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# THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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## BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 TUESDAY, APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

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4 [GAVEL]

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6 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. PLEASE TAKE  
7 YOUR SEATS. AND I WANT TO WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY  
8 SCHEDULED MEETING TODAY, OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026. AND WE TAKE  
10 NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT, THE ACTING CHIEF  
11 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE  
12 SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. IF THERE IS ANY NEED.  
13 WE WILL BEGIN AT THIS MOMENT WITH THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE  
14 COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

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16 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
17 RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL INHABITED  
18 AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH, AND  
19 CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS AND  
20 DESCENDANTS PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING AS THEY CONTINUE THEIR  
21 STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT  
22 SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE,  
23 SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE,  
24 AND MULTIGENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT DEMONSTRATES  
25 OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH, HEALING, AND  
26 RECONCILIATION AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES, CULTURE, AND



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1 COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
2 WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND WORK ON  
3 THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO GROWING AND  
4 SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND LOCAL TRIBAL  
5 GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING (IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER) FERNANDEÑO  
6 TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS GABRIELINO TONGVA INDIANS OF  
7 CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN GABRIEL BAND  
8 OF MISSION INDIANS GABRIELEÑO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, KIZH  
9 NATION YUHAAVIATAM OF SAN MANUEL NATION SAN FERNANDO BAND OF  
10 MISSION INDIANS COASTAL BAND OF CHUMASH NATION  
11 GABRIELINO/TONGVA NATION GABRIELINO TONGVA TRIBE TO LEARN MORE  
12 ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLEASE VISIT THE  
13 LOS ANGELES CITY, COUNTY, NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION  
14 WEBSITE AT [LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV](http://LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV).

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16 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING WILL  
17 BE LED BY A.S.L., DEACON DAVID ROSE, HOLY ANGELS CATHOLIC  
18 CHURCH FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT. WE WILL HAVE AN ASL  
19 INTERPRETER. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
20 WHICH WILL BE LED BY ERIC FRIEND, UNITED STATES NAVY VETERAN,  
21 REPRESENTING THE FIFTH DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE PLEASE RISE.

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23 >> ASL INTERPRETER: IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, THE SON, AND  
24 THE HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN. HEAVENLY FATHER, WE THANK YOU FOR  
25 BRINGING US ALL HERE TOGETHER TODAY. SEND YOUR HOLY SPIRIT TO



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1 GUIDE OUR THOUGHTS, OUR DISCUSSIONS, AND OUR DECISIONS THAT  
2 ARE BEST FOR OUR CITIZENS. GUIDE THEM TO MAKE GOOD DECISIONS  
3 TO HELP MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES SAFE AND TO PROVIDE GOOD SERVICES  
4 TO THEM. GRANT US THE WISDOM TO SEE WHAT IS RIGHT, AND TO  
5 LISTEN TO ONE ANOTHER WITH OPEN HEARTS. AT THIS TIME, DEAR  
6 HEAVENLY FATHER, WE SEEK PEACE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND TOUCH  
7 THE HEARTS OF THE WORLD LEADERS TO SIT AND TO LISTEN TO EACH  
8 OTHER AND TO MAKE LONG-LASTING PEACE FOR ALL PEOPLE. AND WE  
9 ASK THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY FOR YOUR GREATER GLORY. AND TO DO  
10 THE GOOD OF SERVICE. WE THANK YOU FOR THE PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE  
11 AND THAT WE MIGHT SERVE THEM BETTER. WE WALK THROUGH JESUS  
12 CHRIST, WE ASK THIS THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, AMEN.

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14 >> ERIC FRIEND: GOOD MORNING, PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR  
15 RIGHT-HAND OVER YOUR HEART, AND IF YOU ARE A VETERAN YOU CAN  
16 RENDER A SALUTE WHILE WE DO THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE  
17 ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO  
18 THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD,  
19 INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. THANK YOU.

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21 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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23 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: GOOD SEEING YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CLARE.  
24 PLEASE HOPE ME WELCOME AND THANK DECON DAVID ROSE FROM HOLY  
25 ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH IN VERNON. APRIL IS NATIONAL DEAF



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1 HISTORY MONTH. WHAT BETTER WAY TO HONOR THIS IMPORTANT MONTH  
2 THAN BY MAKING A LITTLE HISTORY RIGHT HERE TODAY. DECON DAVID  
3 IS THE FIRST DEAF PERSON TO LEAD THE INVOCATION IN AMERICAN  
4 SIGN LANGUAGE IN THE HISTORY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
5 [APPLAUSE] WHILE WE'RE MAKING HISTORY HERE TODAY, DECON DAVID  
6 ALSO MADE HISTORY IN 2003 WHEN HE WAS ORDAINED AS THE FIRST  
7 DEAF DECON FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES. HE CURRENTLY  
8 SERVES AS DECON AT HOLY ANGELS, THE ONLY CHURCH IN THE NATION  
9 RUN BY THE DEAF CATHOLIC COMMUNITY. HOLY ANGELS WAS  
10 ESTABLISHED AS A PARISH FOR THE DEAF COMMUNITY ON MARCH 31,  
11 1987 BY CARDINAL ROGER MAHONEY. EACH SUNDAY ATTENDANCE  
12 AVERAGES ABOUT 350 PEOPLE, AND THE CHURCH IS OFTEN VISITED BY  
13 MEMBERS OF THE DEAF COMMUNITY FROM AROUND THE WORLD. DECON  
14 DAVID AND HIS WIFE CURRENTLY RESIDE IN CHARTER OAK, AND HAVE  
15 THREE ADULT CHILDREN. THANK YOU, DECON DAVID, FOR LEADING US  
16 IN TODAY'S INVOCATION AND FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE DEAF  
17 COMMUNITY. AS A SMALL TOKEN OF OUR CONSIDERATION, I HAVE THIS  
18 CERTIFICATE TO PRESENT TO YOU ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF  
19 SUPERVISORS. AND BEFORE THAT I WANTED TO SIGN JESUS LOVES ME.

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21 >> DEACON DAVID ROSE: YAY!

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23 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU.

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25 >> DEACON DAVID ROSE: THANK YOU SO MUCH, MY PLEASURE.



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2 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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4 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU, PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING  
5 PETTY OFFICER ERIC FRIEND FOR LEADING NEWS THE PLEDGE OF  
6 ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY  
7 FROM 2001 TO 2006 ON THE USS McCAMPBELL AS AN OPERATIONS  
8 SPECIALIST. DURING HIS SERVICE HE RECEIVED THE GLOBAL WAR ON  
9 TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL, THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM  
10 EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL, THE NAVY E RIBBON, THE NAVY GOOD CONDUCT  
11 MEDAL, THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, AND THE C-SERVICE  
12 DEPLOYMENT RIBBON. VERY IMPRESSIVE. HE IS A PROUD RESIDENT OF  
13 PALMDALE WHERE HE WORKS AS A VETERAN PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST  
14 WITH THE VETERAN PEER ACCESS NETWORK. IN HIS FREE TIME, ERIC  
15 IS PURSUING HIS MASTERS OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE TO FURTHER  
16 ENHANCE HIS ABILITY TO SERVE THE MARGINALIZED AND VETERAN  
17 POPULATIONS. ERIC, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION  
18 AND FOR LEADING NEWS THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING.  
19 FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO ON BEHALF OF THE VETERANS IN LOS ANGELES  
20 COUNTY. GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] THANK YOU.  
21 THANK YOU SO MUCH, WHAT AN HONOR.

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23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD, AND WITH THAT EXECUTIVE  
24 OFFICER, CAN YOU PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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1 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: GOOD MORNING MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF  
2 THE BOARD. GIVEN SUPERVISOR BARGER'S ABSENCE WE WILL NOT HAVE  
3 A PET PRESENTATION. TODAY'S AGENDA BEGINS ON PAGE 2, CONSENT  
4 CALENDAR, 1 THROUGH 19. ITEM 9 THIS INCLUDE AS REVISION AS  
5 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR  
6 SOLIS REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD. ITEMS 12 AND 13, SUPERVISOR  
7 MITCHELL REQUESTS THESE BE HELD. ITEM 12 RELATES TO 1D AND 13  
8 RELATES TO 2D. THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD TOGETHER. ITEMS 15 AND  
9 16, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD.  
10 PAGE 17, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS ITEMS 20 THROUGH 68, ITEM 20  
11 THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR REPORT. ITEM 23, THIS INCLUDES A  
12 CORRECTION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 26  
13 THIS INCLUDES AMENDMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
14 AGENDA O THIS ITEM SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WHO LIKE TO BE RECORDED  
15 AS NO VOTE. ITEM 28 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS RECUSING HERSELF  
16 FROM THE VOTE PURSUANT TO 84308 BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A  
17 CONTRIBUTION OF MORE THAN \$500 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM  
18 ANGELA MINIFIELD AGENT OR PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCEEDING. ITEM  
19 12 WILL BE HELD FOR REPORT. PAGE 46, THIS INCLUDES  
20 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE  
21 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEMS  
22 66A, THROUGH 66J. ON ITEM 66J, SUPERVISOR HORVATH WOULD LIKE  
23 TO REVISE HER MOTION TO REMOVE DIRECTIVE 5. ON PAGE 47,  
24 SEPARATE MATTER, 69, ON PAGE 48 BUDGET MATTER ITEM 70, THIS  
25 ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR REPORT O PAGE 49, SPECIAL DISTRICT



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1 AGENDAS, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES  
2 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. 1D THROUGH 6D. 5D INCLUDE AS  
3 CORRECTION AS ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. 5D, SUPERVISOR  
4 MITCHELL RECUSES HERSELF FROM THE VOTE BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A  
5 CONTRIBUTION OF MORE THAN \$500 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM  
6 ANGELA MINIFIELD A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT OR AGENT IN THE  
7 PROCEEDING. PAGE 54, CLOSED SESSION, CS1 THROUGH CS6. ITEM CS  
8 OF THE ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE  
9 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 28, 2026 AS INDICATED ON THE  
10 POSTED AGENDA. THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE THROUGH CS6 IS  
11 BEFORE YOU, THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA MADAM  
12 CHAIR.

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14 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
15 HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS,  
16 THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE PLAY THE CODE  
17 OF CONDUCT. GENTLEMEN MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE  
18 MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS  
19 ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE  
20 REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT  
21 ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS  
22 YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND THE  
23 BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE  
24 PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO  
25 ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY



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

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23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TODAY'S MEETING ORDER WILL BE THE  
24 FOLLOWING. PUBLIC COMMENT ITEMS NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY THE  
25 BOARD, INCLUDING THE CLOSED SESSION MATTERS. THEN BUDGET



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1 MATTER ITEM 70. FOLLOWED BY ITEM 10, THEN ITEMS 12, 1-D AND  
2 13/2-D WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER. ITEMS 15, 16, 20, AND  
3 31 FOLLOWED BY GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND FINISHING WITH  
4 CLOSED SESSION MATTERS. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
5 PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING  
6 RULES.

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8 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: GOOD MORNING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC,  
9 IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT YOU MAY DO SO IN  
10 PERSON OR REMOTELY AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. TO PARTICIPATE  
11 REMOTELY, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV TO  
12 REGISTER AND JOIN THE MEETING, OR YOU MAY CALL 213-306-3065  
13 AND USE ACCESS CODE 25322630683. AGE MEETING PASSWORD 2672026.  
14 YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT  
15 THE MEETING. FOR ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD YOU WILL RECEIVE  
16 ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM AND UP TO TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE  
17 ITEMS. FOR ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE  
18 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AND ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC  
19 COMMENT FOR A TOTAL OF SIX MINUTES FOR THIS MEETING. WHEN IT  
20 IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK IF REGISTERED ON A COMPUTER OR DEVICE  
21 YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME WILL BE CALLED. IF JOINING  
22 BY TELEPHONE YOU WILL HEAR "YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED," YOUR AREA  
23 CODE AND FIRST THREE DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER CALLED. TO  
24 ENSURE WE HEAR FROM IN-PERSON AND REMOTE SPEAKERS, WE WILL  
25 ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE



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1 PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED  
2 ON THE SCREEN COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARD ROOM AND  
3 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL  
4 DIRECTED TO DO SO. ALSO, FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN  
5 ATTENDANCE, PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE A CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE  
6 TEAM THAT INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF  
7 MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
8 SERVICES, L.A. HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY, AND PARKS AND  
9 RECREATION IN THE AUDIENCE SHOULD YOU NEED ASSISTANCE FROM  
10 THEM. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
11 WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL ITEMS NOT HELD FOR  
12 DISCUSSION BY SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS.  
13 THE CONSENT ITEMS WILL BE ACTED ON WITH ONE MOTION. FOR  
14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, JOINING US REMOTELY, TO COMMENT ON  
15 THESE ITEMS, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE  
16 ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE. PLEASE INDICATE THE  
17 AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS IN THE BEGINNING  
18 OF YOUR COMMENT FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF  
19 TIME.

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21 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL CALL IN PERSON SPEAKERS.  
22 WHILE THEY COME FORWARD WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS, THIS IS  
23 ALL ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD FOR DISCUSSION AND CLOSED  
24 SESSION ITEMS. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

25 [READING NAMES]



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL GO TO IN PERSON SPEAKERS  
3 FIRST. PLEASE BEGIN.

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5 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: MOHAMMED KAHN. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
6 MULTI FAITH INITIATIVE. I JUST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
7 HORVATH FOR INTRODUCING THE MOTION TO PASS ITEM NUMBER 6,  
8 WHICH IS THE MULTI-FAITH HERITAGE MONTH TO BE IN DECEMBER. I'M  
9 JUST HERE TO SAY THANK YOU. IT STARTED IN JUNE WHEN I MET WITH  
10 SUPERVISOR HORVATH WHEN SHE GAVE A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE AND OUR  
11 BOARD MEMBER A CERTIFICATE OF LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT, CORNELIUS  
12 GRANT, ONE OF THE LAST TWO LEFT OF THE MUSIC GROUP, THE  
13 TEMPTATIONS, WE DISCUSSED MULTI FAITH HARMONY, IT WAS HIS  
14 DREAM TO SEE THIS DAY. HE BROUGHT HARMONY THROUGH MUSIC. NOW  
15 WE'RE PROMOTING HARMONY FOR ALL FAITHS TO BE UNITED. I WANT TO  
16 END WITH THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I'D LIKE TO THANK  
17 HOLLY MITCHELL, OUR PATHS CROSSED OVER THE YEARS.

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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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21 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I'M  
22 ELIZABETH, I'M A COUNCILMEMBER IN THE CITY OF CUDAHY. I THANK  
23 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SOLIS FOR TREMENDOUS EFFORTS IN KEEPING A  
24 LONG-TIME TRUSTED COMMUNITY ASSET, ONE THAT HAS BEEN  
25 SUPPORTING OUR SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES CITIES FOR 40 YEARS. HUB



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1 CITIES HAS BEEN THERE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES, OUTPERFORMED IN  
2 EVERY METRIC, AND IS DEEPLY WOVEN IN THE FABRIC OF EFFECTIVE  
3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER. A TRIED AND TRUE FIRST  
4 OPPORTUNITY AT EMPLOYMENT FOR SO MANY OF OUR YOUTH. HUB CITIES  
5 HAS SURVIVED THROUGH AND HELPED OUR BLACK AND BROWN CLIENT  
6 MEMBERS THRIVE THROUGHOUT GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS, PANDEMICS,  
7 WITH YOUR SUPPORT WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO FOR MANY YEARS TO  
8 COME. WE HAVE A VERY YOUNG COUNCIL BUT HUB CITIES IS OLDER  
9 THAN 3 OUT OF 5 OF OUR COUNCILMEMBERS. SO JUST A FUN FACT OF  
10 HOW JUST DEEP IN THE COMMUNITY HUB CITIES IS.

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12 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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14 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS.  
15 FIRST OF ALL I WANT TO THANK OUR SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN AND  
16 THANK OUR SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR THE GREAT SUPPORT THEY'VE  
17 BEEN GIVEN TO HUB CITIES CONSORTIUM. I'M MARIA DAVILA,  
18 COUNCILWOMAN FOR SOUTHGATE 23 YEARS. I HAVE SEEN SO MANY  
19 STUDENTS IN THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE, NOT JUST THE SELA  
20 COMMUNITY, THEY HAVE GONE THROUGH HUB CITIES AND CREATED  
21 AMAZING CAREERS. I WANT TO CONTINUE THE PARTNERSHIP THAT WE'VE  
22 BEEN HAVING FOR THE LAST PAST THREE DECADES. AND WITH THE  
23 PERFORMANCE THAT HUB CITIES HAS BEEN PROVIDING AND BEEN GIVEN  
24 TO OUR COMMUNITY HAS JUST BEEN AMAZING. EVERY YEAR WE  
25 OUTPERFORM THE AMOUNT OF STUDENTS. I SAY STUDENTS, STUDENTS TO



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1 ME ARE A SEGMENT. BUT PLEASE SUPPORT --

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3 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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5 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: ITEM 26. HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF  
6 THE BOARD, I'M CHAIR OF THE HUB CITIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS. IT  
7 IS MY HONOR TO APPEAR IN STRONG SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR HAHN'S  
8 MOTION TO AWARD THE SUB AWARD FOR SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES REGION  
9 OF HUB CITIES CONSORTIUM. WE HAVE SERVED CITIES THAT  
10 COMPROMISE SELA. OUR REGION HAS BEEN UNDER SERVED AND HUB CITY  
11 HAS ANSWERED THE CALL BUILDING TRUST, DELIVERING SERVICES AND  
12 CONNECTING RESIDENTS TO OPPORTUNITIES. WE HAVE DEVELOPED  
13 PARTNERSHIPS AND LOCAL -- WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMMUNITY  
14 BASED ORGANIZES, EMPLOYERS AND EDUCATION AND TRAINING  
15 PROVIDERS. BY THE COUNTY'S OWN PERFORMANCE MEASURES, WE RANK  
16 AROUND THE TOP AJCC FOR OUTCOME AND SERVICE QUALITY. DEEP  
17 LOCAL ROOTS MATTER. WE BRING CULTURAL COMPETENCY TO  
18 NEIGHBORHOOD AND KNOWLEDGE AND LONG STANDING RELATIONSHIPS.  
19 THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND SUPERVISOR HILDA  
20 SOLIS.

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22 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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24 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS,  
25 I'M ANDREW, I'M REPRESENTING THE HARD WORKING MEN AND WOMEN



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1 WHO WORK FOR AND REPRESENT YOU ON THE FRONTLINE FOR HUB  
2 CITIES. HUB CITIES HAS BEEN THE OPERATOR FOR OVER 40 YEARS. WE  
3 BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE THE INSTITUTIONAL TRUST WITH THE  
4 SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY AND ONLY COMES FROM THE YEARS OF  
5 UNWAVERING COMMITMENT AND COMMUNITY PRESENCE IN PROXIMITY. I  
6 WANT TO STATE THAT WE THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN AND WE URGE YOU TO  
7 SUPPORT HER MOTION. THANK YOU AGAIN.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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11 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: JOSEPH RAMOS, SPEAKING ON ITEM 66F. LAST  
12 MONTH THE SAME COUNTY RESTRICTION WAS BROUGHT FORWARD WITH THE  
13 SAME GROSSLY OUTDATED INFORMATION. GOVERNOR NEWSOM HAS HELPED  
14 THE CAL ASSIST MORTGAGE PROGRAM AND DEPARTMENT OF ANGEL SURVEY  
15 RESULTS ARE FROM 1995. THIS IS NO LONGER BASED ON REALITY. THE  
16 BOARD EXEMPTED HOTELS AND MOTELS, IMPACTED HOMEOWNERS WERE NOT  
17 LIVING AT SUCH PROPERTY. SO TOO SHOULD YOU EXEMPT MULTI-FAMILY  
18 PROPERTIES. HOMEOWNERS ARE LIVING IN SINGLE FAMILY RENTAL  
19 HOUSING, THE PRICE INCREASES FOR COMPLAINTS THEY WERE  
20 RECEIVING. HOME OWNERS ARE NOT LIVING IN MULTI-FAMILY RENTAL  
21 UNITS. WE URGE THE BOARD TO MAKE THE DISTINCTION FOR MULTI  
22 FAMILY PROPERTIES THEY HAVE MADE FOR HOTELS AND MOTELS AND  
23 EXEMPT MULTI-FAMILY PROPERTIES. TO WRONGLY COULDN'T TO INCLUDE  
24 MULTI-FAMILY INEQUITABLE AND SUPPLIES INTO IN THE FACE OF  
25 CURRENT REALITIES. THANK YOU.



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: COALITION FOR RESPONSIBLE COMMUNITY  
5 DEVELOPMENT. FOR THE RECORD, WE HAVE SUBMITTED A FORMAL BID  
6 PROTEST AND PREAMWARD OBJECTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED  
7 MODIFICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES. A  
8 APRIL 14, 2026 RECOMMENDATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE SOUTHEAST  
9 LOS ANGELES AMERICA'S JOB CENTER OF CALIFORNIA COMPREHENSIVE  
10 AS FAR ASS SUB AWARD. WE SUBMIT THIS PROTEST IN ADVANCE OF THE  
11 BOARD ACTION IN ORDER TO PRESERVE OUR RIGHTS AND RAISE  
12 CONCERNS REGARDING THE PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE  
13 PROCUREMENT OUTCOME. WE PARTICIPATED CRCD PARTICIPATED IN A  
14 COMPREHENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT CONDUCTED BY DEO  
15 THAT MET FEDERAL AND COUNTY COMPLIANCE AND OUR PROTEST -- WE  
16 HEAR BY PROTEST THE PROPOSED ACTION AS REFLECTED IN THE BOARD  
17 AMENDMENT --

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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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21 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I I'M MARCO, SPEAKING IN SUPPORT  
22 OF CONSENT ITEM 26. I AM HERE AS BOARD MEMBER OF HUB CITIES  
23 CONSORTIUM AND COUNSELOR OF THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS. I WANT  
24 TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS JANICE HAHN AND STAFF FOR  
25 HER MOTION. SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF



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1 SOUTHEAST L.A., AND WITH YOUR SUPPORT HUB CITIES MAKES IT  
2 POSSIBLE TO MAXIMIZE SERVICES DELIVERED TO THE MOST  
3 UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES IN L.A. COUNTY. YOU ARE MAKING A HUGE  
4 DIFFERENCE TODAY AND WE APPRECIATE IT FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR  
5 HEARTS. WE WILL BE HERE FOR MANY YEARS TO COME TO CONTINUE THE  
6 FIGHT. THANK YOU.

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8 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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10 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GUSTAVO, ITEM 3. GOOD MORNING MADAM  
11 CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS, I'M GUSTAVO, CEO OF ARTS FOR L.A. I  
12 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION CELEBRATING  
13 ARTS FOR L.A.'S 20th ANNIVERSARY. IT IS SUCH AN HONOR. FOR THE  
14 PAST 20 YEARS ARTS FOR L.A. HAS BEEN FIGHTING FOR THE ARTS TO  
15 BE SEEN AS ESSENTIAL TO L.A.'S DNA. WE STARTED IN 2006 BECAUSE  
16 THE CITY, THE COUNTY, LAUSD WERE SIMULTANEOUSLY GOING TO CUT  
17 BUDGET FOR ARTS AND CULTURE. UNFORTUNATELY, IN 2026, THINGS  
18 HAVE NOT CHANGED. THIS PAST YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND  
19 CULTURE BUDGET WAS REDUCED BY 1.8 MILLION. WE CANNOT TAKE  
20 ANOTHER CUT. THE OLYMPICS ARE 823 DAYS AWAY. OUR ORGANIZATIONS  
21 NEED RESOURCES. AND FINALLY, OUR ENTRY LEVEL WORKERS NEED  
22 LIVING WAGES. TODAY AS WE CELEBRATE --

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24 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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1 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, JOSE, CRCD, ITEM 26. CRCD  
2 HAS PROVIDED WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES IN CITY OF  
3 LOS ANGELES FOR 15 YEARS AND SERVED AS A PRIME AJCC OPERATOR  
4 FOR THE LATTC WORK CENTER AND VCN. CRCD WAS AWARDED A RENEWAL  
5 TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO  
6 RESIDENTS IN LOS ANGELES AS PART OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
7 WORKFORCE SYSTEM. CRCD HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED LOCALLY AND  
8 NATIONALLY FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR ADULTS AND  
9 YOUTH LEADING TO CAREER PATHWAYS WITH FAMILY SUSTAINING WAGES.  
10 CRCD WORKS AND IN COALITION WITH A BROAD BASE OF PUBLIC AND  
11 PRIVATE PARTNERS TO COMPREHENSIVELY SUPPORT THE NEEDS OF THE  
12 COMMUNITY WITH PARTNERS INCLUDING THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
13 DISTRICT K THROUGH 12 INSTITUTIONS, BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION  
14 TRADES, COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS, HOMELESS SERVICES,  
15 PHILANTHROPY, PUBLIC AGENCIES AND BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY  
16 BASED.

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18 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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20 >> GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND CHAIR SOLIS. I'M  
21 LORRAINE FROM THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD, THE MAYOR PRO TEM, IN MY  
22 SECOND YEAR. I AM HERE TODAY ALONG WITH MY COLLEAGUES AND OUR  
23 CITY MANAGER URGING THE BOARD TO AWARD SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES  
24 AMERICA'S JOB CENTER OF CALIFORNIA CONTRACTS TO HUB CITIES  
25 CONSORTIUM. LYNNWOOD IS ONE OF SIX CITIES THAT HAS JOINED



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1 POWERS AUTHORITY WITH OUR NEIGHBORING CITIES. THIS PROGRAM HAS  
2 HELPED SO MANY RESIDENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY ALONG OUR  
3 NEIGHBORING CITIES. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO KEEP  
4 CONTINUITY AND CONTINUE TO HAVE THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.  
5 REPLACING A TRUSTED PROVIDER LIKE HUB CITIES RISKS DELAYS AND  
6 SERVICES AND CREATE HARDSHIP FOR BUSINESSES WHO RELY ON THESE  
7 PROGRAMS.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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11 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, I'M RITA, COUNCILMEMBER  
12 AND FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LYNWOOD, I'M HERE TO SPEAK  
13 ITEM 26. FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN  
14 AND SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP AND  
15 SUPPORT FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND FOR THE SOUTHEAST  
16 LOS ANGELES REGION. I'M HERE TODAY TO RESPECTFULLY URGE THE  
17 BOARD TO AWARD THE SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES AMERICAN JOB CENTER  
18 OF CALIFORNIA CONTRACT TO THE HUB CITIES CONTINUE CONSORTIUM.  
19 LYNWOOD FORMED THIS JOINT POWER AUTHORITY, WE UNDERSTAND THE  
20 WORKFORCE SERVICES ARE MOST AFFECTED WHEN DELIVERED BY THOSE  
21 WHO KNOW AND UNDERSTAND THIS IN OUR COMMUNITY. FOR 40 YEARS,  
22 HUB CITIES HAS PROVIDED TRUST, CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE SERVICES  
23 TO RESIDENTS AND LOCAL BUSINESSES REPLACING HUB CITIES WILL  
24 DISRUPT SERVICES AND CREATE SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL IMPACT FOR  
25 MEMBERS --



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR MEMBERS OF THE  
5 BOARD, I'M THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF LYNWOOD, SPEAKING  
6 ON ITEM 26. I AM THREE MONTHS INTO THIS ROLE AND I CAME TO  
7 LYNWOOD KNOWING WE FACED SERIOUS FISCAL CHALLENGES WHAT. I DID  
8 NOT ANTICIPATE IS A COUNTY CONTRACT DECISION COULD DEEPEN THE  
9 CRISIS THAT IS WHAT IS BEFORE YOU TODAY. IF HUB CITIES  
10 CONSORTIUM LOSES THIS CONTRACT, WE FACE UNFUNDED LIABILITIES  
11 AND THAT IS NOT AN ABSTRACTION IT IS A HARM TO A COMMUNITY  
12 ALREADY STRETCHED THIN. BUT I'M NOT HERE JUST TO TALK ABOUT  
13 FINANCES I'M HERE BECAUSE HUB CITIES CHANGES LIVES. EVERY YEAR  
14 ROUGHLY 10 YOUNG PEOPLE FROM LYNWOOD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS COME  
15 TO WORK IN OUR RECREATION DEPARTMENT THROUGH HUB CITIES  
16 SUPPORTING OUR AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS. MANY OF THEM HAVE NEVER  
17 HELD A JOB BEFORE. THIS IS WHERE THEIR CAREER JOURNEY BEGINS.  
18 FOR NEARLY 40 YEARS, HUB CITIES HAS BEEN THAT FIRST DOOR TO  
19 YOUNG PEOPLE IN SOUTHEAST L.A. REPLACING IT AT THIS JUNCTURE  
20 PUTS THIS AT RISK. I URGE TO YOU SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HAHN AND  
21 SOLIS'S MOTION. THANK YOU.

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23 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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25 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE



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1 BOARD, I'M JUAN, LYNWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEMBER AND PROUD UNION  
2 MEMBER. I'M HERE TO URGE SUPPORT FOR SUPERVISOR HAHN AND  
3 SOLIS' MOTION FOR HUB CITIES CONSORTIUM. I WORK ALONGSIDE  
4 PEOPLE LIKE OUR COUNCIL AID, AND I SAY WITHOUT EXAGGERATION, I  
5 CANNOT DO MY JOB WITHOUT HER, SHE KEEPS ME ON SCHEDULE,  
6 MANAGES THE DAY TO DAY COORDINATION THAT KEEPS OUR CITY  
7 RUNNING AND OFTEN THE FIRST PERSON RESIDENTS SPEAK TO WHEN  
8 THEY NEED HELP WHETHER IT'S FOR A POTHOLE, PARKING ISSUE OR  
9 OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES. DIANA ROMERO WHO YOU WILL HEAR FROM  
10 LATER ON, WHO HAS BEEN WITH OUR CITY FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS,  
11 OVERSEEING RECREATION AND YOUTH PROGRAMS, AFTER-SCHOOL  
12 SERVICES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS THAT BRING THE COMMUNITIES  
13 TOGETHER. THEY ARE BOTH MEMBERS THAT STARTED THEIR CAREER  
14 THROUGH HUB CITIES. THEY HAVE FAMILY SUSTAINING WAGES,  
15 HEALTHCARE, AND DIGNIFIED RETIREMENT AND SERVE THE COMMUNITY.  
16 THAT'S WHAT PUBLIC HUB CITIES PRODUCES.

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18 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO  
19 REMOTE SPEAKERS. ROY HUMPHREYS YOUR LOAN LINE IS OPEN, STATE  
20 THE AGENDA ITEMS ARE YOU ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

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22 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: 11 AND 9. THEN 14, HR1, THE SNAP  
23 ENSLAVEMENT AND ABUSE OF POLITICAL POWER AS YOU HAVE DONE WITH  
24 THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION UNDER THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION  
25 SACRIFICES THE LEGACY DEFRAUDING THE GOVERNMENT AND TAXPAYERS



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1 MUST END, MAKE OUR KIDS PROUD AGAIN. ITEM 11, ON THE  
2 COURTHOUSE ARRESTS, WHAT'S THIS, LA-LA LAND HIDE AND SEEK  
3 SITUATION. AND ON THE WATER SITUATION, WHY SO LONG, WE HAD A  
4 BIG SITUATION IN ROLAND HEIGHTS, IS IT BECAUSE THE DATA CENTER  
5 FINALLY WOKE PEOPLE UP? WE NEED MORE DATA CENTERS, EVERYTHING  
6 DONE PROPERLY. I TALK TO THE BIG GUYS WHO ARE RUNNING THE DATA  
7 CENTER IN TOWN OF LOS ANGELES, THEY WANT TO DO IT RIGHT. IF  
8 THERE'S A CATASTROPHE. THIS IDEA ABOUT PUTTING A POPULATED  
9 CENTER. ONE WILSHIRE BUILDING AND OTHERS IN THE CITY OF  
10 LOS ANGELES ARE IN POPULATED AREAS. TIME TO WAKE UP AND MAKE  
11 THE KIDS PROUD AGAIN. ACTING LIKE ADULTS. THANK YOU.

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. VALERIE YOUR LINE IS  
14 OPEN, PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS ARE YOU ADDRESSING AND  
15 BEGIN. VALERIE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER  
16 951-809 YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, THE AGENDA  
17 ITEMS ARE YOU ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

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19 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: THANK YOU, ITEM 66F, MATTHEW BUCK,  
20 VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR THE CALIFORNIA APARTMENT  
21 ASSOCIATION. WE RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU TO TERMINATE THE  
22 DECLARATION OF 396 FOR SEVERAL MONTHS THE CALIFORNIA APARTMENT  
23 ASSOCIATION HAS ASKED FOR A PLANNED'S PHASEOUT OF VISIONS.  
24 WHILE THE EMERGENCY PROVISIONS OF FINAL CODE 396 SERVED AS  
25 IMPORTANT SAFEGUARD FOR RESIDENTS DURING A CHALLENGING PERIOD.



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1 THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT JUSTIFY THIS EXTENSION COUNTYWIDE NO  
2 LONGER EXIST. THANK YOU FOR YOUR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION.

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4 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. VALERIE YOUR LINE IS  
5 OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

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7 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HI, CAN YOU HERE ME.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YES, GO AHEAD.

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11 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HI, I'D LIKE TO COMMENT ITEM 10  
12 REGARDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY ON DATA CENTERS.

13

14 >> DAWYN HARRISON: ITEM 10 IS HELD, WE'RE HEARING COMMENTS NOT  
15 HELD BY SUPERVISORS, YOU CAN COME BACK IN THE QUEUE.

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17 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MIGUEL, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, STATE  
18 THE AGENDA ITEMS ARE YOU ADDRESSING.

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20 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M  
21 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BELL GARDEN, HERE TO EXPRESS STRONG  
22 SUPPORT FOR ITEM 26, MAINTAINING HUB CITIES FOR SOUTHEAST L.A.  
23 THEY HAVE BUILT TRUST WITH RESIDENTS, OUR BUSINESSES, AND OUR  
24 WORKFORCE. UNDERSTANDING THE UNIQUE BARRIERS OUR COMMUNITY  
25 FACES, BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN HERE DOING THE WORK FOR 4 DECADES.



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1 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SOUTHEAST L.A. MUST REMAIN ROOTED,  
2 REQUIRES CULTURAL COMPETENCY, LOCAL RELATIONSHIPS, THAT IS  
3 SOMETHING THAT CAN'T BE REPLICATED OVERNIGHT. HUB CITIES HAS A  
4 PROVEN TRACK RECORD AND I WOULD LIKE TO URGE THE BOARD TO  
5 SUPPORT CONTINUITY AND SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HAHN'S MOTION AND  
6 KEEP THESE CRITICAL WORK SERVICES IN LOCAL HANDS.

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8 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. THERE ARE NO OTHER  
9 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR  
10 THESE ITEMS IS CONCLUDED. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO IN PERSON  
11 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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13 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: JAMIE MARTINEZ, ITEM 26, HUB CITIES. I  
14 GRADUATED FROM HUB CITIES. I'VE BEEN HERE FOR 26 YEARS.

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16 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SPEAK INTO THE MIC. START OVER  
17 PLEASE, I DIDN'T HEAR YOU.

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19 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M JAMIE FROM LYNWOOD, ITEM 26. I  
20 GRADUATED FROM HUB CITIES AND I'VE BEEN HERE FOR THE CITY OF  
21 LYNWOOD FOR 27 YEARS. I WANT TO THANK HUB CITIES AND THE CITY  
22 OF LYNWOOD, WHERE I'M AT RIGHT NOW, IT WAS A GOOD PROGRAM THAT  
23 HELPED ME A LOT. THEY HELPED ME OUT IN DIFFERENT WAYS. I THANK  
24 THIS PROGRAM A LOT IN THE CITY AND THE BOARD TOO. THANK YOU  
25 FOR EVERYTHING.



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, I'M WITH THE COLLABORATIVE  
5 AND RESIDENT OF SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES. HERE IN SUPPORT OF HUB  
6 CITIES, ITEM NUMBER 26. THROUGH OUR PARTNERSHIP I SEE HOW HUB  
7 CITIES BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER AND DELIVERS MEANINGFUL AREAS OF  
8 THE COMMUNITY. THEY MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THEY DESERVE CONTINUED  
9 INVESTMENTS IN WHAT'S WORKING WELL. HUB CITIES HAS BEEN A  
10 STEADY AND RELIABLE PARTNER STRENGTHENING OPPORTUNITIES FOR  
11 RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS IS A LIKE. I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF  
12 THE HUB CITIES CONSORTIUM.

13

14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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16 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: ALEX ALVAREZ, WITH THE SELA  
17 COLLABORATIVE. I'M SPEAKING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM 26, HUB  
18 CITIES CONSORTIUM. IT HAS BEEN A CONSISTENT AND TRUSTED  
19 PARTNER FOR MANY YEARS. THEY UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS ON THE  
20 GROUND. AND THEY DELIVER SERVICES IN A WAY THAT IS RESPONSIVE,  
21 CULTURALLY COMPETENCE, AND EFFECTIVE. WE SAW LEADERSHIP DURING  
22 THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND A MOVEMENT OF CRISIS THEY STEPPED  
23 UP, HELPING DISTRIBUTE CRITICAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OFTEN  
24 WITHOUT ADDITIONAL RESOURCES. THEY DID IT BECAUSE THEY'RE  
25 COMMITTED TO THE COMMUNITY AND THAT MATTERS, OUR REGION HAS



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1 FACED UNDERINVESTMENT AND WE CANNOT AFFORD TO CAUSE DISRUPTION  
2 TO SERVICES PEOPLE RELY ON. REPLACING OR SHIFTING TO AN  
3 OUTSIDE PROVIDER RISKS SLOWING DOWN SUPPORT AND ULTIMATELY  
4 HARMING THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES WHO RELY ON THIS SYSTEM  
5 EVERY DAY. WE'RE HERE TODAY TO SAY HUB CITIES IS THE RIGHT  
6 PARTNER.

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8 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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10 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING CHAIR SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF  
11 THE BOARD, I'M ANDRA MUNOZ, MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION  
12 MANAGER FOR SELA. I AM HERE TO EXPRESS OUR ORGANIZATION'S  
13 STRONG SUPPORT FOR ITEM 26. AS A LONG TERM PARTNER WITH HUB  
14 CITIES WE HAVE SEEN FIRST HAND THE IMPACT THEY HAVE HAD OVER  
15 THE LAST SEVERAL DECADES. THEIR ABILITY TO BUILD MEANINGFUL  
16 RELATIONSHIPS AND CONSISTENTLY PERFORM AT A HIGH LEVEL MAKES  
17 AN ESSENTIAL ANCHOR IN THE REGIONAL WORKFORCE SYSTEM. DURING  
18 THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, HUB CITIES DEMONSTRATED EXCEPTIONAL  
19 LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT, STEPPED IN TO DISTRIBUTE CRITICAL  
20 FINANCIAL HELP WITHOUT HESITATION AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL  
21 RESOURCES. ENSURING AID REACHED THOSE MOST IN NEED. OUR REGION  
22 HAS LONG BEEN UNDERRESOURCED AND VITAL THAT WORKFORCE SERVICES  
23 REMAIN IN THE HANDS OF THE ORGANIZATION DEEPLY ROOTED IN AND  
24 ACCOUNTABLE TO THE COMMUNITY. TRANSITIONING TO AN EXTERNAL  
25 PROVIDER WOULD RISK DISRUPTING ESTABLISHED PARTNERSHIPS.



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, I'M DR. WILMA FRANCO,  
5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SOUTHEAST L.A. COLLABORATIVE, SELA. I'M  
6 HERE IN SUPPORT OF HUB CITIES. HUB CITIES IS NOT ONLY AN  
7 INSTITUTION AND TRUSTED PARTNER IN THE COMMUNITY AND ALSO A  
8 FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE SELA COLLABORATIVE. AS SUCH, WE HAVE  
9 KNOWN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS THEIR COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY  
10 MEETING COMMUNITY WHERE THEY ARE AT. AND ENSURING THAT EVEN  
11 DURING COVID-19 WHEN A LOT OF OUR ORGANIZATIONS SHUT DOWN,  
12 THEY CONTINUED TO BUILD SYSTEMS AND INFRASTRUCTURE BY WHICH TO  
13 SIR HAVE AS A COMMUNITY THAT NEEDS FACE TO DAYS SUPPORT. AND  
14 FOR THAT REASON, WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT IN THE LAST TWO YEARS,  
15 AS THE SELA COLLABORATIVE WE ISSUED SUBGRANT TO HUB CITIES TO  
16 ADVANCE OUR SELA AGENDA, WHICH IS PART OF THE REPRESENTATION  
17 OF THE SELA LEADERS NETWORK OF OVER 500 LEADERS IN THE  
18 SOUTHEAST. THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOTION WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
19 WORKING WITH YOU.

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21 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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23 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: YES, GOOD MORNING CHAIR SOLIS, AND  
24 HONORABLE BOARD, STAFF, I'M JOE SULLIVAN. I'M SPEAKING ON  
25 BEHALF OF NUMBER 26, ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES ORANGE



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1 COUNTY BUILDING TRADES. THE LA OC BUILDING TRADES IS PLEASED  
2 TO PROVIDE A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO OF THE CALIFORNIA FOR  
3 RESPONSIBLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CRDC, RECOMMENDATION BY THE  
4 L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS  
5 SOUTHEAST L.A. AJCC OPERATOR. THE LA OC BUILDING TRADES  
6 REPRESENTS 48 LOCAL UNIONS AND DISTRICT COUNCILS IN 14 TRADES.  
7 MORE THAN 160,000 SKILLED MEMBERS WORK ON LANDMARK PROJECTS  
8 ACROSS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, FROM TRANSIENT SCHOOLS TO STAGING  
9 AND HOUSING. IT IS A STRONG PARTNER OF THE L.A. A/OC BUSINESS  
10 TRADES AS WELL AS PAINTERS UNION. THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED THEIR  
11 SUPPORT OF LABOR.

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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15 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: AUDREY, DIRECTOR OF HOSPITALITY TRAINING  
16 OF UNITED HEALTHCARE 11 AND CONTRIBUTING EMPLOYER. I WANT TO  
17 BEGIN THANKING L.A. COUNTY ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY,  
18 DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR A SOLID  
19 RFP TO PROVIDE INPUT. I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE DEPARTMENT  
20 LEADERSHIP CONTINUOUS COMMITMENT TO CREATE WORKFORCE  
21 DEVELOPMENT AND ACCESSIBLE ACCESS TO QUALITY JOB ACROSS L.A.  
22 COUNTY. WE'RE HERE TO EXPRESS STRONG SUPPORT FOR HUB CITY'S  
23 AJCCC, HIGHLY EFFECTUALLY IN ACCESSING QUALITY UNION  
24 HOSPITALITY CAREERS. THE FISCAL YEAR ALONE WE HAVE COMPLETED  
25 OVER 14 INDIVIDUAL TRAINING ACADEMY RESOLVING 100% PLACEMENT



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1 INTO GOOD UNION JOBS. THESE ARE NOT JUST JOBS BUT CAREER  
2 PATHWAY AND FAMILY SUSTAINABLE JOBS. THEY HAVE UNIVERSAL  
3 STUDIO --

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5 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE, THANK YOU.

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7 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT  
8 THE ITEMS 1, 1D AND 7 THAT WE HAVE A MINUTE TO DISCUSS. I WANT  
9 TO ALSO REMIND YOU TO GO OUT AND VOTE, USE YOUR ABILITY AND GO  
10 OUT AND VOTE. I WANT TO THANK WOMEN AGAIN WHO HAVE BEEN  
11 TRAILBLAZERS, I KNOW WE'RE NOT RECOGNIZING WOMEN'S HISTORY  
12 MONTH, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE WOMEN WHO HAVE PAVED  
13 THE ROAD. WE HAVE HEARD OF OTHER CITIES, OF MAYORS, IF IT  
14 WASN'T FOR BIOLOGICAL WOMEN FIGHTING FOR OUR RESOURCES AND OUR  
15 RIGHTS AND IDENTITY. WE'D LIKE TO INCLUDE EVERYONE. WE ARE THE  
16 ONLY GENDER THAT CAN GIVE LIFE. THANK YOU FOR THE LADIES AND  
17 THEIR TEAM IN BRINGING UP THE MOTION NUMBER 7 IN WHICH A FEE  
18 WAIVER FOR PARKING FOR A PRAYER BREAKFAST ON BEHALF OF LASD.  
19 IT'S NICE THAT WE CAN USE THE WORD "GOD" IN THIS ROOM BEHIND  
20 THE MONEY, IT SAYS IN GOD WE TRUST. I TRUST IN WOMEN, TOO.  
21 HOUSING INSECURITY IN LOS ANGELES IS A PUBLIC CRISIS. I'VE  
22 HEARD BIOLOGICAL WOMEN, IN WOMEN'S SHELTERS ADVOCATE FOR THEIR  
23 RENTAL SPACE AS A BIOLOGICAL WOMAN THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO  
24 SHARE WITH BIOLOGICAL MALES THAT IDENTIFY AS OTHER GENDERS.  
25 BECAUSE THESE ARE BIOLOGICAL WOMEN, THEY'RE TIRED OF THE



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1 DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS THAT COME OUT OF FOSTER CARE THAT ARE PUT  
2 INTO THE SHELTERS WITH THESE WOMEN WHO ARE OLDER, THEY'RE NOT  
3 BEING RUDE THEY JUST WANT THEIR SPACE FROM YOUNGER WOMEN WHO  
4 COME INTO THESE SHELTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU  
5 WOULD MEN, DON'T FORGET TO GO OUT AND VOTE. LOOK FOR YOUR  
6 BALLOTS.

