



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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MONDAY, JUNE 23RD, 2025

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING. WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR SPECIAL MEETING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26, BUDGET DELIBERATIONS. TODAY IS MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S 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 CARE 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 LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO GROWING AND SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND



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1 LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER,
2 FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELINO TONGVA
3 INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN
4 GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION
5 INDIANS - KIZH NATION, SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, SAN
6 FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE
7 FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PLEASE VISIT THE LOS
8 ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION WEBSITE
9 AT LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV.

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY THE
12 CODE OF CONDUCT.

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



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

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20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** TODAY'S MEETING ORDER WILL BE THE
21 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S PRESENTATION FOLLOWED BY REMARKS BY
22 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL BUDGET ITEMS 1
23 THROUGH 5. THEN THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL PRESENT EACH
24 BUDGET ITEM IN NUMERICAL ORDER. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM OUR
25 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT.



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR. CAN WE PUT THE
3 SLIDES UP, PLEASE? GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. TODAY MARKS THE
4 BUDGET DELIBERATION PHASE OF THE COUNTY'S ANNUAL BUDGET
5 PROCESS. THIS REPRESENTS YOUR BOARD'S OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER
6 WHAT ARE CALLED FINAL CHANGES TO THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET THAT
7 WAS ADOPTED IN APRIL. TODAY'S PRESENTATION, I WILL WALK YOU
8 THROUGH THE VARIOUS STEPS AND APPROVALS REQUIRED FOR OUR NEW
9 FISCAL YEAR, WHICH BEGINS ON JULY 1ST. I'LL START WITH A BRIEF
10 POWERPOINT PRESENTATION. FIRST SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, THIS IS THE
11 SECOND PHASE AND THE SHORTEST BUDGET PHASE OF THE THREE PHASES
12 THAT MAKE UP OUR BUDGET CYCLE. IN THIS PHASE, WE UPDATE
13 REVENUE PROJECTIONS AND ACCOUNT FOR IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE
14 RECOMMENDED BUDGET. EVEN THOUGH WE CONTINUE TO FACE MANY
15 BUDGET UNCERTAINTIES AND WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE
16 ADDITIONAL CHANGES BEFORE THE BUDGET CYCLE CONCLUDES, WE MUST
17 HAVE A BALANCED FINAL BUDGET ADOPTED BEFORE OUR NEW FISCAL
18 YEAR STARTS ON JULY 1ST, WHICH IS WHY WE'RE HERE TODAY. OUR
19 OBJECTIVE IS TO SUSTAIN VITAL COUNTY SERVICES IN THE FACE OF
20 UNPRECEDENTED BUDGETARY THREATS AND PRESSURES. AND TO DO THIS
21 WITHOUT CREATING A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT, WHICH WOULD UNDERMINE
22 OUR FISCAL INTEGRITY AND JEOPARDIZE OUR RECENTLY AFFIRMED HIGH
23 CREDIT RATINGS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. I JUST MENTIONED THE MANY
24 BUDGETARY PRESSURES CHALLENGES THAT ARE COMING OUR WAY
25 SIMULTANEOUSLY AND FROM MULTIPLE DIRECTIONS. THESE ARE SHOWN



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1 ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE SLIDE. THEY INCLUDE THE
2 \$4,000,000,000 COSTS OF THE AB218 SETTLEMENTS TO DATE,
3 EXTENSIVE COSTS IN LOST REVENUE FROM THE JANUARY WILDFIRES,
4 INCREASING PERSONNEL COSTS DUE TO OUR LABOR NEGOTIATIONS,
5 UNCERTAINTY ABOUT IMPACTS FROM THE STATE BUDGET, AND SERIOUS
6 THREATS TO OUR FEDERAL FUNDING. TAKEN ALONE, ANY ONE OF THESE
7 WOULD BE DAUNTING, BUT TAKEN TOGETHER, THEY ARE SIMPLY
8 UNPRECEDENTED. COMPOUNDING OUR DIFFICULTIES IS THE FACT THAT
9 OUR LOCAL UNRESTRICTED ONGOING REVENUES AVAILABLE FOR
10 PROGRAMMING CONTINUE TO DECLINE. THIS IS SHOWN IN THE GRAPH ON
11 THE LEFT SIDE OF THIS SLIDE. THIS SLIDE SHOWS THAT OUR
12 UNRESTRICTED ONGOING LOCAL REVENUES ARE AT THEIR LOWEST POINT
13 SINCE FISCAL YEAR 21/22, A FIVE-YEAR LOW. THIS IS DRIVEN IN
14 LARGE MEASURE BY SLOWER GROWTH IN PROPERTY TAX REVENUES,
15 GROWTH THAT IN THE PAST HAS HELPED FUND MANY OF THIS BOARD'S
16 NEW PRIORITIES. ALTHOUGH THE ASSESSOR IS FORECASTING A MODEST
17 3.25% ANNUAL UPTICK IN PROPERTY TAXES, THIS IS A REVISION THAT
18 ADDS ABOUT \$18,000,000 IN ADDITIONAL REVENUE IN THIS BUDGET
19 PHASE, GROWTH REMAINS LOWER THAN WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IN PREVIOUS
20 YEARS, WHICH MEANS THAT WE HAVE LESS FUNDING, LESS AVAILABLE
21 REVENUE FOR PROGRAMMING NEEDS. FOR EXAMPLE, FROM A HIGH OF
22 \$450,500,000 IN A NEW REVENUE JUST THREE YEARS AGO, THIS
23 YEAR'S PRODUCTION IS \$252,200,000. OVERALL, NEW ONGOING LOCAL
24 FUNDING GOING INTO THE 25/26 FISCAL YEAR, AS I SAID, IS AT A
25 FIVE-YEAR LOW AND NEARLY 60% LOWER THAN FISCAL YEAR 22/23. SO,



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1 TO QUICKLY DO THE MATH FOR THIS BUDGET, WE ARE ADDING ABOUT
2 \$18,000,000 IN ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUE, BUT AT THE
3 SAME TIME, WE ARE SUBTRACTING \$20,000,000 DUE TO A DROP IN
4 PROPOSITION 172 SALES TAX, WHICH HAVE BEEN DECLINING FOR
5 SEVERAL YEARS NOW. THIS MEANS THAT WE HAVE NO NEW ONGOING
6 UNRESTRICTED REVENUE AND FUNDING, BASICALLY WHAT WE CALL NCC,
7 OUR NET COUNTY COSTS, IN THIS BUDGET PHASE TO USE FOR NEW OR
8 EXPANDED PROGRAMS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, IF WE HAVE NO NEW
9 UNRESTRICTED LOCAL MONEY, WHAT IS CHANGING IN THIS BUDGET
10 PHASE? ALTHOUGH WE ARE UNABLE TO EXPAND OR LAUNCH ANY NEW
11 PROGRAMS, WE ARE ADDING REVENUE, BUT THIS IS REVENUE FROM
12 OTHER SOURCES LIKE SPECIAL DISTRICTS, MEASURE H, AND INCOMING
13 FEDERAL AND STATE DOLLARS, AND ROLLING OVER SOME ONE-TIME
14 FUNDS IN ADVANCE OF THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR TO GROW THE
15 BUDGET BY \$886,000,000 FOR A TOTAL BUDGET OF \$48,800,000,000.
16 WE ARE REDUCING THE SIZE OF OUR WORKFORCE ESSENTIALLY BY NINE
17 POSITIONS FOR A TOTAL OF 117,091 BUDGETED POSITIONS. WE ARE
18 ACCOMPLISHING THIS BY CUTTING 176 VACANT POSITIONS. AND THOSE
19 COSTS, THOSE CUTS WILL BE OFFSET BY 167 NEW POSITIONS THAT WE
20 ARE ADDING, RESULTING IN A NET REDUCTION OF NINE POSITIONS.
21 ALL OF THESE NEW POSITIONS ARE BEING FUNDED WITH REVENUES FROM
22 OUTSIDE SOURCES OR OFFSET BY DELETING BUDGETED POSITIONS. I'D
23 LIKE TO UNDERSCORE THAT ALL OF THE REVENUES ADDED IN THIS
24 BUDGET PHASE ARE EITHER RESTRICTED RESOURCES, SUCH AS MEASURE
25 E FUNDING IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND MEASURE H DOLLARS FOR



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1 HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SERVICES THAT MAY NOT BE REPURPOSED
2 FOR OTHER USES OR TRANSFERS OF ONE-TIME FUNDS EXPECTED TO
3 REMAIN UNSPENT AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. THIS MONEY WOULD
4 NORMALLY BE CARRIED OVER OR REALLOCATED AT THE END OF THE
5 FISCAL YEAR DURING THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PHASE. BUT WE'RE
6 MAKING THESE TRANSFERS NOW IN ORDER TO HAVE MONEY ON HAND TO
7 PAY FOR ANTICIPATED COST OF LIVING INCREASES FOR OUR COUNTY
8 WORKFORCE. THIS MEANS WE WOULD NOT, THIS IS MONEY WE WOULD NOT
9 OTHERWISE HAVE AVAILABLE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. BEYOND THE
10 CHANGES I JUST DESCRIBED ON THE PREVIOUS SLIDE, WE ARE
11 RECOMMENDING SOME UNPRECEDENTED ADJUSTMENTS TO MEET THE MOMENT
12 OF THESE UNPRECEDENTED FINANCIAL CHALLENGES. TO ACHIEVE
13 \$128,500,000 IN SAVINGS, TO HELP US PAY FOR THE INCREASED
14 LABOR COSTS I MENTIONED ON A PREVIOUS SLIDE, WE ARE
15 RECOMMENDING TWO SOLUTIONS. THE FIRST IS TO REVERSE
16 \$50,500,000 IN FUNDING FROM PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT WERE
17 RECENTLY APPROVED IN A RECOMMENDED BUDGET ON APRIL 15. THE
18 SECOND IS TO TAKE THE UNUSUAL STEP OF USING ONE TIME RATHER
19 THAN ONGOING FUNDING TO SUPPORT SEVERAL PROGRAMS AND GENERATE
20 \$78,000,000 IN ONGOING SAVINGS. WE ARE TAKING THIS
21 EXTRAORDINARY STEP BECAUSE WE SIMPLY HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE. SO,
22 TO RECAP, WE ARE USING THIS APPROACH BECAUSE WE NEED TO. THERE
23 ARE NO OTHER ALTERNATIVES ON THE TABLE THAT WOULD MAKE SENSE
24 FOR US AT THIS TIME, OTHER THAN MAKING DEEPER CUTS IN THIS
25 BUDGET PHASE. TAKEN TOGETHER, THE UNPRECEDENTED MEASURES WE



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1 ARE RECOMMENDING ARE ESSENTIAL TO HELPING US SUPPORT
2 NEGOTIATED BONUSES AND COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS FOR OUR
3 WORKFORCE. BUT EVEN WITH THESE MEASURES, WE WILL STILL NEED TO
4 DO MORE IN THE NEXT BUDGET PHASE, WHICH I WILL EXPLAIN ON THE
5 NEXT SLIDE. GOING INTO THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PHASE IN
6 SEPTEMBER, WHICH WILL INCLUDE OUR THREE-PART BUDGET PHASE, WE
7 HAVE ASKED DEPARTMENTS TO PREPARE PLANS FOR 5.5% CUTS THAT
8 WILL ALSO BE NEEDED TO FUND NEGOTIATED COLA'S AND BONUSES FOR
9 OUR COUNTY WORKFORCE. THESE CUTS ARE EXPECTED TO IMPACT WIDELY
10 USED PUBLIC PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, SOME OF WHICH ARE SHOWN ON
11 THIS SLIDE. THESE INCLUDE PARKS AFTER DARK AND THE EXTENDED
12 SUMMER SWIM SEASON AT COUNTY PARKS. WE ARE ALSO ANTICIPATING A
13 TWO DAY A WEEK CLOSURE OF REGIONAL PARKS AND LAKES, CUTS IN
14 YOUTH JOBS AND ARTS INTERNSHIPS, CLOSURE OF PROBATION OFFICES
15 IN SANTA MONICA AND VALENCIA, AND CUTS IN THE CENTER FOR
16 FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND
17 BUSINESS AFFAIRS. I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT THESE NEW CUTS,
18 WHICH ARE NEEDED TO PAY FOR OUR LABOR AGREEMENTS, ARE ON TOP
19 OF AND IN ADDITION TO THE 3% CUTS ALREADY IMPLEMENTED IN THE
20 RECOMMENDED BUDGET PHASE TO HELP PAY FOR THE \$4,000,000,000
21 SETTLEMENT OF CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIMS FILED UNDER AB218.
22 AS WE NAVIGATE THE RISING COSTS OF LABOR AND LITIGATION, OTHER
23 CHALLENGES TO OUR BUDGET ARE JUST AROUND THE CORNER. NEXT
24 SLIDE, PLEASE. AS WE MOVE TOWARD THE END OF THE BUDGET PROCESS
25 ON SEPTEMBER 30TH, WE ARE CONTINUING TO CLOSELY MONITOR



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1 ACTIONS AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL THAT ARE LIKELY TO
2 IMPACT THE COUNTY. A FEW KEY DATES. THE GOVERNOR HAS UNTIL
3 FRIDAY, JUNE 27TH TO ACT ON THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET
4 AGREEMENT. HE CAN SIGN IT OR VETO IT OR LINE ITEM VETO SOME
5 ITEMS. WE THEN EXPECT THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE TO CONTINUE
6 NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS ON ANY OUTSTANDING
7 ITEMS AND TO WORK ON BUDGET TRAILER BILLS THROUGH THE END OF
8 THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 12. WE'RE ALSO PREPARING
9 FOR WHAT COULD BE SIGNIFICANT CUTS IN FEDERAL FUNDING, CUTS
10 THAT COULD RUN INTO THE HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OR
11 MORE AS WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY BRIEFED YOUR BOARD. ONE FEDERAL
12 PROCESS THAT IS UNDERWAY NOW IS RECONCILIATION, WHICH FOCUSES
13 ON DEVELOPING THE FEDERAL SPENDING BLUEPRINT FOR THE NEXT TEN
14 YEARS. THE HOUSE PASSED ITS VERSION OF THE BILL IN MAY, AND
15 THE SENATE IS NOW WORKING ON ITS OWN VERSION. THE OTHER
16 FEDERAL PROCESS UNDERWAY IS APPROPRIATIONS, WHICH INVOLVES 12
17 BILLS THAT NEED TO BE PASSED BY OCTOBER 1ST. AND IF NOT
18 PASSED, A CONTINUING RESOLUTION WOULD NEED TO BE PASSED IN
19 ORDER TO AVOID A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN. THESE BILLS ARE
20 OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THE COUNTY BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN
21 PROVISIONS THAT COULD SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECT COUNTY FUNDING. AND
22 I'LL TAKE THE LAST SLIDE PLEASE. SUPERVISORS THIS CONCLUDES MY
23 PRESENTATION. MADAM CHAIR I'LL TURN IT BACK TO YOU TO CONTINUE
24 WITH THE AGENDA.

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. WE WILL NOW
2 HEAR FROM BOARD MEMBERS, BEGINNING WITH DISTRICT ONE
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, GOOD MORNING TO YOU TO EVERYONE AND
6 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU, FESIA AND YOUR TEAM FOR
7 PREPARING AS WELL AS OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS THIS BUDGET THAT'S
8 BEFORE US TODAY. I HAVE MIXED FEELINGS ABOUT IT, OBVIOUSLY,
9 AND I THINK THAT SHARED SENTIMENT WITH MANY FOLKS IN OUR
10 COMMUNITIES BECAUSE OF SO MANY THINGS THAT ARE NOT NECESSARILY
11 UNDER OUR CONTROL BUT SOME OF IT WHICH IS OUTSIDE OUR CONTROL.
12 AND I KNOW THIS HAS BEEN A REAL DIFFICULT TIME FOR ALL OF US.
13 JUST THIS WEEKEND, AS ONE EXAMPLE, I WON'T GO INTO THAT, BUT
14 I'M SURE WE'LL TALK ABOUT IT AT A LATER TIME. BUT ANY DECISION
15 WE MAKE ABOUT THE BUDGET ARE ALWAYS HARD. IT'S ALWAYS ABOUT
16 THE PROS AND CONS, WHO WINS, WHO LOSES. UNFORTUNATELY, WE'VE
17 GONE THROUGH SOME REALLY TERRIBLE TIMES THAT YOU'VE POINTED
18 OUT, AND WE'VE HAD TO TAKE SOME DRASTIC MEASURES. AND I WANT
19 TO POINT OUT ON YOUR CHART THAT YOU SAY THAT THE STATE BUDGET
20 UNCERTAINTIES, DECLINING REVENUE GROWTH, LABOR COSTS,
21 WILDFIRES, AB218 SETTLEMENT, AND FEDERAL CUTS. FOR ME, THE ONE
22 THAT IS A REAL UNKNOWN RIGHT NOW IS THE FEDERAL CUTS, BECAUSE
23 THAT'S GOING TO GO TO THE HEART OF OUR SAFETY NET, MEANING
24 THAT OUR HEALTH CARE SERVICES, SERVICES, AFFORDABLE CARE ACT,
25 EVERYTHING THAT WE'VE WORKED ON FOR THE LAST 17 YEARS, AS LONG



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1 AS I CAN REMEMBER, HAVE BEEN TO EXPAND THE SAFETY NET. AND WE
2 DIDN'T, WE DID IT WITHOUT IMPOSING REGARD TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS
3 THAT COULDN'T PAY OR THAT REPRESENT A MAJORITY OF OUR
4 WORKFORCE. AND THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT KEEP OUR ECONOMY
5 GOING. WE DID THAT, AND NOW WE'RE FACED WITH SOME CHALLENGES.
6 BUT ON A LIGHTER NOTE, I DO WANT TO SAY THAT I'M HAPPY THAT AT
7 LEAST WE'RE AT THIS POINT AND THAT WE ARE RIGHT NOW IN THIS
8 MOMENT IN TIME, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT THE BUDGET IS. IT'S A
9 PICTURE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW, IS THAT WE'RE MOVING
10 ALONG AND THE WHEELS ON THE TRAIN HAVE TO KEEP GOING. AND JUST
11 AS WE ARE MAKING THESE DECISIONS ON THE BUDGET, WE ALSO KNOW
12 THAT WE HAVE STILL SOME UNRESOLVED ISSUES THAT WILL CONTINUE
13 TO FACE THE BOARD. AND PART OF IT WILL BE OUR LABOR CONTRACTS
14 WITH OUR EMPLOYEES. HOPEFULLY THAT WILL GET RESOLVED AND THOSE
15 NEGOTIATIONS WILL GO WELL. I THINK WE HAVE THIS BOARD, I KNOW
16 I HAVE WORKED AND TRY TO WORK IN TRANSPARENCY, BUT ALSO MAKING
17 SURE THAT WE'RE LEVEL-HEADED ABOUT WHAT WE DO AND HOW WE MOVE
18 FORWARD. SO, I HOPE AND APPEAL TO OUR LABOR PARTNERS TO PLEASE
19 RECOGNIZE THAT AND TO CONTINUE TO NEGOTIATE IN GOOD FAITH WITH
20 OUR TEAMS. AND I APPRECIATE THAT. I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE ALL
21 OF OUR L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEES, MANY OF WHOM ARE SOMETIMES
22 INVISIBLE TO US AND MANY THAT ARE MORE PUBLIC. OUR PUBLIC
23 SAFETY, WELL AS OUR FIREFIGHTERS, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE
24 PEOPLE WHO GO IN AND OUT PROVIDING SERVICES EVERY SINGLE DAY,
25 WHETHER IT'S DPSS, DHS, MENTAL HEALTH, PARKS AND REC,



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1 REGISTRAR RECORDER, WHATEVER IT MIGHT BE, TAX COLLECTOR AND
2 WHAT HAVE YOU, THE JOB STILL HAS TO GO ON. SO, I WANT TO THANK
3 ALL OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR THE WORK THAT THEY DO. BUT I
4 KNOW THAT THERE'S A LOT OF OTHER THINGS THAT ARE IMPACTING THE
5 WORKFORCE THAT ARE HEAVY ON THEIR MINDS, BECAUSE WE'VE HEARD
6 FROM SOME OF THEM, THEY'VE CONTACTED OUR OFFICES, PART OF
7 WHICH IS THE UNSETTLING ICE RAIDS THAT ARE GOING ON RIGHT NOW.
8 I'M EVEN HEARING FROM OUR OWN EMPLOYEES THAT ARE FEELING THAT
9 PAIN AND UNCOMFORTABLENESS, ANXIETY, AS WELL AS HOW THEY
10 PROVIDE SERVICES TO OUR CLIENTS. WHETHER IT'S GOING INTO A
11 DPSS OFFICE OR A PARK OR ANY EVENT OR A SENIOR CENTER, EITHER
12 THEIR PEOPLE ARE NOT GOING OR IF THEY GO, THEY ARE ONLY
13 STAYING THERE FOR A SHORT TIME. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT
14 THAT WITH THE NATIONAL GUARD PERMEATING MANY OF OUR
15 COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF L.A., BUT IN OUR
16 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, POMONA RECENTLY, AND I KNOW IN THE FOURTH
17 DISTRICT, PASADENA AS WELL. AND WE'VE SEEN SOME THINGS THAT
18 ARE, THEY'RE NOT JUST IMAGINED, NOW THEY'RE REAL. PEOPLE ARE
19 WORRIED AND THEY ARE LOOKING TO THE COUNTY TO SEE WHAT
20 ASSISTANCE THEY CAN PROVIDE. SO, I DO WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY
21 BOARD, AS WELL AS OUR CEO AND OUR STAFFS ALL WORKING TOGETHER
22 TRYING TO SEE HOW WE COULD PROVIDE SOME SEMBLANCE STABILITY TO
23 THE PEOPLE THAT WE DO REPRESENT. WHILE WE CAN'T DO EVERYTHING,
24 WE CAN CERTAINLY CONTINUE TO EXPAND OUR EFFORTS, OUR NETWORKS,
25 ESPECIALLY WITH OUR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND I'M



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1 HAPPY THAT WE WERE ABLE TO HELP THEM IN SOME WAY, EVEN DURING
2 THIS BUDGET PROCESS AND BEFORE, TO EXPAND THEIR REACH, TO HELP
3 PROVIDE FOR THAT SAFETY NET, BUT ALSO FOR THOSE IMMIGRANT AND
4 VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES RIGHT NOW THAT ARE SAYING, WHAT IS
5 GOING TO HAPPEN TO ME? WHAT DOES MY FUTURE LOOK LIKE? I KNOW
6 THAT THIS BUDGET LOOKS VERY DIFFERENT THAN IT HAS IN THE PAST,
7 AND THIS BUDGET IS \$48,800,000,000. AND AS YOU SAID EARLIER,
8 IT'S ABOUT \$885,600,000, WHICH WAS APPROVED THIS PAST APRIL.
9 IT'S AN INCREASE, RIGHT? AND ALSO, THE FACT THAT WE HAVE
10 117,000 EMPLOYEES, BUT THAT DIDN'T RATCHET UP TOO HIGHLY. YOU
11 TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT. AND I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE, AS
12 YOU SAID, WE'RE NOT REALLY ACCOUNTING FOR WHAT'S GOING TO
13 HAPPEN AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL. AND WE KNOW ALREADY THAT MANY OF
14 THOSE GRANTS ARE JEOPARDIZED RIGHT NOW, AND THAT MEANS FULL-
15 TIME EMPLOYEES AND SERVICES. AND THAT IS ALSO GOING TO BE
16 ANOTHER HIT, I THINK THAT THE COUNTY WILL TAKE. BUT WE'RE NOT
17 THE ONLY ONES, AND WE HAVE TO WORK WITH OUR STATE GOVERNMENT.
18 HOPEFULLY OUR GOVERNOR WILL HELP US. BUT I KNOW THAT THERE'S
19 NOT GOING TO BE A LOT TO HELP BACKFILL. AND I KNOW PEOPLE HERE
20 IN THIS ROOM TODAY ARE PROBABLY WONDERING WHAT IT IS THAT WE
21 CAN DO. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PRIORITIZE. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
22 TO PRIORITIZE. AND IN MY OPINION, AS SOME MEMBERS HAVE SAID
23 BEFORE, THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH MEAT ON THE BONE. AND WE'RE GOING
24 TO HAVE TO MAKE SOME HARD DECISIONS AND WE'LL DO THAT I HOPE
25 WITH THE SUPPORT AND VOICES OF OUR COMMUNITY. I DO WANT TO SAY



