GOOD INTO A LIFE AS HE DID. HE



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1 SURVIVED BY FOUR CHILDREN WHO HAVE FOLLOWED IN THEIR FATHER'S
2 FOOTSTEPS OF PUBLIC SERVICE. I WANT TO END THIS WITH A QUOTE
3 THAT JIMMY CARTER SAID TO HIS OWN NIECE, I HAVE ONE LIFE AND
4 ONE CHANCE TO MAKE IT COUNT FOR SOMETHING. I'M FREE TO CHOOSE
5 THAT SOMETHING. MY FAITH DEMANDS THAT I DO WHATEVER I CAN,
6 WHEREVER I CAN, AND WHENEVER I CAN, FOR AS LONG AS I CAN." I
7 THINK THOSE ARE WORDS THAT WE SHOULD ALL LIVE BY. MAY HE
8 DEFINITELY REST IN PEACE, AND I WILL LET OTHER MEMBERS SPEAK
9 TO THIS.

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH, CAN YOU TURN ON THE MICS FOR
12 MY COLLEAGUES? IT'S A SIGN. OH.

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14 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** WELL, I WILL USE SUPERVISOR HAHN'S MIKE.
15 IT SEEMS WE'RE EXPERIENCING SOME TECHNICAL DIFFICULTY BUT I
16 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR ALLOWING US ALL TO JOIN IN
17 THIS ADJOURNMENT. PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER CERTAINLY DID LIVE A
18 REMARKABLE LIFE AND EACH DAY HE DEMONSTRATED HOW TO MAKE
19 EVERYDAY COUNT THROUGH HIS LOVE AND CARE OF HIS FAMILY, HIS
20 SERVICE TO THE POOR, AND HIS COMMITMENT TO FAITH ABOVE ALL
21 ELSE. HE DEEPLY UNDERSTOOD SOME OF THE MOST CRITICAL AND
22 EMERGING ISSUES FACING THE COUNTRY, FROM HOUSING NEEDS, AS
23 SUPERVISOR HAHN HIGHLIGHTED, TO THE EMERGING THREAT OF CLIMATE
24 CHANGE. HIS CLIMATE WORK INCLUDED SIGNIFICANT ENERGY
25 EFFICIENCY GOALS AND SHIFTING AWAY FROM FOREIGN CRUDE OIL AND



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1 THE SOLAR PANELS ON THE WHITE HOUSE FAR BEYOND THEIR TIME. THE
2 CLIMATE ACTIONS HE TOOK WERE CRITICIZED AT THE TIME, BUT LAID
3 THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE PROGRESS THE COUNTRY HAS SEEN SINCE
4 THEN. PERHAPS ONE OF HIS MOST ENDURING EXAMPLES OF A LIFE WELL
5 LIVED WAS HIS 77-YEAR MARRIAGE TO THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE AND
6 CENTER OF HIS WORLD, ROSALIND CARTER. THEIR PARTNERSHIP IS A
7 LOVE STORY FOR THE AGES THAT TOOK THEM FROM THE SMALL PLAINS
8 OF GEORGIA TO THE WHITE HOUSE. THEIR FOUR CHILDREN AND MANY
9 GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN CONTINUE THEIR FAMILY
10 TRADITION AND LEGACY OF SERVICE. I'VE COME TO UNDERSTAND JUST
11 HOW DEEPLY PRESIDENT CARTER IMPACTED HIS FAMILY THROUGH TWO OF
12 HIS GRANDCHILDREN, FORMER GEORGIA STATE SENATOR JASON CARTER
13 AND MY FRIEND JOHN CHODENKO. I HOLD JASON JOHN AND THEIR
14 ENTIRE FAMILIES CLOSE TO MY HEART AS OUR NATION IS IN
15 REMEMBERING AND MOURNING AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
16 OF A MAN WHO LIVED HIS LIFE WITH IMMENSE PURPOSE. AS WE ENTER
17 THIS NEW YEAR MAY WE ALL TAKE LESSONS FROM HIS LIFE ESPECIALLY
18 SERVICE, KINDNESS, COMPASSION, AND DIGNITY. THANK YOU.

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25 I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number



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