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8 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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10 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ITEM  
11 26. I AM A PROUD MEMBER OF UNITE HERE LOCAL 11, I WORK AT THE  
12 DOUBLE TREE DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES, I LIVE IN LYNWOOD. I STAND  
13 WITH MY UNION TO SUPPORT HUB CITIES. I COME FROM THE SOUTHEAST  
14 LOS ANGELES WHERE WORKING PEOPLE KEEP THE REGION RUNNING. WE  
15 HELP WELCOME THE WORLD TO L.A. AND KEEP HOSPITALITY MOVING  
16 FORWARD. FOR ANY OF US, THE PATH INTO A GOOD STABLE JOB IS NOT  
17 EASY. HUB CITIES HAS HELPED LEAD PEOPLE FROM COMMUNITIES LIKE  
18 MINE INTO GOOD HOSPITALITY JOBS AND OTHER UNION CAREERS THAT  
19 COME WITH REAL WAGES, HEALTHCARE, AND DIGNITY. THAT IS WHAT  
20 EQUALITY LOOKS LIKE. INVESTING IN SYSTEMS THAT ARE ROOTED IN  
21 WORKING CLASS COMMUNITIES AND ACTUALLY DELIVERING RESULTS.  
22 REPLACING HUB CITIES WITH AN OUTSIDE PROVIDER IS NOT EQUALITY.

23

24 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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1 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING, I'M COMMISSIONER FOR OLDER  
2 ADULTS. I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO CONTINUE SUPPORTING OUR SENIOR  
3 CENTER, OUR COMMUNITY. THE AREA PLAN PROVIDED TO CONTINUE FOR  
4 THE YEAR 26-27. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THIS ITEM 25. COUNTY  
5 SERVICE IN ALL AREAS OF THE CENTER, PARKS AND RECREATION THAT  
6 RUNS THE PROGRAM THAT KEEP SENIORS ACTIVE THROUGH THE PROGRAMS  
7 AND MEALS PROVIDED. THEY ARE VERY WELCOME BY THE SENIORS, THE  
8 SENIORS ARE ALSO ACTIVELY VISITING FARMS AND KEEPING  
9 THEMSELVES BUSY. ALL OF THE PROGRAMS ARE WELCOME BY THEM.  
10 THEY'RE WELL LOVED BY THEIR STAFF ESPECIALLY IN THE PARKS AND  
11 RECREATION WHICH I'M VERY INVOLVED WITH AS WELL AS SENIORS  
12 LOVE THE STAFF THAT THEY ARE CONSTANTLY MAKING SURE THAT THEY  
13 ARE WELL CARED FOR.

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15 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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17 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: FORGOTTEN. FORGOTTEN. FORGOTTEN IS HOW  
18 OUR FIRE SURVIVORS OF THE EDEN FIRE FEEL. MUCH LIKE TODAY THEY  
19 HAVE BEEN MET WITH THE ABSENCE OF SUPERVISOR BARRING WHERE IT  
20 COMES TO THE FIRE RECOVERY. I'M VLAD, I'M HERE REPRESENTING  
21 THE EATON FIRE COLLABORATIVE WHICH REPRESENTS ORGANIZATIONS  
22 HELPING THOUSANDS OF FIRE SURVIVORS RECOVER FROM THE EATON  
23 FIRE. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 12 AND 13 BECAUSE THE  
24 HOUSING NICIS IS EXACTLY THAT. CLIMATE CRISIS EXACERBATES THE  
25 CRISIS. THE FIRE THAT HAPPENED WAS NOT THE FIRST ONE AND WON'T



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1 BE THE LAST. TODAY WE SEE 75% OF RENTAL HOUSING IS NOT  
2 REBUILT. 60% OF PROPERTIES BOUGHT ARE BY CORPORATE BUYOUTS. WE  
3 NEED ACTIVE ACTION NOW.

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5 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER NOW.

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7 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AS A POINT OF CLARIFICATION I WANT TO SAY  
8 THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER IS REPRESENTING ALL OF US THIS MORNING  
9 AT THE FUNERAL OF THE FALLEN DEPUTY FOR L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
10 DEPARTMENT. SHE MAKES SURE THAT WE ALL ARE THERE OFFERING OUR  
11 CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF A FALLEN DEPUTY.

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13 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER.

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15 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ITEM 26.  
16 GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M DIANA ROMERO,  
17 I WORK FOR THE CITY OF LYNWOOD. HUB CITIES CONSORTIUM MADE A  
18 DIFFERENCE IN MY LIFE, I I'M ONE OF THE STUDENTS THAT STARTED  
19 CAREERS WITH THE CITY OF LYNWOOD THROUGH HUB CITIES. THAT  
20 SUMMER INTERNSHIP OF 1998, NOT THAT LONG AGO, THAT SPEAR  
21 LEADED THE PATH OF ME BECOMING AN EMPLOYEE THROUGH THE CITY OF  
22 LYNWOOD. HUB CITIES IS AN IMPORTANT PROGRAM WHEN YOU CONSIDER  
23 WHAT ARE KIDS GOING TO DO, STAY BUSY, HOW ARE NECESSITY GOING  
24 TO LEARN BUDGET MANAGEMENT, ECONOMICS, FINANCES AND SO ON. HUB  
25 CITIES DID THAT FOR ME. THIS IS THE FACE OF ONE OF THOSE MANY



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1 STUDENTS THAT DEFINITELY BENEFITTED FROM PROGRAMS LIKE THIS. I  
2 CAME FROM THE HOUSEHOLD OF 5 AND DEFINITELY THAT SUMMER HELPED  
3 SHAPING EVERYTHING I'M GOING TO DO MANY YEARS LATER. AFTER  
4 WORKING WITH HUB CITIES.

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6 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: THANK YOU MISS JANICE HAHN, I BELIEVE  
7 IVAN FROM YOUR TEAM HELPED ME FEBRUARY 28. I CAME IN HERE AND  
8 I WAS SAD AND LOOKING, CRYING. I JUST WANT TO TELL YOU GUYS  
9 THANK YOU SO MUCH. I DON'T THINK THAT YOU GUYS GET ENOUGH  
10 CREDIT FOR THE EFFORT THAT YOU DO GIVE. I AM PROUD TO SAY THAT  
11 I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES AND I KNOW THAT IF YOU EVER HAVE A  
12 PROBLEM, LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HELP YOU. SO,  
13 AGAIN, THANK YOU MS. HOLLY J. MITCHELL TO TELL ME TO COME DOWN  
14 HERE AND TELL YOU THANK YOU THE SAME WAY I ASK FOR HELP,  
15 PUBLICLY, THE SAME WAY I'M THANKING YOU PUBLICLY. THANK YOU  
16 FOR THE HARD WORK. I'M SO EXCITED TO ONE DAY WORK WITH YOU  
17 ALL. HOPE EVERYONE HAS A GREAT DAY. THANK YOU FOR MAKING A  
18 DIFFERENCE IN OUR CITIES. I HOPE THAT THIS, MY THANK YOU IS A  
19 LIGHTER NOTE FOR THE DAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU! AND THANK YOU,  
20 IVAN, JENNIFER AND DIANA.

21

22 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

23

24 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M EMMA HERNANDEZ, ITEM NUMBER 26. ON  
25 BEHALF OF THE SOUTHEAST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND SUPPORT OF



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1 THE HUB CITIES YOUTH WORKER PROGRAM. AS OPERATOR OF THE SOUTH  
2 CITY JOB CENTER. SUPERVISOR HAHN THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT  
3 TO ENSURING THAT SOUTHEAST L.A. IS REPRESENTED BY  
4 ORGANIZATIONS THAT TRULY UNDERSTAND AND SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES.  
5 AT SEDC WE SEE EVERY DAY HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR WORKFORCE  
6 SERVICES TO BE LED BY LOCAL TRUSTED PARTNERS. HUB CITY HAS A  
7 LONG CITY IN L.A., AND DEEP RELATIONSHIPS, ENROLLMENT AND  
8 SERVICE DELIVERY. AS THE PROPOSED RECIPIENT PARTNER, WE WERE  
9 GROUNDED IN LOCAL COLLABORATION AND THE NEEDS OF RESIDENTS AND  
10 BUSINESSES. A TRANSITION TO OPERATOR WITHOUT COMPARABLE LOCAL  
11 TIES RISKS DISRUPTING SERVICES. FOR THESE REASONS WE  
12 RESPECTFULLY --

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14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. WE WILL GO BACK TO  
15 REMOTE CALLER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

16

17 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: CAN YOU HEAR ME.

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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YES, GO AHEAD.

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21 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT, I GOT MUTED  
22 AGAIN. GOOD MORNING CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M  
23 COUNCILMEMBER FOR THE MAYOR OF CITY BELLGARDEN. I WANT TO  
24 THANK YOU FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF HUB CITIES, SELA.  
25 BEFORE SERVING AS COUNCILMEMBER I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO



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1 INTERN WITH HUB CITIES AND THAT EXPERIENCE GAVE ME A FIRST  
2 HAND LOOK AT HOW IMPACTFUL THEY ARE ON THE GROUND. CONNECTED  
3 RESIDENTS, DOWN PEOPLE AND WORKING FAMILIES TO JOB  
4 OPPORTUNITIES, PROVIDING TRAINING PROGRAMS AND SUPPORT THEY  
5 NEED TO MOVE FORWARD. IN COMMUNITIES LIKE OURS, HERE IN SOUTH  
6 EAST L.A., BELL GARDENS BUT IN MAYWOOD, CUDAHY, HUNTINGTON  
7 PARK, THESE SERVICES ARE ESSENTIAL. THEY HELP PEOPLE FIND JOBS  
8 AND BUILD CAREERS FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES. THAT  
9 STAYED WITH ME.

10

11 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME  
12 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS.

13

14 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.  
15 1 THROUGH 9, 11, 14, 17 THROUGH 19, 21 THROUGH 25, 26 WITH  
16 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL VOTING NO, 27, 28 WITH SUPERVISOR RECUSING  
17 HERSELF FROM THE VOTE, 29 AND 30, 32 THROUGH 65, 66A THROUGH  
18 66E, 66G THROUGH 66I, 66J AS REVISED, 3-D AND 4D, 5D WITH  
19 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE, 6D. NOTE  
20 WE WILL TAKE A SEPARATE VOTE ON ITEM 69 AT THE END OF THE  
21 MEETING. WE WILL TAKE A SEPARATE VOTE ON 66F. THESE ITEMS ARE  
22 BEFORE YOU.

23

24 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I WILL MOVE THE ITEM, SECONDED BY  
25 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS



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1 NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL YOU  
2 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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4 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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

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8 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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10 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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12 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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14 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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16 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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18 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

19

20 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION CARRIES 4-0. ADAM CHAIR, WE  
21 WILL VOTE ON THE SEPARATE MATTER ITEM 69 IS BEFORE YOU.

22

23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,  
24 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THE ITEM.

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1 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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3 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE. > EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN:  
4 SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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6 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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8 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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10 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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12 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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14 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

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16 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION CARRIES 4-0. ITEM 70, 2026-27  
17 RECOMMENDED BUDGET. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING REMOTELY TO  
18 COMMENT PLEASE USE THE RISE HAND FEATURE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR  
19 3 ON THE TELEPHONE. JOSEPH NICCHITTA WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION.  
20 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

21

22 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE THIS MORNING TO  
23 PRESENT MY OFFICE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE L.A. COUNTY 2026-  
24 27 RECOMMENDED BUDGET, WHICH DRIVES THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES  
25 OUR RESIDENTS RELY ON. THIS RECOMMENDED BUDGET IS FOCUSED ON



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1 PRESERVING CORE SAFETY NET SERVICES DESPITE MANY FISCAL  
2 CHALLENGES. I WANT TO SET SOME BASIC CONTEXT FOR THE PUBLIC  
3 BEFORE DIVING INTO THE PRESENTATION. THE FIRST THING TO  
4 HIGHLIGHT IS THAT THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET IS THE FIRST PHASE OF  
5 A THREE-PHASE BUDGET PROCESS. WE WILL RETURN TO YOUR BOARD IN  
6 JUNE FOR THE SECOND PHASE OF THE BUDGET WHICH WILL REFLECT THE  
7 STATE'S REVISED MAY BUDGET AND OTHER CHANGES TO THE FINANCIAL  
8 PICTURE. IN THE FALL DURING THE THIRD BUDGET PHASE WE WILL  
9 PROGRAM ADDITIONAL STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUE AND AVAILABLE  
10 UNSPENT FUNDING AFTER WE CLOSE THE BOOKS ON THE PRIOR FISCAL  
11 YEAR IN AUGUST. WE ARE AT THE STARTING LINE OF A MONTH'S-LONG  
12 BUDGET PROCESS A SNAP SHOT IN TIME, YOU KNOW. THIS OUR BUDGET  
13 WILL CONTINUE TO EVOLVE OVER THE COMING MONTHS. AS I MENTIONED  
14 YESTERDAY WHEN WE UNVEILED THE BUDGET, IF I HAD TO DESCRIBE  
15 WHERE WE ARE AT FROM A FINANCIAL PERSPECTIVE, WE ARE IN THE  
16 EYE OF THE HURRICANE. PART OF THE HURRICANE HAS ALREADY HIT  
17 US. IN FISCAL YEAR 25-26 THE COUNTY CUT 8.5% OF ITS LOCALLY  
18 GENERATED REVENUE TO PAY FOR LIABILITY RELATED COSTS,  
19 LIABILITY RELATED TO SEXUAL ASSAULT CLAIMS UNDER AB 218, AND  
20 INCREASING LABOR COSTS. THIS RESULTED IN A LOSS OF COUNTY  
21 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. WE CUT PARKS PROGRAMMING AND YOUTH JOBS  
22 PROGRAMS, CLOSED PROBATION OFFICES AND CUT MORE THAN 1,100  
23 BUDGETED POSITIONS. THESE ARE POSITIONS NOT PEOPLE. BUT  
24 INABILITY TO HIRE MORE PEOPLE CON STRAINS OUR SERVICE  
25 DELIVERY. BECAUSE OF THOSE CUTS WE'RE ABLE TO PRESENT A



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1 BALANCED RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 26-27 THAT DOES  
2 NOT RELY ON ADDITIONAL CUTS TO COUNTY PROGRAMS, SERVICES OR  
3 JOBS TO BALANCE THE BUDGET. THAT'S RELATIVELY GOOD NEWS BUT  
4 REMEMBER EVEN THOUGH IT'S CALM NOW, THE OTHER PART OF THE  
5 HURRICANE IS STILL TO COME. THAT INCLUDES MAJOR BUDGET IMPACTS  
6 FROM REDUCTIONS IN FEDERAL AND STATE REVENUE TO LIABILITY  
7 THREATS FROM NEWLY FILED SEXUAL ASSAULT CLAIMS UNDER 218.  
8 BECAUSE OF THE FISCAL PRESSURES THIS RECOMMENDED BUDGET  
9 INCLUDES VIRTUALLY NO NEW LOCALLY FUNDED PROGRAM EXPANSIONS.  
10 THIS IS A BUDGET, AGAIN, THAT PRIORITIZES PROTECTING EXISTING  
11 SERVICES AGAINST WHAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE AN UNACCEPTABLE GAP  
12 IN THE SAFETY NET. LET'S DIVE INTO THE PRESENTATION, I'LL TAKE  
13 THE NEXT SLIDE. BUDGET BASIS. BUDGET BASICS. WE'LL START AT  
14 THE 30,000 FOOT LEVEL. \$48.4 BILLION REPRESENTS THE TOTAL  
15 RECOMMENDED COUNTY BUDGET FOR 26-27. IT INCLUDES BOTH ONE-TIME  
16 AND ONGOING MONEY. IT INCLUDES LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUES LIKE  
17 PROPERTY TAXES, AS WELL AS RESTRICTED SPECIAL REVENUES LIKE  
18 MEASURE A WHICH IS DEDICATED TO FUNDING HOMELESS SERVICES,  
19 FEDERAL ENTITLEMENT SPENDING, PROGRAMS LIKE CALFRESH AND  
20 CALWORKS, STATE FUNDING THAT SUPPORTS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES,  
21 MEDI-CAL REVENUES THAT SUSTAIN OUR PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM AND  
22 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT, AND FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS  
23 THAT PAY FOR CRITICAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS. IN ADDITION TO  
24 THAT, WE ALSO INCLUDE IN THE BUDGET SERVICES SUSTAINED BY  
25 CHARGING FEES LIKE THE FEE THAT SOMEBODY MIGHT WANT TO PULL A



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1 BUILDING PERMIT. 48.8 BILLION BUDGET IS AN APPROXIMATELY \$900  
2 MILLION INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET BUT  
3 REFLECTS A DECLINE FROM THE FINAL ADOPTED BUDGET FROM 25-26,  
4 APPROVED LAST SEPTEMBER. THAT DECLINE IS A CYCLICAL CHANGE,  
5 RECOMMENDED BUDGET IS TYPICALLY SMALLER THAN THE FINAL ADOPTED  
6 BUDGET FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR PRIMARILY BECAUSE ONE-TIME  
7 FUNDING FROM THE PRIOR YEAR IS REMOVED. REMEMBER, WE'RE AT THE  
8 STARTING LINE OF A MULTI-PHASE BUDGET AND EXPECT TO PROGRAM  
9 ADDITIONAL STATE AND ONE-TIME REVENUES IN LATER PHASES. THIS  
10 RECOMMENDATION INCLUDES 115,885 POSITIONS, NET DROP OF 81  
11 POSITIONS DUE TO DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONAL CHANGES THAT IS NOT  
12 DUE TO CUTS OR LAYOFFS. NEXT SLIDE. AS I JUST MENTIONED, THE  
13 COUNTY'S TOTAL BUDGET INCLUDES MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF FUNDING  
14 SOURCES. MANY OF THE SOURCES ARE RESTRICTED FOR SPECIFIC USES  
15 AND CANNOT BE REPURPOSED. EASY EXAMPLE IS THE FEDERAL FUNDING  
16 THAT WE RECEIVE TO ADMINISTER CALFRESH FOOD BENEFITS, THAT IS  
17 A MANDATED RESPONSIBILITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT. WE CANNOT USE  
18 THIS MONEY FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE. ON THE OTHER HAND, LOCALLY  
19 GENERATED FUNDING INCLUDING PROPERTY TAXES, GENERAL SALES  
20 TAXES AND OTHER LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES IS FLEXIBLE AND CAN BE  
21 USED TO SUSTAIN OR GROW MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF SERVICES. THE  
22 GOOD NEWS IS THAT OUR LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUE CONTINUES TO  
23 GROW. THOUGH SLOWER THAN PREVIOUS YEARS AND UNFORTUNATELY AT A  
24 PACE WHERE OUR COSTS CONTINUE TO OUTPACE GROWTH. THIS SLIDE  
25 SHOWS THE GROWTH IN LOCAL REVENUES, AS THE BOARD KNOWS



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1 PROPERTY TAX IS THE BREAD AND BUTTER OF LOCAL COUNTY REVENUE  
2 AND WILL PROVIDE JUST SHY OF \$315 MILLION IN NEW ONGOING  
3 REVENUE FOR THE COUNTY IN FISCAL YEAR 26-27. OTHER TAXES  
4 INCLUDING PROP. 172, HALF CENT SALES TAX TO SUPPORT PUBLIC  
5 SAFETY BRING THE TOTAL OF ONGOING RESTRICTED REVENUE TO \$334  
6 MILLION. SO LET'S JUST STEP BACK FOR A SECOND AND PUT IT IN  
7 THE CONTEXT OF THE TOTAL BUDGET. IF YOU RECALL FROM THE PRIOR  
8 SLIDE THE TOTAL RECOMMENDED BUDGET INCLUDING ALL FUNDED  
9 COURSES IS \$48.4 BILLION. BUT UNRESTRICTED LOCALLY GENERATED  
10 REVENUE GROWTH IS ONLY ABOUT .7 OF A PERCENT OF TOTAL BUDGET.  
11 RELATIVELY SMALL AMOUNT OF FUNDING THAT WE MUST INVEST  
12 STRATEGICALLY TO KEEP THE BUDGET IN BALANCE AND PROTECTING  
13 SAFETY NET AND CRITICAL SERVICES. THIS SLIDE SHOWS 3.5 BILLION  
14 IN WHAT WE CALL FUND BALANCE. FUND BALANCE IS MONEY THAT IS IN  
15 THE BUDGET THIS FISCAL YEAR THAT WE ESTIMATE UNSPENT AND  
16 AVAILABLE TO REALLOCATE AT YEAR END. IT CAN BE CARRIED OVER TO  
17 COMPLETE PROJECTS OR SERVICES ALREADY UNDER WAY, OR IT CAN BE  
18 REPURPOSED FOR SOMETHING ELSE AS ONE-TIME FUNDING FOR THE NEXT  
19 FISCAL YEAR. THIS INCLUDES SAVINGS GENERATED BY COUNTYWIDE  
20 HIRING FREEZE IMPLEMENTED IN FEBRUARY, TO HELP US PRIM  
21 EXPENSES OVERALL AND BALANCE OUT DEFICIT SPENDING IN SEVERAL  
22 DEPARTMENTS. THIS YEAR WE ESTIMATE THAT NEARLY \$2.9 BILLION  
23 WILL NEED TO BE CARRIED OVER TO SUPPORT COMMITMENTS MADE AND  
24 THAT MIGHT INCLUDE CFCI, CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDING. BUT \$554  
25 MILLION CAN BE REPURPOSED AS PART OF THIS RECOMMENDED BUDGET.

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1 NOW LET'S TALK ABOUT THESE INVESTMENTS. I'M GOING TO SPEND A  
2 LITTLE MORE TIME ON THE MATH OF THE BUDGET THAN WE USUALLY DO  
3 IN THE INTEREST OF TRANSPARENCY WHEN MANY PEOPLE MAY BE  
4 DISAPPOINTED THAT THERE IS NOT MORE FUNDING FOR PARTICULAR  
5 PROGRAM OR SERVICE. TO HELP THE PUBLIC BETTER UNDERSTAND THE  
6 DECISIONMAKING BEHIND THE BUDGET. I'LL TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE.  
7 FIRST I WILL FOCUS ON LOCAL ONGOING REVENUE. YOU CAN SEE ON  
8 THE FIRST LINE UNDER FUNDING USES THAT MORE THAN 186 MILLION  
9 DOLLARS OF ONGOING FUNDING IS NEEDED TO PAY FOR NEGOTIATED  
10 COLA AND BENEFITS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE BOARD. FIRST LINE  
11 OF THE TOP IS OUR COMMITMENT TO OUR INVESTMENT IN THE  
12 WORKFORCE. NEXT WE HAVE A LIST OF NONNEGOTIABLE FUNDING  
13 COMMITMENTS. THE BULK \$51.2 MILLION IN ONGOING REVENUES  
14 RECOMMENDED TO COVER HIGHER CASE LOADS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
15 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE  
16 PROGRAMS. ANNUAL 4% INCREASE IN THE COUNTY'S SHARE OF THE IN-  
17 HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM. THE NEXT BULLET ITEM IS THE  
18 BOARD'S COMMITMENT PURSUANT TO MEASURE J TO SET ASIDE FUNDING  
19 FOR ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION AND DIRECT COMMUNITY THROUGH  
20 CFCI. THAT'S \$26.7 MILLION NEXT FISCAL YEAR. THE COUNTY'S  
21 CUMULATIVE INVESTMENT IN CFCI SINCE 2021 EQUALS \$1.85 BILLION.  
22 YOU SEE WHERE WE STARTED \$\$334.1 MILLION, WE TAKE OFF THE TOP  
23 SALARIES AND BENEFITS, THEN WE TAKE OFF THE TOP OTHER  
24 COMMITMENTS, AND CFCI, IT LEAVES US WITH THE BALANCE OF  
25 FUNDING LEFT OVER FOR WHAT WE CALL PROGRAM CHANGES. WE HAVE



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1 JUST \$63.2 MILLION IN ONGOING DISCRETIONARY FUNDING AVAILABLE  
2 IN THE COMING YEAR FOR NEW PROGRAMS OR SERVICES. AGAIN JUST  
3 \$63.2 MILLION OUT OF \$48.8 BILLION. NEXT SLIDE. HOW ARE WE  
4 RECOMMENDING THE COUNTY SPEND THAT \$63.2 MILLION? THESE  
5 RECOMMENDATIONS ARE GUIDED BY OUR VALUES. PRESERVING CORE  
6 SAFETY NET SERVICES WHILE ENSURING READINESS TO RESPOND TO  
7 EMERGING COMMUNITY NEEDS. WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD  
8 APPROVE FUNDING FOR 3 PRIMARY PURPOSES. FIRST, WE'RE  
9 RECOMMENDING \$40.1 MILLION TO DPSS TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT  
10 LEVEL OF CALFRESH SERVICES. DESPITE THE LARGE INVESTMENT, THIS  
11 IS NOT AN EXPANSION OF SERVICES. THIS IS AN INVESTMENT NEEDED  
12 TO PRESERVE THE LEVEL OF SERVICE OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS  
13 RELY ON. TALKING ABOUT FAMILIES AND CHILDREN WHO DON'T HAVE  
14 ENOUGH TO RELIABLY BUT FEED ON THE TABLE. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1,  
15 2026HR1, THE SO-CALLED BIG BILL, REDUCES HOW MUCH THE FEDERAL  
16 GOVERNMENT WILL PAY TO SUPPORT FEDERAL FOOD PROGRAMS AT LOCAL  
17 LEVEL. L.A. COUNTY AND COUNTIES AND STATES ALL OVER THE  
18 COUNTRY MUST PUT IN MORE LOCAL FUNDING JUST TO CONTINUE  
19 DRAWING DOWN FEDERAL REVENUE AND MAINTAIN LEVEL OF SERVICES.  
20 AT THE SAME TIME THAT, NEW WORK REQUIREMENTS AND MORE FREQUENT  
21 ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENTS ARE INCREASING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
22 WORKLOAD. 40.1 MILLION INVESTMENT MAINTAINS THIS KEY SAFETY  
23 NET SERVICE, IT WILL PROTECT MORE THAN 1,000DPSS JOBS AND  
24 PRESERVE APPROXIMATELY \$194 MILLION IN FEDERAL AND STATE  
25 REVENUE NECESSARY TO SUPPORT \$1.5 MILLION CHILDREN AND ADULTS



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1 WHO RECEIVE CALFRESH BENEFITS IN THE COUNTY. WITHOUT THIS  
2 LOCAL INVESTMENT WE FOREGO \$194 MILLION IN ANNUAL FEDERAL AND  
3 STATE REVENUE FOR THIS PROGRAM. THE NEXT RECOMMENDATION SETS  
4 ASIDE \$12 MILLION TO SUPPORT PUBLIC DEFENDERS. COUNTIES MUST  
5 PROVIDE LEGAL DEFENSE FOR THESE WHO CAN'T AFFORD IT,  
6 CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATE. THIS ADJUSTS THE STAFFING RATIOS IN  
7 LIGHT OF INCREASING CASE LOADS AND CHANGING REQUIREMENTS SUCH  
8 AS NEED TO REVIEW VIDEO FOR A GROWING NUMBER OF CASES GIVEN  
9 BODY WORN CAMERAS IN ADDITION TO OTHER CHANGING WORKLOAD  
10 REQUIREMENTS. AND INVESTMENT OF NEARLY \$10 MILLION IN 44  
11 POSITIONS TO EXPAND STAFFING FOR THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY  
12 MANAGEMENT. FOLLOWING THE FINDINGS OF THE MCCHRYSTAL GROUP OF  
13 THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THE JANUARY 2025 WILDFIRES THAT  
14 IDENTIFIED CRITICAL RESOURCE GAPS, YOUR BOARD DIRECTED MY  
15 OFFICE TO IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO RESTRUCTURE OEM. THIS INITIAL  
16 INVESTMENT OF NEARLY \$10 MILLION IS THE FIRST STEP OF A MULTI  
17 YEAR PLAN TO BUILD LONG TERM EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CAPACITY.  
18 THE \$10.7 MILLION ON THE LAST LINE IS DESIGNATED FOR  
19 OPERATIONS, ALSO INCLUDES \$500,000 TO SUPPORT INTERNAL AUDITS  
20 AND \$334,000 FOR SECURITY IN GRANT PARK. ANOTHER \$392,000 NOT  
21 SHOWN FOR PUBLIC SAFETY BONUSES FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER STAFF AND  
22 CUSTODIAL STAFF IN THE JAILS. THAT LEVERS MORE THAN \$2.1  
23 BILLION IN DEPARTMENT REQUESTS FOR FUNDING UNMET. I'LL TAKE  
24 THE NEXT SLIDE. LET'S TURN TO THE \$554 MILLION IN ONE-TIME  
25 FUNDING I MENTIONED EARLIER. JUST REMEMBER, UNLIKE THE \$63.2



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1 MILLION IN ONGOING FUNDING THIS FUNDING CAN ONLY BE USED FOR  
2 ONE-TIME PROJECTS. HERE'S HOW THOSE INVESTMENTS IN ONE-TIME  
3 FUNDING BREAK DOWN. FIRST WE'RE RECOMMENDING USING NEARLY 55%  
4 OF IT TO SOLVE ONE OF OUR BIGGEST CHALLENGES, GIVEN OUR  
5 MASSIVE AND GROWING LIABILITY UNDER AB-218 WE RECOMMEND  
6 ALLOCATING \$300 MILLION TO PARTIALLY COVER PAYMENTS TO  
7 SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE UNDER TWO EXISTING SETTLEMENTS. I  
8 WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THESE ABUSES  
9 HORRIBLE STAIN ON THE COUNTY, AND WE'RE COMMITTED TO PAYING  
10 SURVIVORS. WE'RE ALSO CONTINUING TO IMPLEMENT MAJOR CHANGES IN  
11 THE WAY WE OPERATE TO BETTER PROTECT CHILDREN IN OUR CARE  
12 INCLUDING WORKING HAND IN HAND WITH OUR UNIONS TO IMPLEMENT  
13 KEY CIVIL SERVICE REFORMS THAT WILL MAKE THAT POSSIBLE. WE'RE  
14 ALSO SEEKING REFORM IN SACRAMENTO TO ELIMINATE LOOPHOLES  
15 ALLOWING ABUSIVE PRACTICES BY ATTORNEYS THAT INJECT WEAK AND  
16 POTENTIALLY FRAUDULENT CLAIMS INTO SETTLEMENT POOLS WITH REAL  
17 SURVIVORS. THAT HARMS SURVIVORS SHARING SETTLEMENT DOLLARS  
18 WITH NONSETTLEMENT DOLLARS AND DIVERTS PUBLIC DOLLARS TO  
19 LAWSUITS AND AWAY FROM SERVICES TO MEET RESIDENTS' BASIC  
20 NEEDS. THESE ARE ANTI-FRAUD, NOT ANTI-SURVIVOR. AND THEY'RE  
21 NECESSARY TO PROTECT SAFETY NET SERVICES. THE BALANCE OF THE  
22 ONE-TIME MONEY BREAKS DOWN AS SHOWN ON THE SLIDE. \$100 MILLION  
23 TO FUND VARIOUS AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS, \$47.7 MILLION TO  
24 SUPPORT ELECTIONS, \$40 MILLION TO ANTICIPATED LEGAL JUDGMENTS  
25 AND SETTLEMENTS OTHER THAN WHAT WE'RE INVESTING IN AB-218,



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1 \$22.3 MILLION TO PAY FOR GENERAL RELIEF ADMINISTRATIVE COST  
2 INCREASES, \$8.7 MILLION TO CONTINUE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ETAX  
3 FILING SYSTEM AND \$5.1 MILLION FOR ARTS GRANT FUNDING. THESE  
4 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ONGOING AND ONE-TIME LOCAL FUNDING ARE  
5 PART OF THE BUDGET STORY. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT MOST  
6 INVESTMENTS OF ONGOING FINDING FROM PRIOR YEARS REMAIN IN  
7 PLACE AND DEPARTMENT BUDGET FRETS YEAR TO YEAR. WE DON'T TAKE A  
8 WRECKING BALL TO THE BUDGET EVERY APRIL AND START FRESH. AS A  
9 RESULT THIS BUDGET PRESERVES KEY INVESTMENTS AND SAFETY NET  
10 SERVICES INCLUDING SUPPORT FOR MORE THAN 6,000 INTERIM HOUSING  
11 BEDS AND WRAP-AROUND SERVICES FOR 32,000 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE  
12 HOUSING UNITS ADMINISTERED BY THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS  
13 SERVICES. 5,300 BEDS FOR JAIL DIVERSION AND \$555 MILLION IN  
14 FUNDING FOR CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE JAILS. PLUS  
15 BILLIONS MORE IN WIDE RANGE OF SAFETY NET SERVICES EMBEDDED IN  
16 DON'T BUDGETS FROM HEALTHCARE AND PUBLIC HEALTH TO SOCIAL  
17 SERVICES AN CHILD WELFARE, TO YOUTH JOB AND SMALL BUSINESS  
18 SUPPORT. THIS IS A BUDGET FOCUSED ON PRESERVING OUR  
19 INVESTMENTS EVEN THOUGH OUR ABILITY TO EXPAND PROGRAMS AND  
20 SERVICES IS LIMITED THIS UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR. NEXT SLIDE. I'M  
21 GOING TO MOVE RELATIVELY QUICKLY THROUGH THE REMAINING SLIDES.  
22 WE WALKED THROUGH THE SHARE OF THE BUDGET FUNDED BY LOCAL  
23 UNRESTRICTED FUNDING. THE PIE CHART ON THE FIRST SLIDE WE RELY  
24 ON FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING FOR SERVICES TO PROVIDE AS WELL  
25 AS FOR GRANTS AND ASSISTANCE. MORE THAN ONE-THIRD 69 BUDGET ON



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1 COMES FROM THESE -- ONE-THIRD OF THIS BUDGET COMES DIRECTLY.  
2 THIS HIGHLIGHTS NEWLY FUNDED -- NEW PROGRAMS FUNDED BY  
3 FEDERAL, STATE OR SPECIAL DISTRICT DOLLARS. I WON'T READ ALL  
4 OF THEM, I WILL NOTE THAT WE HAVE TRANSFERRED \$40.1 MILLION  
5 PREVIOUSLY SET ASIDE TO FULLY FUND THE ANNUAL COST OF A 74  
6 CENT PER HOUR WAGE INCREASE FOR OUR IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE AS MUCH  
7 AS WORKERS THAT SERVE THE ELDERLY AND DISABLED IN LOS ANGELES  
8 COUNTY HOMES. AND BECAUSE HOMELESSNESS REMAINS AN EMERGENCY  
9 PRIORITY FOR THE COUNTY I WANT TO BE SURE TO NOTE THAT THE  
10 RECOMMENDED BUDGET INCLUDES \$1.0LE BILLION IN MEASURE A  
11 FUNDING TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES DESIGNED TO PREVENT  
12 HOMELESSNESS ROUGHLY \$660 MILLION OF WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY  
13 OUR NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. ONE OF  
14 THE BOARD'S PRIMARY PRIORITIES IS REBUILDING FROM LAST YEAR'S  
15 DEVASTATING FIRES. OUR LONG TERM PLAN FOR RECOVERY HAS GUIDED  
16 THE WORK TO PROTECT HOMEOWNERS, EXPEDITE REBUILDING, SUPPORT  
17 BUSINESSES AND FOCUS ON INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS. THIS SLIDE  
18 DETAILS MUCH OF WHAT WE HAVE DONE TO IMPLEMENT OUR LONG TERM  
19 REBUILDING PLAN. I WON'T WALK THROUGH ALL OF THE DETAILS. BUT  
20 IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH  
21 MONEY TO MANAGE REBUILDING ON OUR OWN. NO LOCAL JURISDICTION  
22 CAN MANAGE THIS SCALE OF RECOVERY ON ITS OWN. MAJOR  
23 PRESIDENTALLY DECLARED DISASTERS RECEIVE SUBSTANTIAL SUPPORT  
24 FOR RECOVERY AND REBUILDING. WE HAVEN'T RECEIVED FUNDING YET  
25 WE'RE WORKING WITH FEMA WHO PROVIDED INCREDIBLE SUPPORT DURING



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1 THE RECOVERY PHASE OF THE FIRES AS WELL AS THE STATE. WE'RE  
2 HOPEFUL THEY WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE REBUILDING SUPPORT  
3 OUR COMMUNITIES NEED FOR A HOLISTIC AND INCLUSIVE RECOVERY. IN  
4 THE MEANTIME, I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THAT WE HAVE ESTABLISHED  
5 TWO RECOVERY DISTRICTS TO REINVEST LOCAL TAX DOLLARS BACK INTO  
6 THE ALTADENA AND UNINCORPORATED SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND  
7 SUNSET MESA COMMUNITIES, FINANCING BONDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE  
8 PROJECTS, FIRST OF ITS KINDS. BECAUSE WE SPONSORED LEGISLATION  
9 TO GET THIS DONE LAST SESSION. THIS IS AN INVESTMENT IN LOCAL  
10 RESOURCES IN OUR RECOVERY. I'LL TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE. EARLIER  
11 WE TALKED ABOUT BEING IN THE EYE OF A HURRICANE AND RELATIVE  
12 CALM THAT THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET REPRESENTS. I WANT TO TALK  
13 ABOUT THE NEXT PART OF THE HURRICANE THAT WILL HIT IN THE  
14 COMING FISCAL YEAR. I MENTIONED CALFRESH BENEFITS EARLIER AND  
15 MORE HR1 DRIVEN CHANGES COMING THIS DOLLAR WE ARE. ADDITIONAL  
16 FEDERAL POLICY CHANGES TO ELIGIBILITY, ENROLLMENT AND WORK  
17 REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDI-CAL TAKE EFFECT OVER THE COMING FISCAL  
18 YEAR. THESE CHANGES IMPACT NEARLY 260,000 CALFRESH  
19 BENEFICIARIES AND 1.4 MILLION MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES. THE  
20 POTENTIAL LOSS OF FEDERAL WAIVER FUNDING WILL CREATE A BIGGER  
21 GAP IN RESOURCES NEEDED TO SUPPORT SAFETY NET SERVICES. WE  
22 HAVE JOINED WITH THE L.A. COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION AND  
23 OTHER COUNTIES TO SUPPORT STATE FUNDING THAT WOULD HELP  
24 WEATHER THE STORM BY PROTECTING HEALTHCARE FOR THOSE WHO LOSE  
25 COVERAGE. STABILIZING PUBLIC HOSPITALS, SUPPORTING ELIGIBILITY

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1 WORKERS AND EXPANDING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES. THE IMPACT  
2 ON HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN PARTICULAR COULD BE SEVERE.  
3 DHS PROJECTS ESTIMATED \$662 MILLION IN FEDERAL SUPPORT DURING  
4 FISCAL YEAR 26-27. REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT TO DRAW DOWN ON  
5 RESERVES JUST TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICES.  
6 BEYOND HEALTHCARE, ASSEMBLY BILL 218 LIABILITY CONTINUES TO  
7 WEIGH ON OUR BUDGET. DEBT OBLIGATIONS TO FINANCE THAT  
8 LIABILITY EXPECTED TO LAST THROUGH 2051. NEXT SLIDE. IN A YEAR  
9 WHERE WE HAVE SO LITTLE FUNDING FLEXIBILITY AND SO MANY  
10 CHALLENGES THE NEXT STEPS ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER. WE  
11 HAVE \$2.1 BILLION IN UNMET FUNDING REQUESTS OF THE WE WILL  
12 WORK WITH YOU AND OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS BETWEEN NOW AND LATER  
13 BUDGET PHASES TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE TO INCREASE REVENUES,  
14 CUT COSTS OR REALLOCATE REVENUES IN A WAY THAT MAKES ROOM TO  
15 ACCOMMODATE THE UNMET NEEDS. WE WILL RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH  
16 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO ENSURE LONG TERM FISCAL  
17 STABILITY. AS I MENTIONED THE PROCESS DOES NOT END HERE.  
18 PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE BUDGET WILL BEGIN ON MAY 6, GIVING THE  
19 PUBLIC A CHANCE TO MAKE VOICES HEARD. WE HAVE REVAMPED OUR CEO  
20 BUDGET WEBPAGE. IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO THE SITE, IT'S  
21 [CEO.LACOUNTY.GOV/BUDGET](http://CEO.LACOUNTY.GOV/BUDGET), INCLUDING MEETINGS LIKE THIS ONE.  
22 AFTER PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS A MEETING FOR ADOPTION OF FINAL  
23 CHANGES BUDGET IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 22nd. OVERARCHING FOCUS  
24 IS CREATING SUSTAINABLE PATH TO FISCAL YEAR 28-29 WHEN  
25 SIGNIFICANT REFORMS TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT WILL BE IMPLEMENTED



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1 UNDER MEASURE G. I'LL TAKE THE FINAL SLIDE. THANK YOU  
2 SUPERVISORS, I WILL BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS NOW.  
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4 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
5 PRESENTATION. WE'RE GOING TO FOLLOW ALONG THE LINES OF 1, 2,  
6 3, 4. WE HAVE A LOT OF SPEAKERS IN THE HOUSE AND PEOPLE IN THE  
7 QUEUE. WE'LL JUST ASK THAT OUR MEMBERS HONOR THAT AS WE HAVE  
8 DONE IN THE PAST. I WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING YOU AND  
9 RECOGNIZING YOU, JOE NICCHITTA, ACTING CEO FOR LEADERSHIP  
10 DURING THIS BUDGET CYCLE. ALONG WITH THE ENTIRE TEAM AND  
11 COUNTY DEPARTMENT TEAMS AND STAFFS. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE BUDGET  
12 STAFF, MY BUDGET STAFF IN PARTICULAR TAMMIE WHO IS HERE ON THE  
13 SIDELINE. THIS TAKES A LOT OF REQUIRED WORK, DETAILED WORK,  
14 COORDINATION AND COMMITMENT. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF MY  
15 COLLEAGUES HERE ON THE DAIS AND YOUR STAFF FOR YOUR  
16 THOUGHTFULNESS AND ENGAGING THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS. THESE ARE  
17 NOT EASY CONVERSATIONS TO HAVE WITH ANYONE. I APPRECIATE THE  
18 WILLINGNESS TO WORK THROUGH THESE COMPLEX ISSUES IN A SPIRIT  
19 OF COLLABORATION. I HOPE THAT WE CAN CONTINUE THAT, THIS IS  
20 THE FIRST OF MANY PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT WILL HAPPEN. MOST  
21 IMPORTANTLY, I WANT TO THANK RESIDENTS. I WANT TO THANK THE  
22 PEOPLE THAT CAN'T BE HERE TODAY THAT WORKED SO HARD THAT PAY  
23 THEIR TAXES, THAT DEPEND ON THE COUNTY FOR SO MANY RESOURCES,  
24 FOR CONTINUING TO ENGAGE WITH US, TO ADVOCATE AND PARTICIPATE  
25 IN THE COUNTY'S BUDGET PROCESS. YOUR VOICES DO MATTER, THEY



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1 HELP TO GUIDE PRIORITIES THROUGH THE PROCESS. THE RECOMMENDED  
2 BUDGET PHASE FUNDS ARE CORE OBLIGATIONS. IT REFLECTS THE  
3 REMOVAL OF ONE-TIME INVESTMENTS FROM THE PRIOR YEAR,  
4 CONSISTENT WITH OUR STANDARD FISCAL APPROACH. WE'VE HEARD FROM  
5 THE ACTING CEO TODAY, WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO FACE A RANGE OF  
6 FISCAL PRESSURES THAT REQUIRE DISCIPLINE AND LONG TERM  
7 PLANNING. THIS INCLUDES SIGNIFICANT VOLUME OF AB218 CLAIMS  
8 THAT CONTINUE TO CREATE A VOLATILITY IN OUR BUDGET BUT ALSO WE  
9 CAN SEE THAT VOLATILITY IN THE HOUSING MARKET. WE KNOW THAT  
10 PEOPLE CAN'T AFFORD TO UPGRADE OR GO INTO A NEW HOME, IMPACTS  
11 OF PROPERTY TAX IS ON THE BUDGET, A LOT OF UNCERTAINTY THAT  
12 YOU POINTED OUT, JOE, REGARDING OUR FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING  
13 THAT SUPPORTS MANY OF OUR CRITICAL COUNTY COMPONENTS. JUST  
14 WITHIN OUR HEALTH SYSTEM ALONE WE'RE ALSO CONFRONTING  
15 SIGNIFICANT REDUCTIONS IN FEDERAL SUPPORT THAT DIRECTLY IMPACT  
16 THE ACCESS TO CARE FOR MANY RESIDENTS. ESPECIALLY RESIDENTS  
17 THAT ARE ALREADY TRYING TO RECOVER FROM COVID, THE FIRES, THE  
18 I.C.E. RAIDS, YOU WILL OF THOSE THINGS THAT IMPACT COMMUNITIES  
19 DAY IN AND DAY OUT. I THINK FOR ME WHAT IS VERY EYE-OPENING  
20 FOR ALL OF US TO REMEMBER AS WE WALK THROUGH THIS BUDGET  
21 PROCESS IS THAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND THE  
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ARE EXPERIENCING AN ESTIMATED  
23 \$662.2 MILLION REDUCTION IN FEDERAL REVENUE. HOW MANY BEDS  
24 DOES THAT PAY FOR? HOW MANY CHILDCARE PROVIDERS? HOW MANY FOOD  
25 STAMPS? HOW MANY THINGS WE KNOW ARE NEEDED ARE GOING TO BE