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1 THAT I DO WANT TO UNDERSCORE THIS. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD,
2 I WANT TO THANK OUR CEO THAT THE BUDGET DOES INCLUDE,
3 CONTINUES TO INCLUDE THE \$5,500,000 FOR THE REPRESENT L.A.
4 PROGRAM TO PROVIDE IMMIGRATION DEFENSE FOR IT FOR OUR
5 COMMUNITY AND NOW IT IS SO MORE IMPORTANT TO HAVE THOSE
6 SERVICES AVAILABLE. OTHER ITEMS THAT I THINK ARE WORTH
7 MENTIONING IS THE STATE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, KNOWN AS
8 MHSA, M-H-S-A. \$20,000,000 FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT OUR
9 BOARD AND CARE FACILITIES, WHICH WE KNOW IS A PRIORITY. AND I
10 WANT TO UNDERSCORE THAT 250 BEDS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN
11 WESTLAKE THAT'S CLOSE TO THE MACARTHUR PARK AREA AND 30 BEDS
12 IN HIGHLAND PARK IN MY DISTRICT AND \$35,600,000 FOR CAPITAL
13 SUBSIDIES FOR HOME KEY PLUS PROGRAM FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
14 HOUSING. AND MANY OF THOSE BEDS ARE GOING TO COME ONLINE IN EL
15 SERENO AND IN WESTLAKE IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. I ALSO WANT TO
16 GIVE A SHOUT OUT FOR THE \$3,600,000 FOR THE STAY HOUSED L.A.
17 PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES LEGAL SUPPORT FOR TENANTS FACING
18 EVICTION TO KEEP THEM HOUSED. NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE'RE
19 GETTING CALLS FROM PEOPLE THAT HAVE LOST THEIR JOBS THAT ARE
20 NOW FACED DEFINITELY WITH EVICTION. SO, THEY'RE GOING TO NEED
21 THESE RESOURCES. AND I KNOW IT MAY NOT BE A LOT FOR SOME
22 PEOPLE, BUT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO DO THE BEST WE CAN. WE CAN'T
23 FORGET THAT DESPITE EVERYTHING ELSE THAT WE FACE IN THIS
24 MOMENT, THAT HOMELESSNESS PERSISTS AND WILL REQUIRE AN EVEN
25 MORE INTENTIONAL SUPPORT AS OUR RESIDENTS NAVIGATE THE ICE



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1 RAIDS, THE JOB LOSS, AND INFLATION. AND I WAS PLEASED TO SEE
2 THAT WE HAVE \$5,000,000 FOR PARKS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
3 MENTAL HEALTH FOR A PROGRAM THAT THEY HAVE KNOWN AS PARKS
4 WELLBEING. I CAN'T UNDERSCORE HOW IMPORTANT THAT IS RIGHT NOW,
5 ESPECIALLY IN COMMUNITIES THAT I REPRESENT, LIKE BELVEDERE
6 CITY TERRACE, OBERGOUNE PARK, AND EVEN IN THE BASSET-SAN
7 GABRIEL AREA, WHERE THE PARK IS A REFUGE PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO
8 GO. AND PEOPLE ARE EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH TRAUMA, AND MANY
9 OF THEM ARE OUR SENIORS AND OUR PARENTS WHO ARE RELUCTANT TO
10 EVEN LET THEIR CHILDREN GO BY THEMSELVES TO SCHOOL, WALK TO
11 THE PARK. THEY ARE TERRORIZED, TERRORIZED. AND I WANT TO
12 UNDERSCORE THAT WORD. BUT I KNOW WE HAVE A WAYS TO GO. AND
13 THIS IS ONLY MID-PART OF WHERE WE ARE IN THE BUDGET PROCESS.
14 WE STILL HAVE TO COME BACK IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL IN SEPTEMBER TO
15 MAKE THOSE FINAL DECISIONS. AND I KNOW THAT YOU'VE DONE WHAT
16 YOU CAN AND WE WILL WORK TOGETHER AS A BOARD IN HEARING FROM
17 OUR PARTNERS AS TO WHERE WE GO NEXT. BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT
18 IT, COLLEAGUES AND THE PUBLIC, WE ARE IN SEVERE ECONOMIC TIMES
19 WHILE THE BUDGET MAY LOOK LIKE IT'S HEALTHY. IT IS A SICK
20 PATIENT. AND PEOPLE HAVE TO BE REMINDED THAT WE WENT THROUGH
21 SOME TREMENDOUS CHALLENGES THAT YOU STATED EARLIER, THE
22 \$4,000,000,000 THAT WE WILL HAVE TO PAY OUT OVER THE NEXT 20
23 YEARS, AND THAT IS FOR SETTLEMENT CLAIMS AND A STAGGERING
24 UNPRECEDENTED AMOUNT THAT THE COUNTY HAS EVER HAD TO PAY. AND
25 I THINK WE'RE THE ONLY COUNTY FACED WITH THAT IN THE COUNTRY.



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1 AN ESTIMATED \$2,000,000,000 ATTRIBUTED TO THE WILDFIRES IN
2 WHAT WAS ONE OF THE MOST COSTLIEST FIRES IN THE STATE OF
3 CALIFORNIA. AND THEN THE LOOMING FEDERAL CUTS FROM THE TRUMP
4 ADMINISTRATION, AS WE SAID, WERE STILL UNCLEAR ABOUT ALL OF
5 THAT. AND NOW WE HAVE TO FACE THE POTENTIAL OF OUR COUNTRY
6 POSSIBLY GOING TO WAR, WHICH WILL BE ANOTHER ECONOMIC BLOW
7 GLOBALLY, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY TO PLACES LIKE HERE IN LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY. MY MESSAGE TO OUR RESIDENTS AND CONSTITUENTS
9 AND TO OUR SMALL BUSINESSES IS THAT THE COUNTY WILL WORK TO DO
10 WHATEVER WE CAN TO HELP PROVIDE YOU WITH WHAT YOU NEED AS BEST
11 WE CAN. AND I WANT TO CONTINUE TO SIT HERE AT THE DAIS TO WORK
12 ON BEHALF OF ALL OF OUR 10,000,000 RESIDENTS IN THE COUNTY AND
13 TO TRY TO DO OUR BEST IN STEERING THIS SHIP THAT RIGHT NOW MAY
14 HAVE A LITTLE CRACKS IN IT, BUT MUCH OF IT WASN'T DUE
15 INTENTIONAL AND WE HAVE TO FIX THAT. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH
16 MADAM CHAIR AND OUR CEO THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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

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20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
21 THANK YOU MISS DAVENPORT FOR YOUR PRESENTATION AND I STARTED
22 TO COUNT THE NUMBER OF TIMES YOU SAID UNPRECEDENTED MEASURES.
23 I THINK YOU KNOW, SOMETIMES PEOPLE CAN GET REALLY COMFORTABLE.
24 WE SAY, OH, IT'S THE WORST EVER, IT'S THE WORST EVER, THEN
25 SOMEHOW MAGICALLY THE COUNTY HAS NAVIGATED ITS WAY THROUGH AND



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1 FOUND A PATH. UP TILL NOW THE COUNTY HAS HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF
2 SAYING THEY'VE NEVER HAD TO DO LAYOFF, SAY WHAT THEY'VE NEVER
3 HAD TO DO WHEN OTHER LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT HAVE NOT BEEN SO
4 FORTUNATE. AND WHEN I THOUGHT ABOUT THIS WEEKEND, I THOUGHT
5 ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS. WE WERE HAVING A SIDEBAR ABOUT HOW WE
6 TOO ARE FEELING AS ANGELENOS AND AS AMERICANS. WAS WE ARE AT A
7 TIME WHEN IT'S WE ARE BEING INUNDATED WITH MISINFORMATION. AND
8 THAT IS MIXING WITH OUR OWN FEARS AND OUR OWN EMOTIONAL
9 RESPONSE TO WHAT WE'RE EXPERIENCING IN OUR VERY OWN
10 COMMUNITIES, WHAT WE'RE WITNESSING. WE AS A COUNTY ARE STILL
11 ATTEMPTING TO RECOVER OFF THE HEELS OF THE FIRE. AND THEN THE
12 NATIONAL GUARD SHOWED UP ON OUR BLOCKS, UNINVITED. AND SO, I
13 THINK THAT THIS HEARING AND WHAT IS GOING TO BE SO IMPORTANT
14 FOR THE COUNTY TO DO IS TO LAY OUT IN CRYSTAL CLEAR LANGUAGE
15 SO PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THE CIRCUMSTANCES WE ARE FACING AS A
16 COUNTY. PEOPLE UNDERSTAND WHAT'S OUTSIDE OF OUR CONTROL,
17 WHAT'S INSIDE OF OUR CONTROL. PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE
18 WILL BE WINNERS AND LOSERS. THERE WILL BE WINNERS AND LOSERS
19 AS ANGRY AS THAT MAKES ME. OUR HAND IS BEING FORCED. AND WHILE
20 I HAVE ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT THE BUDGET BEING A REFLECTION OF
21 OUR VALUES, OUR COLLECTIVE VALUES AS A NATION ARE BEING
22 QUESTIONED. AND THAT CERTAINLY IS REFLECTED WHEN WE SEE
23 MEDICAID BEING PROPOSED TO BE CUT AND JUST A VARIETY OF
24 FEDERAL PROGRAMS. AND SO, I THANK YOU, MS. DAVENPORT, FOR
25 LAYING OUT YOUR SLIDES TO MAKE IT VERY CLEAR ABOUT THE FACTS



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1 OF WHAT WE AS A COUNTY ARE FACING. THE FACTS AROUND THE
2 \$4,000,000,000 PAYOUT. THE FACTS AROUND OUR INCREASED LABOR
3 COSTS DUE TO OUR NEGOTIATIONS WITH LABOR AROUND THE COLA. THE
4 FACT THAT, ALTHOUGH WE'VE DONE THOSE NEGOTIATIONS, WHAT THE
5 SOLUTION THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY DOES NOT INCLUDE A SOLUTION
6 FOR A GROUP THAT WE ARE HEARING FROM WEEKLY, IHSS WORKERS, WHO
7 AS THEY ARTICULATE SOME OF OUR LOWEST PAID, DOING SOME OF THE
8 HARDEST WORK CARING FOR THE MOST FRAGILE IN OUR SOCIETY THIS
9 SOLUTION DOES NOT FACTOR IN ANY KIND OF ADJUSTMENT TO THEIR
10 PAY AGAIN WINNERS AND LOSERS. AGAIN, LIKE MANY OF MY
11 CONSTITUENTS THAT MAKES ME MAD TO WHAT I AM CLEAR ABOUT IS THE
12 COUNTY, WE USE THE TERM I THINK SAFETY NET KIND OF LOOSELY AND
13 I DON'T KNOW IF PEOPLE REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT TERM SAFETY
14 NET MEANS. IT MEANS THAT WE ARE THE PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT.
15 IT MEANS THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN PASS A BUDGET AND
16 CARRY DEFICIT OVER. IT MEANS THE STATE, WHILE THE STATE HAS TO
17 PASS A BUDGET THAT'S BALANCED, IN THAT WE ARE THE PROVIDER OF
18 LAST RESORT, IF A MEDICALLY INDIGENT ADULT SHOWS UP AT A
19 COUNTY FACILITY, WE HAVE TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES. AND SO
20 OTHER LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT KIND OF GET THIS PAST. WE ARE THE
21 SAFETY NET, THE PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT. SO EVEN WHEN WE CUT,
22 THERE WILL BE SERVICES THAT WE MUST PROVIDE. PUBLIC HEALTH, I
23 THINK, IS A PERFECT EXAMPLE. WE KNOW THAT RECENTLY, BECAUSE OF
24 SOME FEDERAL ACTIONS, WE HAVE 38 AMERICORPS MEMBERS WHO WORK
25 WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WHO WERE TERMINATED. THE



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1 COUNTY HIV PREVENTION SERVICES SYSTEM IS IN JEOPARDY BECAUSE
2 OF THE FEDERAL HIV PREVENTION GRANT CUTS AND TRUSTED HIV STD
3 SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE UNABLE TO KEEP PROVIDING THEIR LIFE-
4 SAVING SERVICES. IN FACT, NEARLY 100 HIV PREVENTION STAFF AND
5 LOCAL COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS HAVE RECEIVED LAYOFF
6 NOTICES, AS DID 38 CONTRACT STAFF IN THE COUNTY'S HIV STD
7 SYSTEM. AGAIN, THE COUNTY IS THE PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT. WE
8 HAVE 2 CITIES IN OUR COUNTY, PASADENA AND LONG BEACH, THAT
9 HAVE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, BUT PASADENA APPROVED A BUDGET
10 THAT INCLUDED A REDUCTION FOR FUNDING IN ITS PUBLIC HEALTH
11 DEPARTMENT. THIS JUST FIVE YEARS OUT OF AN INTERNATIONAL
12 PUBLIC HEALTH ECONOMIC PANDEMIC, WE ARE THE PROVIDER OF LAST
13 RESORT. AND I KEEP EMPHASIZING THAT BECAUSE THAT MEANS TO ME
14 THAT WE HAVE TO BE ALL THE MORE VIGILANT IN OUR EFFORT TO BE
15 FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE BECAUSE WE DON'T GET A PASS LIKE THE
16 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WHERE WE PASS A BUDGET THAT HAS A DEFICIT
17 IN IT AND THAT WE BORROW AGAINST FUTURE GENERATIONS WE DON'T
18 GET THE LUXURY THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOES SO WHILE WE
19 ARE BEING HELD HOSTAGE BY THEIR ACTIONS MANY OF WHICH REFLECT
20 NO CORE SIMILARITY TO THE VALUES OF L.A. COUNTY, WE ARE FORCED
21 TO FIGURE IT OUT. WE HAVE NO CHOICE. IT MAKES IT IMPERATIVE
22 THAT WE SUSTAIN MANY OF OUR WHAT I WILL CALL PUBLIC SAFETY
23 SERVICES, WHICH PUBLIC HEALTH IS A PART OF THAT FROM MY
24 PERSPECTIVE. WE'VE GOT TO ENSURE THAT WE PROVIDE CRUCIAL
25 SERVICES IN OUR PARK SYSTEM, ESPECIALLY DURING THE SUMMER



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1 WHILE YOUNG ANGELENOS ARE OUT OF SCHOOL, RECOGNIZING OUR
2 LIMITED RESOURCES, I BELIEVE WE HAVE TO PRIORITIZE THE
3 SERVICES, ASSETS AND ACTIVITIES THAT ARE BOTH USED
4 PARTICULARLY IN COMMUNITIES OF COLOR AND POOR COMMUNITIES THAT
5 ARE USED THE MOST AND HAVE THE BEST IMPACT IN OUR COMMUNITIES.
6 PARKS AND OUR POOLS ARE BOTH COOLING CENTERS AND PLACES OF
7 SAFETY AND REFUGE AND PLACES TO GO WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT, WHEN
8 YOUR PARENTS CAN'T AFFORD HIGH PRICE CAMPS. OUR PARKS PROVIDE
9 A CRITICAL SERVICE IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. AS
10 REFLECTED BY THE PETITION I SAW THIS MORNING ON NEXT DOOR,
11 WHERE ANGELINO'S AND THE SECOND DISTRICT ARE CALLING TO
12 QUESTION THE TWO-DAY CLOSURE OF OUR REGIONAL PARK, KENNY HAHN
13 PARK. THEY ELOQUENTLY TALKED ABOUT WHAT THAT PARK MEANS TO
14 THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS. SO, THESE
15 SERVICES AREN'T SIMPLY NICE TO HAVE. THE COUNTY SAVES LIVES.
16 THE PARKS HELP REDUCE CRIME AND VIOLENCE WHILE CREATING
17 OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE TO HAVE SAFE REFUGE. I WAS PROUD TO
18 FUND ROY CAMPANELLO PARK FOR WHAT WE'VE DUBBED OUR FREEDOM
19 SUMMER, A PARK THAT HAS EXPERIENCED A HIGH INCIDENCE OF
20 VIOLENCE, A PARK NESTLED IN THE MIDDLE OF A COMMUNITY, AN
21 UNINCORPORATED AREA THAT HAS RELIED ON THAT PARK FOR DECADES
22 AND DECADES. SO, I BELIEVE WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO FIGURE OUT
23 HOW WE PRIORITIZE OUR SERVICES AND HOW WE REDUCE THE PAIN IN
24 OUR EFFORT TO FIND THIS BALANCE BETWEEN PICKING WINNERS AND
25 LOSERS BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO. IT BEARS



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1 REPEATING THAT OUR WORK TO CONTINUE TO HOUSE OR UNHOUSED IS OF
2 CRITICAL IMPORTANCE TO EVERY ANGELENO, PARTICULARLY AS WE ARE
3 ADDING TO THE REGIONAL HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS ECOSYSTEM. WE
4 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO THE SYSTEM DOES
5 NOT CAUSE UNDUE DISRUPTIONS TO THE SYSTEM. AND AS THE COUNTY
6 REIMAGINES ITS HOMELESSNESS SERVICES SYSTEM UNDER PUBLIC
7 SCRUTINY, IT'S ESSENTIAL THAT THE VOICES OF PROVIDERS AND
8 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ARE NOT ONLY INCLUDED, BUT
9 CENTERED, ENSURING THE TRANSITION IS SEAMLESS AS WE HAVE
10 COMMITTED THAT IT WILL BE, THAT IT'S INCLUSIVE AND RESULTS IN
11 A SYSTEM THAT IS UNDENIABLY EFFECTIVE, IS BETTER THAN THE
12 SYSTEM WE'RE WALKING AWAY FROM, AND VISIBLY TRANSFORMATIVE. I
13 BELIEVE EQUITY IS THE BEST PROBLEM-SOLVING AND POVERTY-
14 DISRUPTING POLICY, AND THE BOARD IS COMMITTED TO THIS VALUE,
15 AND I WILL CONTINUOUSLY EMPHASIZE IT AS A BUDGET NORTH STAR
16 IMPERATIVE. SO, AS WE CONSIDER MAKING BUDGET DECISIONS AND
17 TOUGH DECISIONS AND CUTS, THIS VALUE OUGHT TO BE FRONT AND
18 CENTER, NOT A CHECKMARK OR A BUZZWORD. I APPRECIATE THAT THE
19 INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS REDIRECTED EXISTING RESOURCES
20 TO STAFF THE EQUITY AND COUNTY CONTRACTING PRIORITY. AND I'M
21 ALSO APPRECIATE THE RESOURCES FOR THE OFFICE OF CANNABIS
22 MANAGEMENT. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT. I'D LIKE TO DRAW OUR
23 ATTENTION TO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REALIGNMENT BLOCK GRANTS.
24 FINAL CHANGES INCLUDES USING \$1,250,000 IN BLOCK GRANT REVENUE
25 TO FUND SEVEN NEW POSITIONS IN PROBATION. AND I FEEL STRONGLY



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1 THAT WE SHOULD LOOK AT OTHER WAYS TO UTILIZE THIS MONEY RATHER
2 THAN EXPANDING PROBATION STAFF AND AT THIS TIME. I BELIEVE WE
3 SHOULD BE LOOKING AT WAYS TO USE THIS FUNDING AND SIMILAR
4 FUNDING STREAMS TO FURTHER EXPAND PREVENTION SERVICES. SOME OF
5 WHICH HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY OUR DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH
6 DEVELOPMENT. AGAIN, WE ARE A CARE FIRST JAILS LAST COUNTY AND
7 OUR BUDGET SHOULD REFLECT THAT SAME COMMITMENT. AGAIN, I THINK
8 I KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE REALLY TOUGH FISCAL
9 DECISIONS THIS YEAR AND DEPARTMENTS WILL HAVE TO TRY TO FIND
10 SOME SAVINGS, INCUR THE CURTAILMENTS THAT WE JUST HEARD ARE
11 NOW UP TO 8.5%, ALL THE WHILE ENSURING THAT THE COUNTY REMAINS
12 FISCALLY SOLVENT SO WE CAN PROVIDE THE LIFE-SAVING, LIFE-
13 SUSTAINING SERVICES THAT ANGELENOS ARE EXPECTING OF US AND ARE
14 ENTITLED TO. AND SO, I KNOW OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS ARE
15 HERE AND I CALL ON YOU AND THE CEO THAT WHEN CONSIDERING THE
16 HARD DECISIONS TO FIND SAVINGS TO FACTOR THE IMPACT ON OUR
17 RESIDENTS. I REALIZE THAT MATHEMATICALLY IT CAN BE EASY TO SAY
18 3% OR 5% CURTAILMENTS ACROSS THE BOARD MAKE THE MOST SENSE.
19 HOWEVER, SOME DEPARTMENTS STAND BETWEEN OUR RESIDENTS AND
20 DEVASTATING OUTCOMES. SO, I AM HOPING THAT WE WILL BE SURGICAL
21 AND RECOGNIZE THE UNIQUE ROLE EVERY DEPARTMENT PLAYS IN OUR
22 SAFETY NET, BECAUSE AGAIN, WE ARE A PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT.
23 TIMES OF FISCAL UNCERTAINTY TRULY PUSH US TO IDENTIFY WHERE
24 OUR PRIORITIES REALLY ARE. WE ARE HAVING TO FIGHT AGAINST OUR
25 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN SOME INSTANCES, AND THAT IS A UNIQUE



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1 SITUATION. WE'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE WHERE WE'VE HAD DEFICITS,
2 WHERE WE'VE HAD TO KIND OF BORROW FROM PETER TO PAY PAUL. BUT
3 THIS IS A UNIQUE YEAR, GIVEN THE DISASTERS OF THE FIRE, GIVEN
4 THE INHUMANE CUTS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ARE SERIOUSLY
5 CONSIDERING, AND GIVEN OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP ANGELENO
6 SAFE, HOUSED, AND ALIVE. LEADERSHIP IN TIMES OF BUDGET CRISIS
7 REQUIRES PRIORITIZING MISSION AND PEOPLE FIRST AND I REMAIN
8 COMMITTED TO ENSURING THE COUNTY'S BUDGET PROVIDES FOR OUR
9 MOST UNDERSERVED AND IN NEED RESIDENTS. THAT'S THE FUNDAMENTAL
10 JOB OF THE COUNTY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. SO, WE'VE GOT OUR WORK
11 CUT OUT. WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S GOING TO HIT US NEXT FROM THE
12 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE NO IDEA HOW THE STATE IS GOING TO
13 BE ABLE TO MANAGE THEIR DEFICIT AND THE IMPACT IT WILL HAVE ON
14 US. SO, THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PHASE IN OCTOBER WILL BE A
15 TIME. HOPEFULLY WE WILL HAVE CLEAR DIRECTIONS FROM OUR FUNDING
16 SOURCES, THAT BEING THE FEDERAL AND THE STATE GOVERNMENT. I'M
17 CLEAR FROM YOUR PRESENTATION THAT WE KNOW THE PROJECTION IN
18 TERMS OF OUR OWN INCOME GENERATING SOURCE, OUR PROPERTY TAXES,
19 ARE NOT KEEPING PACE IN TERMS OF WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN. SO,
20 LIKE EVERY OTHER ANGELENO, I'M MAD TOO. AND WE ARE GOING TO
21 HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE DEVELOP A BUDGET WITH THE
22 CURTAILMENTS THAT ARE REQUIRED AND MAKE SURE THAT THOSE
23 CURTAILMENTS AREN'T LEVIED ON THE BACKS OF ANGELENOS WHO CAN
24 LEAST BEAR THAT BRUNT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT TO
4 BEGIN BY THANKING OUR CEO, HER BUDGET STAFF, AND ALL OF THE
5 DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED, AS WELL AS ESPECIALLY THE AUDITOR
6 CONTROLLER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A BUDGET THAT IS BALANCED
7 AND IS RESPONSIBLE TO AS MANY OF THE NEEDS AS WE POSSIBLY CAN
8 ADDRESS WITH THE RESOURCES THAT WE DO HAVE. AND I KNOW THAT
9 THIS BUDGET TAKES A LOT OF WORK MOST OF THE YEAR TO COMPLETE
10 IN FACT. AND SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR WORK. I KNOW
11 THIS YEAR'S BUDGET SEASON BEGAN THE OPEN AND TRANSPARENT
12 BUDGET PROCESS OUTLINED IN MEASURE G, INCLUDING PUBLIC BUDGET
13 HEARINGS. AND I BELIEVE THESE BUDGET HEARINGS ALLOWED OUR
14 DEPARTMENTS TO PRESENT THEIR UNMET NEEDS IN PUBLIC, ALLOWED
15 FOR MORE OPEN AND TRANSPARENT DISCUSSION. AND THESE HEARINGS
16 ARE A WELCOME ADDITION FROM MY POINT OF VIEW TO OUR PROCESS
17 PROVIDING VALUABLE INSIGHT AND I'M EAGER TO SEE HOW THIS
18 PROCESS EVOLVES TO PROVIDE EVEN GREATER TRANSPARENCY AND
19 UNDERSTANDING INTO HOW WE INVEST OUR PUBLIC'S FUNDS AND HOW WE
20 USE THESE RESOURCES TO MEET THE NEEDS THAT ARE BEING SURFACED.
21 A NEARLY \$49,000,000,000 BUDGET WITH MANY COMPLEX FUNDING
22 SOURCES IS NOT AN EASY FEAT TO ACCOMPLISH. SO ADDITIONAL
23 TRANSPARENCY IS IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY THIS YEAR WHEN WE ARE
24 FACING MANY FINANCIAL CHALLENGES. AND I THINK ANY REASONABLE
25 PERSON SAYS, \$49,000,000,000, HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT YOU ARE



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1 CHALLENGED WITH A NUMBER LIKE THAT? AND I THINK OUR CEO'S
2 PRESENTATION OUTLINED SOME OF WHY WE ARE SAYING THAT WE ARE
3 EXPERIENCING THE CHALLENGES THAT WE ARE. I WANT TO THANK THE
4 ADVOCATES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS WHO HAVE
5 BEEN INVOLVED IN OUR BUDGET PROCESS AND WHO I KNOW WILL BE
6 CONTINUING TO ENGAGE IN THE FUTURE. I APPRECIATE HOLDING US
7 ACCOUNTABLE AND ASKING THE QUESTIONS THAT FROM AS YOU SEE IT,
8 DON'T MAKE THE MATH AND HELP US UNDERSTAND WHERE WE NEED TO BE
9 DOING A BETTER JOB OF EXPLAINING WHY WE ARE EXPERIENCING THE
10 CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WE ARE AND PAINTING THE PICTURE FOR
11 EVERYONE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS WE'RE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH
12 WITH THIS BUDGET. YOUR PERSPECTIVE AND INPUT ARE INVALUABLE TO
13 ME AND I BELIEVE YOUR VOICES ARE ESSENTIAL IN OUR BUDGETING
14 PROCESS. THIS YEAR'S BUDGET SUFFICE IT TO SAY HAS NOT BEEN AN
15 EASY ONE. AND OUR CONSTRAINTS WILL CONTINUE INTO THE
16 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PHASE. AT THE SAME TIME, IT'S FRUSTRATING.
17 WE CAN'T FUND MANY WORTHY PROGRAM REQUESTS WE RECEIVE FROM
18 DEPARTMENTS, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND OUR PUBLIC
19 THAT HAVEN'T BEEN INCLUDED TO DATE. BY THE MOST, BY FAR THE
20 MOST SIGNIFICANT IMPACT THAT WE ARE FACING THIS YEAR COMES
21 FROM THE AB218 SETTLEMENTS. THESE CASES ARE HORRENDOUS. THERE
22 ARE FAR TOO MANY VICTIMS AND IN MOST CASES THESE ABUSES
23 OCCURRED DECADES AGO BUT WE'RE JUST NOW SEEING THE FINANCIAL
24 IMPACT. WE OBVIOUSLY MUST RESOLVE THESE CASES. UNFORTUNATELY,
25 THAT MEANS WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO EXPAND PROGRAMS AND SERVICES



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1 OVER THE NEXT PERIOD OF TIME. AND WE ALSO HAVE TO MAKE CUTS IN
2 ORDER TO ADDRESS THOSE COSTS. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE A PLAN, AND
3 I'M GLAD THAT WE, AS A FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATION, HAVE
4 THE MEANS TO IMPLEMENT A DETAILED PLAN TO PAY FOR OUR
5 UNPRECEDENTED SETTLEMENT OF OVER \$4,000,000,000. OUR PLAN
6 INCLUDES UPFRONT CASH PAYMENTS OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS AS
7 WELL AS THE ISSUANCE OF LONG-TERM BONDS AND WE HAVE ALREADY
8 SET ASIDE RESOURCES FOR BOTH NEAR-TERM AND LONG-TERM PAYMENTS
9 TO ADDRESS THIS IMPACT, AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO DO SO OVER THE
10 NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK THE CEO AND
11 HER STAFF FOR COMPILING THIS PLAN, WHICH IS CRITICAL TO MAKING
12 SURE THAT NOT ONLY ARE WE ADDRESSING WHERE OUR OBLIGATIONS
13 ARE, BUT WE ARE KEEPING OUR FINANCIAL STATUS WITH ALL OF OUR
14 RATING AGENCIES TO ENSURE THAT HOW WE PROCEED DOESN'T COST US
15 EVEN MORE. EVEN THOUGH THE SETTLEMENT IS UNPRECEDENTED, WE
16 FOUND A WAY TO PAY FOR IT AND KEEP THE COUNTY'S BUDGET
17 SOMEWHAT BALANCED. AND AT THE SAME TIME, FACING OTHER BUDGET
18 PRESSURES, INCLUDING RECOVERY COSTS FROM THE JANUARY
19 WILDFIRES, THE NEED TO PROVIDE OUR WORKFORCE WITH FAIR COST OF
20 LIVING ADJUSTMENTS AND SO MUCH MORE. OUR WILDFIRE RECOVERY
21 CONTINUES TO PROGRESS. I WANT TO THANK OUR STATE PARTNERS FOR
22 STEPPING UP IN A CRITICAL WAY AT A TIME OF NEED TO PROVIDE
23 REVENUE BACKFILL AS WELL AS UPFRONT FUNDING WHILE WE WAIT FOR
24 REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THESE FUNDS ARE
25 INCREDIBLY HELPFUL TO US AND OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO ARE



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1 REBUILDING THEIR LIVES. THEY CANNOT AFFORD TO WAIT. GETTING
2 BACK INTO THEIR COMMUNITIES IS CRITICAL. AND SO, WE THANK OUR
3 STATE PARTNERS FOR REALLY UNDERSTANDING THAT AND KNOWING THAT
4 LOCALLY THAT'S WHERE THE RUBBER HITS THE ROAD IN TERMS OF
5 IMPLEMENTING HOW WE GET THIS WORK DONE. DESPITE OUR BUDGET
6 CHALLENGES, IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FAIR
7 FINANCIAL COMPENSATION TO OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES. OUR EMPLOYEES
8 WORK INCREDIBLY HARD EVERY DAY TO CARE FOR OUR COUNTY
9 RESIDENTS. THEY ARE OUR SERVICE DELIVERY, AND I REMAIN
10 COMMITTED TO ENGAGING IN NEGOTIATION WITH THAT REALITY IN
11 MIND. PROVIDING THEM WITH FAIR COMPENSATION IS NOT ONLY THE
12 RIGHT THING TO DO, IT BENEFITS ALL OF US BY INFUSING
13 ADDITIONAL MONIES INTO LOCAL ECONOMY AND ENSURING THAT OUR
14 EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE ADEQUATELY SUPPORTED. TO
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S POINT ABOUT BUDGET REFLECTING VALUES,
16 CERTAINLY WITH THE BUDGET CONSTRAINTS, THERE ARE MANY THINGS
17 THAT WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO FUND THAT WE WANT TO AND YET THIS
18 BUDGET DOES INCLUDE A COMMITMENT TO FUNDING FOR OUR TGI
19 COMMUNITY, FUNDING FOR IMMIGRANT POPULATION AND ESSENTIAL
20 CONTINUED HEALTH CARE SERVICES THAT WE ARE NOT ONLY REQUIRED
21 TO PROVIDE, BUT WE BELIEVE IN PROVIDING AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
22 AND SO, AT A TIME WHERE MANY ARE CONSIDERING WHETHER TO STEP
23 AWAY FROM THEIR VALUES AND INVESTMENT, WE ARE NOT, WE ARE
24 DOING EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR COUNTY
25 FUNDING CONTINUES TO REFLECT THE VALUES THAT PEOPLE EXPECT



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1 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WHILE OUR BUDGET IS BALANCED
2 IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THESE CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE, WE WILL
3 NEED TO MAKE SOME CUTS. IN THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET, WE APPROVED
4 CURTAILMENTS OF 3%, WHICH LARGELY ELIMINATED VACANT POSITIONS
5 AND FUNDING FOR SERVICES AND SUPPLIES THAT WE COULD ABSORB
6 WITH LITTLE OR NO IMPACT TO COUNTY SERVICES AND PROGRAMS. AS A
7 PART OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, ADDITIONAL CURTAILMENTS WILL
8 BE IMPLEMENTED IN ORDER TO KEEP OUR BUDGET BALANCED. THESE
9 ADDITIONAL CURTAILMENTS WILL COME BEFORE OUR BOARD DURING THE
10 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, SO WE WILL HAVE SEVERAL MONTHS TO REFINE
11 THEM, BUT WE KNOW THAT THEY WILL BE DIFFICULT NO MATTER HOW
12 THEY ARE IMPLEMENTED. WITH THAT IN MIND, I WANTED TO EXPRESS
13 SOME OF MY THOUGHTS AND CONCERNS TO OUR CEO AS SHE AND HER
14 TEAM COMPILE THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. AFTER REVIEWING THE
15 CURTAILMENTS, I WOULD ASK OUR CEO TO WORK WITH SEVERAL
16 DEPARTMENTS TO REFINE AND FIND CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO SOME OF
17 THE CUTS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND
18 BEACHES AND HARBORS, MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT BOTH OF THESE
19 DEPARTMENTS ARE SEEKING TO INCREASE FEES TO OFFSET SOME OF THE
20 CUTS THAT THEY WILL BE SEEING. AND SO, I WOULD ASK THAT WE
21 WORK WITH BOTH OF THESE DEPARTMENTS TO EXECUTE THOSE FEE
22 INCREASES, TO RESTORE SOME OF THE SERVICE REDUCTIONS, AND TO
23 ENSURE THAT INCREASED REVENUE STAYS WITHIN THOSE DEPARTMENTS
24 TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO PROVIDE THOSE CRITICAL
25 SERVICES. NEXT, I WOULD ASK THAT WE WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT



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1 OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL TO MITIGATE THE IMPACT OF THEIR
2 CUTS. THIS DEPARTMENT HAS CONTINUED TO STRUGGLE WITH BUDGET
3 LIMITATIONS, AND WE NEED TO LOOK AT THEIR BUDGET CAREFULLY.
4 THE DEPARTMENT LEADS VERY IMPORTANT WORK AND I WANT TO ENSURE
5 THEY HAVE THE RESOURCES TO FULFILL THEIR CRITICAL MISSION,
6 ESPECIALLY GIVEN THAT OUR CONTRACT CITIES HAVE BEEN PAYING
7 INCREASED RATES OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, BUT WE'RE
8 PROPOSING TO CUT SERVICE. SO I UNDERSTAND THAT THE
9 REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR CONTRACT CITIES HASN'T BEEN EQUAL TO
10 THE SERVICE THEY'VE BEEN RECEIVING, BUT I ALSO DON'T THINK
11 THAT THEY'RE GOING TO UNDERSTAND HOW IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE
12 TO REDUCE THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET AS WE'RE ASKING THEM TO PAY
13 MORE. SO, FIGURING OUT HOW WE REVIEW THIS BUDGET AND ENSURE
14 THAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL IS
15 APPROPRIATELY FUNDED, PARTICULARLY AS OUR CONTRACT CITIES
16 CONTINUE PROVIDING MORE FUNDING TO US IS AN AREA THAT I KNOW
17 WE NEED TO FOCUS ON. ADDITIONALLY, I'M CONCERNED WITH THE
18 POSITION CUTS AT PUBLIC DEFENDER AND THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC
19 DEFENDER. I'M PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING
20 TO THESE DEPARTMENTS THROUGH THE CFCI PROGRAM HAS BEEN
21 ELIMINATED. WE ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES. SO,
22 NOTING THAT WE ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THEM, WHAT IS OUR PLAN
23 TO MITIGATE CUTS TO PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALTERNATE PUBLIC
24 DEFENDER AND WHY DID WE ELIMINATE CFCI FUNDING TO THESE
25 DEPARTMENTS?



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. LET ME CLARIFY. THE
3 BOARD WILL BE DELIBERATING ON THE CFCI CEO BOARD LETTER
4 TOMORROW. LET ME START OUT BY SAYING I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO
5 PLACE THIS CONVERSATION IN CONTEXT. YES, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
6 IS UNDERGOING CURTAILMENTS LIKE THE REST OF THE DEPARTMENTS. I
7 THINK WHAT YOU DON'T SEE CLEARLY IN THE BUDGET IS THAT THE
8 PUBLIC DEFENDER WILL RECEIVE 27 NEW POSITIONS THROUGH THIS
9 BUDGET PHASE, BUT THEY'RE NOT NCC FUNDED OR THEY'RE NOT FUNDED
10 WITH UNRESTRICTED NCC. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, THEY WILL RECEIVE
11 \$533,000 IN THREE POSITIONS UNDER THE JJCPA GRANT. THEY'LL
12 RECEIVE SIX POSITIONS AND \$1,500,000 UNDER MEASURE A. I WON'T
13 BORE YOU WITH ALL THE DETAILS. SO, THEY'VE HAD A CURTAILMENT
14 OF 32 POSITIONS THAT ARE NCC FUNDED. AT THE SAME TIME, THEY
15 WILL RECEIVE 27 POSITIONS THAT ARE FUNDED THROUGH OTHER
16 RESOURCES. SO, IT'S NOT NECESSARILY OUR UNRESTRICTED NCC, BUT
17 THEY ARE RECEIVING STAFF. THE SECOND THING I WOULD SAY IS IN
18 TERMS OF IDENTIFYING THE IMPACTS, THIS IS THE POINT AND THE
19 PROCESS IN THE BUDGET WHERE IT IS REALLY HARD BECAUSE WE ARE
20 TRYING TO KEEP THE BUDGET BALANCED. WE DO HAVE MULTIPLE AND
21 NEW PRESSURES. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE PRESSURES FROM THE
22 FEDERAL AND THE STATE MIGHT BE, BUT WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE SOME
23 KNOWN AND EXISTING PRESSURES NOW, AND WE'RE TRYING TO MANAGE
24 THEM TO STAY SO THAT OUR BUDGET DOES REMAIN BALANCED. IT WAS
25 THESE VERY DIFFICULT DECISIONS THAT WE TALKED ABOUT IN NEW



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1 YORK WITH OUR CREDIT RATING AGENCIES THAT THEY KNEW THIS IS
2 DIFFICULT, BUT WE ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT IT HAS TO BE DONE. SO,
3 WHAT I WOULD SAY IN TERMS OF HAVING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
4 MITIGATE THE CURTAILMENTS. I THINK YOU HAVE OTHER DEPARTMENTS
5 THAT ALSO PROVIDE OTHER VALUABLE SERVICES, AND I UNDERSTAND
6 THAT WE ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES. ON
7 THE WHOLE, PUBLIC DEFENDER IS RECEIVING POSITIONS IN THIS
8 BUDGET PHASE, SO THEY'RE NOT TAKING A STRAIGHT 32 POSITION
9 CURTAILMENT, THAT'S NUMBER ONE. AND NUMBER TWO, WHAT WE WOULD
10 WANT TO DO IS WORK WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER TO PRIORITIZE
11 THEIR PRIORITIES. WE KNOW THAT THEY HAVE A LOT OF DIFFERENT
12 PROGRAMS THAT THEY PARTICIPATE IN. WE KNOW THAT SOME ARE CORE
13 PROGRAMS THAT ARE REQUIRED BY STATUTE OR COUNTY CODE, OTHERS
14 ARE NOT. AND SO, WHAT WE WOULD WANT TO DO TO WORK WITH THE
15 PUBLIC DEFENDER IS LET'S FIGURE OUT A WAY TO PRIORITIZE THOSE
16 PROGRAMS THAT ARE CORE MISSION. WHAT ARE THE THINGS THAT WE
17 ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO DO? AND WHAT ARE THE OTHER THINGS THAT WE
18 MUST DO AS WELL, BUT MAYBE THEY'RE NOT AS CRITICAL AS THE
19 FIRST PROGRAMS, THE PROGRAMS IN A PRIOR CATEGORY? IF THE
20 ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION IS EVERYTHING IS CRITICAL, I THINK
21 THAT MANY OF THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS COULD MAKE THE SAME
22 ARGUMENT. AND THEIR EXPECTATION WOULD BE ONCE WE MITIGATE ONE
23 DEPARTMENT, SOME OF THEM WOULD HAVE AN EXPECTATION THAT WE
24 TAKE THE SAME APPROACH WITH THEM. AND ESSENTIALLY, WHAT
25 HAPPENS IS WE UNDO THE BALANCED POSTURE THAT THE BUDGET IS OR



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1 WILL BE IF THE BOARD ADOPTS THE RECOMMENDATIONS, WE WOULD
2 MITIGATE AND BASICALLY WHITTLE AWAY AT THAT PLAN. THE SECOND
3 PART OF THE QUESTION ABOUT THE CFCI FUNDING, WHICH THE BOARD
4 WILL DELIBERATE ON TOMORROW. ORIGINALLY, THE CEO'S OFFICE
5 INTENDED TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD FUNDING SOME KEY PROGRAMS
6 USING A FIVE-YEAR CFCI PLAN, BECAUSE CFCI HAS CARRYOVER. AND
7 WE WERE INTENDING TO COME TO THE BOARD AND RECOMMEND A FIVE-
8 YEAR SPENDING PLAN. AND SO ESSENTIALLY THAT WOULD BE CREATING
9 A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT UNLESS WE PUT THE OTHER COMPONENT IN
10 PLACE. SO, THE OTHER COMPONENT WAS EITHER THE DEPARTMENT
11 ABSORBS THE NEW POSITIONS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN FUNDED UNDER
12 CFCI OVER TIME. THEY ABSORB THEM INTO THEIR NEW BUDGET. OR THE
13 CFCI ADVISORY COMMITTEE ABSORBS THEIR COST INTO THEIR NEW
14 SPENDING PLAN FIVE YEARS FROM NOW. BECAUSE THERE'S SO MUCH
15 UNCERTAINTY IN WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE BUDGET, OUR
16 RECOMMENDATION CHANGED BECAUSE WE FEEL LIKE WE NEED TO SLOW
17 DOWN THE SPENDING TO CONTROL IT AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, AND THAT
18 INCLUDES POSITIONS FOR CFCI. AND SO, WHAT WE DID TO STRIKE THE
19 RIGHT COMPROMISE AND BALANCES, YOU'LL SEE IN THE BOARD LETTER
20 FOR TOMORROW, WE ARE RECOMMENDING SOME POSITIONS OR SOME
21 PROGRAMS BE FUNDED WITH CFCI, BUT THEY ARE NOT ONGOING.
22 THEY'RE NOT PROGRAMS THAT NEED ONGOING FUNDING. AND SO, THERE
23 IS, I CAN'T REMEMBER, LIKE THERE'S MELLON VETS AND, YOU KNOW,
24 A COUPLE OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS, BUT WE'RE NOT POSITIONING THE
25 REQUESTS SO THAT WE WOULD REQUIRE ONGOING COSTS, BUT WE'RE



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1 FUNDING THEM WITH ONE-TIME CFCI FUNDING. THAT'S WHY WE CHANGED
2 THE PLAN.

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4 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY. I KNOW THAT TO THE LAST POINT, I
5 WOULD SAY I UNDERSTAND OUR POLICY IS NOT TO FUND POSITIONS
6 WITH ONE TIME. FIVE YEARS, I THINK, IS DIFFERENT, ESPECIALLY
7 GIVEN SORT OF AN OUTLOOK OF WHERE WE STAND TODAY AND FIVE
8 YEARS FROM NOW. BUT I THINK I HEAR YOU, BUT I ALSO WANT US TO
9 TAKE THAT INTO ACCOUNT BECAUSE THAT IS A WAY THAT WE CAN
10 ADDRESS WHAT I THINK IS A CRITICAL CONCERN. I WANT TO GO BACK
11 TO WHERE YOU STARTED THOUGH. YOU IDENTIFIED THAT 32 ARE
12 PROPOSED TO BE CUT, BUT 27, WAS IT, ARE BEING FUNDED THROUGH?
13 SO, IS THAT A NET LOSS OF FIVE?

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

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY, SO OVERALL, THAT'S THE PROPOSED,
18 THAT WILL BE THE PROPOSED IMPACT BASED ON THIS BUDGET?

19

20 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THAT IS CORRECT. SO, THEY HAVE POSITIONS THAT
21 WILL BE FUNDED UNDER THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REALIGNMENT BLOCK
22 GRANT.

23

24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** SO THOSE AREN'T POSITIONS THEY'VE
25 ALREADY HAD AND ARE CONTINUING WITH THOSE FUNDS, THEY ARE NEW.