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1 RIPPED APART FROM THE BUDGET BECAUSE WE HAVE TO TRY AND MAKE  
2 THIS GAP SMALLER. I KNOW THAT WE CAN'T FILL IT OUT FULLY, BUT  
3 WE'RE TRYING THROUGH THIS BUDGET. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING  
4 WITH MY COLLEAGUES ON SEEING HOW WE CAN DO THAT. REALLY ASKING  
5 FOR OUR STATE AND OTHER PARTNERS TO COME IN AND WEIGH IN. DHS  
6 HAS TO DRAW DOWN ON RESERVES TO MAINTAIN THEIR SERVICE LEVELS,  
7 CONTINUITY OF CARE ACROSS THE PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM. I  
8 REPRESENT ONE OF THE LARGEST HOSPITALS, THE GENERAL HOSPITAL,  
9 THAT CONTINUES IN MY OPINION TO BE A FLAGSHIP FOR THE COUNTY  
10 OF LOS ANGELES. AT THE SAME TIME, DON'T OF PUBLIC HEALTH HAS  
11 TAKEN NECESSARY STEPS TO ADDRESS ONGOING STRUCTURAL DEFICITS  
12 INCLUDING THE CLOSURE, UNFORTUNATELY, OF 7 CLINICS AND WITH 7  
13 REMAINING OPEN IN AND IN OPERATION. LET'S TRY TO MAKE SURE  
14 THAT WE DON'T TO HAVE CLOSE THE REMAINDER. HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS  
15 ARE ASKED TOO DO MORE WITH FEWER AND FEWER RESOURCES AND FEWER  
16 ON PERSONNEL. WE MUST BE HONEST THAT COUNTIES, WE INCLUDED,  
17 DON'T HAVE THE CAPACITY TO FULLY REPLACE THE SCALE OF THE  
18 FEDERAL FUNDING THAT'S BEEN REDUCED. ONLY TIME WILL TELL US  
19 WHEN ELECTION SEASON COMES BY AND WE'RE ABLE TO MAKE THOSE  
20 CHOICES CLEAR. WE MUST PRESERVE THE SYSTEM THAT MILLIONS OF  
21 RESIDENTS AND THOSE THAT ARE VOICELESS IN PARTICULAR THE  
22 CHILDREN WILL HAVE TO CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR STRONGER  
23 FEDERAL INVESTMENT AND WORK CLOSELY WITH THE STATE TO ENSURE  
24 PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC HOSPITALS THAT TOUCH THE LIVES OF 10  
25 MILLION RESIDENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HERE ALONE, MORE THAN

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1 ONE-THIRD OF THE RESIDENTS RELY ON MEDI-CAL, 1.7 MILLION  
2 LATINOS AND 300,000 AAPI RESIDENTS. THAT'S NOT TO MENTION HOW  
3 MANY OTHER SENIORS AND OTHERS IMPACTED. ANY CHANGES IN  
4 ELIGIBILITY OR FUNDING AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL HAVE REAL  
5 CONSEQUENCES FOR ACCESS TO CARE AND STABILITY FOR FAMILIES. TO  
6 HAVE UNDERSCORE THAT, SOME DO NOT UNDERSTAND THERE ARE NEW  
7 REQUIREMENTS TO REDETERMINE THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE  
8 FUNDING. IT IS HARD OFTENTIMES TO GET OUR COMMUNITY,  
9 ESPECIALLY SENIORS AND OTHERS WHO DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE  
10 INTERNET TO BE ABLE TO RE-ENROLL. IT WILL BE A BIG PRIORITY  
11 FOR OUR COUNTY TO DO THAT And A HELP IN SOME WAY. WE ARE  
12 SEEING PROPOSED CHANGES THAT COULD AFFECT ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL  
13 SUPPORTS, THE CALFRESH PROGRAM. THERE ARE CURRENTLY  
14 APPROXIMATELY 1.5 MILLION. WHAT COUNTY RESIDENTS THAT RELY ON  
15 CALFRESH. NO ONE IN OUR COUNTY SHOULD HAVE TO FACE FOOD  
16 INSECURITY AND TO HAVE REMAIN COMMITTED TO PROTECTING ACCESS  
17 TO THE BASIC NEEDS. THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO HOUSING ASSISTANCE  
18 PROGRAMS FOR MISSED STATUS FAMILIES WILL PLACE AN ADDITIONAL  
19 STRAIN ON HOUSEHOLDS THAT ARE ALREADY VULNERABLE. AND I  
20 UNDERSCORE THAT. THERE'S A GREAT NEED THERE. THIS IS WHY OUR  
21 WORK TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING INSTABILITY REMAINS  
22 CRITICAL. EVEN IN THE CONSTRAINED FISCAL ENVIRONMENT WE HAVE  
23 TO CONTINUE INVESTING IN SOLUTIONS THAT STABILIZE PEOPLE AND  
24 OUR COMMUNITIES. I DO HAVE TO SAY THAT THERE MAY BE SOME  
25 FLICKERS OF HOPE AS WE MOVE ALONG IN THE BUDGET PROCESS. OVER



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1 2 YEARS THIS BOARD CAN TAKE CREDIT THAT WE'VE SEEN A 4%  
2 DECREASE COUNTYWIDE IN THE POINT IN TIME HOMELESS COUNT.  
3 PEOPLE MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE WORKED DILIGENTLY TO  
4 BRING THAT NUMBER DOWN. IN THE FIRST DISTRICT ALONE WE  
5 SUPPORTED THE CREATION OF APPROXIMATELY 6,000 HOUSING UNITS  
6 AND 4,000 MORE ARE IN THE PIPELINE. WE HAVE TO CONTINUE THAT  
7 MOMENTUM AND REMAIN FOCUSED ON SOLUTIONS THAT MOVE PEOPLE INTO  
8 HOUSING AND KEEP THEM HOUSED. DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
9 CONTINUES TO PLAY A ROLE IN THIS WORK THROUGH EVICTION AND  
10 EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAMS. THESE EFFORTS ARE ESSENTIAL TO  
11 BROADER HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY, ENSURING THAT WE'RE NOT ONLY  
12 BUILDING HOUSING BUT WE'RE ALSO PRESERVING IT AND ALLOWING  
13 PEOPLE TO STAY IN THEIR UNITS LONGER. DCBA HOUSES THE OFFICE  
14 OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS WHICH IS ESTABLISHED BY THIS BOARD DURING  
15 THE FIRST TRUMP ADMINISTRATION TO STRENGTHEN THE COUNTY  
16 SUPPORT FOR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. THAT INCLUDES LANGUAGE  
17 ACCESS POLICIES AND PROGRAMS LIKE REPRESENT L.A. WHICH  
18 PROVIDES LEGAL DEFENSE FOR INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED BY IMMIGRATION  
19 ENFORCEMENT. THESE PROGRAMS REFLECT OUR COMMITMENT ON THIS  
20 BOARD TO FAIRNESS, ACCESS, AND DIGNITY FOR FAMILIES ACROSS  
21 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ONE-TIME FUNDS  
22 SUPPORT HOMELESS OUTREACH IN VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY  
23 ZONES, FOR EXAMPLE IN THE WHITTIER NARROWS. FOLLOWING THE  
24 STATE EXPANSION OF THESE ZONES I AUTHORED A MOTION TO ENSURE  
25 WE RESPOND WITH PUBLIC SAFETY THROUGH HOST TEAMS AND



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1 COMPASSIONATE OUTREACH. LAST YEAR WE SUPPORTED NEARLY 80  
2 INDIVIDUALS IN THE WHITTIER NARROWS THROUGH A PATHWAY HOME  
3 OPERATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS FOUND PLACES TO STAY AND RECEIVE  
4 CASE BENEFITS AS WELL. THESE EFFORTS HAVE HELPED BRING PEOPLE,  
5 TO BRING THEM INDOORS AND REDUCING THE FIRE RISK THAT  
6 SURROUNDS OUR COMMUNITY. THIS WORK IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN  
7 LIGHT OF THE JANUARY 2025 WILDFIRES THAT IMPACTED ALTADENA AND  
8 THE PALISADES. RESOURCES ARE LIMITED, WE MUST MAKE VERY  
9 CAREFUL CHOICES AND I AM ENCOURAGED THAT SEVERAL PRIORITIES  
10 THAT WILL IMPACT MY DISTRICT ARE REFLECTED IN THE BUDGET. THE  
11 5.1 MILLION IN ONE-TIME FUNDING FOR DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND  
12 CULTURE TO BENEFIT THE ENTIRE COUNTY WHICH PROVIDES VITAL  
13 SUPPORT TO CBOs AND ARTS ORGANIZATIONS RIGHT NOW LIVING ON A  
14 THREAD. 17.8 MILLION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL  
15 SERVICES CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR IMMIGRANTS SUPPORTING  
16 RESIDENTS EXCLUDED FROM FEDERAL BENEFITS DUE TO IMMIGRATION  
17 STATUS. \$2.7 MILLION FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO  
18 INVESTIGATE FRAUDULENT CLAIMS THROUGH AB-218 ENSURING  
19 ACCOUNTABILITY WHILE SUPPORTING THOSE LEGITIMATE VICTIMS. AND  
20 SURVIVORS. \$1.5 MILLION IN DISCRETIONARY FUNDING TO SUPPORT  
21 ADDITIONAL SHERIFF PATROLS REQUESTED BY MY RESIDENTS IN ROLAND  
22 HEIGHTS AND HACIENDA HEIGHTS. THIS CALLS FOR STEADY  
23 LEADERSHIP, CONTINUED COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP. WE  
24 PARTNER, COMMUNICATE AND COLLABORATE AND TRY TO SOLVE  
25 PROBLEMS. THAT IS WHAT I ASK OUR COMMUNITIES TO DO IN COMING



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1 MONTHS WHEN WE BEGIN TO HAVE THESE BUDGET HEARINGS TO ASK THEM  
2 TO COME TOGETHER TO RESOLVE THE ISSUES. I REMAIN COMMITTED AND  
3 WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT WE MEET THE KNEES OF THE 10  
4 MILLION RESIDENTS WHO CALL LOS ANGELES COUNTY THEIR HOME. WE  
5 MUST REMAIN VIGILANT. I WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN TO OUR CEO AND  
6 STAFF AND EVERYONE THAT WORKED ON THIS BUDGET. WITH THAT, I  
7 WILL GO TO THE SECOND DISTRICT. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU ARE  
8 RECOGNIZED.

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10 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR.  
11 AND THANK YOU FOR REALLY SUMMARIZING SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT  
12 WE ARE CONFRONTING. I'M GOING TO WORK HARD NOT TO BE  
13 REPETITIVE. I WANT TO ALSO THANK THE CEO AND THE CEO BUDGET  
14 TEAM, BUDGETS ARE DYNAMIC DOCUMENTS THAT YOU DON'T FINISH IT,  
15 AND PUT IT ON A SHELF AND MOVE ON TO THE NEXT YEAR. SO I  
16 UNDERSTAND THAT. I UNDERSTAND THE COMPLEXITY. PARTICULARLY AT  
17 TIMES LIKE THIS. Mr. NICCHITTA, I HEARD YOU LOUD AND CLEAR, I  
18 HOPE THE PUBLIC HEARD YOU WHEN YOU GAVE THE ANALOGY THAT WE  
19 ARE IN THE EYE OF A HURRICANE. AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT I  
20 WILL REPEAT TO OUR COLLEAGUES IN SACRAMENTO AND REPEAT TO  
21 MYSELF AS A MANTRA. RECOGNIZING WHAT THAT MEANS AND AS WE AS  
22 THE COUNTY FAMILY WILL HAVE TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY TO  
23 NAVIGATE OUR WAY OUT OF THE EYE. I THINK THAT, IT IS SO  
24 SIGNIFICANT AND PROBABLY HIT ME ALL THE MORE RECENTLY LEAVING  
25 TED WATKINS PARK, HEADED BACK TO ONE OF MY OFFICES, I DRIVE



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1 DOWN CENTRAL AVENUE AND SAW THIS LONG LINE OUTSIDE OF THE DPSS  
2 OFFICE ON CENTRAL AVENUE. TO PIQUE MY CURIOSITY, IT WASN'T THE  
3 FIRST OF THE MONTH OR THE 15th, AS MY MOTHER USED TO LIKE  
4 REFER TO AS MOTHER'S DAY FOR PEOPLE ON PUBLIC BENEFITS. SO I  
5 DID A U TURN ON CENTRAL AND WENT AND PARKED AND B WENT INSIDE.  
6 IT WAS A PROFOUND REMINDER THAT WHEN WE SAY WE IN TERMS OF THE  
7 CONTEXT OF OUR BUDGET, ARE IN THE EYE OF THE HURRICANE, THAT  
8 MEANS PEOPLE'S LIVES. PEOPLE ARE LIVING IN THAT HURRICANE.  
9 TODAY. BASED ON CUTS THAT WE HAVE ALREADY MADE AS A COUNTY.  
10 AND TO SEE THE LINE AND TO HEAR THE STORIES, TO HEAR THE  
11 NEEDS, OF PEOPLE TODAY JUST REMINDS ME OF HOW IMPORTANT IT IS  
12 FOR US TO MAKE WHAT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE TOUGH DECISIONS, BUT  
13 DECISIONS NONETHELESS THAT WE WILL HAVE TO MAKE TO HELP THOSE  
14 PEOPLE STAY AFLOAT. I UNDERSTAND THAT IS OUR ROLE AS THE  
15 SAFETY NET LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT AND WHILE IT IS GOING TO BE  
16 MORE CHALLENGING, I'M CLEAR THAT WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY, AN  
17 ETHICAL ONE, A MORAL ONE TO KEEP FAMILIES AFLOAT DURING THE  
18 TOUGH TIMES. YOU KNOW, JUST A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO, COUNTY  
19 DEPARTMENTS PRESENT THE NEEDS FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR,  
20 AND WE HEARD REQUESTS TOTALING ABOUT \$2.8 BILLION. WITH  
21 APPROXIMATELY \$1.8 BILLION REQUESTED FROM NCC. AND I  
22 UNDERSTAND BASED ON YOUR PRESENTATION THAT WE ONLY HAVE 63  
23 MILLION IN ONGOING NCC FUNDS. THERE IS CLEARLY A DELTA. YOU  
24 KNOW, FOR THE LAST TWO FISCAL YEAR, THE THREE LEGS OF OUR  
25 FISCAL STOOL, FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL REVENUES HAVE ALL FACED



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1 SIGNIFICANT PRESSURES AND WE HAVE BEEN MAKING HARD CHOICES ON  
2 THE EXPENDITURE SIDE TO WITHSTAND THESE PRESSURES AND WE STILL  
3 HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO. WE ARE, WE KNOW THAT WE ARE STILL IN  
4 THE BUDGET YEAR WHEN WE ASK ALL BUT THREE DEPARTMENTS TO  
5 ABSORB 8.5% IN CURTAILMENTS TO NCC FUNDING. WE IMPLEMENTED A  
6 HIRING FREEZE TO HELP CONTROL COSTS, AND EVEN WITH THESE  
7 STEPS, WE WERE NOT OUT OF THE WOODS. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE  
8 STATE IS ALSO NOT ON STRONG FISCAL FOOTING, AND THAT IS GOING  
9 TO CONTINUE TO IMPACT THE COUNTY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS SUMMARIZED  
10 THE ASSAULT WE ARE EXPERIENCING, THE ASSAULT ON OUR SAFETY NET  
11 PROGRAMS AS A RESULT OF HR1. BUT I JUST WANT TO DRILL DOWN IN  
12 TERMS OF SOME OF THE NUMBERS TO REALLY MAKE IT PLAIN. WE KNOW  
13 THAT ALREADY MORE THAN 200,000 RESIDENTS HAVE LOST FULL SCOPE  
14 MEDI-CAL. THAT IS 1 IN 5 COUNTY RESIDENTS. EXCUSE ME, AND MORE  
15 THAN 1 IN 5 OF THOSE RESIDENTS IS A CHILD. THAT INCLUDES ABOUT  
16 800 INFANTS, 4,000 TODDLERS, AND OVER 15,000 SCHOOL-AGED  
17 CHILDREN NO LONGER HAVE HEALTH COVERAGE. IN ADDITION, AS  
18 SUPERVISOR SOLIS TALKED ABOUT THE 100,000 RESIDENTS WHO LOST  
19 THEIR CAL FRESH I AM SURE THAT IS SOME OF THE PEOPLE THAT  
20 LINED UP ONE AFTERNOON AT ONE DPSS OFFICE IN THE ENTIRE  
21 COUNTY. I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOUR SLIDES SHOWED WHAT WE  
22 ARE GOING TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO EMPLOY PEOPLE  
23 THAT WORK AT DPSS AND DRAW DOWN ON THE FEDERAL DOLLARS. THAT  
24 IS, THAT IS WITHOUT A DOUBT NECESSARY TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE  
25 TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES. I WANT TO TOUCH VERY BRIEFLY ON



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1 HEALTHCARE, HOMELESSNESS, VISION ZERO, CARE FIRST AND I HAVE  
2 ONE QUESTION FOR THE CEO. YOU KNOW, THE WORLD IS COMING TO LA  
3 COUNTY. FIFA IS THIS SUMMER, THE OLYMPICS, WE'LL BE WELCOMING  
4 MILLIONS OF VISITORS FROM AROUND THE WORLD INTO OUR COUNTY AND  
5 I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE CAN AFFORD TO HAVE A WEAKENED HEALTH  
6 SYSTEM. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE TAKEN STEPS TO ADDRESS THE FISCAL  
7 PRESSURES INCLUDING ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEALTH SAFETY FUND  
8 IN \$20 MILLION IN ONE-TIME DOLLARS. I KNOW THAT THE HEALTH  
9 DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING ALL THAT THEY CAN BY LIMITING OVERTIME,  
10 IMPLEMENTING HIRING FREEZES, MODIFYING PURCHASING PROCESSES,  
11 CONSOLIDATING SERVICES AND CUTTING THE CLINICS. I KNOW THE  
12 BOARD HAS PLACED A HEALTH SYSTEM SUPPORTING SALES TAX MEASURE  
13 ON THE BALLOT IN RESPONSE TO THE HARMFUL FEDERAL POLICIES.  
14 EVEN TODAY, WE ARE CONSIDERING A MOTION DIRECTED TO THE  
15 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO CREATE A PUBLIC FACING  
16 DASHBOARD TO HELP US TRACK THE IMPACT OF HR1 IN OUR  
17 CONSTITUENTS. WE KNOW THAT ALL OF THAT STILL WON'T BE ENOUGH  
18 AND IN SOME CASES, IT IS GOING TO REDUCE THE CAPACITY TO SERVE  
19 OUR CONSTITUENTS IN AN EFFORT TO SAVE DOLLARS. SO WE ARE GOING  
20 TO HAVE TO EXPAND OUR PUBLIC HEALTH SAFETY FUND AND CONTINUE  
21 TO FIND INNOVATIVE WAYS BECAUSE I BELIEVE PUBLIC HEALTH IS  
22 PUBLIC SAFETY. AS I HEAR FROM COLLEAGUE, TOTAL POPULATION OF  
23 \$150,000 ALREADY HAS MORE THAN A DOZEN MEASLES CASES, PUBLIC  
24 HEALTH IS PUBLIC SAFETY. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE SURE  
25 THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO PROTECT THE 10 MILLION-PLUS RESIDENTS



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1 PLUS THE MILLIONS THAT ARE GOING TO COME INTO OUR COUNTY.  
2 HOMELESSNESS, CARE, EFFICIENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ARE THREE  
3 FOUNDATIONAL PILLARS FORCE STABILIZING AND STRENGTHENING THE  
4 HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT, PARTICULARLY SINCE  
5 IT WAS CREATED TO ADDRESS LONG STANDING CHALLENGES FACED BY A  
6 REGIONAL HOMELESS SYSTEM. WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR  
7 PROVIDERS AND OUR UNHOUSED ANGELENOS TO BE CONSISTENT IN OUR  
8 COMMITMENT TO FISCAL TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY. THAT  
9 MEANS THAT THE COUNTY MUST SERVE AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW WE SPEND  
10 THE MEASURE A SALES TAX DOLLARS EQUITABLY AND EFFICIENTLY. WE  
11 HAVE GOT TO GET MONEY OUT THE DOOR, TIMELY AND TRACK THE  
12 OUTCOMES OF THAT SPENDING. I BELIEVE YOU HAVE TO FOCUS OUR  
13 DOLLARS ON PROGRAMS THAT HAVE SHOWN RESULTS. SUCH AS WRAP  
14 AROUND MODEL USE AND PATHWAY HOMES FULL ENCAMPMENT  
15 RESOLUTIONS. WE CONTINUE TO REFINE POLICIES FOR THIS NEW  
16 DEPARTMENT. IT IS CRUCIAL THAT WE STAY GROUNDED AND PROVEN  
17 INNOVATIVE APPROACHES. VISION ZERO. VISION ZERO IS A CRITICAL  
18 INITIATIVE AIMED AT ELIMINATING TRAFFIC RELATED DEATHS ON THE  
19 STREETS AND IDENTIFIED AS A CRITICAL UNMET NEED WITH PUBLIC  
20 WORKS REQUESTING JUST OVER \$9 MILLION TO IMPROVE SAFETY ACROSS  
21 3200 MILES ACROSS COUNTY ROADWAYS. HOWEVER, THESE ARE ONE-TIME  
22 FUNDS, EVEN AS TRAFFIC FATALITIES CONTINUE TO RISE, RAISING  
23 CONCERNS WHETHER THE INVESTMENT APPROACH REFLECTS THE ONGOING  
24 NATURE OF THIS CRISIS. PARTICULARLY IN DISTRICTS LIKE MINE,  
25 WHERE WE WERE, WHERE WE ARE, WHERE OUR VEHICLE VERSUS



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1 PEDESTRIAN DEATHS ARE AMONG THE HIGHEST IN THE COUNTY. I'VE  
2 BEEN CONSISTENT OVER AT LEAST THE PAST FOUR YEARS AND  
3 ADVOCATING FOR NCC DOLLARS FOR THE VISION ZERO PROGRAM, I AM  
4 HOPING TO REACH CONSTRUCTIVE FUNDING COMPROMISE TO  
5 MEANINGFULLY REDUCE TRAFFIC FATALITIES ON THE STREETS. OVER  
6 THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, THE BOARD AND COMMUNITY HAVE EXPRESSED  
7 THEIR COMMITMENT TO CARE FIRST. SO I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT THE 26  
8 MILLION INCREASE TO CFCI, THE 12 MILLION SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC  
9 DEFENDER AND FUNDING DEFENDER STAFFING AND FUNDING FOR 5300  
10 BEDS AT ODR. THE YOUTH, THE FUTURE OF COUNTY ARE ALSO PART OF  
11 CARE FIRST. EDUCATION, MENTORSHIP, YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND  
12 OPPORTUNITY ARE AMONG THE MOST EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES FOR  
13 PREVENTING YOUTH VIOLENCE AND HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE REACH THEIR  
14 FULL POTENTIAL. THAT IS WHY IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE  
15 PRIORITIZE SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY AND  
16 PRIORITIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENTS CARE  
17 COORDINATION EFFORTS. I'M THANKFUL TO SEE RESOURCES INCLUDED  
18 IN THE BUDGET FOR THE OUR SPOT PROGRAM AT MAGIC JOHNSON PARK.  
19 92% OF PARTICIPANTS ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IT IS EFFECTIVENESS AND  
20 KEY COMPONENT OF CARE AND SHOWN POSITIVE RESULTS. THE SHERIFF,  
21 WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE D.A. HAS SHARED WITH THIS BOARD AND  
22 THE PUBLIC, HIS INTENTION, HIS DESIRE TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR A  
23 CORRECTIONAL CARE CENTER. TERMINOLOGY THE SHERIFF USES. AS I  
24 SAID BEFORE, ANY PLANS THAT ARE NOT LED BY MENTAL HEALTH AND  
25 HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS ARE CONTRARY IN MY OPINION TO THE



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1 CARE FIRST VISION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD. AND ANY INVESTMENT  
2 WITHOUT THE APPROACH IS NOT ALIGNED WITH THAT COMMITMENT. WE  
3 HAVE INVESTED SIGNIFICANT EFFORT AND RESOURCES ON PROGRAMS  
4 SUCH AS ODR TO DIVERT INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS  
5 AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AWAY FROM THE JAIL SYSTEM AND I  
6 HOPE TO HAVE THE SHERIFF AND DA ARE OPEN TO SEEING HOW TO  
7 CONTRIBUTE THE RESOURCES TO ENSURE THE PRODUCTIONS ARE  
8 SUCCESSFUL, INSTEAD OF SEEKING A CONTRADICTIONARY PATH. THIS  
9 YEAR, IT IS GOING TO BE CHALLENGING AS WE HEARD, I'M CONFIDENT  
10 THAT WE FIND WAYS TO CONTINUE DELIVERING POTENTIAL SERVICES  
11 WHILE PRESERVING OUR ROLE AS A SAFETY NET PROVIDER. QUESTION  
12 FOR THE CEO, REALLY, IN TERMS OF PROCESS, THE BUDGETING  
13 PROCESS WHICH IS IMPORTANT GIVEN THE DIRE STRAITS WE FIND  
14 OURSELVES IN. I KNOW THAT THE FRAMEWORK FOR HOW WE DEVELOP THE  
15 ANNUAL COUNTY BUDGET FOCUSES ON CHANGES TO THE PREVIOUS YEAR  
16 BUDGET, THAT IS THE FOUNDATION THAT YOU BUILDING ON. BUT IN  
17 TIMES OF FISCAL CHALLENGES, WE MAY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
18 EXAMINE OUR BASELINE AND SEE WHERE WE HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO  
19 REDIRECT OR OPTIMIZE OUR DOLLARS. SO THE QUESTION IS, IN THE  
20 BUDGET PROCESS THIS YEAR, HOW ARE YOU PLANNING TO ENSURE THAT  
21 WE AUDIT OR FIND OPPORTUNITIES TO BETTER UTILIZE FUNDING  
22 RATHER THAN MAINTAIN A BASELINE STATUS QUO WHEN IT COMES TO  
23 PROGRAMS THAT MAY BE LESS EFFECTIVE THAN OTHERS.  
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25 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, SUPERVISOR.



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1 SO I WILL, LET ME ANSWER IN TWO DIFFERENT PARTS. ONE IS THE  
2 PROGRAMS THAT ARE OPERATED BY DEPARTMENTS. AND SOME IS THE  
3 FUNDING AND INVESTMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN SET ASIDE OUTSIDE OF  
4 DEPARTMENTAL OPERATING BUDGETS. THE REASON THAT I SEPARATE THE  
5 TWO THINGS, IS BECAUSE I THINK THAT WE ACTUALLY SEE MORE  
6 OPPORTUNITY WHEN WE EXAMINE THOSE FUNDING SOURCES THAT ARE NOT  
7 PROGRAMMED IN A DEPARTMENTAL OPERATING BUDGET. SO FOR EXAMPLE,  
8 WE HAVE THE PROVISIONAL FINANCING USES ACCOUNT, WHERE WE SAVE  
9 MONEY FOR A FUTURE NEED. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF LOOKING IN,  
10 I DESCRIBE THESE AS PO BOXES WITH MONEY INSIDE EACH BECOMES.  
11 WE HAVE, WE ARE EXAMINING WHY MONEY WAS PUT THERE, WHEN WAS IT  
12 PUT THERE? HOW HAVE WE USED IT? DOES IT STILL RISE TO THE  
13 HIGHEST AND BEST USE BASED ON THIS BOARD'S PRIORITIES? THAT IS  
14 NUMBER ONE. WE WILL BE COMING BACK TO THE BOARD IN  
15 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RE-ALLOCATING  
16 FUNDING THAT WE HAVE SET ASIDE OUTSIDE OF THE DEPARTMENTAL  
17 BUDGETS. WITHIN DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS, THINGS BECOME A LITTLE  
18 MORE COMPLICATED. SO THE FIRST THING TO REMEMBER IS, WE AS THE  
19 CEO DO NOT NECESSARILY HAVE VISIBILITY INTO THE OPERATIONS OF  
20 EACH PROGRAM. WE HAVE TAKEN A COUPLE STEPS TO INCREASE  
21 TRANSPARENCY, NOT JUST FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIGURING OUT, SHOULD  
22 WE END THE PROGRAM AND USE THE FUNDING FOR SOMETHING ELSE?  
23 JUST TRANSPARENCY EFFORTS EVERY ALL AROUND OUR BUDGET WHICH  
24 HAS BEEN A BIG CALL FOR ACTION TO OUR OFFICE OVER THE LAST FEW  
25 YEARS. NUMBER ONE INVESTMENT WE MADE IN NEW BUDGETING SYSTEM



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1 WHICH IS COMING ON-LINE THIS YEAR, WE CALL IT LACES. LACES  
2 DOES HAVE A LOT MORE CAPABILITY TO IDENTIFY RATHER THAN  
3 ACCOUNTING LINE ITEMS WE CALL THEM PROGRAM BASED BUDGETING.  
4 IDENTIFY INVESTMENTS BY PROGRAM AND YOU CAN TIE THAT, EACH  
5 PROGRAM INVESTMENT TO OUTCOMES. SO YOU WILL HAVE VISIBILITY  
6 OVER TIME INTO THE PERFORMANCE OF DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMS,  
7 PROGRAMS IN MY OFFICE, PROGRAMS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT. BUT THAT  
8 IS TAKING SOME TIME. THIS IS THE YEAR WHERE WE ARE LAUNCHING  
9 IT. AND WE ARE PUTTING IN ALL OF THE INPUTS. WHAT WE DON'T  
10 HAVE YET IS THE OUTPUTS. SO LATER THIS YEAR, AS WE CLOSE OUT  
11 THE BUDGET, AND THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, WE START TO POPULATE IT  
12 MORE WITH OUTPUTS AS WELL. THAT WILL BE A TOOL OVER THE NEXT  
13 COUPLE OF YEAR, REALLY HELP US THINK ABOUT WITH CLEAR DATA,  
14 WHAT IS PERFORMING WELL AND WHAT ISN'T PERFORMING WELL.  
15 BECAUSE THAT IS A COUPLE YEARS IN THE FUTURE, THE OTHER  
16 CONVERSATION WE HAVE HAD WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS NOW, FOR  
17 SOLUTIONS NOW IS, ARE THERE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEM TO  
18 RESTRUCTURE PROGRAMMING WITHIN THEIR DEPARTMENTS. SO THEY SEE  
19 AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE A PROGRAM, UNDERPERFORMING, SUNSETTED  
20 AND USE THE FUNDING FOR OTHER HIGH PRIORITY USES. I'M OPEN TO  
21 THAT. WE HAVE HAD CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THAT. WE HAD OUR  
22 DEPARTMENT HEAD BUDGET CONVENING EARLIER IN JANUARY, SINCE HAD  
23 A NUMBER OF CONTINUED ENGAGEMENTS, ENGAGEMENTS WITH DEPARTMENT  
24 HEADS. WE ARE LAUNCHING AFTER WE GET ACROSS THE RECOMMENDED  
25 BUDGET FINISH LINE, SEVERAL SUBCOMMITTEES TO CONTINUE THAT



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1 WORK. I WILL, I DO THINK THAT IT IS CHALLENGING FOR ANY  
2 DEPARTMENT HEAD TO LOOK AT, TO LOOK AT PROGRAMS AND SAY, I  
3 WANT TO WIND SOMETHING DOWN. LIKE I SAID, IN THIS BOARDROOM  
4 BEFORE, THERE IS A STAKEHOLDER BEHIND EVERY CORNER. IT WILL  
5 REQUIRE SUPPORT FROM MY OFFICE, IT WILL REQUIRE SUPPORT FROM  
6 THE BOARD AS WE IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES TO DO THAT, TO REALLY  
7 EXPLAIN WHY THAT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY TODAY,  
8 EVEN THOUGH THE MONEY HAS BEEN SITTING THERE FOR A VERY LONG  
9 TIME.

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11 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE  
12 LEADERSHIP AND LEADERSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT HEADS TO STEP UP  
13 TO THE PLATE, YOU KNOW. SOMETIMES DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY  
14 BRINGING FORWARD A DIFFERENT KIND OF CRITICAL EYE AND LOOKING  
15 AT PROGRAMS, IT IS A CHALLENGE. YOU SAID IT WILL BE HARD.  
16 BECAUSE IT IS HARD, DOESN'T MEAN WE GET TO NOT DO IT.  
17 PARTICULARLY NOW. THANK YOU FOR THAT ANSWER. THE PUBLIC, YOU  
18 KNOW, I DO THESE BUDGET TOWN HALLS BECAUSE I AM A BUDGET GEEK,  
19 AND THE PUBLIC TENDS TO STRUGGLE WITH THIS NOTION THAT, YOU  
20 KNOW, YOU AS THE CEO, YOU KNOW, THE CHALLENGE THAT YOU TALKED  
21 ABOUT VERY PUBLICLY CONSISTENTLY IN REALLY BEING ABLE TO SEE  
22 DEEPLY INTO THE BUDGETS OF DEPARTMENTS. I'M GLAD TO HEAR IN  
23 THE MEANTIME, THAT THERE IS A COLLABORATION AND ENCOURAGE THE  
24 DEPARTMENT HEADS TO STEP UP AND MAKE IT AS ACCESSIBLE AND  
25 VISIBLE TO YOU AS POSSIBLE. SO THERE REALLY IS A TRUE COUNTY-



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1 WIDE PRIORITY SETTING VIEW INTO THEIR DEPARTMENT, INTO THEIR  
2 BUDGETS TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE SURVIVE THE HURRICANE AND ASSAULT  
3 LEVIED AGAINST US BY OUR OWN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. JUST VERY  
4 QUICKLY IN CLOSING, MADAM CHAIR, I WANT TO SAY, WITH REGARD TO  
5 TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE THAT I APPRECIATE THE EQUITY  
6 FOCUSED AND DATA-DRIVEN APPROACH INCLUDING TARGETED  
7 INVESTMENTS THROUGH THE HIGH INJURY NETWORK AND COMMUNITY  
8 ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS, AGAIN, GIVEN THE DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACTS  
9 IN OUR DISTRICT, I WITH LIKE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND, HOW THE  
10 RESOURCES WOULD TO PRIORITIZE THE COMMUNITY'S BEST AFFECTED BY  
11 TRAFFIC VIOLENCE, SEE TIMELY AND MEASURABLE IMPROVEMENT. YOUR  
12 REJECTION OF THE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM COMES, I THINK, AT  
13 A INOPPORTUNE TIME. THE PROGRAM WAS EXPANDED DURING COVID  
14 THANKS TO ARPA FUNDED. SINCE THE PROGRAM EXPIRED, PROGRAM  
15 FACES SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES MAINTAINING SIGNIFICANT SERVICE  
16 LEVELS LET ALONE MEETING THE GROWING NEED OF SENIORS WHO ARE  
17 DEPENDENT ON OUR SUPPORT TO MEET THEIR BASIC NUTRITIONAL  
18 NEEDS. WITH RISING OPERATIONAL COST AND INCREASING DEMAND  
19 DRIVEN BY GROWING OPERATION, ADEQUATE FUNDING WILL LEAVE MANY  
20 VULNERABLE SENIORS WITHOUT ACCESS TO THIS VITAL SAFETY NET  
21 RESOURCE WHICH IS FOOD AND NUTRITION. I THINK THAT IS  
22 SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO TRY TO LOOK AT AND EVALUATE  
23 WHETHER OR NOT IT IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO  
24 SUPPORT. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE PRESENTATION. I LOOK FORWARD  
25 TO OUR MULTI STEP ONGOING PROCESS, THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM



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1 CHAIR.

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3 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
4 HORVATH.

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6 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO  
7 START BY THANKING ACTIVE CEO AND ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS WHO  
8 WORK TOGETHER TO PREPARE THE BUDGET THAT WE SEE TODAY.  
9 PREPARING A NEARLY \$50 MILLION BUDGET, I REALIZE IT IS YEAR  
10 LONG EFFORT WITH MANY MOVING PARTS ALONG THE WAY. I WANT TO  
11 THANK THE GOVERNANCE ENFORCED TASK FORCE FOR THEIR OBLIGATION  
12 FOR BUDGET, AS WELL AS CEOs TO IMPLEMENT THEM. THIS IS OUR  
13 SECOND YEAR OF BUDGET HEARINGS, THAT LED TO THE DISCUSSION  
14 TODAY, REQUIRED BY MEASURE G AND THE CHANGES IMPLEMENTED THIS  
15 YEAR HAVE HELPED US STREAMLINE OUR PRESENTATIONS. MAKING THEM  
16 CLEARER, MORE ACCESSIBLE AND MORE USEFUL. LASTLY, I ALSO WANT  
17 TO THANK ALL OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO  
18 PARTICIPATE IN OUR PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO  
19 ENGAGE IN UPCOMING BUDGET PHASES. YOUR INPUT IS CRITICALLY  
20 IMPORTANT ESPECIALLY AS WE CONTINUE TO FACE BUDGET CHALLENGES  
21 THAT REQUIRE DIFFICULT FUNDING DECISIONS. WHILE THIS YEAR'S  
22 BUDGET IS BALANCED, AND REFLECTS REVENUE GROWTH, WE CONTINUE  
23 TO FACE SIGNIFICANT PRESSURES INCLUDING AB218 SETTLEMENTS,  
24 WILDFIRE RECOVERY AND SIGNIFICANT REDUCTIONS IN FEDERAL  
25 FUNDING. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT WILDFIRE RECOVERY IN PARTICULAR,



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1 WE ARE TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE STILL WORKING TO REBUILD THEIR  
2 LIVES AND THEIR HOMES. WILDFIRE SURVIVORS SHOULD MAKE NO  
3 MISTAKE. OUR COUNTY WILL BE BY THEIR SIDE THROUGH EVERY STAGE  
4 OF RECOVERY, WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO CALL FOR FEDERAL  
5 RESOURCES NECESSARY TO ENSURE NOT JUST RECOVERY, BUT A  
6 COMPLETE AND LONG TERM REBUILDING OF OUR COMMUNITY DEVASTATED  
7 LAST YEAR. THESE CHALLENGES WILL PERSIST AND MOST DIFFICULT  
8 BUDGET DECISIONS ARE STILL AHEAD. WITH THAT IN MIND, I  
9 APPRECIATE THE CAUTIOUS APPROACH THIS YEAR, FUNDING ESSENTIAL  
10 ITEMS AND LIMITING THE USE OF RESERVES SET ASIDE FROM LAST  
11 YEAR'S 8.5% CURTAILMENTS. THIS FUNDING WILL BE NEEDED IN THE  
12 FUTURE, FOR BOTH COLAS AND FUTURE AB218 SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS.  
13 EVEN THOUGH THAT WE ARE FACING MANY BUDGET PRESSURES I AM  
14 PROUD THAT WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE WORKFORCE WITH COST OF  
15 LIVING ADJUSTMENTS. THE WORKFORCE IS WHAT KEEPS THE COUNTY  
16 RUNNING EVERY SINGLE DAY. IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE SUPPORT THEM.  
17 ESPECIALLY AT THE COST OF EVERY DAY, AS THE COST OF EVERY DAY  
18 GOODS CONTINUES TO RISE. AT THE SAME TIME, HOMELESSNESS  
19 REMAINS AN ABSOLUTE PRIORITY. WHICH IS WHY WE UNDERTOOK A  
20 SEPARATE AND COMPREHENSIVE PROCESS FOR MEASURE A AND THE  
21 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND  
22 HOUSING TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE MAKING THOUGHTFUL COORDINATED  
23 AND EFFECTIVE INVESTMENTS IN ADDRESSING THIS CRISIS. I'M ALSO  
24 PLEASED THAT WE ARE INVESTING \$10 MILLION INTO OUR OFFICE OF  
25 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. TO EXPAND STAFFING BY 44 POSITIONS. AS



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1 WE FACE INCREASING CLIMATE RELATED DISASTERS, AND PREPARE FOR  
2 GLOBAL EVENTS SUCH AS THE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES,  
3 STRENGTHENING OEM IS NOT OPTIONAL. IT IS ESSENTIAL. WE HAVE  
4 ALSO RECENTLY HEARD FROM OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER, AND ALTERNATE  
5 PUBLIC DEFENDER ABOUT THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL STAFFING DUE TO  
6 INCREASE CASELOADS AND CASE COMPLEXITY. DURING THIS PHASE, WE  
7 ARE ALLOCATING \$12 MILLION IN ONGOING, ONGOING PFU ACCOUNT  
8 PENDING COMPLETION OF A WORKLOAD STUDY. SO I WOULD START BY  
9 ASKING OUR CEO WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE WORKLOAD STUDY. AND  
10 WHEN DO YOU PLAN TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE USE OF  
11 THE \$12 MILLION. IS THAT COME IN A FUTURE BUDGET PHASE THIS  
12 YEAR?

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14 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION SUPERVISOR. SO  
15 IN JUST, JUST IN SOME BACKGROUND ON THIS RECOMMENDATION, WHEN  
16 TALKING WITH OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER  
17 AND LOOKING AT THE CASELOAD STATISTICS, THEY ARE, THE  
18 INCREASED FILINGS ARE CONCERNING. WE ARE SEEING NEW FELONY  
19 FILINGS UP 11 PERCENT IN 2025. NEW HOMICIDE FILINGS UP 22  
20 PERCENT. MISDEMEANOR FILINGS UP 8% IN 2025 AFTER INCREASING  
21 22% IN 2024. THE CASELOAD INCREASES ARE REAL. I THINK THAT THE  
22 QUESTION IS, HOW DOES THAT TRANSLATE TO WORKLOAD? THE WORKLOAD  
23 STUDY HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED, IT HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR SOME  
24 TIME BUT IT WILL BE COMPLETED AS I UNDERSTAND IT FROM MY  
25 CONVERSATIONS WITH PUBLIC DEFENDER, IN THE NEXT MONTH OR SO.



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1 AND THEN WE WILL WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENTS TO ANALYZE THE  
2 IMPLICATIONS FOR THEIR, THEIR POSITIONS. AND THEN BECAUSE THE  
3 MONEY IS SET ASIDE IN PFU, IT DOES NOT HAVE TO WAIT FOR A  
4 SUBSEQUENT BUDGET PHASE TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES ON A ROLLING  
5 BASIS. WE WILL HAVE THE, THROUGH A MID YEAR BUDGET TRANSACTION  
6 OR NEXT BUDGET PHASE, BECAUSE THE MONEY WILL BE THERE. WE  
7 DON'T HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE NEXT PHASE FOR IT TO START.

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9 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: OVER THE LAST TWO YEAR, WE WORKED FOR  
10 THE DATA NEEDED FOR CLIMATE BUDGET TO HELP GUIDE INVESTMENTS  
11 IN CLIMATE RESILIENCE. WE CERTAINLY SEEN WHY THAT IS NECESSARY  
12 ESPECIALLY LAST YEAR. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE CLIMATE BUDGET  
13 AND MOVING FORWARD, HOW WILL DEPARTMENTS BE INCORPORATING  
14 CLIMATE WORK THROUGH THE CLIMATE BUDGET INTO THE DEPARTMENTAL  
15 WORK PLANS AND REQUESTS?