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THESE SHOULD BE NEW POSITIONS BECAUSE THIS
3 FUNDING IN MANY WAYS IS RESTRICTED. AND SO, FOR EXAMPLE, THE
4 FUNDING FROM THE JUVENILE JUSTICE BLOCK GRANT, IT'S FOR SECURE
5 YOUTH TREATMENT FACILITY PROGRAMS. WE'RE ADDING DEPUTY PUBLIC
6 DEFENDER THREE AND TWO PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER 2S. AND SO
7 WHAT WE'LL HAVE TO DO IS WE'LL WORK WITH THEM TO IMPACT THE
8 CURTAILMENTS THAT WE WANT TO IMPLEMENT AND THEN ADD THESE
9 POSITIONS.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY, I'M --

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13 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** BECAUSE THE POSITIONS THAT ARE BEING
14 CURTAILED ARE VACANT. AND SO, WE'RE TAKING VACANT POSITIONS
15 AND THEN WE'RE ADDING NEW POSITIONS AT THE SAME TIME.

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY, I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING, I DON'T
18 THINK I'LL BE THE ONLY BOARD MEMBER WATCHING THAT, BUT HELPFUL
19 TO HEAR HOW YOU SEE IT FROM WHERE YOU SIT TODAY, AND I KNOW
20 THAT WE'LL CONTINUE TO HEAR ENGAGEMENT ON THIS TOPIC BECAUSE I
21 KNOW IT'S A CONCERN. I WILL ALSO SAY THAT AS WE LOOK AT HOW WE
22 PROCEED, I KNOW A BIG PART OF OUR BUDGET CONVERSATION GOING
23 FORWARD LOOKS AT THE ISSUE OF BACKFILL AND WE HAVE A COUNTY
24 POLICY TO NOT BACKFILL. AND SO, I RAISED THAT HERE, BUT IT'S
25 ALSO MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COUNTY POLICY ADDRESSES AS IT



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1 RELATES TO BOTH HEALTH AND SAFETY, WHICH ARE CRITICAL SERVICES
2 THAT THE COUNTY MUST PROVIDE. AND SO, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR
3 PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, ESPECIALLY AS WE ARE SEEING
4 CHALLENGES WITH SAFETY AND THE CRITICAL ROLE THAT EVERYONE
5 INVOLVED IN A SAFETY ROLE HAS IN PROVIDING THAT COMMUNITY
6 SAFETY NOW. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE CONTINUING TO
7 KEEP THAT IN MIND AS WE ARE LOOKING AT OUR BUDGET TOO. AND I
8 WOULD ASK THAT YOU WORK WITH OUR DEPARTMENTS TO FIND SOLUTIONS
9 TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY, RECOGNIZING THE CHALLENGES THAT WE
10 HAVE. AGAIN, AS WE'VE STATED OVERALL, OUR BUDGET IS BALANCED,
11 BUT WE'RE FACING OBSTACLES. AND THESE CHALLENGES WILL
12 CONTINUE, INCLUDING, AND WE WILL HAVE TO ADDRESS THEM,
13 INCLUDING ENSURING THAT OUR WORKFORCE IS SUPPORTED, THAT WE
14 MEET OUR LEGALLY OBLIGATED SETTLEMENTS, AND THAT WE CONTINUE
15 TO SUPPORT OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY AT A
16 TIME SUCH AS THIS. SO, I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING OUR WORK
17 ON THE BUDGET AS WE MOVE FORWARD INTO SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET
18 PHASE. AND THESE ARE SOME OF THE AREAS THAT WE WILL BE PAYING
19 CLOSE ATTENTION TO. AND I WOULD ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO WORK
20 ON.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SUPERVISOR, LET ME, MY TEAM JUST GAVE ME THE
23 MORE PRECISE INFORMATION OF THE 27, 18 ARE NEW, 18 ARE NEW
24 POSITIONS AND THEN SO THEY'RE GETTING 27 TOTAL, 18 ARE NEW AND
25 9 IS FUNDING FOR EXISTING POSITIONS.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AND DOES THAT INCLUDE CUTS THAT ARE
3 PROPOSED IN SUPPLEMENTAL?
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5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO NO, SO 27 NEW POSITIONS AND THEN 32 THAT
6 ARE CUT IN RECOMMEND AS PART OF THE 3%, RIGHT? YES, SO LET ME,
7 FOR CLARITY, SO 32 POSITIONS CUT AS PART OF THE 3% CURTAILMENT
8 FROM RECOMMENDED BUDGET. THE REASON WHY THEY DIDN'T HAPPEN IN
9 RECOMMENDED BUDGET IS WE NEEDED MORE TIME TO WORK WITH THE
10 PUBLIC DEFENDER ON THEIR CURTAILMENT PLAN. SO, MOST OTHER
11 DEPARTMENTS TOOK THEIR CUT IN RECOMMENDED BUDGET. WE'RE TAKING
12 THESE CURTAILMENTS IN FINAL CHANGES. AT THE SAME TIME, WE ARE
13 ADDING FUNDING FOR 27 POSITIONS, 18 ARE NEW, AND THEN 9 IS FOR
14 EXISTING POSITIONS. THEN IN SUPPLEMENTAL, WE WILL IMPLEMENT,
15 NOT JUST FOR THIS DEPARTMENT, FOR ALL THE DEPARTMENTS, THE
16 ADDITIONAL 5.5% CURTAILMENT.
17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY.
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20 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** AND I THINK THE POINT TO BE MADE HERE IS A
21 VERY NUANCED POINT. THE 27 POSITIONS ARE NOT YOUR UNRESTRICTED
22 NCC. THE 5.5% THAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR IN SUPPLEMENTAL WILL BE
23 NCC. SO, IT'S A DIFFERENT FUNDING SOURCE. AND I GUESS THAT'S
24 MY WAY OF TRYING TO SAY FROM WHERE I SIT TODAY, I DO NOT
25 ANTICIPATE ANY IMPACTS TO THESE FUNDING SOURCES FOR THOSE



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1 POSITIONS.

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AND I UNDERSTAND THE FUNDING SOURCE
4 MATTERS IN TERMS OF HOW WE'RE TALKING ABOUT OUR BUDGET, BUT
5 THE ULTIMATE EFFECT OF IMPLEMENTING THESE CUTS, NO MATTER WHAT
6 THE FUNDING SOURCE IS REALLY WHAT I'M TRYING TO ADDRESS. AND
7 SO, MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT THESE DEPARTMENTAL
8 PROPOSALS AND CHANGES WITH THAT IN MIND, I THINK IT IS
9 IMPORTANT. THANK YOU.

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

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13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I APPRECIATE
14 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL KIND OF SETTING THE TONE, BUT I'M MAD TOO.
15 I THINK THAT'S A GOOD FEELING THAT WE'RE ALL HAVING. AND I WAS
16 ALSO THINKING ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID, HOW WE AS THE COUNTY ARE
17 REALLY THAT LAST AND FINAL RESORT FOR PEOPLE TO KEEP THEM FROM
18 FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS OF THEIR LIVES. AND I KNOW WE THINK
19 ABOUT IT EVERY YEAR IN DECEMBER WHEN WE GATHER TO BURY THE
20 UNCLAIMED DEAD AND SOMETIMES IT'S ANYWHERE FROM YOU KNOW A
21 1,000 TO 1,600 THE NUMBER VARIES AND I KNOW EVERY YEAR
22 SOMEBODY EITHER ONE OF OUR ECUMENICAL FAITH LEADERS OR ONE OF
23 US WE ALWAYS SAY YOU KNOW OUR GOAL SHOULD BE MAYBE WE CAN FIND
24 THEM EARLIER. MAYBE WE CAN FIND THEM, CATCH THEM, AND KEEP
25 THEM FROM SORT OF ENDING UP HERE WHERE THEY'RE ALONE AND NO



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1 ONE LOVES THEM. AND I THINK THAT IS SO WHAT THE COUNTY DOES.
2 AND SOMETIMES WHEN WE FIND THESE LOST SOULS, IT'S THROUGH OUR
3 LIBRARIES, IT'S THROUGH OUR PARKS, CERTAINLY. I THINK PROBABLY
4 SOME YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SAVED IN OUR SWIMMING PROGRAMS.
5 AND I REALLY THINK, AND I KNOW A LOT OF US ARE FOCUSED ON OUR
6 PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, CERTAINLY
7 THEY'RE AT THE FOREFRONT OF KIND OF HELPING TO SAVE PEOPLE WHO
8 HAVE NO OTHER RECOURSE AND WHO SOMETIMES FEEL LIKE THE SYSTEM
9 IS STACKED AGAINST THEM. AND IT'S CERTAINLY OUR SOCIAL
10 WORKERS. I MEAN, THAT'S SORT OF OUR GOAL. AND IT'S FRUSTRATING
11 THIS YEAR THAT SO MUCH OF WHAT WE BELIEVE CONSTITUTES THAT
12 SAFETY NET. WE'RE HAVING TO, YOU KNOW, THE NET IS BEING TORN
13 IN A LOT OF PLACES BECAUSE OF THE CHALLENGES. I THINK WE'RE
14 CLEAR ON HOW CHALLENGED WE ARE THIS YEAR FOR ALL THE REASONS
15 THAT YOU MENTIONED, FESIA. WE HAVE DECLINING REVENUES, WE HAVE
16 INCREASING OBLIGATIONS, AND WE HAVE THESE AWFUL RECORD-
17 BREAKING SETTLEMENTS. AND BEFORE I GO ON, THANK YOU, FESIA,
18 AND YOUR TEAM. AND THANK YOU, DEPARTMENT HEADS, FOR COMING
19 HERE TODAY AND LISTENING AND SHOWING UP AND NOT JUST TODAY,
20 THANK YOU ALL FOR SHOWING UP EVERY SINGLE DAY AND LEADING YOUR
21 DEPARTMENTS TO DO JUST WHAT THIS BOARD, YOU KNOW, ATTEMPTS TO
22 DO, WHICH IS CLEARLY TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF LIVING FOR OUR
23 OVER 10,000,000 RESIDENTS THAT REALLY GIVES THEM A QUALITY OF
24 LIFE THAT WE ALL STRIVE TO MAKE SURE L.A. COUNTY IS THAT
25 PLACE. AND IT'S FRUSTRATING TO SEE US, YOU KNOW, DELETING



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1 POSITIONS, SCALING BACK PUBLIC SERVICES, PARTICULARLY AGAINST
2 THE BACKDROP OF INCREASINGLY HOSTILE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION
3 THAT WE'RE SEEING RIGHT NOW. AND I KNOW FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY
4 IS THE NORTH STAR FOR OUR BOARD. IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE DON'T
5 SPEND MONEY WE DON'T HAVE, BUT I'M CONCERNED AND CONTINUED
6 CUTS, THAT CONTINUED CUTS TO OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ARE
7 ERODING OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE THAT SAFETY NET THAT KEEPS OUR
8 MOST VULNERABLE FED, HOUSED, OUT OF HARM'S WAY. AND WHILE ON
9 ONE HAND IT IS GRATIFYING THAT OUR ELIMINATING POSITIONS ARE
10 VACANT, SO WE'RE NOT LAYING FOLKS OFF, WHICH IS GOOD. BUT I'M
11 CONCERNED THAT SOME OF THESE DELETIONS ARE NOT IMPACTING ALL
12 OF OUR DEPARTMENTS EQUALLY. AND SOME OF THE POSITIONS HAVE
13 BEEN VACANT WELL OVER A YEAR, SOMETIMES TWO. AT THAT POINT, WE
14 KIND OF ALL AGREE, WOW, YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FILL THAT,
15 YOU DIDN'T REALLY MAKE THE EFFORT TO HIRE, OKAY, YOU LOSE
16 THAT. BUT FOR INSTANCE, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE, RIGHT,
17 THOSE 32 POSITIONS WERE NOT LONG-TIME VACANCIES. THEY JUST
18 BECAME VACANT A FEW MONTHS AGO. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THE
19 DEPARTMENT WAS IN THE PROCESS OF FILLING THEM. AND SO I'M
20 REALLY TRYING TO FOLLOW YOUR DELETING 32, ADDING 27, BUT THE
21 27 JUST TO BE CLEAR ARE THE RESTRICT THEY ARE PAID FOR BY
22 RESTRICTED SO THAT I GET THAT AND I THINK YOU'RE CONFIDENT IN
23 THAT THAT REVENUE SOURCE BUT YOU KNOW THAT ALSO IMPACTS THE
24 DEPARTMENT'S ABILITY TO PERFORM THE SERVICES THEY NEED BY
25 TAKING AWAY THE 32 THAT THEY WERE LEANING INTO AND REPLACING



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1 THEM WITH THESE 27. AND I WILL SAY THAT, YOU KNOW, THIS
2 REMINDS ME A LITTLE, THE ENVIRONMENT THAT WE'RE LIVING IN
3 REMINDS ME A LITTLE BIT OF 2020 WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT
4 MEETING THE MOMENT. AND I REMEMBER NOT VOTING FOR THAT BUDGET
5 ON THE FIRST TIME IT CAME THROUGH, SENDING GAS THROUGHOUT THE
6 AUDITORIUM, BECAUSE I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE IT MET THE MOMENT. AND
7 THIS ONE, TOO, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO OUR PUBLIC
8 DEFENDER, I FEEL LIKE WE HAVE A MOMENT OUT THERE WHERE WE'RE
9 SEEING PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITIES EVERY SINGLE DAY BEING SWEEP
10 UP, KIDNAPPED, CRYING OUT FROM THE BACK OF A VAN, NEEDING
11 HELP, NEEDING COUNSEL, NEEDING REPRESENTATION. AND SO, FOR ME,
12 IT FEELS LIKE THE MOMENT WE SHOULD HAVE LEANED IN MORE TO OUR
13 PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER. AND I KNOW SOME
14 OF THE RESTRICTED POSITIONS THAT SOUNDED LIKE RELATED TO
15 JUVENILE. BUT I DO KNOW THAT, YOU KNOW, I'VE WATCHED OUR
16 PUBLIC DEFENDER AS IT RELATES TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE,
17 PARTICULARLY IN LOS PADRINOS. MANY OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE
18 AT THE CUSPICE OF THEIR LIVES. LIKE, THEY'RE EITHER GOING TO
19 GO, MANY OF THEM ARE IN THESE TRANSFER HEARINGS, RIGHT?
20 THEY'RE EITHER GOING TO GO TO MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, WHICH IN MY
21 OPINION ENDS ALL POSSIBILITY OF SECOND AND THIRD CHANCES AND
22 REHABILITATION, OR BECAUSE OF THE WORK OF OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER,
23 THEY'RE ABLE TO MAKE THE CASE TO KEEP THEM IN JUVENILE AND
24 GIVE THEM OPPORTUNITIES LIKE PINE GROVE. SO, IT'S LIKE THE DA
25 ON ONE HAND HAS GOT HIS DAS IN THERE TRYING TO SEND THEM TO



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1 JAIL. AND OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER IS IN THERE TRYING TO LOOK AT
2 THEM AS HUMAN BEINGS AND GIVE THEM A SECOND CHANCE. SO, YOU
3 KNOW, I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT IT TOMORROW. I THINK MY
4 STAFF WAS ALSO VERY CONCERNED THAT THE MONEY THAT WAS ALLOTTED
5 WAS THEN TAKEN AWAY AFTER IT WENT THROUGH CLUSTER. AND SO, I
6 THINK EVERYBODY'S A LITTLE BIT UPSET ABOUT THAT. AND WE CAN
7 TALK ABOUT THAT TOMORROW. BUT I THINK YOU'RE HEARING FROM SOME
8 OF US THAT IF THERE'S ANY WAY AT THIS MOMENT WHEN IT DOES SEEM
9 LIKE OUR MOST VULNERABLE COULD USE A GOOD PUBLIC DEFENDER OR
10 ULTIMATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, WE SEEM TO BE TAKING AWAY WHAT WE'D
11 LIKE TO SEE. SO, ANY OTHER WAY YOU CAN BE CREATIVE THERE, I
12 THINK THAT WOULD BE BETTER MEETING THIS MOMENT. BECAUSE REALLY
13 A LOT OF THIS WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THE THIS BUDGET AND THE YOU
14 KNOW THE CHALLENGES THAT WAS BEFORE WE HAD THESE UNPRECEDENTED
15 RAIDS COMING INTO OUR COMMUNITIES. AND THE UNPRECEDENTED, BY
16 THE WAY, IMPACT, WHICH I THINK WE'RE GOING TO GET A REPORT
17 BACK ON WHAT IS THAT THAT'S GOING TO HAVE ON OUR ECONOMY IN
18 L.A. COUNTY. SO, THESE FOLKS ARE GOING TO NEED OUR HELP MORE
19 THAN EVER. SO, THE OTHER THING THAT I WAS SAD ABOUT WAS SEEING
20 THAT THE FUNDING FOR OUR EXTENDED AQUATIC SEASON HAS BEEN
21 REVERSED AND ELIMINATED RATHER THAN REVERTING TO ONE-TIME
22 FUNDING AS SOME OTHER PROGRAMS WERE. AND THIS WAS SOMETHING
23 OUR RESIDENTS HAD BEEN ASKING FOR A LONG TIME. GEE, THE
24 HOTTEST MONTHS ARE NOT JUNE, BUT IT ENDS UP BEING SEPTEMBER
25 AND OCTOBER. AND SO, IT WAS REALLY GRATIFYING THAT WE FIGURED



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1 OUT HOW TO DO THAT LAST YEAR. WE HIRED LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE FOR
2 OUR LIFEGUARDS AND IT REALLY WAS A POSITIVE, POSITIVE PROGRAM.
3 YOU KNOW, THIS IS AGAIN, THIS IS A HEALTHY ACTIVITY, FAMILIES
4 PARTICIPATED IN THIS AND WHEN IT'S SUPER HOT AND THERE'S
5 NOTHING ELSE TO DO, WE KNOW THAT SOMETIMES HAS ADVERSE
6 OUTCOMES AND CONSEQUENCES. SO, I WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE NORMA
7 GARCIA FOR HER TEAM'S CREATIVITY WITHIN THEIR OWN BUDGET TO
8 COBBLE TOGETHER ENOUGH FUNDING TO SAFELY CLOSE OUR PARKS WITH
9 TWO STAFFERS. BUT I UNDERSTAND PART OF THAT SOLUTION IS
10 CLOSING SOME OF THE PARKS DURING THE WEEK, WHICH IS NOT GOING
11 TO BE WELCOME NEWS TO OUR RESIDENTS. BUT I'M JUST SORRY THAT
12 WE WEREN'T ABLE TO FIGURE OUT SOMETHING MORE CREATIVELY TO ADD
13 TWO MORE MONTHS TO OUR SWIMMING, TO JOBS WITH THESE
14 LIFEGUARDS. SO, AND I KNOW THAT WE WERE ON TRACK TO HIRE THESE
15 LIFEGUARDS. WE WERE KIND OF ON TRACK TO DO THIS EXTENDED
16 SEASON UNTIL IT GOT SLASHED. SO, I HOPE WE CAN MAYBE, I MEAN,
17 BY THE SUPPLEMENTAL, THAT WOULD BE TOO LATE, BUT IF THERE'S
18 ANYTHING ELSE WE COULD DO, AND MAYBE I WAS JUST GOING TO ASK
19 YOU, I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE IT OUT. DO YOU KNOW OFFHAND HOW
20 MUCH MONEY WE'RE TALKING ABOUT FOR THE LIMITED NUMBER OF POOLS
21 IN THE COUNTY TO KEEP THEM OPEN TWO MORE MONTHS YOU KNOW THAT
22 NUMBER OFFHAND YOU MAY NOT I COULDN'T FIGURE IT OUT.

23
24 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I THOUGHT IT WAS A COUPLE OF MILLION. I'LL
25 HAVE MY TEAM. SO, FIVE FOR THE FULL PROGRAM. \$5,000,000 FOR



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1 THE EXTENDED SEASON.

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** FOR, YEAH, DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY POOLS THAT
4 IS? HOW MANY POOLS? YEAH. I MEAN, THERE'S A COUPLE OF POOLS
5 THAT ARE YEAR-ROUND ANYWAY, AND THEY HAVE ESCAPED THIS, I
6 BELIEVE, IF THEY'RE YEAR-ROUND PULLS. BUT I DO THINK THE
7 EXTENDED, AND I KNOW, I MEAN, IT'S EVERYTHING SIGNIFICANT, BUT
8 THIS IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT, WHEN WE'RE TAKING AWAY SO MUCH
9 ELSE, I THINK FIGURING OUT IF THERE'S ANY WAY WE CAN FIGURE
10 THAT OUT, I WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL. AND I KNOW OUR RESIDENTS
11 WOULD APPRECIATE IT, KEEPING THEM OPEN DURING THE HOTTEST TIME
12 OF THE YEAR. SO --

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14 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SUPERVISORS, IT'S 23 SEASONAL POLLS.

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16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** 23 WHEN YOU SAY SEASONAL YOU MEAN.

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18 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I THINK THEY'RE NOT THAT THAT MEANS THAT
19 THEY'RE NOT NORMALLY OPEN YEAR.

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21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY,

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23 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO THAT WOULD BE FOR 23.

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25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, AND THEY'RE PRETTY MUCH SPREAD



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1 THROUGHOUT. ALL OF OUR DISTRICTS. YEAH, AGAIN, I JUST REALLY
2 THINK, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE HAVE LIMITED OPPORTUNITIES WHEN IT
3 GETS TO THOSE REALLY HOT MONTHS. AND THIS HAS BEEN SUCH AN
4 INCREDIBLE PROGRAM THAT WE'VE GIVEN PEOPLE A LITTLE PLACE TO
5 COOL OFF, A LITTLE PLACE TO GATHER WITH YOUR FAMILY AND
6 SOMETIMES IN THE EVENINGS. SO, I WOULD TRY TO SEE IF THIS WAS
7 SOMETHING WE COULD RESTORE. SO I AGREE THIS IS A BUDGET THAT I
8 DON'T LIKE, AND I DON'T THINK ANYBODY DOES, BUT I KNOW THIS IS
9 A BUDGET FEATURE THAT WILL PUT US, WON'T PUT US IN THE HOLE AS
10 WE MOVE FORWARD, WHICH I KNOW IS IMPORTANT, BUT IT JUST SEEMS
11 LIKE SOMETIMES WE CAN BE CREATIVE, AND I'VE SEEN US BE
12 CREATIVE, AND I WOULD JUST MENTION THE ONE THING ABOUT THE
13 SWIMMING POOLS. AND I DO, MY STAFF HAD ME ONE MORE QUESTION
14 ABOUT THE PUBLIC DEFENDER. WHY WASN'T THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
15 ALLOWED TO USE SALARY SAVINGS TO ACHIEVE THEIR INITIAL
16 CURTAILMENT?

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18 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YEAH, SO WE'VE RECEIVED THAT REQUEST FROM A
19 NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS. IN A NUTSHELL, WHAT I WOULD SAY IS
20 SALARY SAVINGS IS THE WRONG TOOL FOR THE TYPE OF PROBLEM WE'RE
21 TRYING TO RESOLVE. WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO IS REDUCE OUR
22 COSTS. WHAT SALARY SAVINGS DOES IS YOU KEEP THE SAME NUMBER OF
23 COSTS, BUT IT ALLOWS YOU TO GENERATE SAVINGS. WHAT WE WANT TO
24 DO IS REDUCE OUR COSTS. AS PART OF OUR AB218 FINANCING PLAN,
25 WE ARE GOING TO NEED TO IMPLEMENT THIS PLAN OVER FIVE YEARS,



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1 AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO PAY DEBT ON IT FOR 20 YEARS. SO, I
2 NEED A 25-YEAR SOLUTION. SALARY SAVINGS REQUIRES US TO WORK
3 WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND ENSURE THAT THEY DO NOT FILL THE
4 POSITIONS THAT THEY HAVE COMMITTED TO NOT FILLING. AND SO
5 RATHER THAN US BEING ABLE TO BANK THAT WE KNOW THAT THE
6 SAVINGS ARE GOING TO BE THERE, IT'S A YEAR-BY-YEAR SERIAL
7 PROCESS. THAT'S WHAT I WOULD SAY NUMBER ONE. NUMBER TWO,
8 SALARY SAVINGS, IF YOU KEEP THE POSITIONS ON THE BOOK, THEN IT
9 GENERATES ANOTHER UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE. SO, WE KNOW THAT
10 LABOR, OUR LABOR PARTNERS UNDER AB2561 WILL BE COMING TO THE
11 BOARD OR DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE A CERTAIN NUMBER OF VACANCIES
12 AND THERE WILL BE PRESSURE TO FILL THOSE VACANCIES. AND THEN
13 WE'LL HAVE TO CONTINUALLY EXPLAIN THE NARRATIVE. LIKE THESE
14 VACANCIES AREN'T REAL BECAUSE WE NEED TO KEEP THEM VACANT FOR
15 25 YEARS.

16
17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I MEAN, I APPRECIATE THAT. I DON'T FEEL LIKE
18 ANYTHING YOU JUST SAID IS NOT SOMETHING THAT YOU COULD WORK
19 OUT WITH THE DEPARTMENT. SOUNDS LIKE THERE'S A LITTLE TRUST
20 THING THERE.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** WELL, I MEAN, WE HAVE TO ENSURE THAT IT'S
23 GOING TO HAPPEN. ACTUALLY, I'LL SHARE THIS WITH THE BOARD. I
24 THINK IT WAS IN 2008, 2009.



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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OOH, WAS THERE A DEPARTMENT THAT SAID THEY
2 WEREN'T GOING TO AND THEY SNUCK BEHIND YOU?

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4 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YES. WELL, I DON'T WANT TO SAY SNEAK. NO, I'M
5 NOT USING THOSE WORDS.

6
7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THEY MADE LISA COMING OUT ON THE SIDE TO
8 HIRE SOMEBODY?

9
10 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I'M NOT USING THOSE WORDS. WHAT I'M SAYING IS
11 WE TRIED THIS PREVIOUSLY AND IT WAS THE PUBLIC DEFENDER THAT
12 CONSISTENTLY ADVOCATED FOR FILLING THE POSITIONS THAT WE HAD
13 AGREED TO, TO HOLD VACANT FOR SALARY SAVINGS DURING A PRIOR
14 ECONOMIC CRISIS. SO, IT'S PRECEDENT SETTING, AND SO ONCE WE DO
15 IT FOR ONE DEPARTMENT, THEN WE'RE DOING IT FOR ALL THE OTHER
16 DEPARTMENTS. WHAT IT REALLY DOES, SUPERVISOR, AT THE END OF
17 THE DAY, IS IT ALSO TAKES UP A BUNCH OF TIME. BECAUSE NOW
18 WE'RE WORKING, INSTEAD OF KNOWING THAT WE'VE JUST REDUCED THE
19 COST, WE'VE ELIMINATED IT. WE CAN TAKE THE FUNDING AND BANK ON
20 IT FOR THE NEXT 25 YEARS.

21
22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AGAIN, I HEAR YOU. IT JUST SEEMS LIKE, YOU
23 KNOW, IT CAN BE WORKED OUT. AND THESE CURTAILMENTS WERE
24 UNPRECEDENTED. AND IT HAD A LOT TO DO WITH YOU KNOW OUR
25 CONTRACT THAT WE WERE NEGOTIATING BUT I THINK SOME OF THOSE



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1 THINGS MIGHT HAVE WORKED OUT WITH MORE COMMUNICATION WITH THE
2 DEPARTMENT WELL AND YOU CAN'T BLAME A DEPARTMENT JUST BECAUSE
3 THE ADVOCATES SHOW UP AND DEMAND CERTAIN THINGS EITHER.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** ABSOLUTELY.

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7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT'S NOT ALWAYS THEIR FAULT.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** AND SO, IT'S THE ADDED PRESSURE. SO, IF WE
10 WERE TO DO THIS, THERE WOULD BE ADDED PRESSURE FROM THE
11 ADVOCATES, FROM LABOR, THEY'RE LOOKING AT THE VACANCIES ON THE
12 BOOK, POTENTIALLY WE WOULD BE BACK HERE HAVING A DISCUSSION OF
13 WHY AREN'T WE FILLING THESE POSITIONS RATHER THAN JUST BANKING
14 THE SAVINGS NOW.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND AS I WAS LISTENING
19 TO THE LINE OF QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS, IT IS ACCURATE WHEN
20 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SAID THAT WE ARE THE SAFETY NET.
21 EVERYTHING THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT AFFECTS, WHETHER IT BE
22 PARKS OR HEALTH, QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES IN THIS COUNTY. WE ARE
23 IN MANY INSTANCES, YOU KNOW, ESPECIALLY WITH OPEN SPACE, THE
24 ONLY PLACE THAT PEOPLE CAN GO TO ESCAPE LIFE RIGHT NOW. WITH
25 THAT, FESIA, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. I ALSO



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1 WANT TO THANK YOUR TEAM, INCLUDING YOUR CHIEF DEPUTY, JOE
2 NICCHITTA, AND YOUR BUDGET TEAM UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF MASON
3 MATTHEWS, AS WELL AS MY STAFF, MICHELLE VEGA, AND ALL THE
4 BUDGET DEPUTIES ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR. I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE
5 OUR DEPARTMENT LEADERS WHO HAVE HAD TO GO THROUGH A VERY
6 DIFFICULT PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING CURTAILMENTS FOR THEIR
7 RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS TO MEET THE COUNTY'S UPCOMING
8 FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS. I KNOW I TALKED TO ONE DEPARTMENT HEAD
9 WHO WHEN THEY ANNOUNCED THE CUTS THAT WERE GOING TO TAKE
10 PLACE, THE STAFF GOT EMOTIONAL. AND IT WASN'T BECAUSE THEIR
11 JOBS ARE BEING CUT, IT'S BECAUSE THEY RECOGNIZE THE LEVEL OF
12 SERVICES THAT THEY PROVIDE AND THE IMPACT IT'S GOING TO HAVE
13 ON THE PEOPLE THAT THEY SERVE EACH AND EVERY DAY, AND THAT WAS
14 IN PARKS AND REC, AND I DON'T KNOW IF NORMA IS OUT THERE IN
15 THE AUDIENCE, BUT I SAW FIRSTHAND THE WORK THAT THEY DID AFTER
16 THE FIRES, OPENING UP CAMPS AND HAVING THEIR STAFF COME, MANY
17 WHO WERE WORKING WELL BEYOND A FULL DAY TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. AND
18 SO, I KNOW THAT THE COMMITMENT THAT THEY HAVE AND THE LEVEL OF
19 COMMITMENT THEY HAVE GOES BEYOND JUST THEIR PAYCHECK. THEY
20 RECOGNIZE THAT THE PEOPLE THAT COME AND USE THEIR SERVICES ARE
21 REALLY A PART OF THEIR FAMILY NOW AS IT RELATES TO, ESPECIALLY
22 THE YOUTH THAT WE PUT IN PLACE. THIS YEAR, WE KEEP SAYING IT,
23 BUT WE ARE FACING MASSIVE LEGAL LIABILITIES BROUGHT ON BY
24 AB218, WILDFIRE RECOVERY EFFORTS, MUCH LOWER PROPERTY TAX
25 GROWTH, AND WHAT WE KNOW ARE IMMINENT MASS FEDERAL FUNDING



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1 CUTS. SOMETHING SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU TOUCHED ON, I THINK THE
2 MOST FRUSTRATING PART OF THIS DISCUSSION IS WE DON'T KNOW WHAT
3 WE DON'T KNOW. AND SO, WHEN WE'RE BUILDING A BUDGET, WHICH WE
4 HAVE TO DO BY JULY 1ST, WE'RE BUILDING A BUDGET BASED ON
5 UNCERTAINTY. SO, WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY IN TERMS OF
6 CURTAILMENTS COULD BE DEEPER. WE DO NOT KNOW. AND THAT IS VERY
7 FRIGHTENING. IT'S FRIGHTENING FOR US AS A BOARD, BUT IT'S ALSO
8 FRIGHTENING FOR THE PUBLIC, WHO DEPENDS UPON EVERYTHING THAT
9 WE DO. THE COUNTY REACHED A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT WITH SEIU ON
10 SALARIES AND FRINGE BENEFITS FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS. THIS
11 AGREEMENT IS A REFLECTION OF OUR CONTINUED PARTNERSHIP WITH
12 LABOR TO ENSURE THE BEST SERVICES TO L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS,
13 ESPECIALLY DURING THIS PERIOD OF GREAT UNCERTAINTY. BUT I
14 REMIND EVERYONE THAT WE ALSO HAVE UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS.
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TOUCHED ON 2015, OUR IHSS WORKERS, AS WELL
16 AS OUR OTHER LABOR PARTNERS. SO, THIS IS ONLY ONE, I MEAN,
17 ALBEIT THE LARGEST, BUT ONE OF MANY, WELL 2015 IS LARGER, BUT
18 ONE OF MANY THAT WE STILL HAVE TO NEGOTIATE. AND WHEN I HEAR,
19 YOU KNOW, LOOKING TO INCREASE FEES, I WOULD REMIND US THAT THE
20 VERY PEOPLE THAT WE'RE SERVING ARE FACING THE SAME
21 DIFFICULTIES AS IT RELATES TO THE COST OF LIVING IN THIS
22 COUNTY. AND SO, I APPRECIATE, AND I APPRECIATE, SUPERVISOR
23 HORVATH THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX, BUT I KNOW THAT INCREASING
24 FEES SOMETIMES CAN HAVE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES FOR THE VERY
25 PEOPLE THAT WE WANT TO SUPPORT AND HELP. ALTHOUGH WE'VE TAKEN



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1 A MEANINGFUL STEP FORWARD ON LABOR NEGOTIATIONS, WE MUST
2 CONTINUE TO MAKE DIFFICULT BUT NECESSARY DECISIONS TO
3 SAFEGUARD OUR ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR THE FUTURE TO MAINTAIN
4 OUR HIGH CREDIT RATING. THIS MEANS WE SHALL CONTINUE TO
5 IDENTIFY THE IMPACTS OF FEDERAL FUNDING CHANGES WHILE
6 NAVIGATING ON A STEERED BUDGET, ENSURING THE COUNTY MAINTAINS
7 A STRONG SOCIAL SAFETY NET. I AM PROUD TO SEE THE COUNTY
8 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINUE TO ADDRESS CRITICAL AND
9 CRUCIAL ISSUES IN MENTAL HEALTH, HOMELESSNESS, AND PUBLIC
10 SAFETY, HOWEVER, IT REFLECTS SOME DIFFICULT TRADE-OFFS THAT I
11 WANT TO BE CLEAR ABOUT. FUNDING FOR OUR PARKS DEPARTMENT WILL
12 BE DOWN BY \$22,200,000. RESIDENTS ARE ALREADY SEEING CHANGES
13 TO PARK HOURS AND STAFFING, AND I'M SURE WE'RE ALL GETTING THE
14 EMAILS AND LETTERS IMPACTING THEIR ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN
15 CORE PROGRAMMING SERVING OUR YOUTH, FAMILIES AND ADULTS.
16 ADDITIONALLY, THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WILL NOT
17 RECEIVE ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS THIS YEAR TO IMPROVE CAPACITY.
18 I'VE NEVER REALLY REALIZED HOW IMPORTANT THE OFFICE OF
19 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT IS UNTIL WORKING ON COVID AND THEN
20 WORKING ON THE FIRES. THEY WERE THE TRULY THE NAVIGATORS THAT
21 RELATED TO TRYING TO LOOK AT HOW THE RESOURCES ARE GETTING OUT
22 THERE AND COMMUNICATION TO OUR RESIDENTS. ALSO NOT INCLUDED IN
23 THE BUDGET IS ADDITIONAL FUNDING MEANT TO IMPROVE OUR MENTAL
24 HEALTH SERVICES IN OUR JAILS. AS A COUNTY WE WON'T BE ABLE TO
25 INVEST \$18,700,000 IN ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR OUR INTEGRATED



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1 CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES, A CRITICAL SERVICE TO SAFELY
2 TRANSPORT INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS HEALTH NEEDS. WE ALSO HAD A
3 SHIFT OF ONGOING REVENUES AND INSTEAD UTILIZED ONE-TIME
4 FUNDING FOR SEVERAL PROGRAMS. THIS INCLUDES THE PLACE PROGRAM,
5 WHICH PROVIDES A PATHWAY FOR COUNTY CAREERS, AND THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE'S ORGANIZATIONAL GRANTS
7 PROGRAM. WHILE THESE CHANGES ARE NOT EASY, WE ARE AVOIDING A
8 FISCAL CLIFF THAT COULD PLACE THE COUNTY IN AN EVEN MORE
9 PRECARIOUS POSITION. THAT IS WHY I CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR
10 FINANCIAL RESTRAINT TO AVOID A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT. DOING SO
11 WILL PUT THE COUNTY IN A BETTER POSITION TO ENSURE OUR MOST
12 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS ARE NOT IMPACTED BY THESE ONGOING COSTS.
13 PUBLIC SAFETY, MENTAL HEALTH AND HOUSING AND HOMELESS CONTINUE
14 TO BE MY KEY PRIORITIES, AND TODAY'S BUDGET DEMONSTRATES
15 FORWARD PROGRESS IN SOME OF THESE AREAS. I AM PLEASED TO SEE
16 THE RECOMMENDATION TO INCLUDE \$152,000,000 IN MEASURE E
17 REVENUE TO SUPPORT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S CRITICAL NEEDS,
18 INCLUDING IMPROVING THEIR EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS. MENTAL HEALTH
19 CONTINUES TO BE A TOP CONCERN OF THE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY AS
20 RESIDENTS CONTINUE TO FACE HARDSHIP. I APPRECIATE THE
21 \$55,600,000 IN ONE TIME MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FUNDING TO
22 THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU, DR.
23 LISA WONG AND YOUR TEAM FOR THE SERVICES THAT YOU PROVIDE,
24 RECOGNIZING YOU ARE DOING A LOT. WHILE \$55,600,000 IS A LOT,
25 YOU COULD USE TRIPLE THAT TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS IN THE



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1 COMMUNITY. SO, THANK YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR THE WORK THAT YOU
2 DO. THIS ALSO INCLUDES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR EXISTING ADULT
3 AND SENIOR CARE FACILITIES AND CAPITAL SUBSIDIES FOR HOME KEY
4 PLUS PROGRAMS. WITH THE COUNTY JAILS SERVING AS ONE OF THE
5 LARGEST MENTAL CARE SERVICES IN THE NATION, SOMETHING THAT
6 JUST REALLY DOES BREAK MY HEART. WE MUST FOCUS EFFORTS ON
7 IMPROVING CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THOSE IN OUR CARE.
8 WE HAVE A MORAL AND ETHICAL OBLIGATION TO DO THIS. BECAUSE OF
9 THAT, I WAS HAPPY TO SEE THAT WE ARE WORKING TO REPLACE AN
10 AGING NETWORK EQUIPMENT IN JAIL FACILITIES WITH \$7,800,000 FOR
11 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I'M ALSO ENCOURAGED TO SEE MONEY
12 ALLOCATED TO SUPPORT NEW POSITIONS FOR THE SYTF, THE SECURED
13 YOUTH TREATMENT FACILITY YOUTH SUPPORT PROGRAM. THIS WILL FUND
14 LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR YOUTH TO OBTAIN DIVERSION AND ACCESS
15 TO INDIVIDUALIZED TREATMENT, EDUCATION, HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT,
16 AND MENTAL HEALTH CARE FOR OUR VULNERABLE JUSTICE INVOLVED
17 YOUTH. WE ARE ALSO PRIORITIZING THE CONTINUED HOUSING AND
18 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES NEEDS OF OUR RESIDENTS EXPERIENCING
19 HOMELESSNESS BY INCLUDING MORE THAN \$150,000,000 IN MEASURE H
20 FUNDS FOR PATHWAY HOME, THE SKID ROW ACTION PLAN, INTERIM
21 HOUSING, AND LIVED EXPERIENCE INTEGRATION. I WILL CONTINUE TO
22 ADVOCATE FOR THE COUNTY TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
23 TO SUPPORT OUR PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERS TO PROTECT OUR RESIDENTS
24 SO THEY CAN FULLY ENJOY THE BENEFITS OF ALL THE SERVICES THAT
25 WE PROVIDE. I WANT TO END ON THE NOTE THAT I AM PROUD OF THE



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1 RESILIENCY AND THE DEDICATION OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY FAMILY,
2 ESPECIALLY DURING A TIME WHEN RESIDENTS ARE ALREADY
3 EXPERIENCING IMMENSE DISTRESS. WHILE THERE IS MUCH
4 UNCERTAINTY, I REMAIN LASER FOCUSED ON PRIORITIZING ESSENTIAL
5 GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND PROVIDING SUSTAINABLE SAFETY NET FOR
6 OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.
7 AND I WOULD POINT OUT TO OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS, EACH ONE OF YOU
8 PROVIDES A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT AND VALUABLE SERVICE. AND
9 WHILE I APPRECIATE THAT EVERYONE CAN MAKE AN ARGUMENT AS TO
10 WHY THE CURTAILMENTS ARE GOING TO NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE
11 SERVICES THAT THEY DO. THIS WAS ACROSS THE BOARD. THE
12 CURTAILMENTS, AND FESIA, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, THE
13 CURTAILMENTS THAT YOU REQUIRED THE DEPARTMENTS TO DO WAS
14 ACROSS THE BOARD? WERE THE CURTAILMENTS THAT YOU REQUIRED THE
15 3%, WAS THAT ACROSS THE BOARD? TURN ON YOUR MIC.

16
17 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THAT WAS FOR MOST DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO HOW DID YOU DETERMINE WHO WOULD
20 NOT FALL INTO THAT CATEGORY?

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, WE FIGURED OUT THE NUMBER THAT WE NEEDED,
23 AND THEN WE KNOW SOME DEPARTMENTS, FOR EXAMPLE, LIKE THE
24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT STILL COMES IN EACH
25 YEAR WITH A DEFICIT. AND SO, IN ORDER FOR THEM TO CONTRIBUTE



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1 IN A MEANINGFUL WAY, THEY WOULD HAVE TO ACTUALLY CUT FIELD
2 POSITIONS, NOT JUST VACANCIES. SO, THEY HAVE VACANCIES, BUT
3 THEY STILL HAVE A DEFICIT. THEY WOULD HAVE TO CUT FIELD
4 POSITIONS. FIRST, THEY WOULD HAVE TO CUT ENOUGH TO FILL THEIR
5 DEFICIT NUMBER. THEN THEY WOULD HAVE TO CUT ADDITIONAL
6 POSITIONS TO BRING IN A POSITIVE NUMBER TO CONTRIBUTE TO WHAT
7 WE WERE LOOKING FOR THE CURTAILMENTS. THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS
8 ARE DEPARTMENTS THAT WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN THE FIRE RECOVERY,
9 WHICH ARE PUBLIC WORKS AND REGIONAL PLANNING, AND THEN THE
10 LAST DEPARTMENT WAS THE ASSESSOR. THE ASSESSOR ESSENTIALLY IS
11 THE REVENUE GENERATOR FOR THE COUNTY, AND SO ALTHOUGH WE KNOW
12 WE'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE, OR WE ANTICIPATE THAT WE'RE GOING
13 TO EXPERIENCE A COUPLE OF YEARS WHERE WE DON'T HAVE AN
14 INCREASE IN OUR REVENUE GROWTH, WE NEED THEM TO GET STAFF ON
15 BOARD SO THAT THEY CAN GET THEIR ASSESSORS TRAINED AS QUICKLY
16 AS POSSIBLE SO THEY CAN ASSESS AS MANY PROPERTIES AS POSSIBLE
17 TO BRING IN ADDITIONAL REVENUE.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** BY NOT REQUIRING THOSE DEPARTMENTS
20 TO TAKE THAT 3%, DID THAT PUT UNDUE IMPACT ON OTHER
21 DEPARTMENTS TO MAKE UP FOR THAT? OR DID YOU HAVE A DOLLAR
22 AMOUNT THAT YOU SET OUT AND THEN CAME UP WITH A 3% OR HOW DID
23 THAT COME TO BE? BECAUSE WHEN I HEAR, AND BELIEVE ME, WE'VE
24 ALL GOTTEN LETTERS FROM DIFFERENT DEPARTMENT HEADS ASKING FOR
25 US TO ADVOCATE FOR THEM. AND I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW



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1 WE'RE GOING TO TRIAGE THAT, BECAUSE I THINK EACH ONE OF US CAN
2 MAKE AN ARGUMENT. I MEAN, I TALKED ABOUT THE ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS
3 THAT I KNOW IN MY DISTRICT HAVE BEEN INCREDIBLE. HOW ARE YOU
4 GOING TO TRIAGE THAT?

5

6 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YEAH. WELL, LET ME GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE FOR
7 ASSESSOR. ASSESSOR IS THE REVENUE GENERATOR FOR THE COUNTY,
8 ONE OF THEM. THEY ARE THE TIP OF THE SPEAR. AND SO, I GUESS
9 THE QUESTION COMES DOWN TO YOU CAN CUT ASSESSOR AND THEREBY
10 IMPAIR YOUR ABILITY TO BRING ON REVENUE, WHICH WOULD IMPACT
11 EVERY DEPARTMENT, OR YOU COULD NOT HAVE THE ASSESSOR TAKE
12 CURTAILMENTS AND THEN HAVE THE REMAINING DEPARTMENTS TAKE A
13 DOLLAR AMOUNT. AND SO, IN SOME WAYS IT'S, THAT QUESTION IS A
14 VERY IMPORTANT ONE. I THINK THE DIFFERENT WAY TO ASK IT IS,
15 WHY WOULD YOU CUT THE REVENUE GENERATOR FOR THE COUNTY?
16 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THEY BRING IN REVENUE. WE KNOW THAT THE
17 ASSESSOR LEAVES ON THE TABLE, AND I DON'T WANT TO GET THE
18 NUMBER WRONG, BUT IT'S AN AMOUNT PROBABLY IN THE HUNDREDS OF
19 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT THEY COULD BRING ON IF THEY DID HAVE
20 ADDITIONAL STAFF. BUT BECAUSE OF THE BUDGETARY PRESSURES, AND
21 THERE ARE SO MANY DEMANDS ON THE BUDGET EVERY YEAR, WE'RE ONLY
22 ABLE TO PROVIDE THE ASSESSOR A FEW POSITIONS AT A TIME.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. I DON'T KNOW
25 IF, I'M HESITANT TO INVITE UP THE TREASURY TAX COLLECTOR, ONLY



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1 BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO PUT YOU IN THE SPOT, BUT IT WOULD HELP
2 ME TO UNDERSTAND BECAUSE SUPERVISOR HORVATH BROUGHT SOMETHING
3 UP, WHICH I AGREE HEALTH AND WELFARE ARE IMPORTANT, I'M TRYING
4 TO FIGURE OUT WHAT CRITERIA OUR CREDIT RATING LOOKS AT
5 BACKFILL AS IT RELATES TO HEALTH AND WELFARE. AND THE REASON
6 WHY I'M ASKING THAT IS BECAUSE MY GREATEST FEAR IS IT, AND BY
7 THE WAY, I'M REALLY PROUD OF THE TEAM, THE CREDIT RATING
8 REMAINED IN SPITE OF SOME OF THE ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO THE
9 \$4,000,000,000 AND ALL. BUT THE COST ASSOCIATED WITH
10 DOWNGRADING OUR CREDIT RATING WOULD CREATE THE NEED TO DO MORE
11 CUTS, CORRECT? OR NOT CORRECT?