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17 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: SUPERVISOR, ONE OF THE, I GOT TOO CLOSE  
18 TO THE MIC. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT JUST CANDIDLY, WAS AN  
19 IMPORTANT START WAS FOR ME TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CLIMATE  
20 BUDGET PROCESS. SO I DID MEET WITH THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY  
21 OFFICER AND HER TEAM TO REALLY UNDERSTAND, HOW THE CLIMATE  
22 BUDGET INFLUENCES, DECISIONS MADE IN BUDGET. SO I UNDERSTAND  
23 THAT THERE IS STILL SOME WORK GOING ON TO FINALIZE THE FULL  
24 SCOPE OF THE CLIMATE BUDGET AFTER THE GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY  
25 HAS BEEN COMPLETED. IN THE MEANTIME, WHAT WE HAVE DONE, WE



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1 HAVE TAKEN OUR, ALL OF THE BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS, AND WE  
2 HAVE, WE HAVE ASKED DEPARTMENTS TO FLAG THEM. AS  
3 SUSTAINABILITY ITEMS. THEN WE WORKED WITH CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY  
4 OFFICER TO RANK THEM. RATE THEM. ESSENTIALLY TAKE A LOOK AT  
5 THEM AND TELL US WHICH ONE OF THESE HAVE THE MOST IMPACT FOR  
6 THE GOALS OF THE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN. THAT HAS BEEN A GOOD  
7 STOP GAP. THAT ALLOWS US AS THE CEO TO UNDERSTAND, IF SOMEONE  
8 SAYS, THIS IS SUSTAINABILITY HOW VALUABLE IT IS RELATIVE TO  
9 THE OTHER REQUESTS. I THINK THAT GOING FORWARD, I THINK THAT I  
10 MENTIONED IT, THIS IN THIS ROOM, THAT I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE  
11 SOME OF THOSE SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS MOVED UP FURTHER IN THE  
12 PROCESS. SO THAT WE ARE UPSTREAM OF WHERE WE ARE TODAY, SO  
13 RIGHT NOW, WE GET THE BUDGET REQUEST FROM DEPARTMENTS, WE RANK  
14 THEM WITH THE SUSTAINABILITY RANKINGS AND MAKE DECISIONS AND  
15 RECOMMENDATIONS, IF WE MOVE THAT UPSTREAM, THEN DEPARTMENTS  
16 CAN ACTUALLY LEVERAGE SOME OF THE INFORMATION FROM THE CLIMATE  
17 BUDGET WORK ACTUALLY MAKE BETTER RECOMMENDATIONS, OR BETTER  
18 REQUESTS, I SHOULD SAY THAT HELP THEIR DEPARTMENTS MEET THE  
19 SUSTAINABILITY GOALS. I DESCRIBE IT AS A WORK IN PROGRESS. WE  
20 MADE SIGNIFICANT STRIDES THIS BUDGET YEAR.

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22 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THE MORE WE SOLIDIFY THE CHANGES, THE  
23 MORE IMPACT IN BEST OF WAYS. THANK YOU FOR THAT WORK AND WE  
24 WILL CONTINUE TO WATCH. ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT REQUESTS  
25 THAT WE HEARD FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE DURING THE BUDGET



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1 HEARINGS WAS THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL STAFF AND FUNDING FOR THE  
2 GOVERNANCE REFORMED TASK FORCE. I DON'T SEE FUNDING FOR THE  
3 NEEDS IN RECOMMENDED BUDGET AND THESE REQUESTS ARE CRITICAL TO  
4 TIME SENSITIVE WORK. SO WILL THEY BE FUNDED IN FINAL CHANGES?

5

6 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: SO, DURING THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET, THERE  
7 WAS SOME CHANGES TO THE REQUESTS MADE BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE.  
8 SO WE MOVED TO FINAL CHANGES AS A DEFERRAL, JUST TO HELP US  
9 GIVE US TIME TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO FIGURE OUT THE  
10 SCOPE OF THEIR ASKS AND SOME OF THE CHANGES THEY PUT FORWARD.  
11 WE HAVE VERY STRICT RULES ON WHAT WE CAN, OR HOW WE FUND  
12 MEASURE G REQUESTS. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE IN  
13 COMPLIANCE WITH THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER ANALYSIS THAT WAS  
14 ATTACHED TO THE BALLOT MEASURE. BUT THAT SAID, YES, THIS IS  
15 THE DEFERRAL THAT WE PUSH THE FINAL CHANGES. SO WE CONTINUE TO  
16 WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO REFINE THAT ASK AND SEE WHAT THE  
17 FINAL REQUEST WILL BE SO WE CAN MAKE APPROPRIATE  
18 RECOMMENDATION.

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20 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: WHEN YOU SAY STRICT GUIDELINES OR  
21 RULES, WHAT IS THAT?

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23 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: THAT REFERS TO NO NEW COSTS, NO NEW  
24 TAXES, THERE ARE LIMITATIONS ON, IT HAS TO BE NECESSARY FOR  
25 THE IMPLEMENTATION, SO WE HAVE A, WE CALL IT, WE CALL IT MAYBE



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1 INAPPROPRIATELY, THE BIBLE FOR HOW WE FUND MEASURE G ITEMS. IT  
2 IS A LIST OF CRITERIA THAT WE DEVELOPED FROM BOTH THE  
3 ORDINANCE ITSELF AND THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S GUIDANCE. SO WE  
4 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHATEVER WE ARE RECOMMENDING IS  
5 CONSISTENT WITH THAT.

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7 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: I'M GLAD TO HEAR NO NEW TAX INCREASE  
8 TO RESIDENTS, THAT WAS MEASURE G. WE KNOW THAT THERE IS COST  
9 ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTING IT AND GIVEN THE TIMELINE, I WANT  
10 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T PUT OURSELVES IN A POSITION THAT WE  
11 DON'T MEET THE EXPECTED GOALS OF THE MEASURE. LASTLY, DURING  
12 THE BUDGET HEARINGS, THERE WAS A DISCUSSION OF DEPARTMENTS  
13 WORKING TO FIND WAYS TO PERFORM THEIR WORK MORE EFFICIENTLY.  
14 WE ALSO HEARD THAT THE CEO'S OFFICE HAD CONVENED A MEETING OF  
15 ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS TO DISCUSS WAYS THAT THE COUNTY COULD  
16 WORK MORE EFFICIENTLY TO REDUCE EXPENDITURES. SO CAN YOU  
17 PROVIDE UPDATE ON THIS WORK AND HAVE THE DEPARTMENT HEADS MEET  
18 AGAIN, WHAT IS THE PLAN TO CONTINUE THIS WORK FORWARD?

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20 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: YES, THANK YOU. I MENTION SOME OF THIS IN  
21 RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S QUESTION. WE HAD CONTINUED  
22 ENGAGEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEADS AN NEXT STEP IS TO FORM  
23 THE SUBCOMMITTEES WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS WHO ARE ON THE  
24 COMMITTEE. THEY WILL FOCUS ON DIFFERENT WAYS OF TRIMMING  
25 OPERATIONAL COSTS. AND THEN WE'LL LOOK AT CIVIL SERVICE REFORM



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1 THAT IS RAISED UP AS A MAJOR ISSUE FOR DEPARTMENTS IN TERMS OF  
2 CONSTRAINING THEIR ABILITY TO SAVE COSTS. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE,  
3 FOR EXAMPLE, SOME OF THE DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE ALREADY WORKED  
4 TO BE MORE EFFICIENT WITHIN THEIR BUDGETS. PARTICULARLY THE  
5 ONES THAT ARE HAVING REVENUE CHALLENGES. SO JACKIE CONTRERAS  
6 WITH DPSS AND CHRISTINA AND BARBARA, THEY ARE WORKING ON  
7 DIFFERENT WAYS TO REDUCE THE BUDGETS. I HAD A REPORT THAT, IN  
8 FACT, DHS TRIMMED SOME OF THE OPERATIONAL COSTS BY OVER \$200  
9 MILLION. BY REDUCING OVERTIME AND SOME OTHER OPERATIONAL  
10 CHANGES. SO THAT IS GOOD. THEY ARE DOING THAT WORK. I THINK AS  
11 THE COUNTY, WE CAN BE HELPFUL TO DEPARTMENTS ARE ON THINGS  
12 LIKE, THAT IS OUT OF THEIR CONTROL LIKE, HOW THE CENTRAL  
13 AGENCIES BILL THEM FOR EXAMPLE. ONE KEY ISSUE RAISED BY  
14 DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE TAKE A LOOK  
15 AT.

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17 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: I THINK THAT COLLABORATIVE APPROACH  
18 LEAD TO BETTER RESULTS. I'M GLAD YOU ARE UNDERTAKING IT IN  
19 THAT WAY. I ALSO KNOW, AS LOOKING AT BUDGETS GOING FORWARD,  
20 THAT THE OFTEN SAID THING OF, YOU KNOW, IT IS TIME TO GET  
21 CREATIVE, GIVEN THE CHALLENGING SITUATIONS THAT WE ARE FACING,  
22 WE HAVE GOTTEN MORE THAN CREATIVE AND I KNOW WHEN WE  
23 COLLECTIVELY MET TOGETHER THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT WE HEARD  
24 FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT THIS ISN'T JUST AN ISSUE OF GETTING  
25 CREATIVE. IT IS MAKING DIFFICULT CHOICES AS RESIDENT



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1 THROUGHOUT ALL OF THE COMMENTS. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE  
2 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND THE WORK THAT THEY ARE DOING AND DO NOT  
3 TAKE THE WORK THAT YOU ALL ARE TAKING LIGHTLY. IT IS TO MAKE  
4 SURE THAT WE ARE PRESERVING RESOURCES FOR THE MOST CRITICAL  
5 SERVICES IN THE COUNTY THAT PEOPLE ARE COUNTING ON. AND I  
6 THANK YOU FOR THE WORK YOU ARE DOING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH US TO  
7 DO OUR BEST TO DELIVER THE SERVICES. THANK YOU ALL AGAIN FOR  
8 THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE AND RECOMMENDED BUDGET. I LOOK  
9 FORWARD TO OUR FUTURE BUDGET STAGES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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11 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
12 HAHN.

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14 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK JOE FOR  
15 THIS PRESENTATION. YOUR RECOMMENDED BUDGET. THANKS TO YOUR  
16 WHOLE TEAM. SO MUCH GOES INTO THIS AND AS YOU SAID, THE AMOUNT  
17 AVAILABLE FUNDS WAS A FRACTION OF WHAT OUR DEPARTMENTS  
18 REQUESTED WHICH MEANS I KNOW THAT, THERE ARE A LOT OF  
19 DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS AND A LOT OF DIFFICULT DECISIONS TO  
20 GET US HERE TODAY. I ECHO WHAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH SAID TO OUR  
21 DEPARTMENT HEADS, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY. AND SHOWING  
22 UP AT THIS MEETING PARTICULARLY, BUT WE, WE SEE YOU. WE FEEL  
23 YOUR PAIN. AND AGAIN, GETTING A FRACTION OF WHAT YOU THINK  
24 YOUR DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO CONTINUE TO DO THE WORK. IT IS, YOUR  
25 DEPARTMENT TEACHING EACH A AND EVERY ONE OF YOU, THAT DELIVERS



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1 THIS SERVICES TO OUR RESIDENTS. IN VARIOUS WAYS. CARRIES OUT  
2 THIS BOARD'S INITIATIVES AND VALUES. SO WE KNOW IT IS TOUGH ON  
3 YOU. WE FEEL YOU. THIS IS THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW THAT WE  
4 HAVE SEEN OUR RECOMMENDED BUDGET SHRINK. RATHER THAN GROW.  
5 ALTHOUGH THE DIRECTION IS CONCERNING, YOU HAVE LAID OUT VERY  
6 CLEARLY WHAT THE REASONS FOR THAT ARE. WE SPENT THE LAST FEW  
7 YEARS PREPARING FOR THE IMPACTS OF AB218 SETTLEMENTS. DISASTER  
8 RECOVERY, LABOR NEGOTIATIONS, AND OF COURSE THE SIGNIFICANT  
9 FEDERAL CUTS. DESPITE THE SEASON OF AUSTERITY, THERE ARE  
10 BRIGHT SPOTS. I'M HAPPY TO SEE THE BUDGET CONTINUES TO HONOR  
11 COMMITMENT TO FULLY FUND REPRESENT LA AND CRITICAL WORK THAT  
12 THEY DO PROVIDING LEGAL SUPPORT AND DEPORTATION DEFENSE TO OUR  
13 IMMIGRANT POPULATION WHICH IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER. THE  
14 \$1.1 MILLION TO FUND STAY HOUSED LA, AND THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL  
15 IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT ALSO THAT I'M CONCERNED THAT THE NEED  
16 FOR THESE SERVICES MIGHT FAR EXCEED THESE RESOURCES. I HOPE  
17 THAT WE CAN FIND A WAY TO INCREASE THAT FUNDING IN A FUTURE  
18 BUDGET PHASE. LARGEST CHANGE IN THIS BUDGET SEEMS TO BE THE  
19 TRANSFER OF POSITIONS TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESSNESS AND  
20 HOUSING. IT HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE TO MOVE SO MANY EMPLOYEES  
21 FROM DHS AND CEO INTO OUR NEW DEPARTMENT AND I WANT TO THANK  
22 EVERYONE INVOLVED FOR MOVING SO QUICKLY TO SET UP OUR NEW  
23 HOMELESS DEPARTMENT. ONE OF MY CONCERNS, HOWEVER IS THE HSH,  
24 THE CONTRACT MONITORING. GIVEN THE CURRENT ISSUES AROUND  
25 PUBLIC TRUST, WE MUST SET STRONG ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARDS



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1 INCLUDING THE HIGH RISK CONTRACTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS  
2 DEPARTMENT CANNOT ABSORB ALL OF THOSE COSTS AT THIS TIME. BUT  
3 I REALLY WANTED TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO, JOE, TO START FACTORING  
4 IN FUNDING FOR CONTRACT MONITORING DURING FUTURE BUDGET  
5 PHASES. I BELIEVE THIS IS SO CRITICAL. I MEAN, IT IS OUR  
6 RESIDENTS WHO ARE PAYING THEIR TAXES TO FUND OUR EFFORTS TO  
7 ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS AND WE MUST, NOT ONLY DELIVER RESULTS,  
8 BUT WE MUST DELIVER ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY AND  
9 INTEGRITY AS WE ARE SETTING UP THIS NEW DEPARTMENT AND I THINK  
10 THAT THE CONTRACT MONITORING IS KEY TO THAT. AND THEN, THERE  
11 IS A LOT OF GOOD STUFF IN THE BUDGET. BUT I, I, MY TEAM, LIKE  
12 TO FOCUS ON WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED. SO ONE ADMISSION THAT I WAS  
13 CONCERNED ABOUT, IS I THINK THAT, MAYBE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL  
14 MENTIONED THIS AS WELL, IT IS NOT RESTORING THE FUNDING TO THE  
15 COUNTY'S ELDER NUTRITION PROGRAM. TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR OLDER  
16 ADULTS CAN ACCESS HEALTHY MEALS, MAINTAIN INDEPENDENCE AND AGE  
17 WITH DIGNITY. THESE REALLY ARE NOT OPTIONAL. THEY ARE  
18 LIFELINES TO OUR GROWING SENIOR POPULATION. SO AGAIN, LET'S  
19 JUST KEEP ELEVATING THAT. ANOTHER OMISSION THAT I WANTED TO  
20 TALK ABOUT IS THE REQUEST BY CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES IN  
21 OUR JAILS TO EXPAND THE MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT, THE MAT  
22 SERVICES. I SPOKEN TO YOU ABOUT THIS. OVERDOSES ARE THE SECOND  
23 LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN OUR JAILS. REDUCING OUR IN-CUSTODY  
24 DEATH IS A CLEAR PRIORITY OF THIS BOARD. I HAVE PERSONALLY  
25 AUTHORED TWO MOTIONS ON THIS ISSUE. MY CONCERN IS THAT IF WE



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1 ARE NOT ABLE TO GET MORE MAT SERVICES INTO OUR JAILS, THE  
2 RESULT WILL BE MORE DEATHS THAT COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED.  
3 THAT JUST STRIKES, I THINK, AT THE HEART OF ALL OF US IN OUR  
4 FEELING ABOUT CARING FOR THOSE WHO ARE INCARCERATED. SO DO YOU  
5 THINK THAT THESE REQUESTS, BOTH OF THOSE, WOULD BE CONSIDERED  
6 IN A FUTURE BUDGET PHASE?

7

8 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR.  
9 GOING BACK TO YOUR QUESTION ON THE ELDER NUTRITION PROGRAM, SO  
10 THAT IS A REVENUE FUNDED PROGRAM. WHAT IS HAPPENING IS THE  
11 NEED IS OUTSTRIPPING THE REVENUE. SO IT IS A DIFFICULT  
12 SITUATION FOR THE COUNTY TO THINK ABOUT SUPPLEMENTING  
13 SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE PAID FOR WITH OUTSIDE REVENUE, LOCAL  
14 FUNDS, THAT IS CONSIDERATION BUT HAPPY TO GO BACK AND LOOK AT  
15 IT WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO SEE IF OTHER WAYS OF CREATIVELY  
16 GETTING THERE. BECAUSE WE DO RECOGNIZE THAT AS A CRITICAL  
17 NEED. ON MAT, THE ISSUE WITH MAT, THAT IS ANOTHER, SOMETHING  
18 THAT IS DEFINITELY ON OUR RADAR. THE ISSUE WITH, I THINK WE  
19 HAD IT ON THE SLIDE, WE INVEST IN CHS, OVER HALF A BILLION  
20 DOLLARS EACH YEAR. BUT THEY ARE IN A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT. WE  
21 HAVE TO, WE ARE STRUGGLING TO FIND THE MONEY JUST TO BRING  
22 THEM UP TO THEIR OPERATIONAL CAPACITY LET ALONE FIND  
23 ADDITIONAL MONEY TO FUND MAT. I THINK THAT ONE OF THE THINGS  
24 THAT WE CAN DO IS WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO SEE IF THERE IS  
25 SOME FUNDING WE HAVE ALREADY ALLOCATED TO THEM FOR A DIFFERENT



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1 USE THAT MIGHT BE RE-PURPOSED FOR MAT. BUT THAT IS A  
2 CONVERSATION THAT I THINK THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO HAVE WITH DR.  
3 BELAVICH TO MAKE SURE THAT IS SOMETHING THAT HE WOULD BE  
4 SUPPORTIVE OF IN THE SHORT TERM UNTIL WE HAVE MORE CAPACITY TO  
5 MAKE SOME OF THE CRITICAL INVESTMENTS YOU ARE FLAGGING.

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7 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: I APPRECIATE THAT. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO  
8 HAVE THOSE CONVERSATIONS. THEN I REALLY WAS WORRIED ABOUT  
9 PRESERVING PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO COUNSEL. AND THE RISK OF  
10 INADEQUATELY FUNDING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALTERNATE PUBLIC  
11 DEFENDERS, AND I WAS REALLY READY TO LEAN INTO THAT. THEN YOU  
12 PUT THAT SLIDE UP THERE THAT SAYS THERE IS 12 MILLION THAT YOU  
13 ARE PROPOSING TO SET ASIDE, TO HELP WITH MORE POSITIONS TO  
14 EASE THE WORKLOAD, CASELOAD, SOUNDS LIKE THOSE ARE NOT  
15 NECESSARILY INTERCHANGEABLE. CLOSELY RELATED. I WAS GOING TO  
16 ASK YOU, HOW DOES THAT WORK? I BELIEVE YOU ALSO EXPLAINED HOW  
17 THE \$12 MILLION WOULD TRANSLATE TO POSITIONS.

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19 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: YES WE DON'T KNOW HOW MANY POSITIONS IN  
20 WHICH DEPARTMENTS THIS POINT, WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS GET THE  
21 WORKLOAD STUDY BACK. WE NEED TO EXAMINE THE RECOMMENDATIONS.  
22 OBVIOUSLY, LABOR WILL HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT HOW WE DO  
23 THAT TRANSLATION. THEN WE WILL WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENTS TO  
24 ALLOCATE THE POSITIONS IN THE MOST STRATEGIC WAY TO FILL THE  
25 GAPS IDENTIFIED BY THE WORKLOAD STUDY. NOW I, JUST TO BE



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1 CLEAR, ONE OF THE ISSUES WE ARE HAVING WITH THE DEPARTMENT IN  
2 ADDITION TO THE INCREASED WORKLOADS IS THE FACT THAT WE HAVE  
3 TO PAY THIS COST WHETHER THE PUBLIC DEFENDER REPRESENTS A  
4 CLIENT, WHETHER THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER DOES, OR WHETHER  
5 THEY GO UNAVAILABLE WHEN IT GETS KICKED OVER TO THE PANEL.  
6 THIS IS UNAVOIDABLE COST FOR US. WE WANT TO HELP THE  
7 DEPARTMENT WITH CASELOAD AND WORKLOAD ISSUES BUT ALMOST NOT  
8 OPTIONAL. THAT IS WHY WE ARE RECOMMENDING MAKING THIS  
9 INVESTMENT.

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11 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES, YES. I APPRECIATE THAT. I DON'T KNOW  
12 THAT THE COST DIFFERENCES, BUT IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IT IS MORE  
13 EXPENSIVE SOMETIMES WHEN THEY BOTH ARE, ONE OR THE OTHER,  
14 BECOMES UNAVAILABLE AND GOES TO THAT PANEL.

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16 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: IT IS LIKELY THE CASE THAT THE BAR PANEL  
17 IS MORE EXPENSIVE. WE TALKED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WHO  
18 OPERATES THE BAR PANEL WHO SAYS IT IS, WE DON'T HAVE THE DATA  
19 YET, BECAUSE THESE ARE LONG LEAD TIME CASES, BUT EARLY  
20 INDICATION THAT SAYS YES, ESPECIALLY FOR SERIOUS FELONIES AND,  
21 YOU KNOW, MURDERS AND THAT KIND OF THING THAT COULD BE --

22

23 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THE PUBLIC DEFENDER TALKED ABOUT IN  
24 PUBLIC PRESENTATION, HOW MANY TIMES UNAVAILABLE FOR MURDER  
25 CASES. APPRECIATE THAT. AGAIN, SEEMS TO ME, IT IS BETTER FOR



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1 US TO FUND MORE POSITIONS ON THE FRONT END THAN PAY MORE MONEY  
2 WHEN THEY GO UNAVAILABLE. THE LAST THING THAT I WANTED TO  
3 TOUCH ON WAS THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND IT IS MY  
4 UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU HAD TO USE SALARY SAVINGS FRO 34 VACANT  
5 POSITIONS TO PAY FOR THE INCREASE IN WORKERS COMP AND LONG  
6 TERM DISABILITY COST DUE TO INCREASE IN CLAIMS FROM OUR  
7 PROBATION EMPLOYEES. THIS PRACTICE SEEMS UNSUSTAINABLE,  
8 PARTICULARLY WHEN WE ARE TRYING TO HIRE MORE PROBATION  
9 STAFFING TO COVER A LOT OF PROBLEMS AND ISSUES IN THE  
10 DEPARTMENT. HOW ARE WE GOING TO FIX THAT THIS? IS THAT A  
11 BUDGET QUESTION? IS THAT, UP, HOW ARE WE GOING TO GO FORWARD  
12 WITH, YOU KNOW, NOT SEEMING TO USE THAT SAVINGS, TO PAY FOR  
13 LONG TERM DISABILITY. CLAIMS. WORKERS COMP. WHEN WE ARE, WE  
14 NEED THOSE POSITIONS TO ACTUALLY BE FILLED WITH GOOD PEOPLE  
15 WHO CAN HELP US IN THAT DEPARTMENT.

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17 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IRKS THE  
18 DEPARTMENT, I WILL OWN IT, WE DO NOT SENT CENTRALLY FUND  
19 WORKERS. THEY WILL CORRECT THE ISSUES OR MAKE INVESTMENTS TO  
20 CORRECT THEM. TELLING YOU WHAT WE DO. AND IF WE WERE TO FUND  
21 IT CENTRALLY, NO INCENTIVE. NO SKIN IN THE GAME TO DO THAT.  
22 PROBATION IN PARTICULAR, THEY HAVE SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT FOR  
23 POSITIONS, THE STRATEGIC DECISION WAS TO DELETE SOME VACANCIES  
24 TO COVER THESE INCREASING COSTS. THE BOTTOM LINE QUESTION  
25 THOUGH THAT YOU ARE ASKING ME IS, WHAT CAN WE DO TO KEEP



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1 WORKERS COMP LIABILITY LEVEL OR DOWN? AS A COUNTY, WE HAVE  
2 BEEN, WE ARE BETTER OFF IN TERMS OF OUR WORKERS COMP LIABILITY  
3 GROWTH THAN OTHER COMPARABLE JURISDICTIONS. ON THE WHOLE, WE  
4 ARE DOING BETTER BUT SOME ISSUES IN SOME DEPARTMENTS AND  
5 PROBATION INCLUDED. WE HAVE DESTINY CASTRO, RISK MANAGER, WHO  
6 IS TASKED WITH MONITORING INCREASES AND WORKING WITH  
7 DEPARTMENTS TO REDUCE THOSE COSTS. SOMETIMES IT TAKES A FEW  
8 YEARS TO LEVEL OUT. WE ARE DEFINITELY, DEFINITELY ON THE  
9 RADAR. THAT IS WHY WE REQUIRE DEPARTMENTS TO SELF-FUND FOR  
10 PROBATION BECAUSE SO MANY VACANCIES THEY DELETED SOME TO DO  
11 THAT.

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13 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU. THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

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15 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU COLLEAGUES. BUDGET STAFF  
16 AND ALL THAT PARTICIPATED IN PLANNING AND PUTTING THE BUDGET  
17 TOGETHER. AT THIS TIME, WE ARE GOING TO GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.  
18 AND WE WILL ASK EO TO GET THAT STARTED FOR US.

19

20 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS  
21 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AARON RYAN,  
22 ANNA JOSE, FE, OLIVIA GLEASON, ANGELA, ANGELO, COLLEEN,  
23 CASSIDY M., VANESSA, BRYCE, STEPHANIE, SHANNON X, NORRID,  
24 GABRIELLA, AND CHI CHI. FOR A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE  
25 PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM



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1 70, IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO, USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE ON  
2 DEVICE OR STAR 3 ON TELEPHONE. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS  
3 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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5 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: THANK YOU. ROWLAND HEIGHTS. I COMMEND  
6 AND APPRECIATE THOSE WITH THE SKILL TO JUGGLING THE HOT  
7 POTATOES TO PREVENT THE SYSTEM FROM TOTAL COLLAPSE. THE LEGACY  
8 CRIMINAL BEHAVIORS ARE COMING HOME TO ROOST, TO INCLUDE  
9 DECADES OLD SEX CRIMES IN ALL FACILITIES TO INCLUDE MEN'S  
10 CENTRAL, PROBATION AND MOST RECENTLY WOMEN'S LOCK UP. ALL OF  
11 WHICH COULD BANKRUPT THE COUNTY. I HAVE REPEATEDLY TOLD YOU TO  
12 GET THE SHERIFF OUT OF JAIL AND \$10 BILLION REHAB OF DOJ AND  
13 COURTS IS NECESSARY. MEN'S CENTRAL SHOULD BE YOUR TICKET TO  
14 JAIME. DEFRAUDING THE FEDERAL TAXPAYER/GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT  
15 YOUR CRIMINAL ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT CARTELS FOR POLITICAL POWER  
16 HAVE REACHED ENDPOINT. FIRE RECOVERY IS DISGRACEFUL. CALL  
17 PRESIDENT TRUMP FOR HELP. AND GOD PROTECT PRESIDENT TRUMP.  
18 THANK YOU.

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20 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MIA HENDRICKS, YOUR  
21 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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23 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE LA COALITION. WE  
24 ARE IN A CRISIS. PEOPLE ARE SITTING IN JAIL PRETRIAL, LEGALLY  
25 INNOCENT LOSING THEIR HOMES, JOBS, THEIR CHILDREN. PEOPLE ARE



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1 DYING IN THE JAILS. FAMILIES ARE STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE WITHOUT  
2 ACCESS TO HOUSING OR CARE AND YET WE CONTINUE TO POUR BILLIONS  
3 INTO WHAT CAUSE THAT HARM. RIGHT NOW, BUDGET DOESN'T REFLECT  
4 CARE FIRST, JAIL LAST. IF YOU ARE SERIOUS ABOUT PEOPLE FIRST,  
5 YOU MUST INVEST IN WHAT ACTUALLY KEEPS US SAFE. HOUSING,  
6 MENTAL HEALTHCARE, DIVERSION AND REENTRY. THAT MEANS MAKING  
7 REAL SHIFTS, ELIMINATING VACANT POSITIONS IN THE SHERIFF AND  
8 PROBATION DEPARTMENT. FREEZING AND REDUCING LAW ENFORCEMENT  
9 BUDGET, REJECTING NEW FUNDING FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND  
10 REINVESTING THE DOLLARS INTO COMMUNITY-BASED CARE. IT ALSO  
11 MEANS FUNDING PUBLIC DEFENDERS, SO PEOPLE AREN'T TRAPPED IN  
12 JAIL. IT MEANS REJECTING ANY ANALYSIS ABOUT JAIL EXPANSION. DO  
13 NOT DIG US DEEPER INTO THIS CRISIS. THIS IS LIFE AND DEATH.  
14 PLEASE CHOOSE CARE.

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16 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE  
17 NUMBER 233259, LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

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19 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: MY NAME IS ANTHONY. I'M A MD2 RESIDENT.  
20 [ INDISCERNIBLE ] IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM, MORE THAN  
21 60% HAVE IDENTIFIED MENTAL HEALTH NEED. NUMEROUS REPORTS,  
22 YEARS OF RECORD HIGH CUSTODY DEATHS AND VARIOUS LAWSUITS SHOW  
23 THAT THE JAILS ARE ILL EQUIPPED TO MEET THE MENTAL HEALTH  
24 NEEDS AND DELIVER APPROPRIATE TREATMENT. INCARCERATION IS NOT  
25 A SUBSTITUTE FOR TREATMENT, THEY REQUIRE RESOURCES FOR



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1 SOLUTIONS AND SUPPORT AND STABILIZE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY.  
2 SERVICES DELIVER WHAT JAILS CANNOT. TREATMENT, REDUCE  
3 RECIDIVISM RATE. AND A FRACTION OF THE COST. INSTEAD OF  
4 EXPANDING JAIL-BASED RESPONSES OF THE NEW TREATMENT FACILITY,  
5 WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INVEST IMPROVEMENTS FOR  
6 THOSE ROOTED IN CARE, INCLUDING SCANNING ODR HOUSING AND RAPID  
7 DIVERSION PROGRAM, INCREASING PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSE,  
8 INVESTING IN WORKFORCE PROGRAMS TO UNPACK THE PEOPLE AND  
9 EXPAND --

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11 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. BYRON, YOUR LINE IS  
12 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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14 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I'M CALLING SC1 CONSTITUENT AND BUSINESS  
15 OWNER. IT IS A SHAME THAT NOT ONLY IS THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT  
16 RUNNING AND ACTING LIKE THEY OWN YOUR BUDGET AND OWNED THE  
17 COUNTY, NOW THEY ARE TELLING YOU HOW TO RUN THE PUBLIC  
18 MEETINGS AND THE FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. I WILL  
19 HAVE SOLIS, REPRESENTATIVE, WHICH STAFF, YOUR DEPARTMENT, WILL  
20 SUPPORT ME IN PROCESSING BROWN ACT VIOLATION. THE SHERIFF  
21 DEPARTMENT IS PROFILING PEOPLE, HARASSING PEOPLE, TRANS-PHOBIC  
22 AND HOMOPHOBIC, NOW THEY ARE DIRECTING WHO ENTERS THE MEETING  
23 OR NOT. WITH MEASURE G, WITH THE BUDGET HEARING, NOT BUDGET  
24 HEARING, BUDGET PRESENTATIONS ALL COMPILED UP OUT. RESTRICTED  
25 PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS MEETING WAS RUN, THIS ITEM WAS RUSHED



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1 THROUGH THE CLUSTER PROCESS. I AM ASKING CHAIR SOLIS, IF YOU  
2 ARE NOT HIDING BEHIND THE SHERIFF AND USING AS WILD DOG, YOU  
3 NEED TO RAISE HIM IN --

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5 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER 916809, YOUR  
6 LINE IS OPEN. AND STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

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8 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: MADAM CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
9 MY NAME IS TRENT MURPHY, ANALYST FOR CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF  
10 ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAM EXECUTIVES. WE REPRESENT HUNDREDS OF  
11 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT SITES ACROSS CALIFORNIA  
12 INCLUDING HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I'M HERE SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF  
13 ITEM 70. I WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING SUPERVISOR HAHN AND HER  
14 STAFF FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
15 IN THIS COUNTY. IT DOES NOT GO UNNOTICED. PROVIDERS WE  
16 REPRESENT ARE ON THE FRONT LINES EVERY DAY, SERVING MOST  
17 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. THEY ARE CANNOT DO THAT WORK WITHOUT  
18 STABLE FUNDING, ACCESS TO MEDICATION ASSIST TO TREATMENT AND  
19 SYSTEM DESIGNED TO GET PEOPLE TO THE RIGHT CARE AT THE RIGHT  
20 TIME. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REALIGNMENT ONLY WORKS IF TREATMENT  
21 PROVIDERS ARE RESOURCED AND TREATED AS ESSENTIAL PARTNER, NOT  
22 AFTERTHOUGHT. CAT P STANDS READY TO WORK WITH THE BOARD TO  
23 MAKE SURE THAT THE REALIGNMENT STRENGTHENS THE TREATMENT,  
24 INFRASTRUCTURE LOS ANGELES RESIDENTS.

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1 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NO OTHER REMOTE  
2 SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM  
3 70 IS CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE  
4 BEGIN.

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6 >>IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR  
7 ALL THAT YOU DO AND OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. MY NAME IS  
8 ERIN RYAN, CEO OF NAMI WEST SIDE LOS ANGELES. SPEAKING ON ITEM  
9 70. PLEASE CONTINUE NAMI WITH BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS. FOR OVER  
10 40 YEARS NAMI PROVIDED EVIDENCE-BASED PEER LED RECOMMENDATION  
11 SUPPORT ADVOCACY SERVE AS FIRST LINE OF SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES  
12 NAVIGATING CRISIS. THOSE FAMILIES IN THE EYE OF THE STORM. WE  
13 STRONGLY SUPPORTED PROPOSITION 1 BECAUSE FAMILIES WERE  
14 PROMISED A STRONGER MORE RESPONSIBLE HEALTH SYSTEM. 3035% IS  
15 DEDICATED TO PREVENTION AND EARLY PREVENTION. NAMI IS PROUD TO  
16 DO THAT WORK. WE ARE NOT ONLY PREVENTION. THERE IS A GROWING  
17 CONCERN THAT NAMI PROGRAMS ARE NOT CLASSIFIED AS ONLY  
18 PREVENTIVE. THEREFORE, NOT FUNDABLE UNDER BHSA. THIS IS NOT  
19 ACCURATE. OUR PROGRAM SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WHO ARE  
20 ACTIVELY EXPERIENCING CRISIS, INSTABILITY. PLEASE ENSURE THAT  
21 BHSA IS IMPLEMENTED AS INTENDED RECOGNIZING NAMI PROGRAMS AS  
22 ELIGIBLE SERVICES.

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24 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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1 >>IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M STEPHANIE. I AM A MEMBER OF  
2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S DISTRICT. THE CEO'S OFFICE SAYS IT IS GOING  
3 TO REALLOCATE RESOURCES FROM LOW PRIORITY TO HIGH PRIORITY  
4 DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS. AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE FACING A  
5 HOUSING CRISIS, DEEP COMMUNITY INSTABILITY, FAMILIES LIVING IN  
6 FEAR AND WHEN YOUNG PEOPLE ARE CYCLING THROUGH THE SYSTEMS  
7 INSTEAD OF RECEIVING CARE, AT A TIME WHEN JAILS ARE NOW THE  
8 LARGEST MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS IN THE U.S. LET LA COUNTY WHO  
9 HAS THE LARGEST JAIL POPULATION IN THE NATION AND WHO IS ON  
10 PAR TO HAVE ITS DEADLIEST YEAR OF IN-CUSTODY DEATHS. LET THEM  
11 LEAD IN A DIFFERENT WAY, A TRULY CARE FIRST WAY. TAKE  
12 RESPONSIBILITY AWAY FROM LASD AND PROBATION FOR A PROVEN TIME  
13 AND TIME AGAIN TO BE ILL QUIP TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE  
14 COMMUNITIES. WE ALWAYS SAY BUDGET SAVES LIVES BUT ALSO BE  
15 DEADLY. AS DECISION MAKERS THERE IS BLOOD ON YOUR HANDS. SO MY  
16 REQUEST IS SIMPLE, FREEZE AND REDUCE FUNDING FOR THE SHERIFF -  
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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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21 >>IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M OLIVIA, CONSTITUENT OF THE  
22 SUPERVISOR HAHN'S DISTRICT, UNITED FUNDS OF BUDGET. I URGE YOU  
23 AND THE CEO TO TAKE REAL ACTION TO INVEST IN LIVES. WEATHERING  
24 THIS BUDGET STORM OF FEDERAL CUTS AND PRIORITIZING NETWORKS IS  
25 CHALLENGING IN THIS CLIMATE BUT NOT IMPOSSIBLE. COMMITMENT



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1 WILL REQUIRE LA COUNTY TO MAKE A BUDGET CHOICE THAT IS FUELING  
2 LAW ENFORCEMENT OR VACANT POSITIONS OR INVESTING IN COMMUNITY  
3 CARE. I URGE YOU TO STOP FUNDING THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION  
4 DEPARTMENT, ELIMINATE ALL VACANT POSITIONS IN THE SHERIFF'S  
5 DEPARTMENT. RESTORE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC  
6 DEFENDER'S OFFICE ESPECIALLY WITH TOUGH ON CRIME MEASURES LIKE  
7 PROP 36. REJECT JAIL EXPANSION RUN BY A SHERIFF DEPARTMENT  
8 WITH A LONG TRACK RECORD OF ONGOING ABUSE. SHIFT FUNDING AWAY  
9 FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AND TWO CARE FIRST SERVICES. FREE THE 50  
10 AND CLOSE MEN CENTRAL JAIL. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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12 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M WITH NAMI URBAN L.A. SPEAKING ON  
13 AGENDA ITEM 70. SO WEATHERING THE STORM REQUIRES ALL HANDS ON  
14 DECK. AT THIS TIME, DUE TO THE CHANGES OF THE PROPOSITION 1,  
15 THE VITAL PROGRAMS THAT ARE COMING FROM NAMI URBAN LA AND  
16 OTHER AFFILIATES ARE THROWN INTO FLUX GIVEN THE CHANGES OF THE  
17 SYSTEM AS WELL AS THE CHANGES OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT  
18 PROCESS. SO AT THIS POINT, I'M UNCLEAR OF THE STATUS OF THE  
19 FUNDING WE RELIED ON PROGRAMS THAT REALLY PROVIDE CRITICAL  
20 SERVICES BY CLASSES, SUPPORT GROUPS AND FAMILIES IMPACTED BY  
21 THE CRIMINALIZATION AND IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT AND ALL THE  
22 OTHER INTERSECTING NEEDS EXACERBATE THE MENTAL HEALTH  
23 CHALLENGES. WE ARE ASKING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
24 ENSURES THE CONTINUITY IN FUNDING TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR  
25 PROGRAMS DO NOT FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS. WE ARE ABLE TO



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1 PRESERVE THE LOW BARRIER TO ENTRY SERVICES THAT REALLY COME  
2 WITH THE --

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4 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. MUCH.

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6 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: MEMBER OF BUDGET TO SAVE LIVES, I'M HERE  
7 TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 70 AND TO DEMAND THAT OUR PUBLIC  
8 DOLLARS ACTUALLY REFLECT THE VALUES OF JUSTICE, CARE AND  
9 COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS. FOR YEARS, THIS COUNTY HAS COMMITTED TO  
10 A CARE FIRST, JAIL'S LAST VISION. YET, EVERY BUDGET CYCLE, LAW  
11 ENFORCEMENT ALLOCATIONS CONTINUE TO GROW WHILE WE ARE FACING  
12 HOUSING CRISIS. A DEEP COMMUNITY AND INSTABILITY AND FAMILIES  
13 LIVING IN FEAR OF BEING RIPPED APART. YOUNG PEOPLE ARE CYCLING  
14 FROM SCHOOLS TO PRISONS INSTEAD OF RECEIVING THE CARE THAT IS  
15 REQUIRED FOR THEM TO SURVIVE. PUBLIC DOLLARS SHOULD BE  
16 STABILIZED IN COMMUNITIES, NOT EXPANDING CARCERAL SYSTEMS. IF  
17 COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE TOLD THAT THERE IS NO NEW MONEY FOR  
18 CARE, SHOULD BE NO MORE MONEY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND WAR  
19 AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

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21 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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23 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: MY NAME IS CHI CHI, I'M HERE AS  
24 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COALITION, UNDER SUPERVISOR MITCHELL  
25 DISTRICT. I RESIDE IN SUPERVISOR SOLIS' DISTRICT. THIS YEAR'S



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1 BUDGET SHOW INCREASE IN CFCI FUNDING. THAT INCREASE DRIVEN BY  
2 THE COUNTY'S OWN FUNDING. THE 10%, PROPERTY TAX GROWTH. AS  
3 PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RIDES, CFCI RISES AUTOMATICALLY. THAT IS  
4 SIMPLY THE RESULTFUL REVENUE GROWTH. SAME TIME THE BUDGET  
5 PRESERVES EXISTING FUNDING FOR DIVERSION AND COMMUNITY BASED  
6 ALTERNATIVE. PRESERVATION MATTERS BUT DOES NOT MEET THE NEED  
7 OF SKILL OR COMMUNITIES THAT CONTINUE TO FACE CRIMINALIZATION  
8 AND HOUSING AND STABILITY AND BARRIERS TO CARE. WITH THE  
9 COUNTY PROJECTING \$662 MILLION IN DHS REVENUES DUE TO FEDERAL  
10 QUALITY CHANGES. WE KNOW WHO WILL FEEL THE CUTS FIRST, THOSE  
11 WHO RELY ON COUNTY CLINIC, CRISIS CARE AND SAFETY NET  
12 SERVICES, TGI, BLACK AND BROWN, SYSTEM IMPACTED CRIMINAL,  
13 PEOPLE WHO EXPERIENCED SEXUAL ABUSE WITH COUNTY SYSTEMS LIKE  
14 PROBATION --

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16 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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18 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M SHANNON AX. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 70.  
19 25-YEAR-OLD PROUD AND OUT TRANSGENDER WOMAN. I'M HERE TO ASK  
20 THE CITY TO STOP POURING ENDLESS FUNDING INTO POLICING AND  
21 JAILS AND DIRTY AND DEMONIC COPS WHO DO NOT FEAR GOD AND PLAY  
22 IN GOD'S FACE AND TERRORIZE GOD'S CHILDREN AND KILL TRANS  
23 WOMEN AND COPS WHO LED TRANS WOMEN FROM COMING INTO THE  
24 CHAMBERS TO GIVE PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE INSTEAD INVEST WHAT  
25 TRULY GIVES LIFE. EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS, STABILITY, AND



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1 CARE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES! TRANS WOMEN OF COLOR, THE MOST  
2 VULNERABLE DESERVE HOMES, PROTECTION AND THE CHANCE TO LIVE IN  
3 PEACE. NOT SYSTEMS THAT PUNISH AND KILL RATHER THAN UPLIFT.  
4 PROTECT TRANS WOMEN! [APPLAUSE]

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6 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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8 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS GABRIELLA, PART  
9 OF THE ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION AND REIMAGINE COALITION. I'M HERE  
10 TO UPLIFT THE DEMANDS OF THE REIMAGINE COALITION MANY OF WHICH  
11 I BELIEVE YOU WILL ADVOCATE FOR AS WELL, EXCUSE ME, MANY OF  
12 WHICH I BELIEVE YOU WILL ADVOCATE FOR BUT WHAT WE REALLY NEED  
13 TO SEE FROM YOU IS ACTION. WE DEMAND YOU RESTORE AND FULLY  
14 FUND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER  
15 OFFICES. PROP 36 AND PUNITIVE CHARGING PRACTICES BY COUNTY  
16 D.A., ARE DRIVING MORE PEOPLE INTO THE CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM  
17 WHO WILL NEED LEGAL AID. WE DEMAND THAT YOU FREEZE AND REDUCE  
18 LAW ENFORCEMENT BUDGET. LOS ANGELES YOUTH HAVE BEEN IN THE EYE  
19 OF THE HURRICANE FOR DECADES. THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS A  
20 CULTURE OF VIOLENCE AND HARM AND A WELL DOCUMENTED INABILITY  
21 TO CARE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ESPECIALLY GIRLS GENDER EXPANSIVE  
22 YOUTH AND TRANS YOUTH. WE DEMAND THAT YOU FULLY FUND COMMUNITY  
23 BASED DIVERSION FUNDING AND PREVENTION. THIS IS QUESTION OF  
24 PRIORITIES AND VALUES. WE ARE FACING A HOUSING CRISIS, DEEP  
25 COMMUNITY INSTABILITY.



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M EVELYN WITH THE YOUNG WOMEN'S  
5 FREEDOM CENTER. I'M HONORED TO BE HERE WITH FELLOW YOUTH DOES  
6 LEADERS TO SHARE THE STORY OF HOPE. GIRLS AND TRANSGENDER  
7 YOUTH IN THE SYSTEM. NOT JUST ONE STORY, HUNDREDS OF YOUTH AND  
8 GENDER EXPANSIVE STORIES COMBINED IN ONE. THIS STORY, WE WILL  
9 SHOW HOW THE BUDGET ACTIVELY HARMING THE GIRLS IN GIRLS AND  
10 TRANSGENDER YOUTH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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12 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS  
13 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ANTHONY, LANA,  
14 SARAH, MEGAN, KAREN, AND JANET. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE BEGIN.

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16 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M ANGELA. EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AS  
17 A 16-YEAR-OLD GIRL FROM SOUTH CENTRAL TURNED HOPE INTO  
18 SURVIVAL MODE. NAVIGATING THE STREETS IS NOT EASY. BEGAN  
19 COMMITTING PETTY THEFT TO GET BY. OCTOBER, HOPE WAS  
20 INCARCERATED IN THEY ARE DEMANDING RAPID RELEASE INSTEAD OF  
21 RELOCATING THE YOUTH. AFTER DECADES OF SEX ALLEGATIONS, SEXUAL  
22 ABUSE AND RUN THE FACILITIES, LA COUNTY AGREES TO PAY BILLIONS  
23 TO THOUSANDS OF SURVIVORS.