12
13 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, WHAT I WOULD SAY IS THE DOWNGRADING OF
14 THE CREDIT RATING MAKES BORROWING MORE EXPENSIVE. EXACTLY, SO
15 AND WE'RE BORROWING. WE HAVE A SECOND PIECE BECAUSE WE ARE
16 ABOUT TO TAKE OUT A LARGE AMOUNT OF DEBT, YOU KNOW, LET'S JUST
17 SAY IN THE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, I WON'T DISCLOSE THE AMOUNT.
18 AND SO THAT COST, BASED ON AN INCREASED INTEREST RATE ON AN
19 ANNUAL AMOUNT, IT'S AN INCREASED COST, AND THEN WHEN YOU
20 MULTIPLY IT OVER 20 YEARS, THAT'S HOW LONG WE WILL BE PAYING
21 ON THE DEBT FOR AB218. IT HAS TO BE IN THE HUNDREDS OF
22 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO, I MEAN, SO IS THE ANSWER YES,
25 THEN WE'LL HAVE TO FIND ADDITIONAL REVENUE IN ORDER TO OFFSET



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1 OR PAY FOR THOSE BONDS?

2

3 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YES, WE WOULD HAVE TO IDENTIFY FUNDING,
4 WHETHER IT'S EXISTING FUNDING THROUGH CURTAILMENTS OR IF WE
5 CAN GROW OUR WAY OUT OF THE PROBLEM WITH ADDITIONAL REVENUE,

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WHICH I'M HOPING WILL HAPPEN. THE
8 ADDITIONAL REVENUE WOULD HELP. I'M HOPING THAT THE TIDES WILL
9 TURN IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS, BUT YOU CAN'T ASSUME.

10

11 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, WE NEED TWO THINGS. WE NEED THE TIDES TO
12 TURN, BUT EVEN IF THEY DON'T, WE ARE STILL, I THINK WE ARE
13 STILL, BASED ON THE ASSESSOR'S PRIOR PRESENTATIONS AND HIS
14 BUDGET PRESENTATION, WE'RE STILL LEAVING MONEY ON THE TABLE
15 RIGHT NOW. SO I WOULD ASK THEN THAT WE GET CLARIFICATION IN
16 TERMS OF WHAT WOULD TRIGGER BACKFILL, BECAUSE BASED ON THE
17 LINE OF QUESTIONING, MY SENSE IS THAT THIS DISCUSSION IS NOT
18 OVER, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US ESPECIALLY WITH OUR
19 BOND RATING I THINK IT WAS S&P OR MOODY'S MAYBE IT WAS MOODY'S
20 THAT WAS VERY POINT-BLANK.

21

22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** IT WAS MOODY'S.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ASKING ABOUT THAT SO I THINK IT'S
25 IMPORTANT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WOULD TRIGGER THAT



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1 DISCUSSION OR THAT DOWNGRADE, BECAUSE I REALLY DO BELIEVE THAT
2 IT SPEAKS VOLUMES NOT JUST TO THEM BUT TO ALL OF US THAT WE
3 DID NOT GET DOWNGRADED GIVEN THE FACT THEY KNEW THAT WE'RE
4 STILL NEGOTIATING WITH THE UNION, GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE ARE
5 SETTLING ON A \$4,000,000,000 LAWSUIT, AND YET THEY STILL
6 MAINTAIN, AND THAT'S A REFLECTION NOT ONLY OF THE DEPARTMENTS,
7 BUT ALSO OF THIS BOARD, BECAUSE THEY ALSO LOOK AT HOW WE
8 OPERATE WITH OUR BUDGET. AND SO, YOU KNOW, IT'S SOMETHING THAT
9 I THINK WE SHOULD BE PROUD OF, BUT ALSO RECOGNIZE WE HAVE TO
10 BE CAUTIOUS.

11
12 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** ABSOLUTELY, I'LL JUST SAY THIS ONE THING,
13 SUPERVISOR. BUDGET LETTERS ARE SOMETIMES DIFFICULT TO READ.
14 THEY'RE NOT THE MOST INTERESTING. THERE'S A LOT OF NUMBERS AND
15 ACRONYMS. PART OF THE REASON WHY WE PAINSTAKINGLY INCLUDE ALL
16 OF THAT DETAIL IS BECAUSE WE WANT PEOPLE TO KNOW, LIKE RATING
17 AGENCIES, HOW WE'RE FUNDING THINGS. WHAT THEY ARE VERY
18 INTERESTED IN IS WHAT WE DO WITH OUR LOCAL DOLLARS. AND SO,
19 EVERY OPPORTUNITY WE CAN IN OUR BUDGET LETTER WILL SAY, THIS
20 IS NCC. AND THEN WHEN IT'S NOT OUR LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUE,
21 IF IT'S AN OUTSIDE REVENUE SOURCE, MHSA, MEASURE A, MEASURE E,
22 WE ALSO POINT THAT OUT BECAUSE WE WANT TO DEMONSTRATE TO THEM
23 AND OTHERS, HERE'S WHAT WE'RE DOING WITH THE NCC, THOSE ARE
24 THE FUNDS THAT THE BOARD CAN CONTROL. AND SO, WE MADE A
25 STATEMENT IN MY PRESENTATION AND IN THE BOARD LETTER, NONE OF



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1 THESE POSITIONS THAT ARE BEING FUNDED IN THIS BUDGET PHASE ARE
2 BEING FUNDED WITH LOCAL DOLLARS. SO, TO YOUR POINT, WE'RE
3 TRYING TO BE TRANSPARENT AND MESSAGE TO FOLKS WHO ARE
4 INTERESTED IN THAT LEVEL OF DETAIL WHAT WE'RE DOING.

5

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

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED
9 TO FOLLOW UP ON A COMMENT THAT MADAM CEO MADE IN RESPONSE TO
10 SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME SAY THAT I BELIEVE
11 YOU HAVE BEEN AS CREATIVE AS YOU COULD BE GIVEN THE
12 CIRCUMSTANCES. I UNDERSTAND BLOOD DOESN'T COME FROM A TURNIP.
13 I GET THAT. I ALSO UNDERSTAND KIND OF THE GENERAL BUDGETING
14 EXERCISE AND THAT YOU CAN'T CUT YOUR REVENUE GENERATING
15 SOURCES. I GET THAT. THE QUESTION FOR ME, HOWEVER, IS YOU MADE
16 A COMMENT IN RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH THAT YOU NEEDED TO
17 EXERCISE A BALANCED APPROACH TO THE CURTAILMENT. AND SO I
18 WANTED TO KNOW IF YOU COULD TALK A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT THAT,
19 BECAUSE EVEN WITHIN A BUDGETING EXERCISE, WHEN YOU PROTECT
20 YOUR REVENUE GENERATING DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE WE ARE THE SAFETY
21 NET LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE
22 COMMUNITIES AND FAMILIES WHO WILL IMPACT, WHO WILL EXPERIENCE
23 A COMPOUNDED REALITY BECAUSE THEY QUALIFY FOR MULTIPLE
24 PROGRAMS THAT THE COUNTY OPERATES. AND SO, THEY WILL HAVE A
25 DISPROPORTIONATE EXPERIENCE BASED ON OUR CUTS. YOU KNOW,



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1 YOU'VE HEARD FROM EXAMPLES WE'VE ALL GIVEN. PARKS AFTER DARK,
2 I TALKED ABOUT THE REGIONAL PARKS. WE TALKED ABOUT THE HIV
3 CUTS. DPSS CURTAILMENTS AS AN EXAMPLE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THEY
4 ARE FACING A DIFFICULT DECISION OF REDUCING CALL CENTER HOURS.
5 WELL, WITH THE STATE REINSTATING ASSET TESTS, THAT'S GOING TO
6 PUT AN EXTRA BURDEN ON CALL CENTERS BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE NOW,
7 THE ASSET TEST WAS ALLEVIATED FOR A COUPLE YEARS. SO, PEOPLE
8 ARE NOW GOING TO HAVE TO DO QUARTERLY ASSET TESTS TO CONTINUE
9 TO QUALIFY FOR MEDI-CAL. AND SO, CALL CENTERS WILL PROBABLY
10 HAVE MORE WORKLOAD. YOU SEE WHAT I'M SAYING? YEAH. SO, HELP ME
11 UNDERSTAND BECAUSE I JUST HAVE TO SAY FROM A BUDGETARY
12 PHILOSOPHICAL PERSPECTIVE, I THINK KIND OF ACROSS-THE-BOARD
13 STRATEGIES, PARTICULARLY AT THIS LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT IS NOT
14 SMARTEST. THAT'S WE MAY HAVE TO AGREE TO DISAGREE ON THAT. SO,
15 WHEN YOU SAY A BALANCED APPROACH TO CURTAILMENTS, HELP ME
16 UNDERSTAND YOUR THEORY AND YOUR THINKING ON THAT.

17
18 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, I THINK THERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS.
19 FIRST OF ALL, WE TRY TO IDENTIFY, WE TRY TO SOLVE FOR THE
20 PROBLEM. AND LET'S JUST SAY IN THIS CASE IT'S A NUMBER. WE TRY
21 TO FIGURE OUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT THAT NUMBER IS. AND BACK IN
22 NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR, WE ASKED THE DEPARTMENTS TO DO A 3%, A
23 5%, OR WE HAD THEM DO MULTIPLE CURTAILMENT SCENARIOS. THIS IS
24 BEFORE THE FIRES, BEFORE THE CHANGE IN FEDERAL POLICY, BEFORE
25 THE ICE RAIDS, BEFORE WE FINALIZED AB218. BECAUSE OF THE



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1 AMOUNT OF TIME THAT IT TAKES TO PULL TOGETHER A CURTAILMENT
2 PLAN, WHAT WE DO IS WE ASK THE DEPARTMENTS, WE DON'T DICTATE
3 WHAT THE PLAN SHOULD BE. WE ASK THE DEPARTMENTS, TELL US WHAT
4 YOUR 3% CURTAILMENT LOOKS LIKE. WE HAD A FEW DEPARTMENTS THAT
5 GAVE US CURTAILMENT PLANS THAT WERE NOT WORKABLE, AND SO WE,
6 IN THAT THEY WOULD NOT HAVE GENERATED SAVINGS, OR WOULD NOT
7 HAVE CUT COSTS, AND SO WE REJECTED THOSE. I UNDERSTAND YOUR
8 POINT THAT TREATING EACH DEPARTMENT EQUALLY COULD RESULT IN
9 INEQUITY. AND PART OF THAT INEQUITY IS COMPOUNDED BY THINGS
10 THAT WE THINK THAT'S ON THE HORIZON ARE THINGS THAT ARE BEYOND
11 OUR CONTROL. AND SO, WHAT I WOULD SAY TO THAT IS, IN FUTURE
12 BUDGET PHASES, I MEAN, THERE ARE SOME THINGS WE, YOU KNOW, WE
13 THINK WE KNOW WHAT THE STATE IS GOING TO DO, BUT TODAY WE
14 DON'T, RIGHT? WE HOPE THAT THEY WOULD PASS THEIR BUDGET IN A
15 TIMELY FASHION, BUT IT'S POSSIBLE THAT THAT MAY NOT HAPPEN.
16 AND SO SOMETIMES WE ARE PLANNING FOR SOMETHING THAT WE KNOW
17 MAY OR MAY NOT HAPPEN. UNFORTUNATELY FOR US, WE DON'T HAVE A
18 LOT OF TIME TO TAKE INTO ALL OF THOSE FACTORS AND THEN PIVOT
19 AND ADJUST, PIVOT AND ADJUST, PIVOT AND ADJUST. WE'VE BEEN
20 PIVOTING, I FEEL LIKE, SINCE NOVEMBER. WE'VE GONE THROUGH
21 NUMEROUS SCENARIOS ON A NUMBER OF OUR OBLIGATIONS. AND SO, I'M
22 MINDFUL OF THE POINT THAT YOU'RE MAKING. MY HOPE IS AS WE WORK
23 WITH DEPARTMENTS THAT THEY CONSIDER THOSE THINGS AS WELL. AND
24 THEN HAVE, YOU KNOW, WHEN WE DO OUR INTERNAL BUDGET
25 PRESENTATIONS THAT WE'RE HAVING A CONVERSATION ABOUT THAT. THE



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1 LAST THING THAT I WILL SAY IS, THE CEO'S OFFICE IS WORKING ON
2 A NEW BUDGETING SYSTEM THAT WILL PROVIDE MORE INSIGHT INTO
3 DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS AND OTHER BUDGET UNITS THAN WE PROBABLY
4 HAVE EVER HAD BEFORE. AND THE HOPE IS THAT TOOL, THAT NEW
5 BUDGETING TOOL, WILL ALLOW US TO LOOK AT SOME OF THE VERY
6 THINGS THAT YOU ARE RAISING. NOT NECESSARILY THE OUTSIDE
7 FORCES. I CAN'T ACCOUNT FOR THAT. BUT WE CAN LOOK AT PROGRAMS
8 THAT ARE TOUTED AS VERY POPULAR, AND THEN WE CAN SEE, WE WILL
9 BE ABLE TO SEE, TELL US HOW MUCH OF YOUR UNSPENT FUND BALANCE
10 AT THE END OF THE YEAR WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THIS PARTICULAR
11 PROGRAM, AND LET'S HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT WHY. AND I THINK
12 THE ABILITY TO HAVE THOSE DISCUSSIONS AND HAVE THAT AMOUNT OF
13 DATA AND GRANULARITY HELPS PRODUCE MORE THOUGHTFUL PLANS
14 ACROSS THE BOARD.

15
16 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT, BECAUSE I THINK THE
17 ADDITIONAL DATA WILL CONTINUE TO HELP INFORM, I THINK YOUR
18 DEPARTMENT HEADS AS WELL AS US. AND I THINK THE KIND OF GLOBAL
19 KIND OF STATEMENT I JUST WANTED TO MAKE IS JUST AS YOU TALKED
20 ABOUT, YOU KNOW, IT'S COUNTERINTUITIVE TO CUT REVENUE
21 GENERATING UNITS. I WOULD HOPE THAT THIS BOARD WOULD SEND AS
22 CLEAR A MESSAGE, JUST LIKE OUR CARES FIRST JAIL'S LAST
23 CULTURE, THAT OUR CULTURE WOULD BE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE'RE
24 ASKING OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS AND YOU TO USE THE SCALPEL TO BE
25 REALLY CLEAR ABOUT WHAT OUR CORE FUNCTIONS ARE AS THE PROVIDER



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1 OF LAST RESORT AS THE SAFETY NET LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT AND THAT
2 THAT BE FRONT OF MIND AS YOU, WITH THIS ADDITIONAL DATA GO
3 THROUGH TO FIGURE OUT WHAT WE SHOULD CUT AND WHAT MUST BE
4 PROTECTED JUST AS REVENUE GENERATING UNITS ARE, JUST AS YOU
5 SAID THE SHERIFF, BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE UNFILLED POSITIONS,
6 JUST LIKE THOSE KIND OF PHILOSOPHIES ARE HELD ON HIGH. I HOPE
7 ACKNOWLEDGING THAT WE ARE, THE LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT WE ARE,
8 WILL ALSO BE HELD FRONT AND CENTER.

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** AND JUST A QUICK CLARIFICATION, THE SHERIFF'S
11 DEPARTMENT DOES HAVE UNFILLED POSITIONS, BUT IN ORDER FOR US
12 TO REALIZE REAL REVENUE, THEIR CURTAILMENT PLAN WOULD HAVE TO
13 INCLUDE FIELD POSITIONS.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL PROCEED
16 WITH PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUDGET ITEMS BEFORE WE BEGIN. EXECUTIVE
17 OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE
18 SPEAKING RULES.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. IF YOU
21 WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY DO SO IN PERSON
22 OR REMOTELY AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. TO JOIN REMOTELY,
23 PLEASE CALL 877-692-8955 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER
24 4433663. YOU WILL RECEIVE UP TO 90 SECONDS TO ADDRESS THE
25 BOARD ON ALL BUDGET ITEMS. PLEASE CLEARLY STATE YOUR NAME AND



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1 NOTE ONCE YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. WE WILL IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO
2 THE NEXT SPEAKER. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US
3 REMOTELY, PROMPTLY PRESS ONE, THEN ZERO TO BE MOVED FROM THE
4 LISTENING QUEUE TO THE SPEAKING QUEUE ON THESE ITEMS. REMEMBER
5 TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR DEVICE AS SOON AS THE
6 MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU OR THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. IF YOU MUTED
7 YOUR MICROPHONE, PLEASE REMEMBER TO UNMUTE WHEN YOU ARE CALLED
8 UPON. TO ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-PERSON AND TELEPHONIC
9 SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO SPEAKING QUEUES.
10 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR
11 SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE
12 FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO
13 NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND
16 WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC
17 SPEAKERS. THIS WILL BE PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL BUDGET ITEMS 1
18 THROUGH 5. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD
19 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. BAMBI SALCEDO, BYRON JOSE, HADIR
20 AZAB, L.A. BYRON, LORETTA LORRAINE, MAYA DANIELS, VANESSA
21 MELENDREZ, AND YESENIA COX. MODERATOR, CAN WE HAVE THE FIRST
22 REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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



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1 YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S ERIC PREVIN FROM STUDIO
4 CITY, AND THIS WILL BE A COMMENT ABOUT, YOU KNOW, OUR VALUES,
5 BECAUSE IT ISN'T JUST A FUNDING ISSUE. THIS IS SORT OF A MORAL
6 ISSUE. AND BY THE WAY, THANKS TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR THOSE
7 TOUCHING REMARKS ABOUT THE SAFETY NET. VERY, VERY IMPORTANT
8 AND DEEPLY MOVING. BUT LISTEN, WE HAVE THE MARINA DEL REY,
9 OKAY? THIS BRINGS IN IN EXCESS OF \$50,000,000 A YEAR FROM
10 LEASEHOLDS. JUST TWO THAT ARE ON THE DISCLOSURE TODAY, NEPTUNE
11 MARINA AND PCH BEACH ASSOCIATES, BROUGHT IN AN EXTRA \$160,000.
12 WHAT A GREAT START TO GETTING THE PARKS OPEN. OKAY, BECAUSE I
13 WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR. I THINK HAHN WAS ON THIS A LITTLE BIT
14 WITH THE POOLS. WE HAVE TO START AT THE GROUND LEVEL WHERE THE
15 PEOPLE ARE. WE HAVE TO OPEN PARKS, OKAY? STAFFING MAGIC
16 JOHNSON PARK AND WISHING TREE, I THINK, IS CRITICAL. NOW, OF
17 COURSE, THE OLYMPICS, WHICH ARE NOT MENTIONED IN YOUR BUDGET,
18 DROPPED. YOU KNOW, LA28 GAVE US \$160,000,000. I DON'T KNOW WHO
19 EXACTLY, FOR SWIM LESSONS. TERRIFIC. HOW ABOUT WE GET CARUSO,
20 WHO'S A LESSEE, AND THE OTHER BIG FAT, AND I MEAN THAT IN A
21 NICE WAY, LESSEES IN THE MARINA WHO HAVE MADE HAND, OVER,
22 FIST, SO MUCH MONEY, MAYBE THEY COULD PUT TOGETHER A KIND OF A
23 PHILANTHROPIC APPROACH AND MAYBE WE COULD GET THE GUYS FROM
24 AMERICAN GOLF WHO ARE DOING SUCH A GREAT JOB WITH THE REVENUE
25 OVER ON 13 OF THE 20 GOLF COURSES RUN BY WESTIN --



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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** RAY HUMPHRIES, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** EXACTLY ROY BUT YOU CAN CALL ME RAY HUMPHRIES HERE
7 ROLLING THE HIGHEST CALIFORNIA AND ACTUALLY THE ITEM FIVE KIND
8 OF SUMS IT ALL UP BECAUSE THE COUNTY AND STATE DESERVE WHAT
9 THEY GET. ALL OF THIS STUFF WAS FORESEEABLE AS WE HAVE THE
10 LEFT-WING FASCIST ARROGANCE WITH PERVERSION AND RACISM OF THIS
11 BOARD WITH SPECIAL THANKS TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SOLIS.
12 FISCAL NEGLIGENCE FOR DECADES EXACERBATE THE SPENDING OF
13 DOLLARS ON ILLEGAL ALIENS/MIGRANTS FOR DECADES AND THE BIDEN
14 INVASION. THE GANG OF FOUR DEMOCRAT PARTY ASSASSINS PERVERSE
15 CHILD MOLESTERS, YOU, ALCATRAZ AWAITS YOU. BLM IS A DISGRACE
16 IN SPENDING MONEY ON [EXPLETIVE]. GOD BLESS AMERICA. GOD BLESS
17 DONALD TRUMP AND PROTECT HIM.

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU PLEASE DIRECT YOUR
20 COMMENTS REGARDING THE BUDGET, PLEASE?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THIS ALL GOES AROUND TO THE BUDGET, YOUR SPENDING.
23 [EXPLETIVE].

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.



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1
2 **MODERATOR:** SHANNON CAMACHO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS SHANNON CAMACHO AND I'M WITH INCLUSIVE
5 ACTION FOR THE CITY. INCLUSIVE ACTION IS AN ECONOMIC JUSTICE
6 NONPROFIT AND CDFI THAT SERVES AND ADVOCATES ALONG SMALL
7 BUSINESSES AND MICRO-ENTREPRENEURS SUCH AS STREET VENDORS.
8 INCLUSIVE ACTION IS ALSO ONE OF THE CO-CHAIR ORGANIZATIONS OF
9 THE IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. COALITION. WE APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S
10 COLLABORATION WITH OUR COALITION AND THE TIME YOU'VE SPENT
11 HEARING FROM OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES THIS YEAR, BUT THIS
12 PROPOSED BUDGET DOES NOT MEET THE MOMENT. OUR IMMIGRANT
13 COMMUNITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE IN DIRE CIRCUMSTANCES DUE
14 TO THE ATTACKS FROM DHS. OUR COMMUNITIES ARE UNABLE TO WORK
15 AND ARE GOING TO STRUGGLE FOR YEARS TO BE ABLE TO PAY RENT,
16 ACCESS FOOD, AND OTHER RESOURCES. SMALL BUSINESSES ARE LOSING
17 WORKERS OVERNIGHT. STREET VENDORS ARE SCARED TO SET UP SHOP
18 AND WORK OUTSIDE. AND YOUTH ARE HAVING TO STEP IN TO SUPPORT
19 THEIR PARENTS AFTER THEIR PARENT IS DETAINED. THE ECONOMIC
20 FALLOUT IS ALREADY HERE AND OUR MOST VULNERABLE WORKERS AND
21 ENTREPRENEURS ARE THE ONES FEELING IT FIRST. IRLA INCLUDES
22 ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK DIRECTLY WITH STREET VENDORS AND
23 IMMIGRANT ENTREPRENEURS ACROSS THE COUNTY AND MANY ARE THE
24 SOLE PROVIDERS FOR THEIR FAMILIES AND CAN'T ACCESS TRADITIONAL
25 RELIEF SOURCES. OUR COMMUNITIES NEED CRITICAL RESOURCES AND WE



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1 ARE GLAD THAT THE RECENT MOTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE TO DCBA AND
2 DEO TO SUPPORT IMMIGRANTS THAT HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THESE
3 ATTACKS BUT WE ALSO NEED TO SEE LONG-TERM PERMANENT PROGRAMS
4 AND SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANTS IN L.A. COUNTY. RIGHT NOW,
5 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES ARE FACING RISING RENT, FEAR OF
6 DEPORTATION, AND EXCLUSION FROM CRITICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
7 PROGRAMS. HOUSING IS STILL THE NUMBER ONE CONCERN THAT WE'VE
8 HEARD ACROSS ALL FIVE --

9

10 **MODERATOR:** MARIAM RICH, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.
11 PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MEGAN. I'M A COMMUNITY
14 ENGAGEMENT INTERN WITH LAW DEFENSA. I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON
15 THE BUDGET AND TO URGE THE COUNTY TO INVEST IN REAL COMMUNITY
16 SAFETY THROUGH CARE, NOT PUNISHMENT. FIRST, I WANT TO SPEAK TO
17 THE ALARMING COORDINATION BETWEEN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
18 ICE. THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY IS ALREADY UNDER SO MUCH STRESS
19 AND SEEING LASD SUPPORT ICE RAIDS, BLOCKING PROTESTS AND
20 HELPING TARGET IMMIGRANT FAMILIES IS UNACCEPTABLE. SECOND, I
21 WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE NEED TO RESTORE FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC
22 DEFENDER'S OFFICE, CUTTING THEIR BUDGET WHILE INCREASING
23 FUNDING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SENDS THE WRONG MESSAGE ABOUT OUR
24 COUNTY'S PRIORITIES. FINALLY, I URGE YOU TO TAKE A HARD LOOK
25 AT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. THEY COST LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY BILLIONS IN SETTLEMENTS FROM ABUSE CASES, YET THEY
2 CONTINUE TO HOLD ON TO FUNDING FOR VACANT POSITIONS. THAT
3 MONEY SHOULD GO WHERE IT'S ACTUALLY NEEDED, LIKE YOUTH
4 SERVICES, HOUSING, AND CARE-BASED PROGRAMS THAT KEEP OUR
5 COMMUNITIES SAFE AND WHOLE. THANK YOU.

6

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** BEA CURIAL. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VICK RIEL. I'M
12 SERVING AS THE MANAGER OF TRAINING AND POLICY WITH THE TRANS-
13 LATINO COALITION. THIS BUDGET SEASON, I DO WANT TO THANK YOU,
14 SUPERVISORS, FOR VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE TGIWE AND FORD'S PD
15 IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS. YOUR ABILITY TO FIND THE TIME TO SPEAK
16 AND TRULY LISTEN TO YOUR CONSTITUENTS IS SEEN AND NOT TAKEN
17 FOR GRANTED. I DO WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE VULNERABILITY THAT TGI
18 YOUTH AND AGING POPULATIONS ARE IN TERMS OF NEW HOUSING AND
19 JUST NEGATIVE HEALTH OUTCOMES. WITH THE TGIWE, I REALLY
20 APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT. I ALSO WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF
21 CSCI, THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT. I'VE SEEN THESE
22 FUNDS HELP PEOPLE BE HOUSED AND HELP PEOPLE BE CONNECTED TO
23 MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THAT LEAD TO MORE SUPPORT. SO, I JUST
24 REALLY WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE NEED FOR THIS TYPE OF CARE AT
25 COMMUNITY FIRST INVESTMENT FOR OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS. I DO



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1 WANT TO JUST THANK AND THANKFUL FOR YOU TO REALLY SEE THE NEED
2 IN THESE EFFORTS TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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

5
6 **MODERATOR:** YARITA GONZALEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7
8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS YARITA GONZALEZ AND I'M HERE
9 WITH CARECEN, THE CENTRAL AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER, AND IRLA,
10 THE IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. COALITION. WE APPRECIATE YOUR ONGOING
11 COOPERATION WITH OUR COALITION AND THE TIME YOU SPENT HEARING
12 FROM IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES THIS YEAR. BUT THIS PROPOSED BUDGET
13 DOES NOT MEET THE MOMENT. AS A LEGAL SERVICE PROVIDER,
14 GUTTISON SUPPORTS IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES THROUGH PROGRAMS LIKE
15 REPRESENTLA, WHICH FUNDS CRITICAL LEGAL SERVICES. WE
16 APPRECIATE THE \$5,500,000 THAT HAS BEEN ALLOCATED TO REPRESENT
17 L.A., BUT IT IS CRUCIAL THAT THE COUNTY INCREASE FUNDING TO
18 \$6,000,000 TO MEET THE INCREASED DEMAND FOR LEGAL SERVICES. IT
19 IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT DURING THIS TIME WHEN IMMIGRANTS
20 CONTINUE TO FACE THREATS OF MASS DEPORTATIONS FROM THE CURRENT
21 ADMINISTRATION. ALSO, WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT AND DOCUMENT
22 SENIORS WITH A GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST \$12,000,000 TO
23 LAUNCH AN EXPANDED BREEVE PROGRAM, PROTECT IMMIGRANT WORKERS
24 WITH \$2,000,000 FOR THE NEW WORKER JUSTICE FUND, AND PREVENT
25 HOMELESSNESS BY INVESTING \$20,000,000 FOR THE SUB PROGRAM



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1 UNDER THE FLEXIBLE HOUSING SUBSIDY POOL TO HELP IMMIGRANT
2 FAMILIES STAY HOUSED. THANK YOU.

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

5
6 **MODERATOR:** MARY CODY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7
8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARY ELLEN WITH
9 CHEERLESS SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A., A
10 COALITION OF OVER 100 IMMIGRANT-SERVING ORGANIZATIONS. WE
11 APPRECIATE YOUR ONGOING COLLABORATION WITH OUR COALITION AND
12 THE TIME YOU SPENT HEARING FROM OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES THIS
13 YEAR. BUT THIS PROPOSED BUDGET SIMPLY IS NOT RESPONSIVE TO THE
14 CURRENT SOCIAL AND POLITICAL LANDSCAPE. IMMIGRANTS ARE FACING
15 AN ATTACK ON MULTIPLE FRONTS. WHILE THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION
16 MILITARIZES OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, IMMIGRANTS FEAR DEPORTATION,
17 AND THIS IS ALL AGAINST A BACKDROP OF RISING RENT IN LOS
18 ANGELES AND EXCLUSION FROM CRITICAL PROGRAMS. HOUSING IS STILL
19 THE NUMBER ONE CONCERN REPORTED ACROSS ALL FIVE DISTRICTS AND
20 THAT'S WHY EERLA IS CALLING FOR A \$20,000,000 EXPANSION TO THE
21 FLEXIBLE HOUSING SUBSIDY POOL TO REACH IMMIGRANTS WHO ARE
22 LOCKED OUT OF FEDERAL AND STATE AID. WE ALSO URGE YOU TO FUND
23 A GUARANTEED BASIC INCOME PILOT FOR OLDER IMMIGRANTS AGING
24 WITHOUT A SAFETY NET. THESE ARE LONG-TIME COMMUNITY MEMBERS
25 WHO DESERVE DIGNITY AND STABILITY. IMMIGRANTS POWER LOS



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1 ANGELES AND THE BUDGET MUST REFLECT OUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

2

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

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

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

10

11 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS MAI DANIELS. MY PRONOUNS ARE THEY THEM,
12 AND I'M THE POLICY ASSOCIATE WITH THE TRANSLATINA COALITION.
13 WE FIRST WANT TO SAY THAT WE'RE THANKFUL TO THOSE IN THE
14 COUNTY THAT SINCERELY SEE THAT THE FIGHT FOR EQUITY, RACIAL
15 JUSTICE, AND LGBTQIA+ RIGHTS ARE ALL CONNECTED AND WISH FOR
16 THE TGI PEOPLE TO BUILD CAPACITY TO ACCURATELY ADDRESS THE
17 ISSUES IMPACTING OUR COMMUNITIES. THE TGI COMMUNITY,
18 TRANSGENDER, GENDER EXPANSIVE, AND INTERSEX HAS LONG FACED
19 CHALLENGES AND I'M ALSO A CO-CHAIR FOR THE TRANSATLANTIC
20 MOVEMENT. THE TGI COMMUNITY HAS LONG FACED CHALLENGES AND
21 DISCRIMINATION AND NOW MORE THAN EVER WITH BLATANT INTOLERANCE
22 AND HATE BREWING, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE RAISE AWARENESS AND
23 STAND IN SOLIDARITY AGAINST HATE. I ALSO REPRESENT THE
24 TRANSATINA COALITION AS A CO-CHAIR FOR IMMIGRANTS IRLA. THIS
25 BUDGET MUST MEET THE MOMENT AND RESPOND TO THE IMMIGRANT



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1 HOUSING CRISIS THAT IS ONLY BEING INTENSIFIED BY THE ONGOING
2 ICE RAIDS IN FEDERAL HOSTILITY. THANK YOU TO THE BOARD AND
3 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR COLLABORATING WITH IRLA AND IMMIGRANT
4 SERVING ORGANIZATIONS OVER THE PAST YEAR. OUR COALITION AND
5 THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY WE SERVE STANDS READY TO SUPPORT
6 IMPLEMENTATION, PARTICIPATE IN STAKEHOLDER SESSIONS, AND HELP
7 SHAPE AN EFFECTIVE RESPONSE THAT PROTECTS OUR IMMIGRANT
8 ANGELENOS. THANK YOU.

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

11
12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, GREETINGS, BEAUTIFUL AND AMAZING
13 PEOPLE. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE
14 BEFORE YOU. MY NAME IS BAMBI SALCEDO, AND I DO HAVE THE
15 PRIVILEGE TO BE THE PRESIDENT AND THE CEO OF THE TRANSLATINA
16 COALITION, WHICH IS THE BIGGEST TRANSGENDER ORGANIZATION IN
17 THE UNITED STATES. WE'RE SO GRATEFUL TO BE HERE AND TO THANK
18 YOU. THANK YOU FOR BEING INTENTIONAL IN YOUR WORK. I KNOW THAT
19 IT IS REALLY HARD TO MAKE DECISIONS THAT IMPACT THE LIVES OF
20 PEOPLE, BUT I DO WANT TO APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT ALL OF YOU
21 MADE POSSIBLE THE TGIWE UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF OUR SUPERVISOR
22 HORVATH. I ALSO WANT TO UPLIFT AND HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF
23 SUPPORTING IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
24 ALSO SUPPORTING THE IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. AND THE WORK THAT
25 WE'RE ALL DOING. THE TRANS-LATINO COALITION IS ONE OF THE SIX



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1 ORGANIZATIONS THAT IS LEADING THIS WORK AND AS YOU KNOW,
2 EVERYTHING THAT IS HAPPENING RIGHT NOW, TRANS PEOPLE IS ALSO
3 IMPACTED. I CAN TELL YOU THAT AT LEAST SIX OF OUR CLIENTS HAVE
4 BEEN PICKED UP BY ICE DURING THEIR APPOINTMENTS, DURING THE
5 COURT HEARINGS. AND SO, THIS IS A REAL ISSUE THAT IMPACT OUR
6 COMMUNITY AS WELL. AND I JUST WANT TO TAKE THIS TIME, THIS
7 MOMENT TO SAY THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN SO MUCH FOR BEING YOU AND
8 FOR BEING PART OF OUR --

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

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12 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, YOU ALREADY KNOW I'M MS. LORETTA LORRAINE. I'M
13 THE MOTHER OF ALL THE TRANSGENDERS. I'M WEARING THE SALVADOR
14 FLAG ON ME. I'M GOING TO WEAR ALL THE NATIONS BECAUSE I HAVE
15 SO MANY CHILDREN FROM ALL NATIONS. I DO WANT TO HAVE A MEETING
16 WITH YOU, HAHN, AND MISS LINDSEY, PERSON TO PERSON. I CALL
17 YOUR OFFICE, BUT YOUR PEOPLE ALWAYS PUT ME ON HOLD. MS.
18 MITCHELL, I HAD TO THANK YOU. I HAD TO THANK ALL OF Y'ALL FOR
19 DOING SO MUCH. I ALWAYS SUPPORT MS. BAMBI, BECAUSE MS. BAMBI
20 BURIED PEOPLE. I'VE SEEN A GIRL THAT JUST GOT HER CITIZENSHIP
21 AND WAS MURDERED A WEEK AFTER THAT. AND MS. BAMBI'S ALWAYS
22 BEEN THERE WITH ALL COLORS AND ALL SHAPES. BECAUSE PEOPLE, I
23 WOULDN'T BE HERE, BECAUSE I KEEP IT REAL. IF YOU PISSSED ME
24 OFF, I WOULD TELL YOU, BECAUSE I'M OLD SCHOOL, LIKE YOU OVER
25 THERE. AND I LOVE IT. I LOVE THE REALNESS. I LOVE WHAT WE



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1 REPRESENT. I'M FROM THE UNITED STATES. IT'S NONSENSE WHAT THIS
2 PRESIDENT'S DOING TO US, BECAUSE IT'S REALLY NONSENSE. IT, YOU
3 KNOW, I WAS BORN HERE IN USA. I'M PUERTO RICAN AND CREOLE, AND
4 I'M PROUD OF THAT. BUT I AM SO UPSET AT OUR ADMINISTRATION
5 THAT WE HAVE THIS FOOL IN OFFICE. BUT IT'S ALL RIGHT BECAUSE
6 WE'RE GOING TO OVERCOME THIS. WE HAVE TO ALL COME TOGETHER AND
7 MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THAT'S WHY I'M HERE WITH MS. BAMBI SALCIDO
8 BECAUSE SHE HAS BURIED RUSSIAN GIRLS, MEXICAN GIRLS, FROM
9 GUATEMALA, AFRICAN, AMERICAN, AFRICAN, EVERYBODY FROM ALL
10 NATIONS, AND I'M HERE FOR ALL OF YOU. AND I LOVE YOU. I WANT
11 TO HAVE A MEETING WITH YOU AND YOU, NOW WITH YOUR SECOND
12 HANDS, PLEASE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

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16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BYRON JOSE WITH THE TRANSLATINA
17 COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A.. THANK YOU TO THE CENTER FOR
18 HEALTH EQUITY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR ADVANCING
19 THE TGI WELLNESS AND EQUITY INITIATIVE APPROVED BY THIS BOARD.
20 SIMILARLY, WITH THE TWO-SPIRIT TGI UNIT WITHIN CDPH, WE'RE
21 REALLY GLAD TO SEE BOTH OUR STATE AND OUR COUNTY TRULY STEP
22 UP, TRULY MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S AN EQUITABLE INVESTMENT AND
23 THAT ITS BUDGET REFLECTS ITS VALUE OF INCLUSIVITY AND EQUITY.
24 SO, THANK YOU FOR ADVANCING THAT WORK. WE, CEO DAVENPORT,
25 PLEASE BORE US WITH THE DETAILS. WE'D DEFINITELY LOVE TO HEAR



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1 HOW YOUR OFFICE KIND OF CALCULATES WHERE OUR TAXPAYERS GO AND
2 HOW YOUR OFFICE KIND OF SHIFTS WHAT GETS ALLOCATED OR NOT TO
3 CFCI. BUT WE'LL BE HERE TOMORROW, SO WE'LL HAVE THAT
4 CONVERSATION. WE DEFINITELY LOOK FORWARD TO THIS BOARD TO
5 CONTINUE TO ADVANCE INITIATIVES THAT ARE LIFE-SUSTAINING, BUT
6 ALSO LIFE-AFFIRMING. SPECIFICALLY, OBVIOUSLY, CONTINUING TO
7 SEE CUTS AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL AND WE ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO
8 WORKING WITH YOUR STAFFERS AND YOUR DEPUTIES TO TRULY CALL THE
9 CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO PARTNER WITH THIS BOARD, TO PARTNER
10 WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S AN EQUITABLE
11 INVESTMENT IN OUR COMMUNITIES. BEYOND GENDER-AFFIRMING CARE,
12 BEYOND HOUSING SUBSIDIES, THERE ARE DIFFERENT WAYS THAT THE
13 BOARD CONTINUES TO ENSURE THAT THEY REFLECT IN OUR BODIES AND
14 NOT JUST CONTINUE TO PUT MONEY TO THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND
15 TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE SO WE CONTINUE TO PAY OUT LIABILITIES
16 TIME AND TIME AGAIN AND HAVE TO CUT SALARIES IN DEPARTMENTS.
17 THANK YOU.

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

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21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M YESENIA KUSH
22 WITH COFEM, THE COUNCIL OF MEXICAN FEDERATIONS. WE ARE ONE OF
23 THE SIX CO-CHAIRS OF THE IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. COALITION. FIRST,
24 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE ONGOING COLLABORATION WITH IRLA
25 AND OUR PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS OVER THE PAST YEAR. OUR



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1 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES HAVE SHOWN UP AT LISTENING SESSIONS,
2 POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE MEETINGS AND COUNTLESS OF L.A. COUNTY
3 HEARINGS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENTS. NOW THE BUDGET MUST SHOW
4 UP FOR THEM. THIS YEAR'S BUDGET MUST MEET THE MOMENT AND
5 RESPOND TO THE HOUSE'S CRISIS INTENSIFIED BY ICE RAIDS AND
6 FEDERAL EXCLUSION. IMMIGRANTS ACROSS ALL FIVE DISTRICTS
7 CONTINUE TO VOICE THE SAME CONCERN, HOUSING. THAT'S WHY IRLA
8 IS CALLING FOR A \$20,000,000 DEDICATED FOR IMMIGRANTS FROM AN
9 IMMIGRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE FLEXIBLE HOUSING SUBSIDY POOL.
10 THIS INVESTMENT COULD PREVENT HOMELESSNESS FOR 6,000 TO 8,000
11 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES WHO ARE EXCLUDED FROM OTHER SAFETY NETS.
12 MEASURE A PRESENTS A POWERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO DO WHAT FEDERAL
13 DOLLARS OFTEN CAN, REACH IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES WHO ARE
14 CONSISTENTLY LEFT OUT. WE ALSO URGE YOU TO FUND \$12,000,000
15 FOR A TWO-YEAR GUARANTEED BASIC INCOME PILOT PROGRAM TO
16 PROVIDE \$1,000 PER MONTH FOR IMMIGRANT SENIORS AGE 65 AND
17 OLDER. ACROSS L.A. COUNTY CAREGIVERS, STREET VENDORS, DAY
18 LABORERS, AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS, PEOPLE WHO CARE FOR LOVED
19 ONES, AND POWER OUR ECONOMY ARE BEING TARGETED WITHOUT DUE
20 PROCESS. LIKE OTTO FRANK WHO HIDE HIS FAMILY IN 1942 DURING
21 THE HOLOCAUST TO PROTECT THEM FROM PERSECUTION. MANY IMMIGRANT
22 FAMILIES TODAY LIVE WITH THAT SAME FEAR, AFRAID TO GO TO WAR -
23 -

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VANESSA
3 MELENDREZ, AND I'M WITH THE FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER, AND I'M
4 ALSO A PART OF THE EAR LUG COALITION. AND I'M JUST GOING TO
5 UPLIFT SOME OF WHAT THEY'VE ALREADY SAID. WE ALSO APPRECIATE
6 YOUR ONGOING COLLABORATION WITH OUR ORGANIZATION AND THE TIME
7 THAT YOU'VE ALREADY SPENT HEARING US OUT. BUT RIGHT NOW, THE
8 PROPOSED BUDGET DOES NOT MEET THE MOMENT ENTIRELY. RIGHT NOW,
9 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES ARE FACING RISING RENT, THE OBVIOUS FEAR OF
10 DEPORTATION, THE EXCLUSION FROM CRITICAL PROGRAMS AS WELL. SO
11 HOUSING IS STILL THE NUMBER ONE CONCERN WE HEARD ACROSS ALL
12 FIVE DISTRICTS. AND THAT'S WHY IRLA IS CALLING FOR \$20,000,000
13 TO EXPAND THE FLEXIBLE HOUSING SUBSIDY POOL TO REACH
14 IMMIGRANTS WHO ARE LOCKED OUT OF FEDERAL AND STATE AID, AS WE
15 KNOW. WE ALSO URGE YOU TO FUND AS MY COLLEAGUE MENTIONED THE
16 GUARANTEED BASIC INCOME PILOT PROGRAM FOR OLDER IMMIGRANTS WHO
17 ARE AGING WITHOUT A SAFETY NET BUT WHO CONTRIBUTE SO MUCH TO
18 OUR ECONOMY AND OUR COMMUNITY AS WE ALL KNOW. THESE ARE LONG-
19 TIME COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO DESERVE DIGNITY AND STABILITY.
20 IMMIGRANTS POWER LOS ANGELES AND THE BUDGET SHOULD REFLECT
21 THAT AS WELL. THANK YOU GUYS SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

22

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

24

25 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS HADIR AZAB. I'M WITH THE



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1 COUNCIL ON AMERICAN-ISLAMIC RELATIONS GREATER LOS ANGELES
2 CHAPTER, AS WELL AS HERE REPRESENTING AS ONE OF THE CO-CHAIRS
3 OF IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A.. AND I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT
4 ONE IN CHINATOWN. I WANT TO FIRST THANK THE BOARD, AS MY
5 COLLEAGUES HAVE PREVIOUSLY IN THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR
6 WORKING AND MEETING WITH IRLA. HOWEVER, WE KNOW AND AS YOU ALL
7 HAVE SAID BEFORE THAT THE BUDGET MUST MEET THE MOMENT AND
8 RESPOND TO THE CURRENT IMMIGRANT HOUSING CRISIS WHICH WE KNOW
9 HAS BEEN INTENSIFIED BY THE ICE RAIDS. WE'RE CALLING FOR
10 IMMEDIATE TANGIBLE INVESTMENTS IN HOUSING AND GUARANTEED
11 INCOME FOR IMMIGRANTS. IMMIGRANTS HAVE SHOWN UP TO LISTENING
12 SESSIONS, POLICY MEETINGS, AND PUBLIC COMMENT WITH YOUR
13 OFFICES. NOW THE BUDGET MUST SHOW UP FOR THEM. IMMIGRANTS,
14 ESPECIALLY THOSE EXCLUDED FROM STATE AND FEDERAL AID, FACE
15 SKYROCKETING RENTS, OVERCROWDING, AND GROWING EVICTION RISKS.
16 SPECIFICALLY, THIS IS WHY WE ARE CALLING FOR WHAT MY
17 COLLEAGUES MENTIONED, WHICH IS THE \$20,000,000 FLEXIBLE
18 HOUSING SUBSIDY POOL TO REACH IMMIGRANTS WHO ARE LOCKED OUT OF
19 FEDERAL AND STATE AID, SPECIFICALLY AS GROWING CONCERNS FOR
20 DEPORTATION AND MAIN INCOME EARNERS OF THE HOUSEHOLDS ARE
21 BEING KIDNAPPED. MEASURE A ALLOCATIONS ARE NOT FINALIZED YET
22 AND MAY NOT ADEQUATELY ADDRESS THIS URGENT GAP. WE ALSO URGE
23 YOU TO FUND THE GUARANTEED BASIC INCOME PILOT FOR IMMIGRANTS
24 WHO ARE AGING WITHOUT A SAFETY NET. IMMIGRANTS AS WE KNOW ARE
25 THE CORE OF LOS ANGELES AND IT IS OUR JOB AND YOUR JOB TO MAKE



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1 SURE THAT THEY REMAIN AS SUCH. THANK YOU.