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25 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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2 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING. WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER. IN  
3 DECEMBER, ONE OF OUR INCREDIBLE MESSENGERS, TO HELP HER WITH  
4 HER LAWYER AND PROVIDE COURT SUPPORT. AT THE SAME TIME, YOUNG  
5 WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER WAS HELPING HER MOM WITH TRANSPORTATION  
6 TO VISIT HOPE. HOPE'S MOM NOTICED NO PRIVACY IN THE FACILITY,  
7 STAFF BURNT DOWN AND RACIAL TENSION WAS HIGH. TRANS YOUTH WAS  
8 ALSO FACING DISCRIMINATION. IN GENERAL, HOPE SHOW UP TO THE  
9 COURT AND THE JUDGE ORDERED HER TO FULFILL THE REST OF HER  
10 PROBATION AT HOME PLACEMENT. WANTED TO GO HOME WITH HER MOM  
11 BUT RATHER BE ANYWHERE, RATHER THAN WAITING FOR PLACEMENT.  
12 THANK YOU.

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14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER.

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16 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: BUDGET SEASON PROBATION, SHERIFF AND  
17 D.A. REQUESTED MORE MONEY WHILE THE COUNTY IS IN CRISIS DUE TO  
18 SETTLEMENTS. JUVENILE HALL, MISSING MEDICAL APPOINTMENT, NOT  
19 MEDICATION AND TRANS YOUTH AND LACK OF MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT.  
20 HER EDUCATION IS INTERRUPTING AND MOTHER STRUGGLES TO GET FROM  
21 SOUTH CENTRAL TO MALIBU. HOPE IS IN FOR SIX MONTHS AND WAITING  
22 FOR A PLACE TO OPEN UP EVEN THOUGH THAT COULD GO HOME TO HER  
23 MONTH. SHE IS ANXIOUS AND READY TO COME BACK HOME AND MOVE  
24 FORWARD. DURING THE TIME, REVEALS THE HORRORS INSIDE  
25 KILPATRICK.



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M KALEIGH, I'M 21. I'M WITH THE  
5 YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER. HERE TODAY TO SHOUT OUT MY  
6 COMMUNITY FOR SHOWING UP TODAY AND SPEAKING UP. BUT I ALSO  
7 WANTED TO GIVE SOME OF THE DEMANDS ON BEHALF OF THE LIBERATION  
8 FUND. OUR NUMBER ONE DEMAND IS IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENTING RAPID  
9 RELEASE PROTOCOL TO REDUCE THE POPULATION AND OF GIRLS AND  
10 EXPANSIVE YOUTH CURRENTLY HELD AT KILPATRICK. PLEASE SUPPORT  
11 INCREASED FUNDING AND AUTHORITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH  
12 DEPARTMENT AND EXPAND ALTERNATIVE TO COMMUNITY BASED DIVERSION  
13 AND REENTRY SERVICES. THANK YOU.

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15 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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17 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: MY NAME IS VANESSA. TODAY WE SHOW UP  
18 DIFFERENTLY THAN ANY OTHER DAY. WE ARE HERE TO SHARE THE STORY  
19 OF HOPE, POSSIBILITY AND REIMAGINING. AGAIN, THIS ISN'T JUST  
20 ONE STORY. IT REALITY OF MANY OF MY SISTERS INSIDE THE  
21 DETENTION PUT TOGETHER IN ONE POWERFUL MESSAGE. THIS BOARD  
22 PLEDGED TO END THE INCARCERATION OF GIRLS IN GENDER EXPANSIVE  
23 YOUTH IN DETENTION. FACILITIES SHOULD BE RETURNED TO  
24 COMMUNITIES AND FUNDS REDIRECTED FROM PROBATION BUDGETS INTO  
25 COMMUNITY-BASED RESOURCES. WE INVITE YOU, YOUR STAFF AND



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1 ANYONE ELSE IN HERE TO ATTEND OUR RESOURCE FAIR OUTSIDE ON THE  
2 LAWN. HERE YOU CAN SEE FIRSTHAND THE SYSTEMS OF SUPPORT THAT  
3 EXIST. WE ARE THE ALTERNATIVE.

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5 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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7 [ CHANTING ]

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9 >> DAWYN HARRISON: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE NEED TO CONTINUE  
10 WITH PUBLIC COMMENT.

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12 [ CHANTING ]

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14 >> DAWYN HARRISON: THIS IS FIRST WARNING. WE NEED TO CONTINUE  
15 WITH PUBLIC COMMENT.

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17 [ CHANTING ]

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19 >> DAWYN HARRISON: THIS IS YOUR SECOND WARNING. WE NEED OTHER  
20 SPEAKERS TO GIVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

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22 [ CHANTING ] [ CHANTING CONTINUES ]

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24 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: LET'S GO TO NEXT SPEAKER.

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1 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE BEGIN.

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3 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M ANTHONY, IN DISTRICT 3. WITH DIGNITY  
4 IN POWER NOW AND JUSTICE LA COALITION. MYSELF AND 195 OTHERS  
5 E-MAILED YOUR OFFICES OPPOSING ITEM 70. I OPPOSE ANY BUDGET  
6 THAT ALLOCATES MORE MONEY FOR CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES  
7 OVER THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY. AT THE SHERIFF'S  
8 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION PANEL LAST WEEK, LAST THURSDAY  
9 ON IN-CUSTODY DEATHS, WE HEARD FROM CORRECTIONAL HEALTH  
10 SERVICES THEMSELVES THAT JAILS ARE NOT A PLACE TO PROVIDE  
11 CARE. SO HOW ARE ANY OF YOU OKAY WITH GIVING OVER \$100 MILLION  
12 MORE DOLLARS TO CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES UNDER THE GUISE  
13 OF CARE INSTEAD OF GIVING THAT MONEY TO THE OFFICE OF  
14 DIVERSION AND REENTRY WHICH CAN ACTUALLY PROVIDE CARE TO  
15 CONSTITUENTS? DESPITE THE CRISIS FACING PUBLIC DEFENDER,  
16 DESPITE OUR IN-CUSTODY --

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18 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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20 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: MY NAME IS JANET. CAMPAIGN AND POLICY  
21 MANAGEMENT FOR DIGNITY AND POWER NOW AND LEAD THE JUSTICE  
22 COALITION. THE PRIMARY CAMPAIGN TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL,  
23 I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 2. IT IS ASHAMED THAT THIS BOARD  
24 CONTINUES TO LIVE WITH THIS PRACTICE OF TAXATION WITHOUT  
25 REPRESENTATION. YOU SEEN FROM THE YOUTH THAT ARE HERE, YOU



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1 SEEN FROM THE FOLKS WHO ARE ASKING FOR MENTAL HEALTHCARE  
2 ALLOCATIONS, PUBLIC DEFENDER, EVERY SINGLE DEPARTMENT THAT  
3 FACES CURTAILMENTS AT HANDS OF OUR PROBATION OFFICERS, HANDS  
4 OF OUR SHERIFF DEPUTY GANG MEMBERS THAT WE ARE DEFUNDED.  
5 EVERYTHING ELSE IS DEFUNDED AS LONG AS WE CONTINUE TO FUND THE  
6 JAILS AND SHERIFF DEPARTMENT, CONTINUE TO FUND PROBATION. WE  
7 KNOW THAT THE \$8 MILLION SETTLEMENT IS JUST A DROP IN THE  
8 BUCKET OF WHAT WOULD BE THE TRUE COST OF LIABILITY SHOULD THAT  
9 CASE HAVE ACTUALLY GONE TO LITIGATION ALL OF THE WAY THROUGH.  
10 SO I ASK OF YOU, WHEN ARE YOU HOLDING YOURSELVES ACCOUNTABLE  
11 TO THE PUBLIC WHO IS HERE PRESENTLY TODAY AND THE HUNDREDS AND  
12 THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WHO ALSO VOTED FOR ALTERNATIVES TO  
13 INCARCERATION. THANK YOU.

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15 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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17 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M MEGAN, I'M THE  
18 POLICY AND ADVOCACY MANAGER AND WITH THE REIMAGINE COALITION.  
19 WE ARE FACING A HOUSING CRISIS. DEEP COMMUNITY INSTABILITY AND  
20 FAMILIES LIVING IN FEAR. YOUNG PEOPLE ARE CYCLING THROUGH  
21 SYSTEMS INSTEAD OF RECEIVING CARE. SO LONG AS LAW ENFORCEMENT  
22 CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN AND GROW THEIR BUDGET, THE SOCIAL SAFETY  
23 NET WILL CONTINUE TO BE UNDERINVESTED IN LIKE FACILITIES LIKE  
24 MCJ WILL REMAIN OPEN. AS LONG AS THE COUNTY IS UNWILLING TO  
25 HOLD THE SHERIFF ACCOUNTABLE, TAXPAYERS WILL CONTINUE TO FOOT



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1 THE BILL TO PAY THE LITIGATION COST OF LAW ENFORCEMENT  
2 MISCONDUCT. WE ARE TOLD WE ARE IN AN ERA OF AUSTERITY. THAT  
3 DOESN'T APPLY TO DEPARTMENTS CAUSING HARM. MEANWHILE, OUR  
4 SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENTS CONTINUE TO BE SLASHED AS THE  
5 NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITIES CONTINUE TO GROW. I URGE THE LA  
6 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND CEO TO MAKE THIS YEAR, THE  
7 YEAR THAT YOU MATCH YOUR VALUES WITH THE BUDGET. STOP FUNDING  
8 SHERIFF AND PROBATIONS DEPARTMENT, RESTORE THE PUBLIC  
9 DEFENDER'S AND ALTERNATIVE --

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11 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.  
12 OF.

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14 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO. MY NAME IS KAREN. I'M SPEAKING ON  
15 ITEM 70 AS A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE LA COALITION. I'M A  
16 LIFELONG ANGELENO AND A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF SD2. IT IS  
17 PAINFUL, MADDENING AND INSULTING TO SEE THE WAYS THAT THE  
18 COUNTY CLAIMS TO SUPPORT A CARE FIRST, AND SUPPORT OF CLOSING  
19 MCJ AND CONFIRM THE MEASURE J. WHEN IT COMES TO INVESTING REAL  
20 AND SUSTAINED DOLLARS AND DIVESTING FROM THE DEPARTMENTS LIKE  
21 THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION THAT ARE LITERALLY BANKRUPTING US,  
22 NO ACTION. PEOPLE ARE DYING IN THE STREETS. IN THE JAILS. AND  
23 BECOMING CONSUMED BY THE HARMFUL SYSTEMS. CARE FIRST MEANS  
24 JUST THAT. ACTUALLY PUTTING CARE FIRST. EVEN IN THE SO CALLED  
25 ERA OF AUSTERITY. FREE THE YOUTH AND RESTORE THE BUDGET AND



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1 CLOSE MCJ WITHOUT A REPLACEMENT. THESE ARE OUR TAX DOLLARS AND  
2 DEMANDS ARE CLEAR.

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4 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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6 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M SARAH PILLSBURY, I'M ON THE ADVISORY  
7 BOARD. LIBERTY HEALTH FOUNDATION AND CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR  
8 HORVATH. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I REALLY APPRECIATE THE MOST  
9 RECENT MOTION TO ADVANCE THE ROLE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
10 DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEPARTMENT AND ENCOURAGE THE SUPERVISORS  
11 TO CONTINUE TO LEAD IN THIS DIRECTION, CENTERING COMMUNITY  
12 SAFETY, PREVENTION AND CARE. AND RESISTING SOLUTIONS THAT RELY  
13 ON ASSISTANCE THAT HAVEN'T BEEN WORKING. WE WANT TO THANK YOU  
14 FOR YOUR PAST SUPPORT OF MEASURE J. AND ENSURE THAT MEASURE J  
15 AND ITS INTENT IS PROTECTED IN THIS BUDGET CYCLE. INCREASING  
16 THE BUDGET BEYOND THE \$26 MILLION THAT IS ALREADY THERE. THANK  
17 YOU VERY MUCH.

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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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21 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: REIMAGINE L.A. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT  
22 WE ARE IN THIS FINANCIAL CRISIS TODAY BECAUSE OF THE CHOICES  
23 MADE BY GENERATIONS OF BOARDS THAT FAIL TO HOLD LAW  
24 ENFORCEMENT ACCOUNTABLE. BUT THE OPPORTUNITY BEFORE YOU NOW IS  
25 TO CRAFT A BUDGET WITH THE MORAL CLARITY AND POLITICAL COURAGE



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1 THAT DISRUPTS THE CYCLE. LAW ENFORCEMENT FAILURES SHOULD NOT  
2 BE PAID FOR ON THE BACKS EVER SURVIVORS AND OTHER WORKING  
3 CLASS PEOPLE. PROBATION SETTLEMENTS SHOULD NOT TRANSLATE TO  
4 CUTS AND SERVICES ESPECIALLY TO DYD. AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL  
5 RIGHTLY POINTED OUT, PUBLIC HEALTH IS PUBLIC SAFETY. INVESTING  
6 IN PEOPLE'S BASIC NEEDS IS ONLY SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC SAFETY  
7 STRATEGY. YOU AFFIRMED YOUR COMMITMENT LAST YEAR, BUT THIS IS  
8 THE MOMENT TO DOUBLE DOWN. AND ADDITIONAL \$26 MILLION IS A  
9 DROP IN THE BUCKET IN COMPARE TO THE SCALE AS MEASURE J,  
10 INVESTMENT IN PREVENTION THAT WILL SAVE COUNTY BILLIONS IN  
11 FUTURE WHEN WE PREVENT LAWSUITS. IN THIS MOMENT, WE HAVE A  
12 D.A. THAT IS TAKING US BACK TO --

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14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
15 OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

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17 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: ITEM 70 IS BEFORE YOU.

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19 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND  
20 SECONDED BY HORVATH TO APPROVE THE ITEM EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALL  
21 THE ROLL.

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23 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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



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2 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
3 HORVATH.

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5 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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7 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
8 HAHN.

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10 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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12 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
13 SOLIS.

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15 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

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17 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS AYE. 4-0. WE WILL  
18 NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 10. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING  
19 REMOTELY TO COMMENT, PLEASE USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE IF ON-  
20 LINE OR STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE. DR. BARBARA FERRER, AZAR  
21 KATTAN, BUREAU OF DISEASE CONTROL. AMY BODEK, DIRECTOR OF  
22 REGIONAL PLANNING, CONNIE CHUNG, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL  
23 PLANNING, RITA KAMPALATH, CHIEF SUSTAINABLE OFFICER, VICTORIA  
24 SIMON, ANTHONY MARRONE, FIRE CHIEF. ALBERT YANAGISAWA CHIEF  
25 DEPUTY, FIRE DEPARTMENT.



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2 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. COLLEAGUES I BROUGHT  
3 THIS MOTION FORWARD TO UPLIFT THE CONCERNS THAT I HAVE BEEN  
4 HEARING FROM COMMUNITIES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. MANY OF  
5 THE CITIES THAT I REPRESENT AND IMPACTED AREAS AROUND SAN  
6 GABRIEL VALLEY, ESPECIALLY THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. ALL MANY  
7 OF THE IMPACTS THAT WE ARE FOCUSED ON, RIGHT NOW, IN MY  
8 DISTRICT, DON'T YET INVOLVE HYPERSCALE DATA CENTERS, THESE  
9 DEVELOPMENTS HAVE BEEN HAPPENING NATIONWIDE. AND THERE WILL NO  
10 DOUBT BE IMPACT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR RESIDENTS AND  
11 ACROSS THE COUNTY IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, IF NOT ALREADY. IN  
12 THE FIRST DISTRICT, WE ARE SEEING THIS IN CITIES THAT I  
13 REPRESENT. THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CITY OF ALMONTE AND NOW  
14 IN THE CITY OF INDUSTRY. WITH IMPACTS EXTENDING FAR BEYOND  
15 CITY BOUNDARIES AND UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, THIS HAS BEEN  
16 BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION BY RESIDENTS FROM HACIENDA HEIGHT,  
17 FROM NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES, ROWLAND HEIGHTS AS WELL AS OTHER  
18 COMMUNITIES THAT ARE NOT FULLY AWARE OF WHAT THE IMPACTS OF  
19 WHAT DATA CENTERS ARE. RESIDENTS ACROSS THE SAN GABRIEL  
20 VALLEY, RAISED SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS ABOUT THE POTENTIAL PUBLIC  
21 HEALTH RISKS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES. BUT TO PUT IT  
22 PLAIN, RESIDENTS ARE FORCED TO GRAPPLE WITH THE DEVELOPMENTS  
23 IN THE ABSENCE OF OVERSIGHT AND GUIDANCE FROM THE FEDERAL AND  
24 STATE LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT. AS A RESULT, COUNTIES LIKE OURS,  
25 AND CITIES ARE LEFT TO UNDERSTAND THE IMPACTS OF DATA CENTERS,



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1 AND DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE THE TOOLS TO HELP RESPOND TO  
2 ADDRESS THEIR COMMUNITY CONCERNS, AND ESTABLISH BEST PRACTICES  
3 TO ADDRESS THIS NEW TECHNOLOGY. WE ARE HEARING FROM  
4 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY REGARDING IMPACTS. RANGING FROM  
5 STRAIN ON WATER SUPPLIES, TO RISING ELECTRICITY RATES AND TO  
6 HEAT ISLAND EFFECTS AND NOISE POLLUTION. BUT TO PUT IT PLAINLY  
7 IN THE ABSENCE OF OVERSIGHT, FROM THE FEDERAL AND STATE LEVELS  
8 OF GOVERNMENT LOCALITIES LIKE OUR, UNDER STAND THE IMPACTS AND  
9 HOW TO ADDRESS THE NEW TECHNOLOGY. AS A COUNTY, WE HAVE TO AND  
10 MUST ACTIVATE OUR EXPERTISE. ACROSS A WIDE ARRAY OF OUR  
11 DEPARTMENTS, MANY OF WHICH ARE HERE BEFORE US TODAY TO HELP  
12 INFORM US AND TO EMPOWER OUR COMMUNITIES AND TO CHART A PATH,  
13 A POSITIVE PATH FORWARD. IT BRINGS COMMUNITIES TOGETHER. WE  
14 NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THOSE IMPACTS OF DATA CENTERS MAY BE  
15 ON OUR LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE. AND ON ANY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS  
16 TO OUR NEIGHBORS. I WANT TO THANK THE DEPARTMENTS, ALL OF YOU  
17 FOR BEING HERE THIS MORNING, TODAY, TO HELP SHARE YOUR WIDE  
18 RANGE OF EXPERTISE AND TO HELP DEMONSTRATE WHAT IS GOING TO  
19 TAKE TO TACKLE THE ISSUE. MY FIRST QUESTION IS FOR PUBLIC  
20 HEALTH. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU DR. FERRER YOUR OFFICE HAS  
21 BEEN WORKING ALONG WITH MINE FOR SEVERAL MONTHS NOW WITH THIS  
22 ITEM. I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE BEEN OUT IN THE COMMUNITY AS WELL.  
23 HELPING TO ADDRESS AND PROVIDE INFORMATION, ACCURATE  
24 INFORMATION, BECAUSE ONE CONCERN I HAVE, THERE HAS BEEN A LOT  
25 OF MISINFORMATION. I'M HOPING THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN



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1 CUT THROUGH. MY QUESTION TO YOU, DR. FERRER, CAN YOU SHARE  
2 SOME OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS THAT HAVE  
3 BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THESE HYPERSCALE DATA CENTERS BECAUSE  
4 THERE IS, I THINK, A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HYPERSCALE DATA  
5 CENTERS AS WELL AS DATA CENTERS EXISTED IN THE PAST THAT  
6 PRIMARILY HOLD AND STORE INFORMATION. ALL OF THIS TECHNOLOGY  
7 IS NEW. AND IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO EXPLAIN THAT TO THE PUBLIC.

8

9 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: THANK YOU SO MUCH SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR  
10 SUPPORT AND INTRODUCING THIS MOTION. AS YOU NOTED, THERE IS A  
11 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF INTEREST IN THE COMMUNITIES. A LOT OF  
12 QUESTIONS BEING ASKED ABOUT ADDRESSING THE HEALTH AND  
13 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS THAT ARE RELATED TO THE GROWING USE OF  
14 WHAT YOU NOTED A LARGE DATA CENTERS. MOSTLY ACCOMMODATING AI  
15 DATA PROCESSING WHICH IS HAPPENING AT A MUCH LARGER SCALE AND  
16 REQUIRES A LOT MORE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES THAN THE SMALLER  
17 DATA CENTERS THAT HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN ACROSS OUR  
18 COMMUNITIES. I WANT TO NOTE THAT IF YOU LOOK AT AN INDUSTRY  
19 WEB SITE, THERE IS ABOUT 74 DATA CENTERS, SPREAD ACROSS LA  
20 COUNTY BUT MOST OF THEM ARE THE SMALLER DATA CENTERS. THERE  
21 ARE PROPOSALS TO BUILD THESE LARGER MEGA CENTERS AND I'LL GO  
22 THROUGH AND LIST WHAT SOME OF THE CONCERNS ARE, THAT HAVE BEEN  
23 RAISED. THIS IS NOT JUST A LOCAL ISSUE, A NATIONAL ISSUE. MANY  
24 OTHER COMMUNITIES HAVE LOOKED AT WAYS OF IN FACT ADDRESSING  
25 THE WORRIES AND THE CONCERNS AROUND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.



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1 ONE OF THE BIGGEST IMPACTS THAT HAS COME UP IN PLACES WHERE  
2 THE LARGE DATA CENTERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN BUILT, IS NOISE  
3 POLLUTION. THE DATA CENTERS ARE OFTEN BUILT NEAR HOMES AND  
4 SCHOOLS. THEY INCLUDE WHAT WE CALL SELF-SUPPORTING SUBSTATIONS  
5 WHICH HAVE A CONSTANT HUM IN THE BACKGROUND. WHICH CAN BE  
6 QUITE DISRUPTIVE. ADDITIONALLY, ALMOST ALL OF THE LARGE DATA  
7 CENTERS RELY ON BACK UP DIESEL GENERATORS. WHICH CAUSE BOTH  
8 NOISE AND AIR POLLUTION. THE TREMENDOUS POWER DEMANDS OF THE  
9 LARGE DATA CENTERS, DOES REQUIRE THE BURNING OF FOSSIL FUELS.  
10 EVEN IN STATES LIKE OURS, WHERE WE TRYING TO REDUCE THE USE OF  
11 FOSSIL FUELS. THESE EMERGENCY GENERATORS THAT I NOTED ARE  
12 SIGNIFICANT POLLUTERS. THEY OFTEN, WHEN THEY ARE OPERATED,  
13 THEY WILL RELEASE HARMFUL POLLUTANTS SUCH AS PM2.5S AND OXIDE.  
14 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS ASSOCIATED WITH DATA CENTERS  
15 INCREASED BY 48% SINCE 2019. DATA CENTERS ARE OFTEN BUILT IN  
16 VULNERABLE OR RURAL AREAS. WORSENING SOME EXISTING  
17 ENVIRONMENTAL INJUSTICES. IF WE OVERLAY THE COW AND VIRO  
18 SCREEN WITH THE DATA MAPPING, WE SEE THAT THE DATA CENTERS  
19 TEND TO BE CENTERED IN ALREADY POLLUTED AREAS WHERE WE ALREADY  
20 HAVE SOME POOR HEALTH OUTCOMES ASSOCIATED WITH INCREASED  
21 POLLUTION. THERE IS ALSO OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES THAT I  
22 WANT TO POINT OUT WHICH IS CREATED BY THE SIGNIFICANT ENERGY  
23 AND WATER USE FOR THE AI DATA CENTERS. THEY PULL ABOUT 7-8  
24 TIMES MORE POWER THAN TYPICAL COMPUTING AND GENERATING  
25 RESPONSES TO USER REQUESTS. THESE DATA CENTERS REQUIRE



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1 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF WATER FOR COOLING THE EQUIPMENT. AND  
2 THE HEAT THAT COMES OFF OF THE EQUIPMENT CAUSES THE  
3 EVAPORATION. WHICH LEADS TO INCREASE WATER NEEDS. AND  
4 POTENTIAL DEPLETION OF LOCAL SUPPLIES. THIS COULD PLACE  
5 ADDITIONAL BURDENS ON THESE RESOURCES WHICH WE KNOW THAT ARE  
6 ALREADY BURDENED IN OUR COMMUNITIES. I'M HAPPY TO STOP THERE.

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8 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IF I COULD HAVE THE SUSTAINABILITY  
9 OFFICER AND ALSO PUBLIC WORK, CHIME IN HERE. CAN YOU SHARE  
10 MORE ABOUT ANY ANTICIPATED IMPACTS? ON OUR LOCAL RESOURCES? WE  
11 TALKED ABOUT WATER ALREADY. PERHAPS ANY ELECTRICAL GRID  
12 ISSUES? WHAT THOSE IMPACTS ARE? SO MARK, CAN YOU COME UP AS  
13 WELL AND SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER. START WITH SUSTAINABILITY.

14

15 >> RITA KAMPALATH: THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION SUPERVISOR. DR.  
16 FERRER MENTIONED, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CONCERNS RELATED TO  
17 THE ELECTRICAL GRID. I WILL START WITH THAT. AFFORDABILITY  
18 BEING A CONCERN. HUGE PART OF THE CONVERSATION RIGHT NOW AS  
19 NEEDS GROW, THERE HAVE BEEN STUDIES SHOWING THAT DATA CENTERS  
20 CAN IMPACT. IN ADDITION, STRAIN ON GRID INFRASTRUCTURE. AGAIN  
21 THESE ARE VERY HIGH ENERGY USE FACILITIES AND IT IS GROWING.  
22 THE OTHER THING THAT I WANTED TO NOTE IS THAT WE, AS A REGION,  
23 STATE OF COURSE HAVE VERY AMBITIOUS ELECTRIFICATION GOALS,  
24 WHERE WE ACTUALLY WANT TO CONVERT EXISTING FOSSIL FUEL USAGE  
25 TO ELECTRIC USES OR, YOU KNOW, LOWER NO CARBON USES. SO ADDING



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1 ON ADDITIONAL ELECTRICAL DEMANDS ON TOP OF THAT COULD  
2 POTENTIALLY POSE AN OBSTACLE FOR US TO REACH THOSE GOALS. FOR  
3 INSTANCE, THERE WAS A REPORT IN 2025, BY THE LAWRENCE  
4 BERKELEY, THAT DATA CENTERS ACCOUNT FOR 7-12% TOTAL U.S.  
5 ELECTRICAL CONSUMPTION WHICH IS A HUGE INCREASE. THE THING  
6 THAT I WANT TO NOTE, OF COURSE, IS OUR GRID CHALLENGES AND  
7 ELECTRICAL SUPPLY IS LOCALIZED. SO WE REALLY DO NEED MORE OF A  
8 GRANULAR SENSE OF WHAT THOSE IMPACTS MAY BE BASED ON SPECIFIC  
9 LOCATIONS. I THINK THAT THE STUDY THAT IS CALLED FOR IN THE  
10 MOTION TO HAVE US LOOK AT THOSE IMPACTS WILL REALLY ELUCIDATE  
11 A LOT OF THE IMPACT IN A BETTER WAY, A LOT MORE KNOWLEDGE  
12 FOLLOWING THAT.

13

14 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IS IT TRUE THAT WHERE THESE  
15 PREVIOUS MEGA DATA CENTERS ARE ESTABLISHED, THAT THERE IS A  
16 HIGHER COST THAT IS TRANSFERRED TO THE LOCAL RESIDENTS?  
17 BECAUSE OF THE USAGE?

18

19 >> RITA KAMPALATH: YES, THAT CAN BE THE CASE. IT VERY MUCH  
20 DEPENDS ON THE LOCAL SITUATION. THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE NEED  
21 TO LOOK FOR. THERE ARE POTENTIAL ALSO POLICY STRATEGIES THAT  
22 WE CAN EMPLOY TO KEEP IT FROM HAPPENING. WE ARE LOOKING  
23 FORWARD TO EXPLORE ALL OF THE MECHANISMS.

24

25 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: FOR MARK PESTRELLA, CAN YOU



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1 DESCRIBE WHAT CURRENT, WE TALKED ABOUT, I THINK, DR. FERRER  
2 SAID WE HAVE 74 OR SOMETHING DATA CENTERS. SOME ARE OLDER. CAN  
3 YOU WALK US THROUGH LIKE, WHAT THE STAGES LOOK LIKE? BECAUSE  
4 THERE ARE SOME OBVIOUSLY THAT ARE A LOT OLDER. DO THEY COME  
5 OFF LINE? OFF GRID? WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM? WHAT EXPOSURE HAVE  
6 THOSE HAD? WHAT DOES IT MEAN WITH THE NEWER CENTERS?

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8 >> MARK PESTRELLA: THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS. MARK PESTRELLA,  
9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DR. FERRER SPOKE WELL AND  
10 SPECIFICALLY WITH THE IMPACTS. I AGREE WITH THE IMPACTS SHE  
11 DESCRIBED, SPECIFICALLY, AS CENTERS IMPLEMENTED WE ARE  
12 LEARNING FROM PREVIOUS CENTERS AND IMPACTS MORE STUDIES NEED  
13 TO BE DONE. WE KNOW FOR CERTAIN AS IMPACTS AS YOU BROUGHT UP,  
14 WITH RESPECT TO THE ELECTRIC GRID AND WATER. LET ME TALK ABOUT  
15 WHY WE ARE VULNERABLE ON THE WATER PART. SINGLE LARGE DATA  
16 CENTER CAN CONSUME 5 MILLION GALLONS A DAY, TO 5 MILLION  
17 PEOPLE CITY. THE HYPERSCALE, USES ABOUT 528,000 PER DAY. THAT  
18 IS 200 MILLION GALLONS PER YEAR FOR ONE BUILDING. THIS IS FAR  
19 AND BEYOND ANY OTHER COMMERCIAL USE OF WATER THAT WE HAVE  
20 CURRENTLY. THE DEMAND IS EXTREMELY HIGH. WATER IS MENTIONED BY  
21 DR. KAMPALATH, DOESN'T RETURN TO CURRENT SUPPLY. A LOT OF  
22 TIMES, REUSE OF WATER. WE PUT BACK IN THE GROUND. WE KNOW  
23 LOCALLY. BUT WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN, OR WHAT COULD HAPPEN,  
24 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, FOR INSTANCE, DRAWS FROM THE MAIN BASIN,  
25 GROUNDWATER RESOURCE, ADJUDICATED, THE WATERS ARE OWNED. WATER



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1 RIGHTS IN THE BASIN ARE FULLY ALLOCATED AND MONITORED. ANY NEW  
2 LARGE SCALE DEMAND ON THAT WATER, LIKE A DATA CENTER WOULD  
3 HAVE TO BE OFFSET WITH IMPORTED WATER. YOU ASKING ABOUT  
4 INCREASED COST. LOCAL PROVIDERS OF WATER WOULD HAVE TO TURN TO  
5 A MORE EXPENSIVE WATER RESOURCE THAT IS TYPICALLY IMPORTED  
6 WATER. THEREFORE, NEEDING TO RAISE THE COST OF THE USERS IN  
7 THE COMMUNITY. THERE IS A DIRECT NEXUS TO COST. TO COMMUNITY  
8 BY ONE USE IN THE COMMUNITY. WE DON'T HAVE SITE SPECIFIC  
9 DEMAND FOR THE SAN GABRIEL BASIN, THAT ANALYSIS DOESN'T EXIST  
10 BUT THE MOTION DIRECTS US TO PRODUCE IT. WE ARE, WE WILL BE  
11 PUBLIC WORKS WILL BE MODELING WATER DEMAND SCENARIOS AND  
12 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WATER MASTER AGENCIES UNDER THE MOTION  
13 AND LOCAL WATER AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO RETURN TO YOU WITH MORE  
14 IMPACTS AS WE MAKE THE FINDINGS. IMPACTS WITH ROADS,  
15 STORMWATER, UTILITY QUARTER, AND ALL CAN BE TIED BACK TO DATA  
16 CENTER DEVELOPMENT. WE NEED TO STUDY THIS AND DO A MORE  
17 THOROUGH REPORT BACK TO YOU ABOUT IMPACTS. WE'LL BE REPORTING  
18 THE FINDINGS TO THE BOARD WITHIN 120 DAYS WITH IN CONCERT WITH  
19 DPH, REGIONAL PLANNING, CSO AND COUNTY COUNSEL. SO THAT IS  
20 WHAT IS HAPPENING. A LOT OF IT IS UNKNOWN. SOME OF IT IS  
21 KNOWN. IT IS GOOD WE ARE GOING TO, ACTUALLY, BECAUSE WHAT WE  
22 DO KNOW ALREADY. ALSO GOOD TO STUDY IT FURTHER BEFORE WE  
23 AUTHORIZE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DATA CENTERS IN THE COUNTY OF  
24 LOS ANGELES.  
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1 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS. IN, I  
2 REPRESENT LARGE PART OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, SO DOES  
3 SUPERVISOR BARGER, WE KNOW THAT WATER IS PRECIOUS TO  
4 HOUSEHOLDS. WE SEEN INCREASES IN OUR WATER RATES OVER THE PAST  
5 FEW YEARS BECAUSE OF THE DROUGHT SITUATION. IT LOOKS LIKE WE  
6 ARE GOING INTO ANOTHER ONE, PERHAPS LATER THIS YEAR. SO THOSE  
7 ARE, THOSE ARE ISSUES THAT THE CONSUMER IS GOING TO HAVE TO  
8 CONTEND WITH UNLESS WE PUT SOME SAFEGUARDS IN AND PROTECTION  
9 AND TO REALLY FIGURE OUT WHO IS RESPONSIBLE, WHO SHOULD HELP  
10 PAY AND HOW THAT, WHAT COMMUNITY BENEFITS WE SHOULD THINK  
11 ABOUT. BECAUSE I DO THINK THAT WE DO NEED THESE INVESTMENTS  
12 FOR DATA. WE KNOW THAT. BUT WHERE THEY ARE PLACED IS VERY  
13 IMPORTANT. I KNOW THAT THERE ARE LAWS ON THE BOOKS ALREADY.  
14 SOMEONE WHO SERVED IN THE LEGISLATURE KNOWS ABOUT WHERE SOME  
15 OF THESE EGREGIOUS DEVELOPMENTS GOING TO, MANY TIMES, CHOOSE  
16 TO GO INTO LOW INCOME COMMUNITIES AND EXACERBATE OTHER  
17 POLITICAL, NOT POLITICAL, BUT I WANT TO SAY POLLUTION AND  
18 CONTAMINANTS AND OTHER THINGS. JUST DEGRADATION OF OUR  
19 COMMUNITIES. WE KNOW THAT BECAUSE OF THE LANDFILL THAT WE  
20 HAVE. IN THE SAN GABRIELLE VALLEY, CONTAMINATED WATER WELLS  
21 AND SUPER FUND SITES. SO I KNOW THAT YOU KNOW THAT. WE'LL  
22 CONTINUE TO WORK ON THAT. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING YOUR  
23 INPUT. I WANT TO ASK OUR FIRE CHIEF TO, WHO IS HERE TODAY,  
24 THANK YOU FOR COMING AND YOUR STAFF. TO TALK A LITTLE BIT  
25 ABOUT ANY POTENTIAL RISK THAT COMES WITH DATA CENTERS AND HOW



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1 FIRE, YOUR DEPARTMENT, WILL ADDRESS THE PERMITTING PROCESS AND  
2 WHAT YOU SEE AS SOME CHALLENGES THAT WE ARE GOING TO FACE.

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4 >> CHIEF MARRONE: THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, CHAIR SOLIS.  
5 FOR THE PERMITTING PROCESS FOR DATA CENTER, CURRENTLY ALL  
6 APPLICANTS TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT UNIT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY  
7 HAVE THE APPROPRIATE WATER AND ACCESS. ALSO WE DO A SPRINKLER  
8 AND ALARM REVIEW. UNFORTUNATELY, THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING  
9 CODE, THE STATE FIRE CODE, AND THE LA COUNTY FIRE CODE HAVE NO  
10 SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS OR REGULATIONS CONCERNING DATA CENTERS  
11 AT THIS TIME. SO WE REALLY HAVEN'T CAUGHT UP TO WHAT THE  
12 COMMUNITY IS SEEING WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 74 DATA  
13 CENTERS IN LA COUNTY. HOWEVER, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT ALL OF  
14 THE ONES THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN CONSTRUCTED, MET ALL OF THE  
15 REQUIREMENTS OF THE LA COUNTY FIRE CODE. THEY ALL CONTAIN FIRE  
16 SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS, AND ALARM SYSTEMS. THEY MEET OR SUCCEED  
17 THE LA COUNTY REQUIREMENTS.

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19 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE SEEN ANY OTHER INSTANCES WHERE  
20 THERE HAS BEEN FIRE THAT CREATED HAZARDS IN OTHER COMMUNITIES  
21 ACROSS THE COUNTY OR THE COUNTRY THAT YOU MAY KNOW OF? AND HOW  
22 WAS THAT DEALT WITH?

23

24 >> CHIEF MARRONE: I'M NOT AWARE, I HAVEN'T LOOKED AT OTHER  
25 COUNTIES. I KNOW THAT IN OUR COUNTY, WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY OTHER



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1 MAJOR INCIDENTS, THE 74 DATA CENTERS THAT YOUR BOARD MOTION  
2 IDENTIFIED. HOWEVER WE CAN TAKE A LOOK IN THE REPORT BACK AND  
3 TALK ABOUT THE NATIONWIDE IMPACTS THAT THESE DATA CENTERS HAVE  
4 ON HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE OF THE COMMUNITIES  
5 THAT THEY ARE IN. WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT WE INCLUDE THAT IN THE  
6 REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD. BUT AT THIS TIME, I HAVE NOT  
7 REVIEWED OTHER AGENCIES OUTSIDE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WHAT  
8 THEY ARE EXPERIENCING. WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN.

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10 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I WANT TO THANK YOUR DEPARTMENT. I  
11 KNOW THAT THEY JOINED SOME OF OUR STAFF OUT IN THE HACIENDA  
12 HEIGHTS AND ROWLAND HEIGHTS, MANY OF YOU HAD STAFF REPRESENTED  
13 THERE. THAT IS IMPORTANT BUT I STILL FEEL THERE IS A LOT OF  
14 MISINFORMATION THAT IS BEING POSTED AND PUT OUT THERE. THE  
15 SOONER WE GET TO THAT AND COME UP WITH A GOOD REPORT BACK,  
16 THAT HELPS US PRESENT A PLAN FORWARD, HOW WE MOVE FORWARD AND  
17 WHAT SAFEGUARDS WE CAN PUT IN PLACE. THAT WILL BE HELPFUL. I  
18 KNOW THAT THERE IS EFFORTS IN SACRAMENTO. THERE ARE BILLS  
19 RIGHT NOW THAT ARE BEING PUT FORWARD. ON THIS ISSUE THAT  
20 MEMBERS OF THE STATE SENATE, FOR EXAMPLE, WHO REPRESENT  
21 MONTEREY PARK AND THESE AREAS WHERE THEY ARE BEING  
22 POTENTIALLY, PERMITTED ARE REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT IT. I THINK  
23 THAT MONTEREY PARK EVEN, I THINK THAT PASSED THE MORATORIUM,  
24 CITY OF EL MONTE DID TOO. CITY OF INDUSTRY HAS NOT. CITY OF  
25 INDUSTRY IS KIND OF UNIQUE OWN ENTITY. THE PROBLEM THAT WE ARE



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1 SEEING THERE IS THAT THE SURROUNDING UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY,  
2 THAT SURROUNDS THE ENTIRE CITY IS THE FOLKS THAT FEEL ARE NOT  
3 GETTING AS MUCH INFORMATION. I DO BELIEVE THAT. THERE HAS TO  
4 BE MORE CLARITY. I HOPE THAT THE CITIES WOULD WORK WITH US.  
5 ONCE WE HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE WHEN WE UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS  
6 MEANS, POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE. BUT BETTER PREPARATION BECAUSE I  
7 THINK THAT WE HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP. CITY OF INDUSTRY HAS  
8 NOT. BUT IT IS A UNIQUE ENTITY. THE PROBLEM THAT WE'RE SEEING  
9 IS THAT THE SURROUNDING UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY THAT  
10 SURROUNDS THAT CITY ARE THE FOLKS FEELING THEY AREN'T GETTING  
11 THE INFORMATION. I DO BELIEVE THAT, I THINK THERE HAS TO BE  
12 MORE CLARITY. I HOPE THAT THE CITIES WOULD WORK WITH US ONCE  
13 WE HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE AND UNDERSTAND BETTER WHAT THIS MEANS.  
14 POSITIVE, BOTH NEGATIVE, BUT BETTER PREPARATION. I THINK WE  
15 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP LEAD. I KNOW THAT MY DISTRICT  
16 ISN'T THE ONLY ONE IMPACTED, THE FOURTH DISTRICT HAS SEVERAL  
17 IN ONE CITY. IN VERNON THAT WE LEARNED OF. I'M NOT TRYING TO  
18 CREATE UNNECESSARY PRECAUTION, BUT PREPARATION TO MAKE SURE  
19 THAT WE GO DOWN A BETTER PATH. WE CAN LEARN LESSONS HERE. FOR  
20 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.  
21 WHAT ARE SOME OF THE BEST PRACTICES YOU HAVE SEEN SO FAR, IF  
22 ANY, FOR THESE HYPER-SCALE DATA FACILITIES, WHAT CAN YOU ADD?  
23  
24 >> AMY BODEK: THANK YOU. FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD I WANT  
25 TO DO A LITTLE STAGE SETTING AS WELL ABOUT THE EXISTING DATA



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1 CENTERS. THE MAJORITY OF THE EXISTING DATA CENTERS IN L.A.  
2 COUNTY. THEY ARE A DIFFERENT ANIMAL. THEY USED TO REPRESENT  
3 LONG LINE TRANSMISSION SERVICE BUILDINGS FOR TRADITIONAL  
4 TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS. WE HAVE ALL SEEN THOSE WINDOWLESS  
5 SMALL BUILDINGS, HIGHLY SECURE. THOSE ARE A FORM OF DATA  
6 CENTERS BUT THEY WERE VERY, VERY SPECIFIC TO TELEPHONE  
7 COMMUNICATIONS. SPECIFICALLY LONG-LINE TRANSMISSIONS FOR THE  
8 TELEPHONE COMPANIES. THAT IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM WHAT  
9 DR. FERRER IS DESCRIBING AS THIS PROLIFERATION OF A NEW KINDS  
10 OF DATA CENTER THAT IS NOT NECESSARILY CONNECTED WITH OUR  
11 FORMER TELEPHONE PROVIDER. OF THE 70-PLUS DATA CENTERS IN L.A.  
12 COUNTY, I WOULD SAY LESS THAN 6 ARE ACTUALLY THESE A.I. TYPE  
13 OF DATA CENTERS. I DO WANT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR, THAT WE DON'T  
14 HAVE 74 OF THESE MASSIVE DATA CENTERS SPREAD OUT THROUGHOUT  
15 ALL OF THE JURISDICTIONS. BUT EVERY ONE OF OUR JURISDICTIONS,  
16 INCLUDING OUR OWN, HAVE THESE FORMER TELECOMMUNICATIONS DATA  
17 CENTERS. IT WAS BASICALLY A GIANT SERVER ROOM FOR THOSE  
18 TELECOMMUNICATIONS. AS DR. FERRER DESCRIBED, WE ABSOLUTELY  
19 AGREE THERE ARE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS TO THESE LARGER A.I.-  
20 BASED DATA CENTERS. ADDITIONALLY, THEY DO NOT GENERATE JOBS.  
21 THERE IS NO REAL GOOD VALUE FOR A COMMUNITY TO ACCEPT THE  
22 POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF THESE DATA CENTERS. SO WE ARE LOOKING AT  
23 OUR CODE, OUR CURRENT TITLE 22 CODE, ALLOWED THE OLD  
24 DEFINITION OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS, BASICALLY A TELEPHONE  
25 REPEATER STATION. THAT WOULD HAVE ALLOWED A NEW DATA CENTER.



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1 WE HAVE NO DEFINITION FOR THOSE IN OUR CODE. THE BEST WOULD BE  
2 TO DETERMINE THE STATE OF THE ART JURISDICTIONS ARE DOING TO  
3 CONTROL THOSE NEGATIVE INFLUENCES. THAT COULD INCLUDE SETBACKS  
4 THAT COULD INCLUDE SIZE RESTRICTIONS, AND SOME INSTANCES IT  
5 COULD INCLUDE OUTRIGHT PROHIBITION IN CERTAIN AREAS WHERE IT'S  
6 JUST IMPACTFUL FOR US TO DO. OUR ROLE IN THIS MULTI  
7 DISCIPLINARY TEAM IS TO FIGURE OUT WHERE, HOW, AND IF THEY  
8 SHOULD BE PERMITTED IN L.A. COUNTY FOR OUR RECOMMENDATION BACK  
9 TO YOU.