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

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5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS JESSICA LAGOS AND I'M HERE
6 TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF GOODWILL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN
7 STRONG SUPPORT OF CONTINUED FUNDING FOR L.A.:RISE, A LIFE-
8 CHANGING PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES,
9 STABILITY, AND HOPE TO OUR NEIGHBORS EXPERIENCING
10 HOMELESSNESS. WE OFTEN TALK ABOUT HOUSING AS A SOLUTION TO
11 HOMELESSNESS, AND YES, STABLE HOUSING IS CRITICAL, BUT WHAT
12 HAPPENS NEXT? WHAT HAPPENS WHEN SOMEONE MOVES INTO HOUSING BUT
13 STILL HAS NO INCOME, NO JOB, NO SENSE OF PURPOSE OR SECURITY?
14 THAT'S WHERE L.A.:RISE STEPS IN. THIS PROGRAM ISN'T JUST A
15 TEMPORARY FIX. IT'S A WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE DESIGNED
16 SPECIFICALLY FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN LEFT OUT OF THE JOB
17 MARKET. IT OFFERS PAID TRANSITIONAL EMPLOYMENT, ON-THE-JOB
18 TRAINING, CAREER COACHING, AND CONNECTIONS TO PERMANENT JOBS.
19 OVER THE PAST DECADE, WE HAVE SERVED OVER 1,500 INDIVIDUALS
20 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND SUCCESSFULLY PLACED OVER 600
21 PARTICIPANTS INTO EMPLOYMENT. TO MAXIMIZE OUR IMPACT AND
22 STRETCH EVERY DOLLAR, WE CONSISTENTLY BRAID FUNDING WITH OUR
23 AJCCS AND WORKSOURCE CENTERS. THIS ALLOWS US TO OVER ENROLL
24 PARTICIPANTS RECOGNIZING THAT GIVEN THE CHALLENGES THIS
25 POPULATION FACES, SOME INDIVIDUALS MAY DISENGAGE OR RELOCATE.



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1 NEVERTHELESS, OUR COMMITMENT REMAINS TO SERVE AS MANY PEOPLE
2 AS POSSIBLE WITH THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE. HOMELESSNESS WON'T
3 END WHEN SHELTER ALONE, IT ENDS WHEN PEOPLE HAVE A REASON TO
4 WAKE UP IN THE MORNING, A PAYCHECK TO SUPPORT THEMSELVES, AND
5 A PATH TO LONG-TERM INDEPENDENCE. SO PLEASE KEEP INVESTING IN
6 L.A.:RISE AND KEEP BELIEVING IN THE POWER OF WORK.

7

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

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10 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME'S DAVID GUSTAFSON. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF
11 GOODWILL AS WELL. I DID GO THROUGH THE L.A.:RISE PROGRAM. I
12 EXPERIENCED HOMELESSNESS. I FELT LIKE THE SYSTEM WAS STACKED
13 AGAINST ME, AS YOU MENTIONED. I AM JUSTICE INVOLVED AS WELL. I
14 HAD A LOT OF BARRIERS THAT STOPPED ME FROM GETTING WORK. THE
15 L.A.:RISE PROGRAM HELPED ME TO GET THROUGH THAT. THEY
16 EMPOWERED ME TO BECOME SOMETHING BETTER THAN I THOUGHT I COULD
17 BE. WITHOUT PROGRAMS LIKE THIS, THERE'S A LOT THAT'S NOT GOING
18 TO CHANGE. EVEN WITH THE HOMELESS SERVICES, I WENT THROUGH
19 THAT. IT DIDN'T REALLY HELP ME OUT. L.A.:RISE DID MAKE ME A
20 BETTER PERSON. IT GAVE ME THAT OPPORTUNITY TO GROW WITH
21 GOODWILL AS A COMPANY. I BECAME AN OPERATIONS MANAGER AND I'M
22 STRIVING TO BECOME A GENERAL MANAGER AS WELL. SO PLEASE KEEP
23 THEM IN MIND. THEY'RE A GREAT ORGANIZATION THAT DOES HELP THE
24 COMMUNITY. THEY HELP ME GET OFF THE STREETS AND I'M OUR PRIME
25 EXAMPLE OF WHAT CAN HAPPEN. THANK YOU GUYS.



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

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ADRIANA. I COME FROM THE ANTELOPE
5 VALLEY, PALMDALE AREA AND I'M HERE SUPPORTING IRLA. I WOULD
6 LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE ECONOMIC RELIEF FOR IMPACTED
7 COMMUNITIES BY THE ONGOING RAIDS AND ALSO FOCUSING ON RENTAL
8 SUPPORT OUT IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THERE'S A LOT OF NECESSITY
9 FOR THAT RIGHT NOW WITH A LOT OF HOMELESSNESS. THE AV IS VERY,
10 IT'S A NEED RIGHT NOW WITH RENTING HOME. THERE'S A LOT OF
11 JUVENILES WHO ARE OUT IN THE STREETS AS WELL AS VETERANS, BUT
12 I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MORE, HOW CAN I SAY, HELP OUT IN THE
13 COMMUNITY WHERE WE LIVE, PALMDALE, LANCASTER, CORTELL, MORE
14 SUPPORT FOR WHAT'S GOING ON RIGHT NOW? THANK YOU.

15

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

17

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

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN WE GET A TRANSLATOR, PLEASE?

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22 **SPEAKER:** I CAN SAY IN ENGLISH TOO. YEAH. OKAY, MY NAME IS
23 OSCAR. I'M PART OF THE SALVA ORGANIZATION AND DISTRICT FIVE,
24 MISS BARGER. AND WE ARE COLLABORATING WITH THIS AMAZING
25 COALITION, IRLA, AND YOU KNOW WHAT IS THE NECESSITY IN



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1 ANTELOPE VALLEY, ESPECIALLY WITH THE HOMELESS, ESPECIALLY WITH
2 THE ACCESS FOR LANGUAGES, AND THE ACCESS FOR JUST HOUSING
3 RIGHT NOW IS A CRISIS OVER THERE, SO WE NEED YOU GUYS JUST
4 TAKE YOUR TIME AND JUST KNOW WHAT'S THE NECESSITY AND THE
5 SOLUTIONS THAT WE NEED BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, YOU'RE
6 GOING TO TAKE THE DECISION WHAT THOSE FAMILIES LIVE, WHAT THE
7 FAMILIES SUFFER RIGHT NOW. SO, YOU CAN PROBABLY NOT MAKE THE
8 WHOLE SOLUTION BUT YOU CAN RELIEVE THOSE FAMILIES. AND WE'RE
9 WORKING WITH THEM WITH MENTAL HEALTH TOO. WE NEED MORE MONEY
10 FOR THAT ONE, ESPECIALLY IN THE NORTH OF OUR COUNTRY, BECAUSE
11 WE ARE THE LAST TWO CITIES, AND THE LANCASTER, AND WE'RE
12 WORKING OVER THEIR HEART, TRY TO, THESE FAMILIES RECEIVE THE
13 RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE HERE, ESPECIALLY IN L.A. THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD.

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
19 ON THESE ITEMS.

20
21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I SEE THAT SUPERVISOR
22 HORVATH WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK AS FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO
25 THANK EVERYONE WHO CAME TO SPEAK. I THINK THE TESTIMONY HAS



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1 BEEN INCREDIBLY MOVING AND I THINK HIGHLIGHTS WHY IT'S
2 IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE ONGOING ENGAGEMENT AS WE MOVE INTO
3 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PHASE. WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT WHERE WE
4 ARE CURRENTLY FALLING SHORT, THAT WE ARE KEEPING UP WITH
5 WHATEVER THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE LOOKS LIKE, BECAUSE THE
6 STORIES THAT WE'RE HEARING JUST HIGHLIGHT WHAT A ROLE THE
7 COUNTY HAS TO PLAY WITH THE CHALLENGES THAT WE'RE FACING AND
8 WHERE PEOPLE ARE COMING FOR HELP. AND SO, I APPRECIATE THAT
9 ENGAGEMENT. WE ARE LISTENING AND TRACKING IT. AND I HOPE THAT
10 COMMUNITIES WILL STAY ENGAGED WITH US IN THIS DIALOGUE,
11 ESPECIALLY THIS YEAR GIVEN ALL OF THE CHALLENGES THAT WE'RE
12 FACING. THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.
15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANT TO
18 NOTE THE IMMIGRANT GROUPS THAT ARE HERE. I HOPE THAT YOU ARE
19 COLLABORATING WITH THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS. WE HAVE
20 VERY CAPABLE STAFF THAT CAN ASSIST RIGHT NOW, AND THERE ARE
21 COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS TO GET ASSISTANCE OUT FOR PEOPLE,
22 ESPECIALLY RENTERS THAT ARE BEING EVICTED. SO, I WOULD
23 ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO THAT, AND I'M SURE MY STAFF WILL BE HAPPY
24 TO SIT WITH YOU EVEN THOUGH WE DON'T REPRESENT ALL OF THE
25 AREAS THAT YOU GEOGRAPHICALLY MENTIONED, BUT WE DO HAVE THE



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1 ABILITY TO COORDINATE AND I'M SURE CERTAIN THAT THAT'S
2 SOMETHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO DO. AND I KNOW LAST
3 FRIDAY THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES HAD A MEETING, TELEPHONE
4 CONFERENCE MEETING WITH OTHER GROUPS AND CCF, MIGUEL SANTANA
5 AS WE KNOW, IS AGREEING TO HELP PROVIDE ASSISTANCE MONETARY.
6 AND I KNOW THE MAYOR HAS ASKED ME TO JOIN. I KNOW THAT'S
7 SOMETHING THAT I THINK ALL THE BOARD OFFICES OR SOME OF US
8 WILL WANT TO BE ENCOURAGED TO GET INVOLVED IN TO HELP EXPAND
9 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE WHO ARE LOSING THEIR JOBS AND
10 NEED EVICTION ASSISTANCE RIGHT NOW AND OTHER SUPPORT. SO
11 THAT'S JUST FYI, THANK YOU.

12
13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO THAT WILL CONCLUDE
14 THAT ITEM. WE WILL NOW PROCEED WITH PUBLIC, OH NO, I'M SORRY,
15 I'M SKIPPING AHEAD. WE WILL NOW --

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE'RE ON MY ITEM, ITEM 1.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ITEM 1, WE'LL HEAR FROM THE CHIEF
20 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT ON ITEM 1.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. MOVING TO THE AGENDA
23 ITEMS, WE WILL START WITH ITEM NUMBER 1, WHICH IS FISCAL YEAR
24 24/25 BUDGET ISSUES. ITEM NUMBER 1 IS THE SECOND MID-YEAR
25 APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT BOARD LETTER, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS



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1 THE SECOND MID-YEAR BA. THIS LETTER RECOMMENDS NUMEROUS
2 ADJUSTMENTS TO THE 24/25 FINAL ADOPTED BUDGET IN SEVERAL
3 BUDGET UNITS. BY ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS LETTER,
4 YOUR BOARD WILL AUTHORIZE CHANGES THAT REALIGN AND ADJUST THE
5 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS REFERENCED IN THE LETTER.
6 ADDITIONALLY, THIS LETTER DELEGATES AUTHORITY TO MY OFFICE TO
7 ACCEPT UP TO \$1,100,000 IN NO PLACE LIKE HOME FUNDING FROM THE
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO PARTIALLY FUND DUE
9 DILIGENCE ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE FUTURE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
10 CARE COMMUNITY PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES THE RENOVATION OF
11 EXISTING STRUCTURES AT THE METRO STATE HOSPITAL CAMPUS FOR THE
12 PURPOSE OF PROVIDING PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. I'M HAPPY
13 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ON THIS ITEM.

14
15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** DO ANY OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE ANY
16 QUESTIONS? SEEING NONE.

17
18 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** IF THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS, I RECOMMEND THAT
19 YOUR BOARD MOVE AND APPROVE THE ITEM.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ALL RIGHT. MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
22 BOARD, ITEM 1 IS BEFORE YOU.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH,
25 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE



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1 OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

6

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

8

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

10

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

12 HORVATH?

13

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

15

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

17 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER. AYE. MOTION CARRIES 4 TO

22 0.

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24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 2.

25



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1 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** SUPERVISOR HAHN'S HERE NOW IF YOU'D LIKE
2 TO RECORD HER VOTE.

3

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

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR, SUPERVISOR HAHN ON ITEM 1 WILL
7 BE RECORDED AS AN AYE VOTE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU.

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11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 2.
12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT WILL PRESENT.

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14 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 2 IS COMPRISED
15 OF THREE ITEMS, ITEMS 2A, 2B AND 2C. ITEM 2A IS MY OFFICE'S
16 REPORT, SUMMARIZING ISSUES RAISED BY ORAL AND WRITTEN
17 TESTIMONY AT THE PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 7,
18 2025. ITEM 2B IS MY OFFICE'S LETTER THAT INCLUDES PROPOSED
19 ADJUSTMENTS TO THE 25/26 RECOMMENDED BUDGET, WHICH YOUR BOARD
20 ADOPTED ON APRIL 15, 2025. THE AGENDA ITEM IS COMPRISED OF
21 FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS. THE FIRST RECOMMENDATION SEEKS FUNDING
22 THAT THE PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT ACTIONS REFERENCED IN THE
23 BOARD LETTER ARE NOT PROJECTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE
24 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT BASED ON THE RECORD OF
25 PROPOSED ACTIVITIES. THE SECOND RECOMMENDATION REQUEST THAT



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1 YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE 25/ 26
2 RECOMMENDED COUNTY BUDGET AS SET FORTH IN THE BOARD LETTER AND
3 ON ATTACHMENTS 1 THROUGH 6 TO THE LETTER. FINALLY, THE THIRD,
4 FOURTH, AND FIFTH RECOMMENDATIONS SEEK DELEGATED AUTHORITY
5 RELATED TO FUNDING AGREEMENTS. SPECIFICALLY, THE LETTER
6 AUTHORIZES MY OFFICE, THE DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
7 AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RESPECTIVELY TO EXECUTE
8 AND IF NECESSARY AMEND OR TERMINATE FUNDING AGREEMENTS FOR
9 VARIOUS PROGRAMS IN THE AMOUNTS AND FOR THE PURPOSES THAT ARE
10 STATED IN THE LETTER. AND THEN ITEM 2C FOR YOUR BOARD, ALLOWS
11 YOUR BOARD TO ORDER REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE BUDGET
12 RECOMMENDATIONS PRESENTED IN ITEM 2B AS DEEMED NECESSARY. I
13 WOULD RECOMMEND THAT ANY MOTION BROUGHT UNDER ITEM 2C BE
14 CONSISTENT WITH THE BOARD-APPROVED FISCAL RESILIENCE PROTOCOL.
15 THIS CONCLUDES ALL THE ITEMS FOR AGENDA ITEM 2. I'M HAPPY TO
16 TAKE ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE BOARD MAY HAVE.

17
18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SEEING NO QUESTIONS FROM ANY OF MY
19 COLLEAGUES. THIS MOTION IS BEFORE US MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS
20 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. EXECUTIVE
21 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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



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

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

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
7 HORVATH?

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9 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AYE.

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

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RELUCTANTLY, AYE. SINCE THIS IS THE ONE THAT
14 TAKES AWAY THE EXTENDED SWIM SEASON.

15

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

17

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

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
21 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 3. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
22 FESIA DAVENPORT WILL REPORT ON ITEM 3.

23

24 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU. AGENDA ITEM 3 CONSISTS OF TWO
25 ROUTINE REPORT BACKS. THEY ARE BOTH A RECEIVE AND FILE. ITEM



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1 3A IS AN ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE COUNTY DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND
2 HARBORS THAT PROVIDES INFORMATION REGARDING ADDITIONAL REVENUE
3 FROM MARINA LEASE HOARD EXTENSIONS. THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE
4 THIS YEAR IS \$160,925. ITEM 3B IS A REPORT THAT CONFIRMS THAT
5 MY OFFICE HAS IDENTIFIED \$100,000,000 FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING
6 PROGRAMMING AND PROVIDES RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE ALLOCATION OF
7 SUCH FUNDING. THIS CONCLUDES AGENDA ITEM 3. BOTH REPORTS ARE
8 BEFORE YOU, AND I RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD RECEIVE AND FILE
9 THESE ITEMS.

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SEEING NO COMMENTS OR
12 QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
13 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
14 THE ROLL.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THESE ARE FOR RECEIVING FILE.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THESE ARE RECEIVING FILE? OKAY,
19 THEY'RE MOVED AND SECONDED TO RECEIVING FILE. WITHOUT
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON
23 TO ITEM 4, BUDGET ITEMS AND HEARING FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE
24 OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT.

25



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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU. AGENDA ITEM 4 IS COMPRISED OF
2 THREE RECOMMENDATIONS IN ITEMS 4A, 4B AND 4C. FIRST, WE HAVE
3 ITEM 4A. THIS IS MY OFFICE'S ANNUAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO APPROVE
4 THE APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT, ALSO KNOWN AS THE GANN LIMIT, I'M
5 SORRY, ALSO KNOWN AS THE LIMIT, AND THE APPROPRIATIONS SUBJECT
6 TO LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 25/26. THIS GANN LIMIT CALCULATION IS
7 REQUIRED UNDER THE STATE CONSTITUTION. NEXT THERE'S ITEM 4B.
8 THIS ITEM IS A RECOMMENDATION THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVE IF
9 APPLICABLE. I'M SORRY, WE DON'T NEED ITEM 4B BECAUSE THE BOARD
10 DID NOT MAKE ANY CHANGES TO THE BUDGET. SO, THE NEXT ITEM IS
11 ITEM 4C.

12
13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** 4C.

14
15 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** BECAUSE THE BOARD DIDN'T MAKE ANY CHANGES TO
16 THE YOU APPROVED ITEM, THE FINAL CHANGES BOARD LETTER. SO LET
17 ME, I'LL EXPLAIN. ITEM 4B IS A RECOMMENDATION THAT YOUR BOARD
18 APPROVE, IF APPLICABLE, THE REVISED FIGURES AS SET FORTH IN
19 THE FINAL CHANGES BOARD BUDGET LETTER FOR 25/26 AND INSTRUCT
20 THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO PREPARE AND PRESENT THE FINAL BUDGET
21 RESOLUTION FOR BOARD ADOPTION. HOWEVER, SINCE NO CHANGES WERE
22 MADE TO THE FINAL CHANGES BOARD LETTER, THE BUDGET LETTER THAT
23 YOU JUST APPROVED, THEN THIS ITEM IS NOT NEEDED. MOVING ON TO
24 ITEM 4C, THIS IS A LONG ONE. ITEM 4C CONSISTS OF NINE
25 MISCELLANEOUS SECTIONS CONSISTING OF A SERIES OF DELEGATED



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1 AUTHORITY REQUESTS OR INSTRUCTIONS TO DEPARTMENTS FOR WHICH WE
2 SEEK YOUR BOARD'S APPROVAL ANNUALLY TO OPERATIONALIZE THE
3 ADOPTED BUDGET. MORE SPECIFICALLY, ITEM NUMBERS 1, 2, 3, 4,
4 AND 8 SEEK AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS ON THE TERMS SET
5 FORTH. ITEM NUMBER 5 SEEKS APPROVAL OF THE BUDGETARY
6 ACCOUNTING POLICIES. AND THEN, ITEM NUMBER 6 DELEGATES
7 AUTHORITY TO MY OFFICE TO APPROVE THE TRANSFERS OF
8 APPROPRIATION AS SET FORTH IN STATE BUDGET LAW. ITEM NUMBER 7
9 SEEKS APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY TRANSFERS OF POSITIONS AMONG
10 DEPARTMENTS. AND LASTLY, ITEM NUMBER 9 SEEKS THE AUTHORITY FOR
11 THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO TRANSFER MONIES AS NEEDED FROM THE
12 GENERAL FUND TO VARIOUS HOMELESS SOLUTION MEASURE A FUNDS TO
13 MEET THE WORKING CAPITAL NEEDS OF THE MEASURE A FUNDS. THIS
14 CONCLUDES ALL THE ITEMS UNDER AGENDA ITEM 4 AND I'M HAPPY TO
15 TAKE ANY QUESTIONS IF THE BOARD HAS ANY.

16
17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SEEING NO QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS I
18 WILL MOVE THAT SECOND BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE
19 ITEMS. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

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

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



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

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

14

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

16

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

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE'RE NEXT GOING TO BE MOVING ON TO ITEM 5
21 BUDGET RESOLUTION. WE WILL HEAR FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
22 FESIA DAVENPORT AND THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER, OSCAR VALDEZ.

23

24 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THE LAST ITEM IS AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 5, ADOPT
25 THE 25/26 BUDGET RESOLUTION. THIS ITEM IS FOR THE COUNTY



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1 AUDITOR CONTROLLER, OSCAR VALDEZ, TO PRESENT TO YOUR BOARD THE
2 25/26 BUDGET RESOLUTION. I WILL TURN THE PROCEEDINGS OVER TO
3 MR. VALDEZ.

4

5 OSCAR VALDEZ: GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
6 OSCAR VALDEZ, AUDITOR CONTROLLER. ON APRIL 15TH, YOUR BOARD
7 APPROVED THE FISCAL YEAR 25/26 RECOMMENDED BUDGET. THIS
8 MORNING WE HAVE UPDATED ALL OF THOSE ADJUSTMENTS THAT YOUR
9 BOARD APPROVED DURING YOUR DELIBERATIONS THIS MORNING. THE
10 FISCAL YEAR 25/26 FINAL BUDGET IS NOW BALANCED AND READY FOR
11 YOUR FINAL CONSIDERATION.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT A MAN OF IMPORTANT BUT
14 FEW WORDS. WITH THAT MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH SECONDED BY
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
16 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE

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

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2 HORVATH?

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

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I GUESS SO, AYE.

9

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

11

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

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5 TO
15 0.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT WELL THIS CONCLUDES
18 TODAY'S MEETING I WANT TO THANK ALL THE DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT
19 ARE OUT THERE. I LIKE YOU ALL BEING DEAD CENTER SO WE CAN LOOK
20 AT YOU WHILE WE'RE TALKING. SO, THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT
21 YOU DO DURING THESE DIFFICULT TIMES. I THINK I CAN SPEAK FOR
22 THE BOARD BY SAYING THAT WE DO APPRECIATE EACH AND EVERY ONE
23 OF YOU AND YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE COUNTY. THE NEXT PUBLIC
24 HEARING MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 24,
25 2025, AT 9:30 A.M. THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FISCAL YEAR

JUNE 23, 2025



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- 1 2025/26 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU. THANKS
- 2 FOR WATCHING!



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1 I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
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3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
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8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
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11 me.

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13 related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise
14 interested in the outcome thereof.

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