10

11 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT DENSITY IS IT  
12 WHERE IT IS PLACED?

13

14 >> AMY BODEK: NOT ONLY THE DENSITY BUT SHOULD THEY BE PLACED.  
15 AND HOW WOULD WE PERMIT THEM, IF WE WERE TO ALLOW THEM AT ALL.  
16 THOSE ARE THE DISCUSSIONS YOU WOULD BRING TO THE BOARD WITH  
17 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AS PART OF THIS 120 DAY  
18 REPORTBACK. IT COULD BE THAT WE SAY IN CERTAIN AREAS WHERE  
19 THERE IS NOT A DIRECT IMPACT TO RESIDENTS WITHIN AN X DISTANCE  
20 RADIUS THEY MAY BE ALLOWED WITH PERMISSIONS AND DISCRETIONARY  
21 APPROVALS. THIS MAY BE OTHER AREAS THAT WE RECOMMEND TO THE  
22 BOARD THAT THEY BE PROHIBITED OUTRIGHT. WE WOULD HAVE TO DO  
23 SOME MAPPING WORK TO DO THAT. AS YOU KNOW, WE TEND TO DO  
24 MAPPING SO WE CAN FIGURE OUT WHERE THE DENSITIES AND  
25 CONCENTRATIONS COULD GO. AND THEN SEE IF THERE'S



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1 OVERCONCENTRATIONS. APPLY THE CAL SCREEN -- THE CAL ENVIRO  
2 SCREENING OVER IT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE NOT OVERBURDEN ING  
3 ANY ONE COMMUNITY. THEN COME UP WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO YOU.  
4 ALL OF THAT WILL BE INCLUDED IN OUR REPORTBACK.

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6 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHAT COMPONENTS,  
7 TALK ABOUT WHAT THE COMPONENTS ARE THAT MAKE UP THIS CENTER  
8 THAT IS SO DIFFERENT AND UNIQUE?

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10 >> AMY BODEK: IT IS A GIANT WAREHOUSE FILLED WITH COMPUTERS  
11 AND SERVERS THAT ARE JUST CHURNING OUT INFORMATION. THE SPEED  
12 AT WHICH THEY ARE CHURNING OUT THAT INFORMATION AND COMPUTING  
13 THAT INFORMATION IS WHAT MAKES IT SO VALUABLE. THE MORE SPEED  
14 THAT YOU CAN CREATE THE MORE VALUABLE THE INFORMATION IS, THE  
15 FASTER IT'S TRANSMITTED. IT IS THE REQUIREMENTS TO SUPPORT ALL  
16 OF THE COMPUTERS AND THE SERVERS WHICH ARE DETRIMENTAL. THAT  
17 DR. FERRER LISTED, THAT OUR CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE  
18 LISTED. THEN IT COMES TO BACKUP POWER WHICH WE HAVE HAD  
19 DISCUSSIONS AS WELL. IT IS THE ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF ENERGY,  
20 ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF WATER THAT'S NECESSARY TO COOL THE  
21 COMPUTING. ALL OF THOSE ARE THE IMPACTS OF WHAT THE DATA  
22 CENTERS ARE. IT IS THE NOISE THAT YOU HEAR FROM THE HUMMING OF  
23 THE COMPUTERS. IT IS THE NOISE FROM THE GENERATORS THAT ARE  
24 SERVING AS BACKUP POWER. IT IS THE WATER RESOURCES THAT ARE  
25 BEING USED. IT IS THE LARGE AMOUNT OF LAND THAT IS BEING



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1 REPURPOSED OR TAKEN OUT OF OTHER USES WHERE THERE COULD HAVE  
2 BEEN A MORE VALUABLE USE FOR THAT PIECE OF PROPERTY. DEPENDING  
3 WHERE IT IS, IT COULD POTENTIALLY BE THE DESTRUCTION OF  
4 NATURAL RESOURCES IN OUR SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS. I COULD  
5 GO ON AND ON.

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7 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RIGHT. SO ONE QUESTION I HAVE,  
8 WOULD IT BE WISE WHEN WE TALK ABOUT GEOGRAPHY LOOKING AT AREAS  
9 WHERE THERE IS HIGH FIRE HAZARDS OR POTENTIAL? I MEAN IN MY  
10 MIND I THINK THERE MAY BE A POTENTIAL FOR FOLKS LOOKING AT,  
11 OH, PUT IT OUT IN THE DESERT. PUT IT OUT IN THE FIFTH  
12 DISTRICT. PUT IT IN THE EAST SIDE.

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14 >> AMY BODEK: OUR DESERT HAS BEAUTIFUL FLORA AND FAUNA. EVEN  
15 THOUGH SUPERVISOR BARGER ISN'T HERE, WE HAVE JOSHUA TREE,  
16 SIGNIFICANT AREAS. OUR DESERT AREAS THAT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT  
17 THE ECOLOGICAL IMPACTS OF THESE ENVIRONMENTS. BUT WE HEAR,  
18 JUST PUT IT UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THAT'S AN  
19 OVERCONCENTRATION AS WELL. CERTAINLY WE WILL BE TALKING TO THE  
20 FIRE DEPARTMENT, THEY DID DETAIL SOME OF THE ANALYSIS THAT  
21 THEY'RE ALREADY DOING. WHAT THE POTENTIAL OF THE MAKEUP OF THE  
22 GENERATION MAY BE. ALL OF THOSE ARE INCLUDED IN THE  
23 REPORTBACK.

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25 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I SEE SOME ANXIOUS FIREFIGHTERS



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1 BEHIND YOU, ANYONE WANT TO ADD ANYTHING, TO SAY ANYTHING? WITH  
2 YOUR PERMISSION OF COURSE.

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4 >> CHIEF MARRONE: THEY DON'T NEED MY PERMISSION.

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6 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: BUT I KNOW THEY'VE BEEN OUT THERE.  
7 SOME OF YOU EVERY BEEN OUT THERE.

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9 >> RICHARD STILLWAGON: YES, CHAIR, THANK YOU. RICHARD  
10 STILLWAGON, FIRE MARSHAL FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE  
11 DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE PERMITTED A DATA CENTER IN CITY OF VERNON,  
12 SIMILAR TO WHAT'S BEING DISCUSSED TODAY. THE COMPANIES COME TO  
13 US WITH NEW CONSTRUCTION IDEAS, THEY'RE COMING TO US WITH  
14 NONCOMBUSTIBLE CON STRUCK MATERIALS OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY TO  
15 PREVENT THINGS LIKE WILDFIRES OR OTHER BUILDING FIRES FROM  
16 GAINING ACCESS TO THE BUILDINGS. AND/OR A FIRE INTERNALLY FROM  
17 ESCAPING. IN THE OLD DATA SYSTEMS THEY DIDN'T DO THAT. THE  
18 FIRE COULD START AND RUN THE ENTIRE BUILDING. THROUGH CONTROL  
19 AREAS, PROPER CONSTRUCTION, THROUGH PROPER PERMITTING,  
20 OVERSIGHT OF ALL OF THE AGENCIES HERE THEY CAN DO THIS SAFELY.  
21 BUT IT NEEDS TO BE REGULATED AND WE DO NEED TO EACH OF OUR  
22 DEPARTMENTS WEIGH IN ON A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT MOVING FORWARD.  
23  
24 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM  
25 YOUR COLLEAGUES?



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2 >> CHIEF MARRONE: THIS IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR L.A.  
3 COUNTY TO TAKE THE LEAD. THERE ISN'T SPECIFIC REGULATION IN  
4 THE STATE OR COUNTY FIRE CODE REGARDING DATA CENTERS. ONLY A  
5 DEFINITION IN THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE THAT THIS IS AN  
6 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO SET THE STANDARD ON HOW WE WANT THIS TO  
7 LOOK IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WHAT REQUIREMENTS DO WE WANT TO  
8 PUT IN PLACE TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE PROJECTS ARE  
9 ENVIRONMENTALLY JUST.

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11 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS CONVERSATION,  
12 THANK YOU SO MUCH SUPERVISOR. I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT FIRE  
13 SAFETY IS ONE ISSUE. BUT WE HAVE RAISED OTHER ISSUES. PART OF  
14 THE MOTION NEEDS TO BE ATTENDING TO THE CONCERNS AND THE  
15 SUGGESTIONS COMING FROM COMMUNITY RESIDENTS. WHO ARE MOST  
16 IMPACTED WHEN WE SITE THESE LARGE DATA CENTERS. PLACES ACROSS  
17 THE COUNTRY WHERE THAT PROCESS DIDN'T NECESSARILY HAPPEN  
18 BEFORE DATA CENTERS WERE BUILT. I THINK WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY  
19 HERE TO ACTUALLY MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE BOTH LISTENING AND  
20 ADDRESSING LEGITIMATE CONCERNS UP FRONT. AS DIRECTOR BODEK  
21 NOTED THIS IS A NEW WAY TO USE AN OLD INDUSTRY. IT HAS AN  
22 IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE  
23 LOCATIONS WHERE THESE ARE ESTABLISHED. WE SHOULD NOT SHORT  
24 CHANGE THE PROCESS AT ALL.

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1 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I AGREE WITH YOU ON THAT. I GUESS  
2 AT SOME POINT, NO ONE REALLY TALKED ABOUT THE NOISE LEVEL.  
3 WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT IN TERMS OF DECIBELS?

4

5 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: IT IS DECIBEL ISSUE AND CONSTANT NOISE,  
6 AND AGGRAVATED IN THOSE PLACES WITH DIESEL GENERATORS AS  
7 BACKUP. THEY'RE ALL GOING TO THEIR BACKUP SYSTEMS. IT WOULD BE  
8 LIKE LIVING IN A PEACEFUL NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE YOU HAVE SORT OF  
9 THE ROUTINE NOISES OF COMMUNITY LIFE COUPLED WITH A LOW HUM  
10 THAT NEVER DISAPPEARS. THAT WOULD JUST BE THERE AS BACKGROUND  
11 NOISE. WE'RE LEARNING MORE AND MORE ABOUT THE FACT THAT THAT  
12 LOW LEVEL DECIBEL AT A CONSTANT RATE OVER LONG PERIODS OF TIME  
13 CAN, IN FACT, REALLY CREATE FOR SOME PEOPLE SENSITIVITIES THAT  
14 RESULT IN HEALTH IMPACTS. I DON'T WANT TO SAY JUST BECAUSE  
15 IT'S NOT SUPER LOUD DOESN'T MEAN THAT IT'S NOT CONCERNING. THE  
16 EVIDENCE TO DATE REALLY DOES SUGGEST THAT IT CAN BE VERY  
17 CONCERNING. AND CAN CREATE A HEALTH IMPACT. SOMETHING WE  
18 SHOULD LOOK AT.

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20 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
21 HAHN YOU WANT TO BE RECOGNIZED?

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23 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS  
24 FORWARD. JUST TO REMIND THE PUBLIC LISTENING IN, OUR  
25 JURISDICTION IS ONLY UNINCORPORATED, CORRECT? THAT'S OUR



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1 AUTHORITY OVER ANY KIND OF LAND USE.

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3 >> RITA KAMPALATH: FOR LAND USE, CORRECT. OTHER AGENCIES MAY  
4 EXPAND BEYOND THAT. DEFINITELY FOR LAND USE, YES.

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6 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: I APPRECIATE THIS MOTION, IT'S TIMELY,  
7 EVEN THOUGH DATA CENTERS ARE NOT INFLUENCE. BUT TODAY IT DOES  
8 FEEL LIKE THEY'RE IN THE NEWS A LOT MORE AND THEY'RE CERTAINLY  
9 POPPING UP BIGGER AND FASTER SEEMS LIKE THAN EVER BEFORE. AS  
10 YOU MENTIONED SUPERVISOR SOLIS IN MY DISTRICT AND CITY OF  
11 VERNON, THERE'S ONE THAT'S UNDER CONSTRUCTION RIGHT NOW. I  
12 THINK THREE ARE PROPOSED. EVEN THOUGH VERNON MAYBE HAS A LOW  
13 POPULATION OF RESIDENTS THAT LIVE THERE, A LOT OF THINGS THAT  
14 HAPPEN IN VERNON IMPACT, YES, SOUTHEAST L.A., THE NEIGHBORING  
15 CITIES PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO NOISE AND POLLUTION AND  
16 SMELL, YES. MY STAFF SAID OUTSIDE OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS  
17 ONE DATA CENTER THERE'S A BIG BANNER THAT CALLS DATA CENTERS  
18 ESSENTIAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE DIGITAL ECONOMY. THEY'RE  
19 BEING BILLED TO THE POPULATION AS IT'S BEING ESSENTIAL AS WE  
20 MOVE IN TO MORE A.I. OR THIS DIGITAL WORLD. AGAIN, WHAT KIND  
21 OF FUTURE CAN WE EXPECT TO HAVE IF WE CAN'T COUNT ON CLEAN  
22 AIR, WATER, POWER, AND A STABLE CLIMATE. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE  
23 FACING WITH THE RISE OF THESE DATA CENTERS. I ECHO WHAT WE  
24 HEARD FROM THE RESIDENTS ACROSS THE COUNTY SERIOUSLY CONCERNED  
25 ABOUT THE IMPACT THESE HAVE ON OUR ENVIRONMENT. AND THE



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1 IMMENSE WATER AND ELECTRICITY THAT THEY REQUIRE. YOU KNOW,  
2 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE -- UNDERSTAND PERFECTLY WHAT IS AT  
3 STAKE. THEY KNOW AND THEY HEAR EVERY SUMMER REMINDERS TO  
4 CONSERVE WATER AND CONSERVE ELECTRICITY, THEY HAVE LIVED FOR  
5 DECADES HEARING ABOUT OUR HISTORIC DROUGHTS. HOW ESSENTIAL IT  
6 IS TO PROTECT OUR PRECIOUS RESOURCES. OUR RESIDENTS EVEN CHOSE  
7 TO TAX THEMSELVES WITH MEASURE W. THEY SAW THE CHALLENGES OF  
8 WATER SCARCITY AND POLLUTION AND THEY BELIEVED THAT WE NEEDED  
9 TO BE BETTER PREPARED TO MEET THEM. SINCE THEN, MARK, YOUR  
10 DEPARTMENT HAS ANSWERED THE CALL AND BUTTE INNOVATIVE  
11 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S GOING TO HELP WITH OUR COMMUNITIES TO BE  
12 MORE RESILIENT FOR THE FUTURE. AND NOW, IT FEELS LIKE WE'RE  
13 KIND OF NEEDING TO ANSWER THAT CALL AGAIN. WE'RE HEARING THE  
14 CRIES FROM OUR RESIDENTS ABOUT THERE'S SIGNS IN THE AUDIENCE  
15 TODAY, NO DATA CENTERS. THEY'RE LOOKING TO US TO MEET THIS  
16 NEXT CHALLENGE WHICH IS ALSO A THREAT TO OUR WATER AND OUR  
17 ELECTRICITY RESOURCES. BASED ON THE FACT THAT WE ONLY HAVE  
18 LAND USE JURISDICTIONS IN UNINCORPORATED. ONE OF THE THINGS  
19 THAT I'M INTERESTED IN GETTING BACK IN THIS REPORTBACK IS HOW  
20 DO WE ENGAGE WITH OUR CITIES. AGAIN EVEN THOUGH WE DON'T HAVE  
21 AUTHORITY FOR LAND USE IN OUR CITIES, AS WE'VE BEEN HEARING,  
22 WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR CITIES IMPACTS OUR RESIDENTS. AND OVERALL  
23 OUR COLLECTIVE SCARCITY OF OUR PRECIOUS RESOURCES. I DON'T  
24 KNOW IF ANY OF US WANTS TO RESPOND. THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO LEAN  
25 IN TO HOW GOING FORWARD CAN WE ENGAGE WITH OUR CITIES ON THIS



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1 ISSUE.

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3 >> CHIEF MARRONE: WE REQUIRE THE 59 CITIES TO ADOPT TITLE 32  
4 OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE CODE. SO WE CAN ENFORCE THAT  
5 CONSISTENTLY IN THE CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS.

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7 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: ONE OF THE THINGS IN PLAY IS STATE  
8 LEGISLATE THAT IS WOULD APPLY TO THE STATE, AND CITIES THAT  
9 WOULD CREATE A COMMON SENSE REQUIREMENTS WITH THE  
10 ESTABLISHMENT OF DATA CENTERS. THAT WOULD MAKE THE WORK IN OUR  
11 COUNTY A LOT EASIER. FROM A PUBLIC HEALTH PERSPECTIVE IN  
12 PARTICULAR.

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14 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY.

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16 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU.

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18 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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20 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING OUR  
21 ATTENTION TO THIS EMERGING AREA OF CONCERN AROUND DATA  
22 CENTERS. OBVIOUSLY WITH THE RAPID EVOLUTION OF A.I., DATA  
23 CENTERS ARE A GROWING PART OF OUR ECONOMY. THEIR DEVELOPMENT  
24 CAN PROVIDE GOOD PAYING UNION REPRESENTED CONSTRUCTION JOBS,  
25 AND DATA CENTERS CAN ENABLE OUR TECHNOLOGY, ENTERTAINMENT, AND



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1 OTHER SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY TO BE COMPETITIVE. I DO SUSPECT  
2 THAT AS WE CONTINUE TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION WE WILL ALSO  
3 HEAR HOW PEOPLE'S JOBS, AND IN FACT INDUSTRIES WE HEAR COME  
4 BEFORE US ON A REGULAR BASIS WHO ARE RELIANT ON THIS  
5 TECHNOLOGY TO FIND WAYS THAT WE CAN COME UP WITH COMMON SENSE  
6 SOLUTIONS TO WHAT WILL BE A 21st CENTURY REALITY WITH THESE  
7 DATA CENTER. WHILE DATA CENTERS ARE CRITICAL IN TODAY'S WORLD  
8 WE EXPECT THEM TO KEEP GROWING. THERE IS THE POTENTIAL FOR  
9 COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL HARM WHEN NOT SITED OR PLANNED  
10 THOUGHTFULLY AND EQUITABLY. SAY THIS, BECAUSE IT IS MY  
11 UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS IS A GROWING REQUIREMENT TO SUPPORT  
12 THE KIND OF TECHNOLOGY THAT IS BECOMING VERY COMMONPLACE FOR  
13 ALL OF OUR DAILY OPERATIONS. IMAGINE THE COUNTY MAY AT SOME  
14 POINT IF WE HAVEN'T ALREADY BEEN CONTRACTING WITH DATA CENTERS  
15 TO SUPPORT THE KIND OF OPERATIONS HAPPENING IN THE COUNTY. I  
16 WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING IF WE ARE ALREADY DOING THAT TO  
17 SUPPORT THE NEEDS THAT THE COUNTY CEO, ARE YOU SAYING WE DO.

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19 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: WE HAVE A DATA CENTER IN EL SEGUNDO.

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21 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THEY EXIST AND THEY SUPPORT  
22 GOVERNMENTAL OPERATION. CLEARLY. SO I AGREE THAT WE HAVE TO BE  
23 MINDFUL ABOUT WHAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ARE ESPECIALLY AS  
24 WE THINK ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COUNTY'S WATER PLAN.  
25 WE'RE ALREADY FIGHTING A DIFFICULT ENVIRONMENT SITUATION WHEN



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1 IT COMES TO A WATER RELIABILITY. I'M GRATEFUL IN THAT THIS  
2 REPORT, AND CHAIR SOLIS RECOGNIZED THAT DATA CENTERS ARE  
3 DIFFERENT THAN BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS WE HAVE TALKED  
4 ABOUT. WHILE WE KNOW THAT SOME DATA CENTERS CONTAIN THESE  
5 SYSTEMS THERE ARE STRICT SAFETY MEASURES DEVELOPED THAT  
6 MITIGATE THE POTENTIAL RISKS. WE CAN PRIORITIZE HEALTH AND  
7 SAFETY PROTECTIONS ASSESSING POTENTIAL BENEFITS FOR THE  
8 ECONOMY, RESILIENCY AND CLIMATE. AND I THINK I KNOW THE ANSWER  
9 TO THIS, BUT JUST SO I HEAR IT FROM YOU FOR REGIONAL PLANNING  
10 HOW MANY DATA CENTERS ARE PROPOSED OR PERMITTED IN  
11 UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY?

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13 >> AMY BODEK: IN UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY WE DON'T HAVE ANY  
14 APPLICATIONS AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

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16 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: GIVEN THAT, I THINK THIS IS WELL  
17 TIMED FOR US, WE HAVE THE TIME TO LOOK AT WHAT SORT OF BEST  
18 PRACTICES AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THIS MOTION. YOUR ROLE IN  
19 PARTICULAR, REGARDING OUR LAND USE POLICY, WILL BE IMPORTANT.  
20 IT CLEARLY, WE HEAR RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES IMPACTED EVEN IF  
21 THEY'RE NEIGHBORING. BUT RESIDENTIAL SPRAWL HAS HAPPENED  
22 THROUGHOUT THE REGION. WE SHOULD BE EVEN MORE MINDFUL ABOUT  
23 WHERE WE'RE SITING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AND WHERE THIS KIND  
24 OF DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE SEPARATED. DO WE HAVE A SENSE OF HOW  
25 CLOSELY A DATA CENTER NEEDS TO BE LOCATED TO A MORE POPULATED



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1 ENVIRONMENT IN ORDER TO SERVE ITS FUNCTION?

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3 >> AMY BODEK: I DO NOT AT THIS POINT IN TIME. I AM AWARE OF  
4 OTHER NATIONAL NEWS STORIES AND OTHER JURISDICTIONS WHERE  
5 THERE HAVE BEEN ISSUES. BUT I DON'T HAVE A GOOD SENSE RIGHT  
6 NOW OF WHAT ANY KIND OF DISTANCE REQUIREMENT WOULD BE THAT WE  
7 RECOMMEND TO YOU.

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9 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: I AM MORE THAN AWARE OF THE COMMUNITY  
10 CHALLENGES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED AND I SUSPECT IF WE DIDN'T  
11 GET IT A HEAD OF IT THERE WOULD BE MORE UNINTENDED  
12 CONSEQUENCES. I'M GRATEFUL FOR THE COMMUNITY VOICES THAT SAY  
13 TAKE A LOOK AT, THIS MAKE SURE YOU DO EVERYTHING YOU CAN TO  
14 PROTECT US FROM THE IMPACTS OF THE DATA CENTERS. WE KNOW  
15 UNLESS WE ARE GOING TO ENTIRELY ABANDON THE TECH INDUSTRY OR  
16 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, OTHER INDUSTRIES THAT ARE RELIANT ON  
17 THESE CENTERS THEY ARE GOING TO INCREASINGLY BECOME PART OF  
18 OUR FUTURE. I'M GLAD THAT THIS REPORT SETS US ON THAT PATH.  
19 THANK YOU.

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21 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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23 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. THIS REMINDS  
24 US OF THE AGE-OLD ADAGE THAT WE CONFRONT, WHAT WE BUILD WHERE  
25 AND FOR WHOM, AT WHOSE EXPENSE. REPRESENTING A NUMBER OF



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1 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES WHO CAN POINT HISTORICALLY NOT  
2 BEING CONSIDERED, THOUGHT OF OR VALUED. I'M ALWAYS FOCUSED  
3 PRETTY SQUARELY ON AT WHOSE EXPENSE WHEN WE HAVE THESE  
4 CONVERSATIONS. PARTICULARLY GIVEN MY ROLE REPRESENTING THIS  
5 BOARD ON THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
6 BOARD. IT IS SO UNFORTUNATE THAT WE CONTINUE TO GET THIS, HAVE  
7 THIS ZERO SUM GAIN BETWEEN JOBS VERSUS CLEANER AIR OR CLEANER  
8 COMMUNITIES FOR THOSE WHO LIVE THERE. I'M ALWAYS TROUBLED BY  
9 THAT CONSISTENT JUXTAPOSITION. THESE DATA CENTERS, THE JOBS  
10 ARE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THEM. BUT NOT THE ONGOING DAY TO  
11 DAY OPERATIONS OF THEM.

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13 >> AMY BODEK: CORRECT. THEY DO HAVE CONSTRUCTION JOBS BUT IT  
14 REALLY IS THE DAY TO DAY MANAGEMENT OF THE DATA CENTERS. I  
15 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT STANDALONE DATA  
16 CENTERS, DIRECT BENEFIT IS NOT FOR A SPECIFIC BUSINESS.  
17 BECAUSE I DO THINK THAT THERE ARE APPROPRIATE SCALED STORAGE  
18 AND DATA CENTERS THAT ARE THERE TO SUPPORT SPECIFIC BUSINESSES  
19 AS ANCILLARY USES. WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IS THOSE LARGER  
20 SCALE ONES THAT ARE CAMPUS UNTO THEMSELVES AND ARE NOT  
21 DIRECTLY BENEFITTING A SPECIFIC BUSINESS OR SPECIFIC INDUSTRY.  
22 OTHER THAN A.I. IN GENERAL. I ABSOLUTELY, YOU KNOW WHERE I AM  
23 ON THIS I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT RED LINING HAPPENED. AS YOUR  
24 PLANNING DIRECTOR I ABSOLUTELY APPRECIATE AND UNDERSTAND THAT.  
25 WE TAKE THAT SERIOUSLY. THAT IS STILL TRUE TODAY.



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2 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I WOULDN'T PUT IT IN THE PAST  
3 TENSE, I WOULD SAY HAPPENS, CURRENT, PRESENT.

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5 >> AMY BODEK: THE REASON I APPRECIATE THIS MOTION IT WILL  
6 ALLOW US TO BE FORWARD-THINKING INSTEAD OF REACTIVE. THAT IS  
7 AN UNUSUAL POSITION FOR OUR ZONING CODE TO BE IN. WE DO LONG  
8 RANGE POLICY PLANNING, OF COURSE. IN IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE  
9 FORWARD AND SET THE STAGE FOR HOW, WHERE, WHEN, AND WHY.

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11 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: LET ME BE CLEAR IN THIS  
12 CONVERSATION, I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE COUNTY TO DEFINE THE TERM  
13 DATA CENTER, CLEARLY, MAYBE WE SHOULDN'T HAVE OVERENCOMPASSING  
14 TERM. TO RECOGNIZE THE DIVERSITY OF DATA CENTER TYPES TO AVOID  
15 THIS ONE SIZE ALL ASSUMPTION. ENERGY WATER, NOISE, FIRE,  
16 ETCETERA. ONE FOLLOWUP QUESTION, YOU TALKED ABOUT THERE'S NEW  
17 CONSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY AROUND COMBUSTION. IS THERE  
18 ANYTHING AROUND LESS WATER CONSUMPTION? THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.  
19 SOUNDS LIKE THEY USE MORE WATER THAN THE ALMOND GROWERS. WHAT?  
20 IS THERE ANY TECHNOLOGY AROUND THAT AREA AS WELL?

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22 >> MARK PESTRELLA: WE'RE LOOKING AT BOTH SIDES OF THE  
23 EQUATION. DEMAND, INCREASE IN DEMAND. THE SUPPLY SIDE, YOU'VE  
24 BEEN SEEING A NONE THE SIZE OF IT. THERE IS A WAY TO ENGINEER  
25 AROUND THE DEMAND BUT WATERS NEED TO BE PURCHASED OR PRODUCED



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1 FROM SOURCES THAT WE HAVEN'T FULLY TAPPED INTO YET. WHICH I  
2 THINK ONE OF THE THINGS IS LOOKING FOR MITIGATION, FOR  
3 INDUSTRY TO PAY FOR THE SUPPLY SIDE TO MEET THE DEMAND RATHER  
4 THAN PUT ON IT THE BACKS OF THE EXISTING USER. THERE'S ONLY A  
5 LIMITED AMOUNT OF WATER, THE SAME WATER FROM THE DINOSAURS'  
6 TIME. TRYING TO GET IT WHERE IT NEEDS TO BE. IT'S COSTLY TO  
7 GET THERE. MITIGATION INVOLVES FEES FOR INCREASED WORK FOR THE  
8 USE OF THAT WATER SO THAT YOU OFFSET THE COST ON COMMUNITY.

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10 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: SANTA CLARA'S ORDINANCE DOES REQUIRE  
11 THAT THOUGH MOVE TO USING RECYCLED WATER AS WELL. WE DO HAVE  
12 AS PART OF THIS BOARD MOTION WE ARE ABLE TO LOOK AT WHAT HAS  
13 HAPPENED ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND OTHER INNOVATIONS. THERE ARE  
14 PLACES THAT HAVE MOVED AND STARTED REGULATING AND PLACES THAT  
15 HAVE COME UP, OUT OF ALL OF THE ISSUES THAT WE RAISED,  
16 SETBACKS, COME UP WITH WAYS TO REDUCE NOISE POLLUTION. I DO  
17 THINK IT IS APPROPRIATE TO ASK FOR AS PART OF THIS REPORT FOR  
18 US TO TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT WHAT ELSE IS OUT THERE.

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20 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I THINK THAT THIS IS AN IMPORTANT  
21 OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER INFORMATION. AS YOU SUGGESTED. IN THE  
22 FORM OF THIS MOTION AND REPORTBACK. AND I'M ALSO CLEAR THAT  
23 THIS MOTION REALLY HELPS ENSURE THAT RESIDENTS HAVE A  
24 MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO HELP SHAPE OUR POLICY TO BE HEARD  
25 AND WEIGH IN. AGAIN I HOPE THAT WE COME UP WITH A CLEAR



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1 DEFINITION SO WE'RE ALL CLEAR ABOUT WHAT IS AT STAKE. TWO LAST  
2 FINAL QUESTIONS, MADAM CHAIR. THE BOARD RECENTLY RENEWED A  
3 LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR A COUNTY DATA CENTER IN REDONDO BEACH.  
4 IT HAS BEEN OCCUPIED SINCE 2017. I ASSUME IT IS NOT ONE OF THE  
5 A.I. DATA CENTERS, IT IS A DIFFERENT DATA CENTER?

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7 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: THAT'S THE DATA CENTER THAT I REFERENCED,  
8 IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO. I CONNECTED WITH THE ISD DIRECTOR.  
9 WE RENT A PORTION OF A LARGER DATA CENTER, IT HOUSES THE  
10 COUNTY DATA. OUR PORTION IS NOT ONE OF THE A.I. DATA CENTERS.  
11 IT IS ABOUT'S -- IT IS IN AN INDUSTRIAL AREA, ABOUT 2,000 FEET  
12 FROM THE CLOSEST RESIDENTS. IT IS IN A MORE BUFFERED AREA THAN  
13 WHAT I'VE HEARD DESCRIBED OF THE OTHER FACILITIES.

14

15 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: ARE THOSE BILLS GOING IN THE  
16 SIMILAR DIRECTION AS THE MOTION? VARIETY OF PERSPECTIVES?

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18 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I THINK SENATOR PÉREZ WHO  
19 REPRESENTS MONTEREY PARK IS CARRYING LEGISLATION. THEN ANOTHER  
20 PIECE OF LEGISLATION -- I DON'T KNOW HOW FAR ALONG THEY ARE.  
21 BUT I KNOW IT IS A RESULT OF ALL OF THIS. I THINK WE'RE TRYING  
22 TO GO IN THE SAME DIRECTION.

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24 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU.

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1 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND, MARK, DID YOU WANT  
2 TO ADD SOMETHING ABOUT RECYCLED WATER USAGE?  
3  
4 >> MARK PESTRELLA: AS DR. FERRER SAID, THERE'S A LOT OF  
5 TECHNOLOGY EVEN AT THE SITE TO USE YOUR OWN WATER AND RECYCLE.  
6 I'M SURE THIS IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN. AS SUPERVISOR HORVATH  
7 MENTIONED, THIS INFRASTRUCTURE IS CRITICAL TO THE ADVANCEMENT  
8 OF A.I. A.I. IS BEING USED THROUGHOUT INDUSTRY, WE'RE USING IT  
9 AT PUBLIC WORKS REGULARLY, MACHINE LEARNING. THE THING TO  
10 THINK ABOUT IS JUST MORE INTENSE COMPUTING SYSTEM, HIGHER  
11 INTENSITY FRUITING, THE OFFSET -- COMPUTING, THE OFFSET IS  
12 HEAT GENERATION AND THE NEED TO COOL IT WHERE THE WATER COMES  
13 IN. EVEN THE CENTER THAT WE'RE AT NOW CAN BECOME A HIGHER  
14 INTENSITY USE IF YOU WILL AND HIGHER COMPUTER SPACE BY PUTTING  
15 MORE HIGH POWERED COMPUTERS INTO THE FACILITY. IT IS  
16 INEVITABLE. ONE SUGGESTION IS THAT WE GET PART OF INDUSTRY  
17 WITH THIS AND UNDERSTAND THEIR PLAN. WHAT ARE WE BUILDING  
18 TODAY. WHAT ARE YOU BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE. PROACTIVELY BUILD  
19 IN ARRANGEMENT WITH THEM, PARTNERING WHERE THESE THINGS ARE  
20 GOING TO GO. UNDERSTANDING THAT IT IS COMING. SAME THING  
21 HAPPENED WITH SOLAR, WE HAD A PUSH FOR SOLAR IN THE NORTH  
22 COUNTY, THEY DECIDED THEY WANTED TO BE THE SOLAR CAPITAL OF  
23 L.A. COUNTY. WE GOT AHEAD OF THAT, THIS GROUP DID, BY GETTING  
24 WITH INDUSTRY, UNDERSTANDING WHERE IT WAS GOING TO BE PLACED,  
25 WHAT THE IMPLEMENTATION IMPACTS WERE AND WORK OUT MITIGATION



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1 WITH THEM THROUGH PERMITTING AND OTHER THINGS THAT ALLOWED  
2 THEM TO MOVE QUICKER THAN THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN AIM TO.  
3 CREATING CERTAINTY WHERE THEY CAN BUILD AND CREATING CERTAINTY  
4 WHERE THEY WILL BE BUILT AND ITS IMPACTS.

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6 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THE REASON I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE  
7 MOTION, RESIDENTS PARTICULARLY THOSE IN OVERBURDENED  
8 COMMUNITIES NEED CLEAR INFORMATION ON PUBLIC HEALTH,  
9 ENVIRONMENTAL AND LAND USE IMPACTS. I APPRECIATE THIS GROUP  
10 HAS GOTTEN TOGETHER TO GET AHEAD OF IT. I HOPE THAT COMMUNITY  
11 RESIDENTS HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY AS WELL.

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13 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, I APPRECIATE THAT.  
14 SEEING NO OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS, LET'S GO TO  
15 PUBLIC COMMENT.

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17 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS  
18 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. [READING NAMES]

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20 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL HEAR FROM IN PERSON  
21 SPEAKERS FIRST.

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23 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: BEFORE WE START GIVEN THE NUMBER OF  
24 SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, IN ORDER TO  
25 FINISH TODAY'S MEETING EFFICIENTLY AND ADDRESS ALL AGENDA



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1 ITEMS THE TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE LIMITED TO 60  
2 MINUTES. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THIS ITEM WILL END AT 2:05 P.M.

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4 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, LET'S PROCEED.

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6 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M JOE SULLIVAN,  
7 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF IBW LOCAL 11 AND THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC  
8 CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. THIS  
9 REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 12,000 UNION ELECTRICIANS AND 350  
10 LOCAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS. WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
11 SOLIS FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION. OUR MEMBERS LIVE IN  
12 THESE COMMUNITIES, WE CARE ABOUT THE COMMUNITIES, WE WANT THEM  
13 TO HAVE CLEAN AIR, TO HAVE AFFORDABLE ENERGY AND WATER. THESE  
14 ARE VERY BIG JOB CREATORS. WHERE THERE ARE DATA CENTERS WE  
15 WILL HAVE UP TO 4,000 UNION CONSTRUCTION WORKERS FOR UP TO TWO  
16 YEARS WORKING ON THESE. LET'S NOT GET THAT TWISTED. INSTEAD OF  
17 AN ORDINANCE, WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOU DO AN INDEPTH  
18 STUDY AND LABOR BE A PART OF THIS. WE ENCOURAGE THOUGHTFUL AND  
19 MEANINGFUL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS. THOSE  
20 ARE MY COMMENTS FOR TODAY. THANK YOU.

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22 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER.

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24 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON HONOR AN SUPERVISORS, I'M  
25 MARIO, AND I'M A -- I REPRESENT OVER 12,000 HIGHLY SKILLED AND



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1 TRAINED ELECTRICIANS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WELL AS RESIDENT  
2 OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. THANK YOU  
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR YOUR MOTION. I HAVE MEMBERS THAT LIVE AND  
4 WORK THROUGHOUT THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, I APPRECIATE THIS  
5 MOTION AND ITS EFFORT TO SAFEGUARD THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-  
6 BEING. FACILITIES HOSTING THESE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES OFFER  
7 OPPORTUNITY, HIGH ROAD CAREER PATHS, AND HIGH PAY FOR LOCAL  
8 WORKERS. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST INSTEAD OF A MOTION OR AN  
9 ORDINANCE FOR A STUDY TO BE DONE AND ANALYZED AS WELL AS  
10 COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.  
11 CURRENTLY MOST OF THE EDUCATION --

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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15 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, GEORGE, I'M WITH THE  
16 WESTERN STATES REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS REPRESENTING  
17 OVER 12,000 MEMBERS IN L.A. COUNTY. I WANT TO EXTEND MY  
18 SINCERE THANKS TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR INTRODUCING THIS  
19 MOTION. WE HAVE MEMBERS WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THIS AREA SO WE  
20 TRULY APPRECIATE THE COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING THEIR HEALTH  
21 AND WELL-BEING THROUGHOUT THE I INITIATIVE. FACILITIES THAT  
22 HOST THESE TECHNOLOGIES PROVIDE VALUABLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR  
23 HIGH PAYING LOCAL JOBS WHICH SUPPORTS COMMUNITY ECONOMICALLY.  
24 WITH THAT IN MIND WE SUGGEST THAT INSTEAD OF IMPLEMENTING A  
25 MORATORIUM AND ORDINANCE AT THIS STAGE IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL



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1 TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY ANALYZING THE POTENTIAL  
2 IMPACTS ALONGSIDE THIS STUDY WE BELIEVE A THOROUGH COMMUNITY  
3 ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN WOULD BE ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE  
4 THE TRANSPARENCY AND THE INCLUSIVENESS. ADDITIONALLY WE HOPE  
5 THERE WILL BE A STRONG CONSIDERATION TOWARD INTEGRATING THE  
6 COMMUNITY BENEFITS AS PART OF THE PROCESS. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR  
7 ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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11 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I PLAYED THE BOARD FOR -- APPLAUD THE  
12 BOARD FOR WHAT APPEARS TO BE GREAT CAUTION. ALL OF YOUR  
13 QUESTIONS SEEM APPROPRIATE TO ME. AND I JUST WANT TO REITERATE  
14 TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF CAUTION. THIS IS SUCH A SERIOUS DECISION  
15 THAT IT IS ALMOST COMPARABLE TO DECIDING WHO YOU ARE GOING TO  
16 MARRY. SO PLEASE BE VERY CAUTIOUS. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR ALWAYS  
17 KEEPING US IN MIND. I ALSO APPLAUD THE IDEA OF ENGAGING THE  
18 RESIDENTS OF THE AREAS. THANK YOU.

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20 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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22 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: YES, SUPERVISORS. GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M  
23 ANDREA GORDON. I AM A PROUD FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEE, LONG TIME.  
24 I THANK YOU EVERY DAY FOR MY GOOD COUNTY JOB. AND NOW FOR MY  
25 EVEN BETTER COUNTY RETIREMENT. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR WHAT



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1 YOU ARE DOING TODAY, PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WHO HAS  
2 BEEN VERY HELPFUL WITH US. WHO LIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. WE ARE  
3 VERY CONCERNED THAT GOING ALONG WITH THE DATA CENTERS IS ALSO  
4 THE BATTERY STORAGE FACILITIES. WE ARE VERY CONCERNED THAT  
5 WHAT IS IN PLACE RIGHT NOW IS NOT SUFFICIENT CONSIDERING WHAT  
6 IS HAPPENING AND BEING CONSIDERED BY SOME OF THE CITIES. WE  
7 ASK FOR A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT IF YOU WOULD CONSIDER THAT TO BE  
8 INCLUDED IN THIS MOTION THAT INCLUDES THOSE BATTERY STORAGE  
9 FACILITIES OF WHATEVER TYPE. WE BELIEVE THAT THEY ARE CAPABLE  
10 OF VERY FAST MOVING RUNAWAY FIRES THAT CAN'T BE PUT OUT.

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12 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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14 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M ADRIANA, A SERVICE  
15 TRUSTEE FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. I AM HERE IN STRONG SUPPORT  
16 OF AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 10. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR YOUR  
17 LEADERSHIP IN PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES. PROPOSED DATA CENTER  
18 SITE SITS NEAR THREE OF OUR SCHOOLS. GLEN A. WILSON HIGH  
19 SCHOOL, CEDAR LANE ACADEMY AND THE ELEMENTARY. SERVING NEARLY  
20 3,000 STUDENTS. 3,000 CHILDREN LEARNING EACH DAY, JUST STEPS  
21 FROM A POTENTIAL DATA CENTER. THE CONCERNS WE'RE HEARING AIR  
22 QUALITY, NOISE, HEAT, WATER USAGE ARE NOT DISTANT. THERE ARE  
23 REAL IMPACTS THAT COULD AFFECT OUR STUDENTS EVERY SINGLE DAY.  
24 WE SUPPORT INNOVATION AND PROGRESS BUT NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF  
25 OUR CHILDREN'S HEALTH, SAFETY, OR ABILITY TO LEARN AND TRY.



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1 THAT IS WHY I SUPPORT THIS MOTION FOR STUDY, COMMUNITY  
2 ENGAGEMENT AND MEANINGFUL OUTREACH. I URGE COLLABORATION --  
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4 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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6 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTER MEAN, I'M VANESSA VASQUEZ, ON  
7 BEHALF OF COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT. THANK YOU FOR  
8 THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT. I'M HERE TO URGE THE BOARD TO  
9 APPROVE THE PROPOSED MOTION, IT TAKES PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES  
10 TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF RESIDENTS IN UNINCORPORATED  
11 COMMUNITY. A MORATORIUM IS A CRUCIAL HEALTH PROTECTIVE FIRST  
12 STEP TO GATHER INFORMATION AND LOOK AT POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS FOR  
13 THOSE COMMUNITY MEMBERS. PREPARATION TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM  
14 IS NEEDED. REGARDING THE EXPLORATION OF LEGAL ACTIONS IN  
15 INCORPORATED AREAS ADJACENT TO UNINCORPORATED AREAS, I WAS  
16 HOPING TO GET SOME CLARITY HOW THE BOARD WILL DEFINE ADJACENT  
17 AND WHETHER IT WILL BE BASED ON DISTANCE OR SHARED BORDER.  
18 THIS IS BECAUSE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY IN SELA EXPERIENCE  
19 CUMULATIVE EXPOSURE BURDEN AND THE PLANNED DATA CENTERS  
20 CLUSTERED IN VERNON CAN ADD TO IMPACTS IN THESE COMMUNITIES.  
21 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, PRIORITIZE PUBLIC HEALTH AND APPROVE  
22 THIS MOTION.

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24 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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1 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTER MEAN, I'M WITH THE SELA  
2 COLLABORATIVE AND RESIDENT OF SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES. I ASK FOR  
3 YOUR SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS MOTION ITEM 10. WE ARE SEEING  
4 CONTINUED GROWTH IN DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND DATA CENTERS  
5 ARE BECOMING MORE PRESENT ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS  
6 RAISES SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT WHETHER OUR INFRASTRUCTURE CAN  
7 KEEP UP INCLUDING STRAIN ON ENERGY, WATER, SYSTEMS, POTENTIAL  
8 PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. THE COUNTY CAN HELP  
9 GUIDE DEVELOPMENT IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS TO BETTER ALIGN WITH  
10 COMMUNITY NEEDS AND LONG TERM PLANNING PRIORITIES. THIS MOTION  
11 MOVES US IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION TOWARD CREATING CLEARER,  
12 THOUGHTFUL AREAS. THANK YOU.

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14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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16 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M MARK LOPEZ, EAST YARD COMMUNITIES  
17 FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED EAST  
18 L.A. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND  
19 SHOWING YOUR LEADERSHIP ON CRITICAL ISSUES IN OUR COMMUNITIES.  
20 WE PARTNERED WITH YOUR OFFICE AND A LOT OF THE FOLKS UP HERE  
21 ON GREEN ZONES IN THE PAST, FOR THIS REASON, THESE UNKNOWN  
22 HARMS THAT CAN COME THAT REALLY ARE ROOTED IN THE LEGACIES OF  
23 ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM. THAT WHAT IS WE ARE TRYING TO FIX. THANK  
24 YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR BRINGING UP THOSE ISSUES AS WELL.  
25 THAT WHAT WE TRY TO ADDRESS. THE DEVELOPERS OF THESE DATA



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1 CENTERS ARE USING THE ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM PLAYBOOK WHEN  
2 THEY'RE LOOKING AT HOW THOUGH WANT TO DEVELOP. IT REQUIRES  
3 THIS TYPE OF STUDY, IT REQUIRES PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR  
4 COMMUNITIES. WE'RE LOOKING FOR THAT, ASKING FOR THAT, AND WE  
5 WILL DELIVER THAT. YOU HAVE DONE IT IN THE PAST.

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7 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING  
8 INDIVIDUALS COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. [READING  
9 NAMES]

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11 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL GO TO REMOTE CALLERS, MAD  
12 LINE OCAMPO, PLEASE BEGIN. MATTED LYNN YOUR MIC IS OPEN.

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14 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I'M MADELINE, I'M A UTILITIES ENGINEER  
15 FROM MONTEREY PARK AND WANT TO REITERATE THE HARMFUL IMPACT  
16 BEHIND DATA CENTERS. IT WOULD BE GOOD TO PROMOTE ENVIRONMENTAL  
17 STUDIES BUT I ENCOURAGE YOU TO PREEMPTIVELY BAN THEM. NO ONE  
18 WANTS MORE DATA CENTERS BESIDES THE FILTHY RICH BILLIONAIRES  
19 AND TECH OLIGARCHS HELL-BENT ON DESTROYING THE PLANET. DATA  
20 CENTERS CONTRIBUTE TO WATER DEPLETION, HEALTH RISKS FROM NOISE  
21 POLLUTION, LIGHT POLLUTION, GREENHOUSE GAS EMOTIONS WITH HUGE  
22 AMOUNTS OF ENERGY THAT RAISE THE COSTS FOR RESIDENTS. DATA  
23 CENTERS SUPPORT MASS SURVEILLANCE AND I.C.E. ACTIVITY. I.C.E.  
24 HAS TRAMPLED CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, PROFILING CITIZENS AND  
25 THROW THEM IN DETENTION CENTERS WITH MEDICAL NEGLIGENT AND



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1 SEXUAL ASSAULT INCLUDING CHILDREN. COULD THE RIGHT THING AND  
2 PUT PEOPLE FIRST. THANK YOU.

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4 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH 562-665  
5 YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

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7 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HI, THIS IS REBECCA, I REPRESENT -- I  
8 HELP LEAD THE CLEAN AIR COALITION OUT HERE IN UNINCORPORATED  
9 L.A. COUNTY. AVOCADO HEIGHTS, NORTH WHITTIER. I WANT TO FIRST  
10 OF ALL THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND ANNETTE TREJO FOR WORKING ON  
11 THIS. ALSO I'M JUST SO PLEASED TO SEE ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS  
12 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WORKING TOGETHER COLLABORATIVELY, REALLY  
13 SMART PRESENTATIONS ABOUT THE THREATS THAT WE FACE FROM THESE  
14 CENTERS. I ALSO WANT TO ECHO THE LAST SPEAKER, WE NEED A  
15 MORATORIUM. I HAVEN'T HEARD THAT WORD SPOKEN BUT WE NEED A  
16 MORATORIUM ON THESE DATA CENTERS. TO THE FOLKS WHO WANT JOBS,  
17 WE CAN BUILD THINGS AND YOU CAN GET JOBS BUT YOU CAN BUILD  
18 THINGS THAT ACTUALLY SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITIES, HEALTHY  
19 COMMUNITIES, AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT  
20 YOU PASS THIS, THAT YOU SUPPORT THIS MOTION, I'M SO BEHIND IT.  
21 I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE SUPERVISOR AND THE BOARD.

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23 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER 626-498 YOUR  
24 LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

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1 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M WITH THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY  
2 PROGRESSIVES, 116 MEMBERS AT THIS POINT. WE ARE DEFINITELY IN  
3 SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION. WOULD HOPE THAT IT MOVES  
4 FORWARD. I THINK WE DEFINITELY NEED MORE STUDIES AND MORE  
5 UNDERSTANDING OF HOW OUR CITY AND LOCALITIES ARE GOING TO BE  
6 IMPACTED BY DATA CENTERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS MOTION. I  
7 SUPPORT IT, THANK YOU.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. ARTURO GARCIA, YOUR  
10 LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

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12 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HELLO CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THERE IS AN ECHO, LOWER THE  
15 VOLUME.

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17 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: CAN YOU HEAR MOW NOW.

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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YES.

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21 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, THANK YOU ALL FOR THE  
22 COUNTY THAT YOU DO. I'M WITH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY ON ITEM  
23 10. I APPRECIATE THE MOTION PUT FORWARD BY CHAIR SOLIS TO  
24 EXAMINE THE HEALTH. THE SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF DATA CENTERS  
25 OPENING REVIEW WOULD HELP TO FORM A BROADER UNDERSTANDING,



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1 WATER ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS MOVING FORWARD.  
2 WE SEE THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY WITH THOUGHTFUL SITTING, STRONG  
3 EFFICIENCY STANDARDS AND INCENTIVES FOR WATER SMART COOLING  
4 TECHNOLOGIES, DATA CENTERS WITH EYE LINE WITH LONGER TERM  
5 GOALS. OTHER REGIONS TEST INNOVATIVE APPROACHES AND L.A.  
6 COUNTY CAN LEAD BY EXAMPLE. WE HOPE THIS BRINGS COMMUNITY,  
7 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND LABOR TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: ROY HUMPHRIES, PLEASE BEGIN.

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11 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: THANK YOU. ROWLAND HEIGHTS, THIS BOARD  
12 HAS WASTED TIME ON LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND GENDER CARE WHILE  
13 THE STATE AND COUNTY CIRCLE THE DRAIN TO CHINA, RUSSIA, INDIA,  
14 SAUDI ARABIA CAN WITH A SINGLE 400 MEGAWATT CENTER CHEER ON  
15 YOU. AS I TOLD YOU, STATEMENT OF THE ART COMPUTERS AND DATA  
16 CENTERS PROPERLY DONE. I HAVE TALKED TO CORESIGHT, LOS ANGELES  
17 HAS 90 DATA CENTERS AND 760 MEGAWATTS TO INCLUDE ONE WILSHIRE  
18 WITH TWO MEGAWATTS AT BEST OPERATION NEXT TO THE IRISH PUB.  
19 FIRE HAZARD, THERE ARE 99,000 BATTERY POWERED VEHICLES IN  
20 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. VEGETABLE OIL GENERATOR FUEL CAN REDUCE  
21 POLLUTION BY 90%. PRESIDENT TRUMP SAYS DATA CENTERS MUST BRING  
22 THEIR OWN POWER. EPA HAS GREAT DOCUMENTED SOURCES.

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24 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. ANGELICA YOUR LINE IS  
25 OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.



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2 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I'M ANGELICA, 10 YEAR RESIDENT OF  
3 UNINCORPORATED ROSEMEAD, LIVING FROM THE NOW POSTPONED  
4 MONTEREY PARK DATA CENTER I WOULD BE GREATLY AFFECTED.  
5 MONTEREY HAS MADE A JUST DECISION TO INSTITUTE A MORATORIUM  
6 AND MEASURE AGAINST THE DATA CENTERS IT IS DISHEARTENING TO  
7 KNOW THAT A LARGE MAJORITY ARE BEING POSTPONED BECAUSE OF LACK  
8 OF MATERIALS. ARE WE GOING TO BE BOMBARDED ONCE THEY GATHER  
9 THE MATERIALS? HOW MANY STUDIES DO WE NEED TO TELL US THAT  
10 THEY'RE BAD FOR THE COMMUNITY. BAD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT.  
11 PLEASE, MONTEREY PARK IS DOING THEIR PART IN BANNING DATA  
12 CENTERS, DO YOUR PART. THANK YOU.

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14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: ELIZABETH YOUR LINE IS OPEN,  
15 PLEASE BEGIN.

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17 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I'M SPEAKING ON CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL  
18 DIVERSITY, IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION. DATA CENTERS POLLUTE OUR  
19 AIR, SUPER CHARGE THE CLIMATE CRISIS, DEplete FRESH WATER  
20 SUPPLY, DESTROYING THE NATURAL HABITAT. L.A. COUNTY NEEDS TO  
21 IMPLEMENT A MORATORIUM WHILE THEY WORK TO SET UP GUARDRAILS  
22 WHERE THEY ARE SITED AS WELL AS HOW THEY ARE OPERATED AND  
23 MAINTAINED. IMPORTANT FIRST STEPS SHOULD INCLUDE SETTING  
24 BUFFERS AROUND SENSITIVE RECEPTORS, UTILIZING RENEWABLE WATER  
25 RESOURCES, PRETREATING ANY WATER DISCHARGE, IMPLEMENTING NOISE



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1 MINIMIZATION TECHNOLOGIES AND RATE PAYER ON PROTECTIONS. IF  
2 WE ACT NOW WE CAN SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THIS INDUSTRY'S IMPACT  
3 ON COMMUNITY HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT AND BE A LEADER FOR  
4 OTHER COUNTIES TO ENACT SIMILAR SCIENCE BASED REGULATIONS.

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6 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, TOTHER YOUR LINE IS  
7 OPEN PLEASE BEGIN.

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9 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ACT OF  
10 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. WE ARE A PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL  
11 JUSTICE NONPROFIT, WANTING TO SHARE OUR CONCERN ABOUT THE DATA  
12 CENTER COMMUNITIES AND LACK OF OVERSIGHT AND LAWS. WE HAVE  
13 SEEN MORE AND MORE PROJECTS ATTEMPT TO MOVE FORWARD IN THE  
14 COMMUNITIES RECENTLY AND ONLY EXPECT THAT PACE TO ACCELERATE.  
15 AS MENTIONED THERE'S AVAILABLE INFORMATION HOW THE FACILITIES  
16 IMPACT OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. HOWEVER THERE HASN'T BEEN A  
17 STUDY THAT TAKES INTO ACCOUNT HOW THEY IMPACT RESIDENTS OF  
18 L.A. COUNTY. THE STRAIN ON THE WATER SUPPLY, POWER GRID AND  
19 POLLUTE THE AIR AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS.  
20 WE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR SOLIS MOTION TO STUDY HOW THE FACILITIES  
21 AFFECT OUR COMMUNITY AND HOW WE CAN PREVENT ANY HARM THEY MAY  
22 INCUR.

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24 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, JOSEPH, YOUR LINE IS  
25 OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.



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2 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I SEE THAT THE ELECTRICAL WATER AIR  
3 POLLUTION, NOISE, AND EMPLOYMENT HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED. I'M NOT  
4 GOING TO REPEAT THOSE. THIS IS NOT AN INCORPORATED OR  
5 NONINCORPORATED ISSUE. IT IS A REGIONAL ISSUE THAT THE  
6 SMALLEST GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL IS THE COUNTY. THIS NEEDS TO  
7 ADDRESS THIS. THE ONE AREA THAT HASN'T BEEN IDENTIFIED AS TAX  
8 INCENTIVES. LOCAL CITY AND COUNTY AS WE HEARD A LITTLE WHILE  
9 AGO IS BEING SQUEEZED BETWEEN LIMITED RESOURCES, REVENUES, AND  
10 RISING COSTS. PROVIDING TAX HOLIDAYS TO THESE FACILITIES IS  
11 JUST MAKING THE WHOLE -- IS NOT JUST IMPACTING THE TAXING  
12 AUTHORITY IT'S THE REGIONAL ECONOMY. AS A STUDY IS CONDUCTED  
13 THE COUNTY SHOULD HAVE A COUNTYWIDE MORATORIUM IN PLACE WHILE  
14 THE STUDY TAKES PLACE.

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16 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE  
17 NUMBER 213-631 YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND  
18 BEGIN.

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20 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: YES, SAMUEL BROWN SPEAKING ON MY BEHALF.  
21 WHILE I APPRECIATE THE INTENT BEHIND THIS MOTION, IT REFLECTS  
22 WHAT SO MANY RESIDENTS ARE FEELING RIGHT NOW, FEAR AND  
23 UNCERTAINTY, AND FRUSTRATION ABOUT WHAT IS PROPOSED. THIS  
24 MOTION IS NOT ENOUGH. PEOPLE ARE ASKING FOR PROTECTION. AND  
25 WHAT THIS PROVIDES IS PROCESS. STUDY, OUTREACH, AND REPORTS DO



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1 NOT STOP PROJECTS FROM MOVING FORWARD. THEY DO NOT REDUCE  
2 IMPACTS. DATA CENTERS DON'T OPERATE WITHIN JURISDICTIONAL  
3 LINES. IF YOU LIMIT IT TO UNINCORPORATED THEY'LL MOVE INTO  
4 CITIES RIGHT NEXT TO NEIGHBORHOODS LIKE MINE. THEY'RE WHERE  
5 OVERBUSHED. FAMILIES ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE WATER, AIR, SAFETY,  
6 ABOUT FIRES, NOISE, RISING UTILITY COSTS THEY CAN'T AFFORD.  
7 RIGHT NOW, THERE ARE NO ENFORCEABLE SAFEGUARDS IN PLACE TO  
8 PROTECT THEM. YES, THE INTENT HERE IS RIGHT. BUT THE RESPONSE  
9 DOES NOT MATCH THE URGENCY OF WHAT PEOPLE ARE FACING. WE DON'T  
10 NEED MORE STUDY, WE NEED STANDARDS, ACCOUNTABILITY AND  
11 PROTECTION NOW.

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. WE WILL GO BACK TO IN  
14 PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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16 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON NOON, I'M SANDRA NUNEZ,  
17 MARKETING MANAGER FOR SELA MANAGER SERVING SOUTHEAST  
18 LOS ANGELES AND RESIDENT OF WEST COVINA FOR 13 YEARS. I'M HERE  
19 TO EXPRESS OUR ORGANIZATION'S SUPPORT OF ITEM 10. DATA CENTERS  
20 ARE EXPANDING QUICKLY ACROSS THE COUNTRY, CALIFORNIA AND HERE  
21 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS THEY GROW OUR COMMUNITIES ARE LEFT  
22 ASKING IMPORTANT QUESTIONS ABOUT INFRASTRUCTURE, CAPACITY,  
23 ENERGY, WATER USE, PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. WE  
24 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION ON ITEM 10 WHICH TAKES AN  
25 IMPORTANT FIRST STEP TOWARDS DEVELOPING APPROPRIATE GUIDELINES



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1 FOR DATA CENTERS AND UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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3 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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5 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M ALEX ALVAREZ, SELA COLLABORATIVE, IN  
6 SUPPORT OF ITEM 10. DATA CENTERS ARE RAPIDLY INCREASING ACROSS  
7 THE STATE AND NOW BEGINNING TO APPEAR LOCALLY AS WELL. IT IS  
8 IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNTY TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT WHAT THE  
9 PROJECTS MEAN FOR OUR INFRASTRUCTURE, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND  
10 ENVIRONMENT. WHILE THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE AUTHORITY OVER LAND  
11 USE WITHIN CITIES, IT DOES HAVE A CLEAR ROLE IN PROTECTING  
12 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THAT INCLUDES TAKING PROACTIVE  
13 STEPS TO ENSURE DATA CENTERS ARE NOT APPROVED UNTIL STRONG  
14 ENFORCEABLE REGULATIONS INFORMED BY THE COMMUNITY VOICE AND  
15 SAFETY ARE IN PLACE.

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17 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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19 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: CLAUDIA JEREZ, I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF  
20 SOUTH CENTRAL L.A. I KNOW VERNON VERY WELL. I AM RELIEVED YOU  
21 AS A COUNTY BOARD ARE NOW ONBOARD AND AWARE AND HAVE TAKEN  
22 ACTION IN FINDING THE WHY, THE WHERE, THE HOW DATA CENTERS  
23 OPERATE AND HOW THEY GENERATE RECEIVE FLEW. REVENUE AND IMPACT  
24 OUR COMMUNITY. I HAVE TO SAY THAT YOU HAVE SEEN THE MOVIE ERIN  
25 BROCKOVICH, SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD ALL REMEMBER, THOSE



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1 PARTICULAR RESIDENTS THERE THEY DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT  
2 WHAT WAS HAPPENING AND THEY WERE SWIMMING IN THAT POOL AND  
3 SWIMMING WITH AN AGENT THAT WAS DEADLY. THEY DIDN'T GET  
4 NOTICE. THEY DIDN'T GET ANY TYPE OF INFORMATION. SO I BELIEVE  
5 IN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. I KNOW THAT A PARTICULAR MEMBER  
6 SAID --

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8 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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10 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: JAMES, GOOD AFTERNOON CHAIR, AND  
11 SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES AREA  
12 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO EXPRESS SOME CONCERN AROUND THIS ITEM.  
13 ALSO TO SUGGEST SOME AMEND MEANT. THE CONCERN IS REGARDING THE  
14 IDEA OF THE MORATORIUM AS L.A. FIGHTS TO MAINTAIN ITS  
15 LEADERSHIP COMPETITIVE STATUS AS A CENTER FOR TECH AND  
16 INNOVATION I WANT TO EXPRESS CONCERN REGARDING PUTTING A  
17 MORATORIUM AT THIS TIME. IN THE SPIRIT OF PARTNERSHIP, I WOULD  
18 LIKE TO PROPOSE A JOINT BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND COUNTY ROUND  
19 TABLE TO DISCUSS DATA CENTERS, TO HAVE MORE MEANINGFUL  
20 DIALOGUE WITH THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. ALSO TO INCLUDE THE  
21 ECONOMIC IMPACT AS PART OF THE STUDY OF REGULATING DATA  
22 CENTERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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24 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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1 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M STEVEN J. KUNG, PROUD WGA MEMBER AND  
2 PROUD CO-FOUNDER OF NO DATA CENTER MONTEREY PARK. THIS IS THE  
3 FIRST CITY TO PASS A MORATORIUM ON DATA CENTERS FOLLOWED BY  
4 MONTEBELLO AND THEN EL MONTE. BUT IF VERNON AND THE CITY OF  
5 INDUSTRY BUILD THEIR DATA CENTERS IT WOULD YOU BE DO ALL OF  
6 OUR -- UNDO OUR HARD WORK. THINK OF THE AIR POLLUTION, THE  
7 NOISE, SPIKES IN ELECTRICITY COST AND NOW THEY CREATE HEAT  
8 ISLANDS. THE EVIDENCE OF HARM IS PREPONDEROUS. WHY ARE WE  
9 STUDYING PAST AND EMERGENCY MORATORIUM TODAY AND USE THAT TIME  
10 TO DEVELOP A PERMANENT BAN ON ALL DATA CENTERS AND BATTERY  
11 STORAGE. YOU CAN USE MONTEREY PARK AS A TEMPLATE. VERNON AND  
12 THE CITY OF INDUSTRY, TAKE THEM TO COURT AND PAVE THE WAY FOR  
13 UNINCORPORATED THESE RACIST TAPE WORMS OF A CITY THAT HAVE NO  
14 ACCOUNTABILITY. WE EMPOWER YOU TO TAKE SWIFT AND DECISIVE  
15 ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR CONSTITUENTS.

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17 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT PLEASE.

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19 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M MARTHA HUERTA, A  
20 PROUD MEMBER OF THE CLEAN AIR COALITION, THE UNITED DEMOCRATS  
21 OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND THE TRI-COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUB. I'M  
22 CONCERNED ABOUT DATA CENTERS AND LACK OF OVERSIGHT LAWS  
23 REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO BE REGULATED BY POLICIES  
24 SPECIFIC TO THE UNIQUE IMPACTS OF THE DEVELOPMENTS. THERE'S A  
25 LOT OF INFORMATION ONLINE HOW THE FACILITIES IMPACT OUR PARTS



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1 OF THE COUNTRY. BUT THERE ISN'T A STUDY THAT HAS TAKEN INTO  
2 ACCOUNT THESE FACILITIES THAT WOULD IMPACT OUR LOCAL  
3 RESOURCES, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND OUR HEALTH HERE IN LOS ANGELES  
4 COUNTY. THE RESEARCH AVAILABLE LEAVES ME DEEPLY CONCERNED  
5 ABOUT THE IMPACT IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. I THANK SUPERVISOR  
6 SOLIS FOR UPLIFTING THE CONCERNS OF THE RESIDENTS AND PUTTING  
7 THE MOTION FORWARD. PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM 10.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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11 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M SHAWN SWEENEY, I'M  
12 HERE IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. WHAT WE KNOW FROM OTHER REGIONS  
13 IS CONCERNING. DATA CENTERS CAUSE SIGNIFICANT WATER  
14 CONSUMPTION, ENORMOUS ENERGY DEMAND, HEAT GENERATION AND  
15 STRAIN ON INFRASTRUCTURE. THESE IMPACTS DON'T LAND EVENLY.  
16 THEY FOLLOW THE SAME FAULT LINES AS EVERY OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL  
17 BURDEN. WITH THE COMMUNITIES ALREADY CARRYING THE MOST. WE  
18 HAVE TO BE HONEST ABOUT WHAT IS ALREADY ON OUR PLATE.  
19 LOS ANGELES HAS SERIOUS COMMITMENTS TO ELECTRIFICATION, HOMES,  
20 TRANSPORTATION, BUILDINGS. THAT DEMANDS INCREASED CAPACITY. WE  
21 NEED TO MEET THOSE IMPACTS FIRST AND POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR DATA  
22 CENTERS MUST REFLECT THAT ORDER OF PRIORITIES. I THANK  
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND URGE THE BOARD  
24 TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 10.

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1 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT PLEASE.

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3 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, DR. WILMA FRANCO, SELA  
4 COLLABORATIVE, THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION. I'M IN SUPPORT OF  
5 MOTION 10, ITEM 10. WE REPRESENT 2 UNINCORPORATED AREAS,  
6 WALNUT PARK AND FLORENCE FIRESTONE, WHICH WE ASSUME TO BE  
7 SELA. I HAD A CONVERSATION WITH THE CITY MANAGER AROUND  
8 VERNON, DATA CENTERS, AND OPENING A LINE OF CONVERSATION  
9 AROUND HOW DO WE SHARE THEIR EFFORTS, HOW THEY'RE DOING THEIR  
10 WORK TO ENSURE THE COMMUNITY HAS A VOICE. I DO APPRECIATE THAT  
11 I DO AGREE WITH WHAT HAS BEEN SAID IN TERMS OF MAKING SURE  
12 THAT ALL OF THIS CONVERSATION IS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION, THE  
13 IMPACT TO COMMUNITY. I HEARD THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OFFER A  
14 ROUND TABLE WITH THE BOARD. I WOULD ENCOURAGE US, WE'RE HAPPY  
15 TO HOST IN SELA, WE'RE HAVING CONVERSATIONS WITH THE BUSINESS  
16 COMMUNITY THAT WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THE COMMUNITY THAT  
17 REPRESENTS OUR RESIDENTS ARE ALSO AT THE TABLE.

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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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21 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M EMMA HERNANDEZ, SOUTHEAST  
22 DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY CORPORATION, INCLUDING THE  
23 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF WALNUT PARK AND FLORENCE  
24 FIRESTONE IN DISTRICT 2. I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED  
25 HACIENDA HEIGHTS. I'M HERE IN STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM 10



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1 AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SELA COMMUNITY IS IMPACTED BY  
2 OUR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICES THAT AFFECT RESIDENTS QUALITY OF  
3 LIFE. AS DATA CENTERS EXPAND IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE DON'T ADD  
4 ADDITIONAL BURDENS WITHOUT FULLY UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACTS. IT  
5 IS IMPORTANT FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO LEAD THE WAY TO MAKE  
6 INFORMED DECISIONS. THE FIND FRINGES THIS WORK CAN ALSO  
7 SUPPORT CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTY IN MAKING INFORMED DECISIONS  
8 FOR THEIR COMMUNITIES. THIS MOTION TAKES AN IMPORTANT FIRST  
9 STEP BY DIRECTING DEPARTMENTS TO STUDY IMPACTS ENGAGE THE  
10 COMMUNITY AND PREPARE ACTIONS FOR POTENTIAL MORATORIUM. I URGE  
11 YOU TO SUPPORT MEASURE 10.

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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15 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, I AM JASON AHN, I'M A  
16 USC MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK STUDENT AS WELL AS DCFS SOCIAL  
17 WORKER. I THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR CONTINUED  
18 SUPPORT. I DO THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE INTENSE  
19 PROGRESSION OF TECHNOLOGY AND A.I. AS A STUDENT, ME AND MY  
20 CLASSMATES HAVE BENEFITTED FROM THE USE OF A.I. AS ANOTHER  
21 INDUSTRY THAT WE MENTIONED EARLIER. ALTHOUGH IT'S UNFORTUNATE,  
22 VERY UNFORTUNATE FOR THE RESIDENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD SUCH AS  
23 VERNON OR MONTEREY PARK, WHO MAY POTENTIALLY HAVE THESE DATA  
24 CENTERS THERE, MY SUGGESTION IS THERE ANYTHING THAT CAN BE  
25 DONE TO OFFSET POLLUTION AND NOISE AND THE HEALTH RELATED IRK



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1 USE THAT THE DATA CENTERS CAN CREATE SUCH AS MORE PARKS OR LOW  
2 COST GYMS. THANK YOU.

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4 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. WE WILL GO TO REMOTE  
5 CALLERS. CALLER 323-363 YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE STATE YOUR  
6 NAME AND BEGIN.

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8 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M LAURA, I URGE L.A. COUNTY  
9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE THE MOTION ADDRESSING THE  
10 HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF DATA CENTERS. THIS MOTION  
11 TAKES NECESSARY PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO PROTECT  
12 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES WITHIN L.A. COUNTY. MY PARTNER'S  
13 FAMILY WAS DISPLACED BY THE ALTADENA FIRE AND UNABLE TO RETURN  
14 TO THEIR HOME. WE HAVE SEEN THE DISASTROUS IMPACTS OF CLIMATE  
15 CHANGE. YOU'RE HEARING TODAY THAT DATA CENTERS ARE ONLY GOING  
16 TO USE MORE ENERGY, RELEASE EMISSIONS, CREW IT A HOTTER  
17 NEIGHBORHOODS, USE MORE WATER. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO PASS A  
18 MORATORIUM IN ORDER TO CURB ANY FUTURE CLIMATE IMPACTS. AGAIN,  
19 GIVEN HOW DISASTROUS WE'VE SEEN CLIMATE IMPACTS HIT L.A.  
20 COUNTY. ANY RHETORIC OR COMMENTS PITTING COMMUNITY HEALTH AND  
21 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH VERSUS JOBS IS OUTDATED AND MANIPULATIVE,  
22 THERE ARE OPTIONS FOR LIFE SUSTAINING UNION JOB. PLEASE  
23 APPROVE THE MOTION AND PASS THE MORATORIUM SO WE CAN BUILD  
24 HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES.

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1 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER 562-606 YOUR  
2 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

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4 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, HONOR AN BOARD OF  
5 SUPERVISORS, I'M FROM LONG BEACH. I VOLUNTEER FROM SBBC. I'M  
6 IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION FROM SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THERE HAVE  
7 BEEN LITTLE TO NO ISSUES AROUND DATA CENTERS AND COMMUNITIES  
8 AREN'T GIVEN OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN ABOUT THOSE PROJECTS.  
9 RESIDENTS WHO SERVE THE INFORMATION, PUBLIC MEETINGS -- BEFORE  
10 THEY ARE MADE SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THANK  
11 YOU.

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE  
14 NUMBER 562-362 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND  
15 BEGIN.

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17 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: YES, HI, I'M CHRIS CHAVEZ, DEPUTY POLICY  
18 DIRECTOR AT COALITION FOR CLEAN AIR SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF  
19 ITEM 10. WE'VE SEEN THAT THESE DATA CENTERS CAN HAVE ENORMOUS  
20 IMPACTS FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF ENERGY AND WATER USAGE AS WELL  
21 AS GROWING CONCERNS ABOUT THEIR IMPACTS ON THE BROADER  
22 COMMUNITY. THE SITUATION REALLY REMINDS ME OF THE UNCHECKED  
23 WAREHOUSE GROWTH IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND THE IMPACTS IT  
24 HAS, THAT HAS PLAGUED THOSE COMMUNITIES. WENT UNADDRESSED FOR  
25 MANY YEARS. STILL STRUGGLING TO ADDRESS. APPRECIATE THE MOTION



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1 AND SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 9 AND 10.

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3 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: 626-552 YOUR LINE IS OPEN, STATE  
4 YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

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6 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HELLO, EVERYBODY, GOOD AFTERNOON  
7 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I'M EVA FLORES, IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 10.  
8 I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE LACK OF CLEAR OVERSIGHT FOR POWER  
9 USAGE. WE'RE SEEING GROWING EVIDENCE FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE  
10 COUNTRY WE LACK COMPREHENSIVE STUDIES THAT EXAMINE POTENTIAL  
11 FROM THE LOCAL RESOURCES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I APPRECIATE  
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR RECOGNIZING THE ISSUES. I RESPECTFULLY  
13 URGE TO YOU VOTE YES ON ITEM 10. THANK YOU.

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15 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. RAFAEL PLUNKETT, YOUR  
16 LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

17

18 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I PARTICIPATED IN THE CITY OF INDUSTRY  
19 HEARING AND REALLY WAS UNWELCOMED AND IT WAS NOT PRODUCTIVE.  
20 I'M RAFAEL PLUNKETT, DIAMOND BAR. THE BIGGER CONCERN I HAVE  
21 HERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS. WE AREN'T TALKING ABOUT ONGOING  
22 JOBS. I AM NOT INTERESTED IN USING A.I. AT A LARGE SCALE. I  
23 HAVE TO OPT IN WHEN I CHOOSE A SEARCH ENGINE OR APPROVE MY  
24 DEVICE NOTIFICATIONS. WHY AREN'T WE ASKED TO OPT IN TO USING  
25 A.I. I ASK FOR THIS PROCESS TO INCLUDE AN OPTING OUT OF A.I.



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1 WHEN I'M SEARCHING I DON'T ALWAYS REMEMBER TO TYPE IN MINUS  
2 A.I. I DON'T WANT TO BE FORCED TO USE THIS. I'M CONCERNED THE  
3 INTELLECTUAL DEFICIT. WILL THIS MASK USAGE -- MASS USAGE  
4 AFFECT FOLKS KNOWING HOW TO SEARCH FOR OR CREATE CONTENTS.  
5 THIS PROCESS IS TOO RUSHED. THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE  
6 SUPERVISORS INVOLVED AND THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS PARTICIPATING.

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8 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, CALLER 213-503 YOUR  
9 LINE IS OPEN, STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

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11 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M JOSE MIGUEL RUIZ,  
12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR COTIVA LA. FROM SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. I  
13 HEAR THE CONCERNS AND SHARE THE SENTIMENT, WE HAVE TO PROTECT  
14 OUR ENVIRONMENT TO THE NEXT GENERATION. I SAID CHATGPT, AYE  
15 WILL NOT GROW OUR FOOD. WE SAW IT DURING COVID, WE HAVE TO  
16 FOCUS ON LOCAL FOOD SYSTEMS, RELATION HOW WE GROW MORE FOOD  
17 WITHIN THE COUNTY.

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19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, CALLER 323-799 YOUR  
20 LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

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22 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HELLO? [SPEAKING SPANISH]

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24 >> INTERPRETER: I'M IRMA, WOULD I LIKE TO PRESENT MY CONCERNS  
25 WITH REGARDS TO ITEM 10. THERE IS VERY LITTLE RESEARCH IN



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1 TERMS OF THESE CENTERS, AND DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.  
2 THERE IS SOME RESEARCH BUT THERE'S BEEN NO LOCAL STUDY ON THE  
3 IMPACT OF THESE AND I AM VERY CONCERNED ON THE IMPACT ON THE  
4 ENVIRONMENT AND THE HEALTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. DUE TO THIS  
5 HIGH LEVEL OF WORRY I WOULD LIKE TO PLEASE IMPLORE YOU TO VOTE  
6 YES ON MEASURE 10. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING  
7 THIS FORWARD.

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9 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS  
10 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 10 IS  
11 CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO BACK TO IN PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE  
12 BEGIN.

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14 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M AUDREY SIOUX,  
15 THE URBAN RESILIENCE DIRECTOR WITH LOS ANGELES WATER KEEPER IN  
16 SUPPORT OF ITEM 10. MY WATER POLICY TEAM HAS BEEN WATCHING  
17 WITH CONCERN THE RISE OF SIGNER SCALE DATA CENTERS AND THEIR  
18 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AT THE NEXUS OF WATER AND ENERGY. THESE  
19 FACILITIES CAN DEMAND A LOT OF WATER FOR EVAPORATIVE COOLING,  
20 I'D LIKE TO UPLIFT THE 5 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY. WE HAVE  
21 QUESTIONS. WHAT HAPPENS IF ANY NUMBER OF THESE FACILITIES  
22 DEVELOP IN A REGION, DEVELOP IN A CLUSTER? CAN OUR WATER  
23 SYSTEMS PROVISION ALL OF THAT PEAK DEMAND AT ONCE? OR IS THERE  
24 A POTENTIAL FOR SUPPLY THROTTLE? THIS NEEDS TO BE STUDIED IN  
25 CONTEXT OF REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY AND SUSTAINABILITY GOALS. AND



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1 GROWING HYDROLOGIC UNCERTAINTY. WE SUPPORT A MORATORIUM AND  
2 STUDY PERIOD AND OF COURSE A REGULATORY SCHEMA FOR THIS  
3 INDUSTRY.

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5 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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7 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M EMILY CHU, HERE AS A MONTEREY PARK  
8 RESIDENTS AND FOE COUNTER OF NO DATA CENTER MONTEREY CENTER IN  
9 FAVOR OF NUMBER 10. THIS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO TO PROTECT  
10 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS. THIS IS A LESSON WE'VE LEARNED AND ARE  
11 STILL LEARNING IN MONTEREY PARK WHERE THE COMMUNITY IS STILL  
12 WORKING TOWARDS A BAN AFTER OUR CITY TOOK STEPS TO MOVE  
13 FORWARD WITH APPROVING A HYPER SCALE DATA CENTER APPLICATION  
14 WITHOUT FULLY UNDERSTANDING THE SHORT AND LONG TERM HEALTH  
15 ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY IMPACTS WITHOUT ENGAGING THE  
16 COMMUNITY. THIS SHOULD NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN. IN PARTICULAR  
17 ADOPTING A MORATORIUM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IS CRITICAL. ITEM 10  
18 IS AN IMPORTANT PROACTIVE MEASURE THE COUNTY BOARD CAN TAKE TO  
19 PROTECT COMMUNITIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND LEAD THE  
20 CONVERSATION WITH CITIES IN L.A. COUNTY WITH A CLEAR INFORMED  
21 PERSPECTIVE. I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO VOTE YES. THANK YOU.

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23 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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25 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M A RESIDENT OF MONTEREY PARK, I



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1 SUPPORT ITEM 10. I'M ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF NO DATA CENTER  
2 MPK. OUR GROUP FORMED BECAUSE OUR CITY HAD NOT DONE ANY  
3 RESEARCH ABOUT THE IMPACTS OF DATA CENTERS. WHEN A DATA CENTER  
4 DEVELOPER CAME KNOCK ON THE CITY'S DOOR THE CITY WELCOMED  
5 THEM. NOT KNOWING THE HARM IT WOULD CAUSE. THERE IS NO  
6 TECHNOLOGY THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS THAT CAN MITIGATE AGAINST THE  
7 HARMS OF DATA CENTERS. IT IS INCREASINGLY BECOMING CLEAR WHAT  
8 THE HARMS ARE. AIR QUALITY, WATER CONSUMPTION, ENERGY DEMAND,  
9 ENERGY COSTS, NOISE, HEAT, PROPERTY VALUE. THESE ARE ALL  
10 THINGS THAT ARE NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY DATA CENTER  
11 DEVELOPMENT. I UNDERSTAND WHY YOU COMMISSION A STUDY BUT ANY  
12 CONCLUSION THAT SUGGESTS THAT THEY SHOULDN'T BE OUTRIGHT  
13 PROHIBITED WOULD BE QUESTIONABLE. THERE ARE MANY DATA CENTERS  
14 ALREADY IN THE REGION, DATA CENTER PROPONENTS WILL TAKE THAT  
15 AS EVIDENCE THAT DATA CENTERS ARE SAFE. IN TRUTH MOST OF THOSE  
16 DEVELOPMENTS --

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18 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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20 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, AMY HONG, RESIDENT OF  
21 SD1N SUPPORT OF ITEM 10 AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS  
22 FOR LEADERSHIP IN PUTTING THIS FORWARD. WE STARTED ORGANIZING  
23 WITH RESIDENTS AGAINST DATA CENTERS IN MONTEREY PARK WHERE WE  
24 PREVENTED A DATA CENTER PROJECT FROM BEING BUILT. OUR LOCAL  
25 FIGHT HAS GROWN INTO A REGIONAL ONE. WE GOT MONTEBELLO AND EL



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1 MONTE TO PASS MORATORIUMS AND FIGHTING BACK IN CITY OF  
2 INDUSTRY AND OTHER AREAS. WHILE WE CAN GO CITY BY CITY,  
3 LEADERSHIP IS NEEDED AT YOUR COUNTY LEVEL TO PROTECT OUR  
4 COMMUNITIES FROM DATA CENTERS. PLEASE CONSIDER BANNING DATA  
5 CENTERS OUTRIGHT. MORE THAN 100 COMMUNITY ACROSS THE COUNTRY  
6 HAVE ENACTED MORATORIUMS ON DATA CENTERS AND 12 STATES MOVING  
7 FORWARD WITH STATEWIDE MORATORIUMS. L.A. COUNTY MUST DO THE  
8 SAME. THANK YOU.

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10 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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12 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HI, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION,  
13 I'M ANDREW YIP, ONE OF THE CO-FOUNDERS OF PROGRESSIVE ACTION.  
14 ALSO NO DATA CENTERS SUV COALITION. AS OF TODAY WE HAVE OVER  
15 18,000 PETITION SIGNERS AGAINST THE DATA CENTER PROJECTS IN  
16 CITY OF INDUSTRY. THE COUNTY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS  
17 RESEARCH BUT ALSO ENACT AND ADOPT A MORATORIUM BANNING DATA  
18 CENTERS, PROTECTING OVER ONE MILLION RESIDENTS. THIS IS AN  
19 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY TO MAKE HISTORY AND REALLY CREATE  
20 THE SAFEGUARDS THAT ARE NOT IN PLACE. RESEARCH IS IMPORTANT  
21 BUT THERE IS ALREADY EXTENSIVE DATA AND REAL WORLD EXAMPLES  
22 FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY ON THE IMPACTS OF DATA CENTERS.  
23 ASSESSMENT SHOULD INCLUDE NEARBY CITIES INCLUDING PARASITIC  
24 CITIES SUCH AS INDUSTRY OF INDUSTRY AND VERNON THAT IMPACT THE  
25 COMMUNITIES. WE SUPPORT THE STUDY BUT NEED URGENCY AND A



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1 MORATORIUM BAN.

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3 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT PLEASE.

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5 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M BRANDON, VICE.

6 ROWLAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COORDINATING COUNCIL TO SUPPORT ITEM

7 10. THESE CENTERS WILL NOT ONLY INCREASE UTILITY COSTS THROUGH

8 THE WATER AND POWER BUT ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS THROUGH THEIR

9 OFTEN ACCOMPANYING BEST FACILITIES. WE'VE SEEN A WAVE OF

10 PUBLIC AGENCIES PASSING RESOLUTIONS OPPOSING A.I. DATA CENTER

11 DEVELOPMENTS, DANGEROUS TO THE CONSTITUENCIES, BASSETT, AND

12 ROLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS. THIS IS AN ISSUE FOR

13 EVERYONE. I APPLAUD SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD

14 AND THE RESEARCH INTO MORATORIUM ORDINANCE WHICH IS NECESSARY

15 TO PREVENT ANY DATA CENTER DEVELOPMENT WITHIN UNINCORPORATED

16 COUNTY. NO, THEY WILL NOT BRING JOBS, NOT PERMANENT JOBS, AND

17 DEFINITELY NOT WORTH THE COST TO THE COMMUNITIES. I HOPE TO

18 SEE THE BOARD JOIN THE REST OF OUR COMMUNITY BY APPROVING THIS

19 ITEM UNANIMOUSLY AND WORKING TOWARDS KEEPING DATA CENTERS OUT

20 OF OUR HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

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22 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT PLEASE.

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24 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M FERNANDO OCHOA, SMART LOCAL 101,

25 7,000 SHEET METAL WORKERS IN L.A. COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK YOU



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1 FOR INCLUDING LABOR AS PART OF THE DISCUSSIONS. ON YOUR ITEM,  
2 ITEM 10. I WANT TO STATE FOR THE RECORD THE DATA CENTERS  
3 CREATE GOOD MIDDLE CLASS JOBS, UNION JOBS, THAT SUPPORT  
4 FAMILIES AND BUILD CAREERS. SECOND OUR MEMBERS ARE THE ONES  
5 THAT INSTALL THE COOLANT SYSTEMS THAT STAFF TALKED ABOUT  
6 EARLIER. THAT POWER THESE FACILITIES. SO WE KNOW FIRST HAND  
7 THE TECHNICAL SIDE OF THE ENERGY AND WATER CONSUMPTION ISSUES.  
8 WE'RE SEEING THE INDUSTRY EVOLVE, ACTUALLY, THE MORE DATE --  
9 THE NEW DATA CENTERS ARE BUILT WITH THESE CLOSED LOOP LIQUID  
10 COOLING SYSTEMS A LOT ARE WATERLESS. THEY ADDRESS THE  
11 COMMUNITY CONCERNS. I WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT THESE SYSTEMS  
12 REDUCE OUR WORK HOURS. WE'RE TAKING A HIT ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF  
13 OUR WORK HOURS GET REDUCED BUT WE'RE WILLING TO TAKE THE HIT  
14 AND MAKE SURE COMMUNITY CONCERNS ARE ADDRESSED.

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16 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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18 >> GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M STEVE BOND, I'M A BUSINESS AGENT WITH  
19 PLASTERERS LOCAL 200. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS  
20 MOTION. WE HAVE MEMBERS WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THE AREA, WE  
21 APPRECIATE THE MOTION FOR ITS EFFORTS TO SAFEGUARD THEIR  
22 HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. FACILITIES HOSTING THESE ADVANCING  
23 TECHNOLOGIES OFFER THE OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH PAYING LOCAL JOBS.  
24 WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT INSTEAD OF A MORATORIUM, AN  
25 ORDINANCE, A STUDY BE DONE TO ANALYZE THE IMPACTS. AS WELL AS



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1 COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN. WE  
2 APPRECIATE ANY CONSIDERATION TO ENSURE ROBUST COMMUNITY  
3 BENEFITS ARE INCLUDED AS WELL. THANK YOU.

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5 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER. [OFF  
6 MIC].

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8 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SPEAK UP AGAIN.

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10 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M STELLA YU, CONSTITUENT IN  
11 HACIENDA HEIGHTS. I COMMEND CHAIR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS  
12 MOTION FORWARD. I WANT TO BRING UP SOMETHING THAT IS KINDS OF  
13 IMPORTANT AND THAT IS THE PRODUCT LIFE CYCLE OF THESE GPU<sub>S</sub> IS  
14 1 TO 3 YEARS. THIS MEANS THAT THE CHIPS PROCESSING THE A.I. IN  
15 THESE DATA CENTERS AT MAXIMUM, AT MARKET VALUE, DEPRECIATE  
16 WITHIN 3 YEARS. WHAT DO WE DO WITH ALL OF THOSE CHIPS THAT  
17 DEPRECIATE AND LOSE ALL OF THEIR VALUE IN THREE YEARS. I URGE  
18 THE BOARD TO APPROVE THIS MOTION AND I ALSO ASK TO CHAIR SOLIS  
19 TO COLLABORATE WITH SENATOR ARCHULETA ON UPCOMING STATED  
20 LEGISLATION. THANK YOU.

21

22 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON  
23 THIS ITEM.

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25 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I WANT TO TAKE A



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1 MOMENT, I'M GLAD THAT WE HEARD FROM SO MANY PEOPLE TODAY I  
2 THANK THOSE WHO CAME THIS MORNING AND ARE STILL HERE AT THIS  
3 HOUR. THIS IS A REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR SO MANY OF US. WE  
4 MUST HAVE ALL OF THE RIGHT TOOLS AT YOUR DISPOSAL. THE IMPACTS  
5 THAT THE DATA CENTERS HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY ARE IMPORTANT,  
6 THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT, INCLUDING ALSO WHATEVER WORKFORCE  
7 CONCERNS THAT OUR LABOR REPRESENTATIVES HAVE SURFACED. I ALSO  
8 HEARD MANY COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ABOUT HOW WE CAN GETTER  
9 LOOK AT MORE INFORMATION AND UNDERSTAND THE LIFE OF THESE  
10 PRODUCTS. WHICH IS IMPORTANT. ALSO LOOK AT HOW WE CAN THINK  
11 ABOUT CONSERVING WATER. IF THERE ARE NEW TOOLS THERE THAT ARE  
12 AVAILABLE IN CONSTRUCTION THAT SAVE WATER, THOSE ARE THINGS  
13 THAT THIS REPORT WILL ALSO WANT TO INCLUDE. I KNOW THERE ARE  
14 CLEARLY RESIDENTS WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT ANY POTENTIAL  
15 IMPACTS ON OUR WORKFORCE AND WE'VE HEARD YOU HERE TODAY. I  
16 ALSO AT THIS TIME WOULD LIKE TO READ IN SOME CHANGES TO MY  
17 MOTION. THERE ARE SOME MINOR EDITS TO THE PREAMBLE. BUT THE  
18 SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES ARE IN THE DIRECTIVES. INCLUDE THE  
19 FOLLOWING. ON PAGE 5, WOULD I LIKE TO REFORMAT THE FIRST  
20 DIRECTIVE TO READ AT "I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF  
21 SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC  
22 HEALTH AND REGIONAL PLANNING IN CONSULTATION WITH THE  
23 DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC WORKS, COUNTY COUNSEL, INTERNAL  
24 SERVICES, DIVISION FIRE AND CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE TO  
25 PROVIDE" BY CHANGING THE FORMATTING THE PRIOR DRECK I HAVE TO



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1 SHOULD BE NUMBERED NOW INSTEAD OF IN ALPHABETICAL LETTERS. ON  
2 PAGE 6, DIRECTIVE 3, WHICH IS C, HAS THE FOLLOWING ADDED TO  
3 THE ENDS. AND RECOMMEND PROTOCOLS TO SAFEGUARD THE HEALTH AND  
4 WELL-BEING OF IMPACTED RESIDENTS AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.  
5 ON PAGE 6, I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ADD A NEW DIRECTIVE, NUMBER 4,  
6 WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS. 4, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONCRETE ASIAN  
7 AFRO BUST COMMUNITY BENEFIT INFRASTRUCTURE INCORPORATING  
8 EMERGING INFORMATION FROM OTHER IMPACTED JURISDICTIONS ACROSS  
9 THE COUNTRY THAT INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, A,  
10 MINIMIZATION OF UTILITY RATE IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH DATA  
11 CENTER ENERGY USAGE ON SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. B,  
12 MINIMIZATION OF WATER UTILIZATION. C, POTENTIAL REQUIREMENTS  
13 FOR DEVELOPERS TO PAY FOR ASSOCIATED COSTS THAT IMPACT ENERGY  
14 USAGE INCLUDING AND ASSOCIATED FEE STRUCTURE SUCH AS  
15 ENVIRONMENT HEALTH INSPECTION FEES AS WELL AS SAY ASSOCIATED  
16 FEES UTILIZED FOR COMMUNITY BENEFITS. D, REQUIREMENTS FOR DATA  
17 CENTERS TO UTILIZE CLEAN ENERGY SOURCES TO MINIMIZE  
18 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH IMPACTS ON RESIDENTS, AND E REQUIREMENTS  
19 FOR DATA CENTERS TO EMPLOY A WORKFORCE THAT PAYS A LIVING  
20 PAGE. ON PAGE 7 I WOULD LIKE TO ADD DIRECTIVE 5 AS FOLLOWS.  
21 REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 120 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ON  
22 NEXT STEPS. ON PAGE 7, WOULD I LIKE TO STRIKE DIRECTIVES 2 AND  
23 3. IT'S MY HOPE THAT THIS UPDATED TEXT STRIKES THE APPROPRIATE  
24 BALANCE BETWEEN EMPOWERING RESIDENTS WITH INFORMATION THAT  
25 WILL SAFEGUARD THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING WHILE ALSO

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1 PRESERVING FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR LOCAL WORKFORCE.

2 COLLEAGUES, I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR AYE VOTE ON THESE

3 SLIGHT CHANGES THAT WE HAVE MADE.

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5 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,

6 ITEM 10 AS REVISED IS BEFORE YOU.

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8 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I WILL MOVE THE ITEM, SECONDED BY

9 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE

10 CALL THE ROLL.

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12 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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14 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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16 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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18 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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20 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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22 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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24 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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1 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

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3 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION CARRIES 4-0.

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5 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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7 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 12 AND  
8 1-D, DECLARING HOUSING INSECURITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY A  
9 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. ITEMS 13 AND 2-D, DEVELOPING A LOCAL  
10 PREFERENCE POLICY FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN UNINCORPORATED  
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. MEMBERS OF THE  
12 PUBLIC JOINING REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS USE THE  
13 RAISE HAND FEATURE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE.  
14 SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING, EMILIO  
15 SALAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
16 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AMY BODEK DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL  
17 PLANNING, RAFAEL CARBAJAL DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS  
18 AFFAIRS AND DR. BARBARA FERRER DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH ARE  
19 HERE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

20

21 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,  
22 YOU HAVE THE FLOOR, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN QUESTIONING.  
23 ITEM 12, YES.

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25 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I WANT TO THANK THE AMAZING WOMEN



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1 AT CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S FOUNDATION, BEATRICE SOLIS INSTITUTE, OH  
2 MY GOD, FROM 26 YEARS AGO IN 2000. OF HAD THE PRIVILEGE  
3 THROUGHOUT MY CAREER IN THE LEGISLATURE, AND NOW ON THE BOARD  
4 TO CARRY YOUR IDEAS TO MOTION INTO LAW. WE COLLABORATED WITH  
5 THEIR TEAM ON THE RESOLUTION, I'M GLAD TO SEE MEMBERS OF THE  
6 CURRENT CLASS HERE TODAY. YOUR PASSION FOR THE WORK IS  
7 APPRECIATED AND WE WERE INSPIRED BY YOU ALL. COLLEAGUES BEFORE  
8 US TODAY ARE TWO MOTIONS THAT ARE VITAL TO ADDRESSING HOUSING  
9 INSECURITY AND AFFORDABILITY. A SAFE AND HEALTHY HOME IS  
10 FOUNDATIONAL TO A PERSON'S WELL-BEING AND DIGNITY. EVERYONE  
11 DESERVES A SAFE, HEALTHY, AND DIGNIFIED HOME. YET HOUSING  
12 INSECURITY IS A SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC HEALTH DETERMINANT THAT  
13 CONTRIBUTES TO CHRONIC DISEASE, TOXIC STRESS, EXPOSURE TO  
14 VIOLENCE, RESPIRATORY ILLNESS, BEHAVIOR CRISES, NEGATIVE BIRTH  
15 OUTCOMES, PREVENTIBLE EMERGENCY MEDICAL USE AND PREMA TIRE  
16 MORTALITY. ITEM 12 DECLARING HOUSING INSECURITY A PUBLIC  
17 HEALTH CRISIS IS A RESOLUTION THAT SEEKS TO DO TWO THINGS:  
18 FIRST IMPACT THE NARRATIVE AROUND HOUSING INSECURITY BY MAKING  
19 THE CONNECTION TO PUBLIC HEALTH EXPLICIT. THIS PROVIDES THE  
20 COUNTY THE OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE UPSTREAM AND TREAT HOUSING  
21 STABILITY AS FUNDAMENTAL TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND PROSPERITY  
22 OF RESIDENTS. CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY  
23 DECLARATION ON HOMELESSNESS. SECOND, IT DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT  
24 OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING AS THE LEAD ALONG WITH COUNTY  
25 DEPARTMENTS AND LACDA TO COORDINATE CROSS SECTOR ACTION PLANS



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1 THAT ADDRESS HOUSING, PRESERVATION, EXPAND HOUSING STABILITY  
2 AND MITIGATE HOUSING INSECURITY, THE HEALTH CONSEQUENCES. THIS  
3 IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TO ENSURE THAT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND  
4 LAKTA COLLABORATE ON STRATEGIES AND SUPPORT THE HEALTH AND  
5 HOUSING NEEDS OF EVERY ANGELINO. THE SECONDS MOTION ITEM 13,  
6 WE HELD THEM TOGETHER, THANK YOU, DEVELOPING A LOCAL  
7 PREFERENCE POLICY FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN UNINCORPORATED  
8 L.A. COUNTY. ADDRESSES HOUSING INSECURITY THROUGH A TARGETED  
9 ANTI-DISPLACEMENT STRATEGY BY INCREASING ACCESS TO COUNTY  
10 FUNDED HOUSING THROUGH A LOCAL HOUSING PREFERENCE POLICY. AS  
11 WELL AS HOUSING ACQUISITIONS THROUGH VARIOUS RENTAL SUBSIDY  
12 PROGRAMS. RESIDENTS OF UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, EAST L.A.,  
13 FLORENCE FIRESTONE, WILL OWE BROOK, WEST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ,  
14 LENNOX AND ATHENS FACE INCREASING DISPLACEMENT PRESSURES DUE  
15 TO RISING RENTS, LIMITED HOUSING SUPPLY AND HISTORIC PATTERNS  
16 OF DISINVESTMENT. IF WE ARE BUILDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND  
17 ACQUIRING UNITS WITH TIME LIMITED SUBSIDIES, IN COMMUNITY  
18 WHOSE RESIDENTS EARN LOW WAGES AND FACE HOUSING INSECURITY  
19 THOSE RESIDENTS SHOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BENEFIT FROM  
20 THE HOUSING COMING INTO THEIR OWN NEIGHBORHOODS. DURING  
21 CLUSTER THERE WAS SOME CONCERN RAISED THAT THIS POLICY MIGHT  
22 BE TOO RESTRICTIVE OR UNDERMINE A REGIONAL APPROACH TO  
23 ADDRESSING THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. I HAVE BEEN AND CONTINUE  
24 TO BE A SUPPORTER OF REGIONAL APPROACHES. IN MY TIME HERE AT  
25 THE BOARD I HAVE PRIORITIZED ENSURING THAT POLICY IMPACTS ARE



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1 VISIBLE AND ACTIONABLE AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD LEVEL. I BELIEVE  
2 THERE IS A BALANCE TO CONSIDER WHEN THINKING ABOUT WHERE WE  
3 ARE BUILDING AND ACQUIRING HOUSING, AND WHO GETS ACCESS TO THE  
4 COUNTY FUNDED HOUSING UNITS. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNTY  
5 HAS POLICIES THAT PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS WHO ARE  
6 BEING SQUEEZED BY HIGH HOUSING COSTS AND AT RISK OF  
7 DISPLACEMENT TO STAY IN OR RETURN TO THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES.  
8 RESIDENTS WHO HAVE FOUGHT FOR INVOLVEMENT IN THEIR COMMUNITY,  
9 MANY OF WHOM SUSTAIN COMMUNITIES WHEN BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
10 SECTORS FORGOT ABOUT THEM, AT TIMES INTENTIONALLY DISINVESTED,  
11 DESERVE A CHANCE TO STAY. TO BENEFIT FROM AND ENJOY THE  
12 IMPROVEMENTS COMING INTO THEIR COMMUNITY. WE ALSO, I ALSO  
13 SHARE CONCERNS ABOUT NOT WANTING THIS POLICY OR ANY OTHER  
14 POLICY TO RESULT IN LONG TERM UNITS. THAT'S WHY FOLLOWING  
15 CLUSTER DISCUSSION, WE ADDED LANGUAGE DIRECTING HSH TO  
16 CONSIDER LEASEUP TIMES IN REPORTBACK. THIS MOTION DIRECTS HSH  
17 AND RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 120 DAYS  
18 WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ESTABLISHING A LOCAL HOUSING  
19 PREFERENCE POLICY, FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS AND PROGRAMS  
20 RECEIVING COUNTY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND LOCATED IN  
21 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THE REPORTBACK WILL INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS  
22 OF POLICIES ADOPTED BY OTHER JURISDICTIONS, INCLUDING FORMER  
23 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES SUCH AS COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
24 OF L.A. THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITIES FOR STAKEHOLDERS TO ENGAGE  
25 WITH HSH AND HELP SHAPE THE RECOMMENDATIONS. I BELIEVE BOTH



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1 MOTIONS BEFORE US TODAY WILL BE IMPACTFUL IN ADDRESSING  
2 HOUSING INSECURITY ACROSS L.A. COUNTY, AND I HOPE THAT MY  
3 COLLEAGUES WILL SUPPORT BOTH MOTIONS. THANK YOU.

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5 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH,  
6 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR BRINGING THESE TWO ITEMS BEFORE US  
7 TODAY AND INVITING ME TO CO-AUTHOR. ALSO AND DECLARING HOUSING  
8 INSECURITY A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS AS WE HEARD, IT'S A THEME  
9 TODAY. DEVELOPING A LOCAL PREFERENCE FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT  
10 IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY. WHICH IN MY DISTRICT IS ABOUT  
11 30% OR MORE. HOUSING INSECURITY IS ONE OF THE MOST URGENT AND  
12 DESTABILIZING CHALLENGES FACING L.A. COUNTY TODAY. ITEM 12  
13 STATES THAT THE BOARD IS BEING ASKED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION  
14 DECLARING HOUSING INSECURITY AS THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. AND  
15 TO MOBILIZE A COORDINATED CROSS SECTOR RESPONSE ACROSS HSH,  
16 PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH SERVICES, DPSS, DCFS, REGIONAL PLANNING  
17 AND LACDA. THIS RECOGNIZES WHAT OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE LONG  
18 KNOWN, UNSTABLE HOUSING IS NOT JUST AN ECONOMIC ISSUE, IT IS A  
19 DRIVER OF CHRONIC ILLNESS, TRAUMA, FAMILY INSTABILITY AND  
20 PREVENTIBLE HEALTH DISPARITIES. TREATING HOUSING AS A PUBLIC  
21 HEALTH CRISIS ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO ALIGN RESOURCES,  
22 AUTHORITIES AND DATA SYSTEMS TO INTERVENE EARLIER AND  
23 EFFECTIVELY. AT THE SAME TIME ITEM 13 DIRECTS THE COUNTY TO  
24 EXPLORE A LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
25 DEVELOPMENTS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS WHICH I APPLAUD.



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1    IMPORTANT TOOL TO ENSURE THAT LONG TIME RESIDENTS, WORKERS,  
2    THOSE AT RISK OF DISPLACEMENT HAVE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO NEW  
3    COUNTY FUNDED HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES. THIS IS ALWAYS A  
4    CHALLENGE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. IN PART, IN SOME OF THE  
5    SAN GABRIEL AREAS THAT I REPRESENT, STILL MANY COMMUNITY  
6    MEMBERS THAT DON'T FULLY UNDERSTAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING OR LOW  
7    INCOME HOUSING. WE STILL HAVE THAT, HOW CAN I SAY,  
8    STEREOTYPICAL KIND OF PICTURE THAT SOMEHOW THESE ARE FOLKS NOT  
9    WANTED IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. ALL TOGETHER WRONG. I HOPE THAT  
10    THESE TWO ITEMS ADVANCE AND HELP US UNIFY OUR VISION,  
11    PREVENTING HOUSING LOSS. BUT STABILIZING VULNERABLE  
12    HOUSEHOLDS. ENSURING THE COUNTY INVESTMENTS BENEFIT THE  
13    COMMUNITIES THEY ARE INTENDED TO SERVE. HOUSING INSECURITY IS  
14    RISING ACROSS THE COUNTY AS WE ALL KNOW AND DISPROPORTIONATELY  
15    IMPACTS LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS, FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN, SENIORS  
16    AND COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. DECLARING A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS  
17    ALLOWS US TO COORDINATE INTERVENTIONS THAT ADDRESS THE CAUSES  
18    AND CONSEQUENCES OF HOUSING INSTABILITY. THE MOTION CALLS FOR  
19    CROSS SECTOR ACTION PLANS TO PREVENT HOUSING LOSS, EXPAND  
20    STABILITY, INTERVENTIONS, AND ALIGN FUNDING AND DELEGATED  
21    AUTHORITIES TO DEPLOY RESOURCES MORE EFFICIENTLY. THIS  
22    INCLUDES ALL THE DEPARTMENTS THAT WE HAVE LISTED ABOVE.  
23    UNPRECEDENTED LEVEL OF ALIGNMENT THAT REFLECTS THE SCALE OF  
24    THIS CRISIS. AND IS LONG OVERDUE IN MY OPINION. AT THE SAME  
25    TIME, COMMUNITIES IN UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN



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1 CONTINUE TO FACE DISPLACEMENT PRESSURES AND RISING RENTS  
2 UNLESS WE DO SOMETHING. LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY CAREFULLY  
3 DESIGNED TO COMPLY WITH FAIR HOUSING LAWS CAN HELP ENSURE THAT  
4 OUR RESIDENTS WHO HAVE BUILT AND SUSTAINED THESE NEIGHBORHOODS  
5 ARE NOT PUSHED OUT BECAUSE OF GENTRIFICATION AND OTHER  
6 ECONOMIC COSTS. DECLARING HOUSING INSECURITY A PUBLIC HEALTH  
7 CRISIS, ITEM 12 ESTABLISHES THE COUNTY COMMITMENT TO  
8 ADDRESSING HOUSING INSTABILITY AS SYSTEMIC A CROSS-SECTOR  
9 CHALLENGE. DEVELOPING A LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY ITEM 13,  
10 OPERATIONALIZES THAT COMMITMENT BY ENSURING COUNTY FUNDED  
11 HOUSING RESOURCES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO EVERY RESIDENT. MOST  
12 IMPACTED BY HOUSING INSECURITY AND DISPLACEMENTS. ALL TOGETHER  
13 THESE ITEMS STRENGTHEN THE COUNTY'S ABILITY TO DO THE  
14 FOLLOWING. PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY STABILIZING HOUSEHOLDS  
15 EARLIER. ENSURE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. ALIGN  
16 HEALTH, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICE SYSTEMS AROUND SHARED OUTCOMES  
17 AND BUILD TRUST WITH COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN  
18 UNDERSERVED OR DISPLACED. TS USE OF THIS DATA WILL HELP TO  
19 DRIVE THESE POLICIES FORWARD. THANK YOU AND I SUPPORT BOTH  
20 MOTIONS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR HAHN?  
21  
22 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL  
23 AND YOURSELF FOR THESE TWO MOTIONS. I REALLY SEE THESE TWO  
24 MOTIONS AS BEING ABOUT ONE THING, PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM  
25 FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS IN THE FIRST PLACE. IN MY DISTRICT



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1 IN WALNUT PARK, UNINCORPORATED WHITTIER, WE SEE THE PRESSURE  
2 EVERY DAY. FAMILIES ARE WORKING, DOING EVERYTHING RIGHT, AND  
3 ONE RENT INCREASE, ONE MEDICAL BILL OR ONE MISSED PAYCHECK  
4 AWAY FROM LEASING HOUSING. WE KNOW HOW DIFFICULT THAT IS TO  
5 RECOVER. THAT'S WHY DECLARING HOUSING INSECURITY A PUBLIC  
6 HEALTH CRISIS IS SO CRITICAL. IT REFLECTS WHAT WE'RE ALREADY  
7 SEEING ON THE GROUND. THAT UNSTABLE HOUSING IS DIRECTLY TIED  
8 TO WORSE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND PUTS A STRAIN  
9 ON OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AND OUR SAFETY NET. WHAT I APPRECIATE  
10 ABOUT THIS MOTION IS THAT IT DOESN'T JUST NAME THE PROBLEM IT  
11 PUSHES US TOWARD BETTER COORDINATION. IT RECOGNIZES THAT  
12 HOUSING, HEALTH, AND SOCIAL SERVICES HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER IF  
13 WE'RE GOING TO MAKE REAL PROGRESS. AT THE SAME TIME, A LOCAL  
14 PREFERENCE MOTION POINTS TO ANOTHER REALITY WE SEE IN  
15 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. WE'RE INVESTING PUBLIC DOLLARS TO  
16 BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING. TOO THAN ON THE RESIDENTS MOST AT  
17 RISK OF DISPLACEMENT DON'T ACTUALLY BENEFIT FROM THE  
18 DEVELOPMENTS. THIS MOTION ASKS US TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT HOW  
19 WE RESPONSIBLY PRIORITIZE RESIDENTS, PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE,  
20 WORK THERE, AT RISK OF BEING PUSHED OUT SO THAT THEY HAVE A  
21 FAIR SHOT AT STAYING IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. IT'S NOT ABOUT  
22 EXCLUDEING ANYONE, IT'S ABOUT STABILIZING THE COMMUNITIES THAT  
23 ARE UNDER THE GREATEST PRESSURE. RIGHT NOW, AS WE IMPLEMENT  
24 MEASURE A AND STAND UP OUR NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES  
25 AND HOUSING WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS DIFFERENTLY. TO



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1 BE MORE STRATEGIC, MORE COORDINATED, AND MORE FOCUSED ON  
2 PREVENTION. BECAUSE IF WE'RE ONLY REACTING AFTER PEOPLE LOSE  
3 HOUSING, WE'LL NEVER GET AHEAD OF THIS CRISIS. THESE MOTIONS  
4 MOVE US IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION TOWARDS PREVENTION, EQUITY, AND  
5 TOWARDS A MORE COORDINATED SYSTEM. I'M HAPPY TO SUPPORT BOTH  
6 MOTIONS. THANK YOU.

7

8 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL DID YOU HAVE  
9 ANY QUESTIONS FOR THE PANEL? OKAY, VERY GOOD. SEEING NO  
10 QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

11

12 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS  
13 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. [READING NAMES]

14

15 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS  
16 TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEMS 12, 13, 1D  
17 AND 2D, IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO USE THE RAISE HANDS FEATURE OR  
18 STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE NOW. MARK, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE  
19 BEGIN.

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21 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: OKAY, NEXT CALLER, ROY HUMPHRIES,  
22 PLEASE BEGIN.

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24 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: THANK YOU. I'LL BE SHORT ON THIS  
25 SUBJECT. WHY, WITH DEMOCRATS EVERYTHING IS A CRISIS. TO THE



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1 POINT THAT CRISIS IS THE NEW NORM. THIS IS A CRUEL JOKE WHEN  
2 YOU HAVE CRIMINALLY AIDED AND ABETTED BIDEN ILLEGAL  
3 IMMIGRATION WHICH SHOULD CAUSE THE LEGACY ILLEGALS TO RIOT.  
4 YOU HAVE NOT GOT A POT OR A WINDOW. THANK YOU.

5

6 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THAT, YOU. MATTHEW VO, YOUR LINE  
7 IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN.

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9 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I'M AN ORGANIZER WITH THE EARTH  
10 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY LAND  
11 TRUST COALITION, VOICING MY SUPPORT FOR ITEMS 11 AND 12. NOT  
12 ONLY IS THIS PRESERVATION FRAMEWORK, IT IS ACKNOWLEDGING THE  
13 CRISIS THAT WE FACE THROUGHOUT THE REGION WHICH IS THAT  
14 FAMILIES ARE DISPLACED BY CAPITALIST FORCES ESPECIALLY IN  
15 ALTADENA, 60% OF POST FIRE SALES HAVE GONE TO CORPORATE  
16 INVESTORS. WE NEED A LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY TO TREAT HOUSING  
17 INSTABILITY AND DISPLACEMENT AS CRISIS THAT IT IS, WHICH ONLY  
18 EXACERBATES AND PUTS THE STRAIN ON THE LIMITED INFRASTRUCTURE.  
19 THANK YOU.

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21 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. ANNA, YOUR LINE IS  
22 UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN.

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24 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HI, I'M ANNA, I'M A HOUSING NAVIGATOR  
25 AND CASE MANAGER FOR NEIGHBOR LOCAL CENTER. I'M HERE TO SHARE



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1 THE PERSPECTIVE ON GROSSING HOUSING CRISIS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
2 AND EVEN L.A. CITY ARE GROWING CRISIS, HOUSING INSECURITY IS  
3 PROTECTED AND INSTABILITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES, INDIVIDUALS AND  
4 FAMILIES WITH UNSTABLE HOUSING INCLUDING ELDERLY, NAMELY  
5 ELDERLY AND DISABLED POPULATION EXPERIENCE HIGHER RATES OF  
6 MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES MAKING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN  
7 MY PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, I HAVE NAVIGATED THE IMPACT OF  
8 INDIVIDUALS MENTAL STATE, LIMITED TIME TO SECURE SUBSIDIZED  
9 HOUSING AND QUALIFICATION. THIS VULNERABLE POPULATION SHOULD  
10 BE FIRST IN LINE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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12 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: ALL RIGHT, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED,  
13 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER 951-880 PLEASE BEGIN. WE'LL  
14 GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. MARK YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE  
15 BEGIN. MARK YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED PLEASE BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE  
16 NEXT SPEAKER. VANESSA, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN.

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18 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: YES, COMMUNITY RESIDENT AND ALSO PART OF  
19 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST. I SUPPORT THE ITEMS. I DO FEEL THAT  
20 THESE ARE CRUCIAL STRATEGIES TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS. ALSO  
21 RECOGNIZING THE HOUSING CRISIS AND HOW IT IMPACTS OVERALL  
22 HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS. IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. YEAH,  
23 JUST VOICING MY SUPPORT, THANK YOU SO MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
24 MITCHELL AND SOLIS.

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1 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR THERE ARE  
2 NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, REMOTE  
3 PARTICIPATION FOR ITEMS 12, 13, 1D AND 2D ARE CONCLUDED. IN  
4 PERSON SPEAKERS, PLEASE BEGIN.

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6 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS, I'M  
7 MEISHA WALKER, GRADUATE STUDENT FROM USC. I REPRESENT -- I  
8 LIVE IN DISTRICT 2, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR DOING AN  
9 AWESOME JOB. I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF YOUR MOTION TO ADOPT  
10 PLANNING FOR RESOLUTION DECLARING SUPPORT OF HOMELESSNESS AND  
11 MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATED WITH HOMELESSNESS IS THAT CAN LEAD TO  
12 POST TRAUMATIC STRESS SYNDROME. I COMMEND YOU ALL FOR THE  
13 COHESIVENESS. I SUPPORT THE THINGS THAT YOU ARE DOING.

14

15 >> GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M MARIA, HEALTH AND PARTNERSHIP, NATIONAL  
16 PUBLIC HEALTH ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION. THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL  
17 FOR THE MOTION. WE WORKED HARD ON THIS MOTION, BECAUSE WE SEE  
18 THIS AS A CRUCIAL AND VITAL ISSUE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE  
19 ADDRESSING HOUSING THE WAY THAT WE ADDRESS ILLNESSES AROUND  
20 ADDICTIONS. WE WANT TO SEE THAT THERE'S MORE COORDINATION, THE  
21 DIFFERENT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES COORDINATING. AND TO REALLY  
22 TREAT THIS AS A REAL PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE  
23 DON'T SEE MORE FAMILIES GOING INTO HOMELESSNESS AND GET  
24 FAMILIES HOUSING SECURE TODAY NOT WAIT UNTIL TOMORROW WHEN  
25 THEY ARE OUT ON THE STREETS. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR, THIS HOPE



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1 YOU SUPPORT IT.

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3 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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5 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: MARIA, I'M WITH SAGE AND ALSO A RESIDENT  
6 IN UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. I'M PLEASED TO SUPPORT ITEM 12 AND  
7 13, SPECIFICALLY ON ITEM 12 IT IS IMPORTANT TO DECLARE HOUSING  
8 INSECURITY AS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE, LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING  
9 ON THIS WITH YOU ALL. ITEM 13, DEVELOPING A LOCAL PREFERENCE  
10 FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A.,  
11 UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT SAGE HAS  
12 BEEN PASSIONATE ABOUT IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. WE ARE  
13 SEEING THAT THOUGH THERE ARE RIGHT TO RETURN AND POLICIES THAT  
14 REQUIRE TENANTS TO COME BACK TO THEIR EXISTING UNITS, WE'RE  
15 NOT SEEING THE IMPLEMENTATION HAPPENING ON THE GROUND. WE  
16 BELIEVE THAT THIS COULD BE A SOLUTION TO THAT IN ADDITION TO  
17 WHAT YOU MENTIONED AROUND MAKING SURE THAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS  
18 DON'T SEE DEVELOPMENT AS A THREAT AND THEY'RE ABLE TO SEE  
19 THEMSELVES LIVING IN ANY AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES. WE  
20 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU, SUPERVISORS, AND MAKING SURE  
21 THAT THIS TAKES INTO CONSIDERATION THE NEEDS OF TENANTS.

22

23 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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25 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR



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1 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, I'M ARICELLI WITH ENTERPRISE  
2 COMMUNITY PARTNERS. SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEMS 12 AND 13. I  
3 WANT TO EXPRESS STRONG SUPPORT FOR ITEM 13. THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
4 A LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY. WE SEE A LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY OR  
5 COMMUNITY PREFERENCE POLICY AS AN EFFECTIVE TOOL TO COMBAT  
6 DISPLACEMENT AS WELL AS EFFECTIVE TOOL FOR STABILIZING  
7 COMMUNITIES. WE THINK THAT THIS POLICY CONVERSATION IS  
8 ESPECIALLY CRITICAL IN POST-WILDFIRES, WHEN MANY SURVIVORS OF  
9 DISASTER ARE STILL DISPLACED. THIS TOOL COULD BE AN EFFECTIVE  
10 WAY OF SUPPORTING LOW INCOME RENTERS TO RETURN BACK TO THEIR  
11 COMMUNITIES. WE ASK THAT IN YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS POLICY  
12 THAT YOU INTEGRATE THOSE POLICY GOALS. WE WANT TO THANK  
13 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR LEADERSHIP ON  
14 THESE EFFORTS AND URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS --

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16 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

17

18 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M ELIZABETH, I'M A SENIOR PROGRAM  
19 MANAGER AT WOMEN'S FOUNDATION CALIFORNIA. AND WORK  
20 SPECIFICALLY WITH THE DOCTOR B. SOLIS POLICY INSTITUTE. I'M  
21 HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 12 AND 13. ALSO CALLING FOR SOME OF  
22 OUR FELLOWS OR ALUMNI NOT ABLE TO SPEAK BECAUSE OF THE LATE  
23 TIME OF DAY THAT THIS IS. BUT WE'RE HERE BECAUSE WE RECOGNIZE  
24 THE INTERSECTIONALITY THAT COMES WITH HOUSING. WE SUPPORT ITEM  
25 12 AS WELL AS ITEM 13 TO MAKE SURE GENTRIFICATION DOES NOT



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1 HARM RESIDENTS AND ANY COUNTY DOLLARS INVESTED GOES TO COUNTY  
2 RESIDENTS. JUST SPEAKING PERSONALLY AS SOMEONE WHO LIVES WITH  
3 BIPOLAR DISORDER, I VALUE THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS LENS. I  
4 WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RECOVER FROM MY LAST EPISODE IF I  
5 HAD BECOME HOMELESS. I HAVE AN IMMIGRANT FAMILY, HOUSING FIRST  
6 SAVED ME.

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8 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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10 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M DEANTE DAVIS FROM WELLNESS, A  
11 LOCAL NONPROFIT WELLNESS ORGANIZATION ENHANCING HEALTH AND  
12 WELL-BEING OF BLACK WOMEN AND BLACK GIRLS. I WANT TO VOICE  
13 STRONG SUPPORT FOR ITEMS 12 AND 13. THESE MOTIONS ARE  
14 IMPORTANT STEPS TO ADDRESSING BOTH HOUSING INSECURITY AND  
15 MAKING SURE SOLUTIONS WORK FOR COMMUNITIES AND IMPACT. HOUSING  
16 INSECURITY IS AFFECTING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ACROSS  
17 L.A. COUNTY AND NOT JUST ABOUT HOUSING IT'S ABOUT HEALTH AND  
18 DIGNITY. RECOGNIZING PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS MOVES US TO MORE  
19 COMPREHENSION, PEOPLE CENTERED SOLUTION. I WANT TO LIFT UP THE  
20 IMPORTANCE OF EQUITY IN THE CONVERSATION. BLACK RESIDENTS  
21 CONTINUE DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY HOMELESSNESS IN L.A.  
22 COUNTY AND BLACK WOMEN PARTICULARLY OFF AT THE CENTER OF THIS  
23 CRISIS. THAT'S NOT BY ACCIDENT, IT IS THE RESULT OF SYSTEMIC  
24 NOT A SOLUTION.

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1 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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3 >> GOOD AFTERNOON, RUTH MAYFIELD, I'M WITH BLACK WOMEN FOR  
4 WELLNESS. WHICH WE ARE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION LOCATED  
5 INIALLY MERCK PARK, THAT BELIEVES IN HEALTH AND WELLNESS AND  
6 WELL-BEING OF BLACK WOMEN AND YOUNG BLACK GIRLS. I'M HERE TO  
7 SHOW STRONG SUPPORT ON THE ITEMS 12 AND 13 THAT HOLLY MITCHELL  
8 AND SOLIS PUTTING. I APPRECIATE BOTH OF THESE MOTIONS  
9 RECOGNIZING HOUSING INSECURITIES AS PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS AND  
10 CREATING LOCAL HOUSING PREFERENCE. THEY SHOW A STRONGER  
11 COMMITMENT TO MAKING SURE PEOPLE IN L.A. CAN LIVE IN  
12 AFFORDABLE AND SAFE AND STABLE HEALTHY HOUSING. FOR MYSELF  
13 I'VE BEEN HOMELESS BEFORE, TOO. WHERE ME AND MY DAUGHTER HAD  
14 TO WALK THE STREETS TO FIND SHELTER TO GET IN. I WORK LIKE A  
15 HEBREW SLAVE TODAY TO MAKE SURE I CAN BE FULLY SO SUPPORTING.  
16 BUT I WORK AROUND, COMMUNITY HEALTH OUTREACH WORKER IN THE  
17 FIELD --

18

19 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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21 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE BOARD OF  
22 SUPERVISORS, I'M ASHA, I WOULD, IN SERVICE OF ALL DISTRICTS  
23 SPECIFICALLY SERVICING INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE AT RISK OF  
24 HOMELESSNESS OR ARE HOMELESS. I WANT TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE TO  
25 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SOLIS ON THESE MOTIONS DECLARING



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1 HOUSING INSECURITY AS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS IS IMPORTANT  
2 BECAUSE HOUSING INSTABILITY IS DIRECTLY HARMING PEOPLE'S  
3 HEALTH WHEN PEOPLE DON'T HAVE STABLE HOUSING THEY ARE LIKELY  
4 TO END UP IN EMERGENCY ROOMS, EXPERIENCE CHRONIC ILLNESS AND  
5 FORCE SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES. WE SEE ACROSS THE  
6 SYSTEMS OVERWHELMED HOSPITALS, STRAINED SERVICES AND  
7 COMMUNITIES STRUGGLING TO STAY AFLOAT. IT IS CRUCIAL IT IS  
8 ALIGNED WITH THE LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICIES ENSURING THAT THE  
9 COMMUNITIES IMPACTED BY DISPLACEMENT ARE PRIORITIZED AND NOT  
10 PUSHED FURTHER OUT OF THE AREAS THEY CALL HOME. THANK YOU AND  
11 I URGE YOU ALL TO VOTE YES.

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC  
14 COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. WE WILL NOW HAVE FOUR SEPARATE VOTES.

15

16 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: BEFORE WE BEGIN I WANT TO THANK  
17 THE POLICY FELLOWS REPRESENTING THE DR. BEATRICE SOLIS POLICY  
18 CENTER AND INSTITUTE. THERE ARE FELLOWS ACROSS THE STATE  
19 WORKING ON MANY ISSUES THAT IMPACT US HERE IN THE COUNTY. AND  
20 THE COUNTRY. I APPLAUD YOU, THANK YOU FOR COMING AND  
21 RECOGNIZING MY FORMER SISTER. THANK YOU. WITH THAT?

22

23 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: WE WILL START WITH ITEM 12, BEFORE  
24 YOU.

25



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1 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
2 MITCHELL, I'LL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
3 CALL THE ROLL.

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5 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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

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9 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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11 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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13 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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15 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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17 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

18

19 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

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21 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION CARRIES 4-0. WE WILL NOW GO  
22 WITH ITEM 1D, BEFORE YOU.

23

24 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I  
25 WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALL THE



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1 ROLL.

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3 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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

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7 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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9 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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11 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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13 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

14

15 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

16

17 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

18

19 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION CARRIES 4-0. NEXT UP IS ITEM

20 13 WHICH IS BEFORE YOU.

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22 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I

23 WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALL THE

24 ROLL.

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1 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.  
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3 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.  
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5 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.  
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7 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.  
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9 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.  
10  
11 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.  
12  
13 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.  
14  
15 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.  
16  
17 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION CARRIES 4-0. LAST IS ITEM 2D,  
18 BEFORE YOU.  
19  
20 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I  
21 WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALL THE  
22 RECORD ROLL  
23  
24 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.  
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1 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE

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3 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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5 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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7 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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9 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE

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11 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

12

13 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

14

15 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION CARRIES 4-0. WE NOW MOVE ON  
16 TO ITEM 15, PRIORITIZING SIBLING CONNECTIONS IN OUT OF HOME  
17 CARE HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM  
18 REMOTELY USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE, OR STAR 3 ON THE  
19 TELEPHONE. BRANDON NICHOLS DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
20 SERVICES IS AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. STATE YOUR NAME AND TIGHT  
21 WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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25 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU. WHEN WE REMOVE CHILDREN



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1 FROM THEIR HOME, OSTENSIBLY IT'S TO IMPROVE THEIR LIKELIHOOD  
2 FOR SAFETY AND WELL-BEING. YET THE SHEER ACT OF REMOVAL FROM  
3 ONE'S HOME AND PLACEMENT INTO OUT OF HOME CARE IS TRAUMATIC IN  
4 AND OF ITSELF. YOU HAVE HEARD STORIES I'M SURE OF YOUNG  
5 CHILDREN BEING TAKEN, REMOVED FROM THE ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH  
6 THEY KNOW, ITEMS SOMETIMES PUT IN PAPER BAGS, DRIVEN TO A  
7 PLACE THAT THEY DON'T KNOW AND PEOPLE THEY DON'T KNOW. THINK  
8 ABOUT THAT AS GROWN WOMEN TO HAVE SOMEONE THAT YOU DON'T KNOW  
9 SHOW UP AT YOUR HOUSE, REMOVE YOU FROM THE ENVIRONMENT WHICH  
10 YOU KNOW, VERY LIMITED OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE THINGS THAT ARE  
11 IMPORTANT TO YOU, WHATEVER THEY MAY BE, AND PUT NEW A CAR AND  
12 DRIVE TO YOU A PLACE THAT YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHERE ARE YOU GOING  
13 OR THE PEOPLE WHO ARE THERE. THAT IN AND OF ITSELF IS  
14 TRAUMATIC WHATEVER YOUR AGE. THAT EXPERIENCE IS FURTHER  
15 COMPLICATED WHEN WE ARE SEPARATING CHILDREN FROM THEIR  
16 SIBLINGS. IT COMPOUNDS THE TRAUMA. SO THIS MOTION IS ABOUT  
17 ENSURING THAT OUR SYSTEM DOES NOT DEEPEN HARM BUT INSTEAD  
18 ATTEMPTS TO PROMOTE HEALING, STABILITY, AND CONNECTION.  
19 DESPITE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOSTER YOUTH ARE STILL TOO OFF  
20 SEPARATED FROM THEIR SIBLINGS. THIS REMAINS AN ONGOING  
21 CHALLENGE. MANY CHILDREN HAVE LITTLE TO NO CONTACT WITH THEIR  
22 SIBLINGS WHEN THEY EXPRESS A DESIRE TO MAINTAIN THOSE  
23 RELATIONSHIPS OF THE RESEARCH IS CLEAR, FOR MANY YOUTH  
24 SIBLINGS ARE THE PRIMARY IDENTITY OF CULTURE AND SUPPORT.  
25 FREQUENT SIBLING CONTACT IMPROVES STABILITY AND SCHOOL



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1 PERFORMANCE. PRIORITIZING THESE RELATIONSHIPS IS NOT ONLY BEST  
2 PRACTICE, WE KNOW IT MAKE GOOD SENSE. IT IS REQUIRED BY LAW  
3 AND ESSENTIAL TO ACHIEVING BETTER OUTCOMES. THIS MOTION TAKES  
4 A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEMS LEVEL APPROACH TO STRENGTHENING AND  
5 PRIORITIZING SIBLING CONNECTIONS. I HAVE A COUPLE OF  
6 QUESTIONS, DIRECTOR NICHOLS THANKS FOR BEING HERE. GIVEN THAT  
7 LIMITED CAREGIVER ORGANIZATION REMAIN KEY SYSTEM RICK  
8 BARRIERS, WHAT STRUCTURAL CHANGES IS DCF'S CONSIDERING, FOR  
9 EXAMPLE ACROSS RECRUITMENT, LICENSING AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH  
10 CBOs?

11

12 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: THANK YOU, BRANDON NICHOLS, DIRECTOR OF  
13 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. COULDN'T HAVE SAID IT BETTER.  
14 OUR SYSTEM CAN CAUSE TRAUMA. WHEN A KID IS REMOVED FROM THE  
15 ONES THEY LOVES, FROM THEIR SIBLINGS OR BROTHER OR SISTER  
16 BREAKS THEIR HEART, IT HURTS THEM. WE HAVE TO BE VERY JUDICIAL  
17 WHEN WE REMOVE KIDS THEN WE OWE TO IT THOSE KIDS, LIKE A MORAL  
18 OBLIGATION TO TRY AND ADDRESS THAT TRAUMA AND KEEP THEM  
19 CONNECTED TO THEIR LOVED ONES. WE DID A REPORT I BELIEVE 2017  
20 IN RESPONSE TO A MOTION BY SUPERVISORS AT THE TIME KUHL AND  
21 ANTONOVICH. THE NUMBERS ARE DATED BUT WE CAN PULL THEM EASILY.  
22 WE DO FOUR MILLION VISITS A YEAR, TWO MILLION STAFF HOURS. TO  
23 GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE SCOPE OF THIS PROBLEM, IT IS A  
24 PROBLEM, WE PUT A LOT OF THINGS INTO PLACE SINCE THAT REPORT  
25 TO TRY TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. I WILL SAY WE STILL STRUGGLE



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1 WITH IT. WHERE IN TROUBLESOME TIMES AT THE COURTS WITH IT, THE  
2 COURTS ARE NOT HAPPY IN THOSE CASES WITH OUR ABILITY TO  
3 CONNECT CHILDREN TO THEIR PARENTS OR THEIR SIBLINGS. IT IS A  
4 PLACE WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO FOCUS ON AND DEVELOP. I THANK YOU  
5 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP HERE. WE HAVE BROUGHT UP SOME INITIATIVES  
6 TO TRY AND HELP HERE. BUT THERE ARE SOME IN THE FUTURE WHICH  
7 YOU HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT YET, WHICH WE CAN INCLUDE IN THIS  
8 REPORT AND I'M EXCITED ABOUT. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW OF  
9 THOSE. BELIEVE BEEN TALKING TO THE FAITH COMMUNITY.  
10 PARTICULARLY IN SPA 6, NOT IRONICALLY, BECAUSE THEY HAVE  
11 FACILITIES WHERE FAMILIES CAN SPEND TIME TOGETHER, WITH AIR  
12 CONDITIONING, LIGHTS, IN A SAFE SPACE. THAT IS ONE OF THE  
13 TRICKS OF VISITATION, WE NEED A SAFE SPACE FOR THIS TO HAPPEN.  
14 THE FAITH COMMUNITY IS WILLING TO STEP UP. AND PROVIDE US WITH  
15 THE SPACES NEEDED FOR KIDS TO SPENDS TIME WITH EACH OTHER. WE  
16 HAVE TALKED TO THE YMCA, PROUD TO SAY, AND I MENTIONED THIS TO  
17 THE BOARD ONCE BEFORE, WE HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE YMCA,  
18 EVERY FOSTER YOUTH I BELIEVE IT IS 8 YEARS OLD UP TO 25 HAS  
19 ACCESS TO THE Y. JUST THIS WEEK THE Y COMMITTED TO OPENING  
20 FACILITIES TO ALLOW FOR VISITATION SAFELY BEEN THE Y. THAT  
21 HASN'T HAPPENED BUT THEY ARE INTERESTED IN DOING IT, I'M HAPPY  
22 TO TAKE THEM UP ON IT. WE'RE LOOKING AT INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS TO  
23 PLACE SIBLINGS TOGETHER AT A HIGHER SUCCESS RATE. ONE OF THOSE  
24 IS HAPPENING RIGHT NOW IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, TOGETHER  
25 CALIFORNIA, BUILDING FROM THE GROUND UP HOUSING TO HANDLE



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1 LARGE SIBLING SETS. WE HAVE -- PLACING ONE KID HASN'T BEEN SO  
2 MUCH OF A CHALLENGE. PLACING FIVE KIDS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE  
3 NIGHT IS A CHALLENGE. THERE'S NOT MANY CARETAKERS READY TO  
4 TAKE ON A GROUP LIKE THAT. TOGETHER CALIFORNIA IS BUILDING  
5 HOUSING SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS ISSUE TO TRY AND KEEP KIDS  
6 TOGETHER. THAT WILL IMPACT IT AS WELL. ALTHOUGH THAT'S JUST IN  
7 ONE AREA OF THE COUNTY. ANTELOPE VALLEY IS A FAR DRIVE FROM  
8 SPA 6, OR FROM TORRANCE. WE PROBABLY NEED MORE SITES LIKE THAT  
9 SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. BUT THIS IS A PRIORITY.  
10 BECAUSE OF THE IMPACT IT HAS. I APPRECIATE YOU HIGHLIGHTING  
11 IT.

12

13 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SO THE HOUSING YOU MENTIONED, THAT  
14 WOULD BE HOUSING FOR FOSTER PARENTS? WHO ARE WILLING TO --

15

16 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: YES, I GIVE CREDIT TO TOGETHER CALIFORNIA.  
17 THEY ARE RECRUITING FOSTER PARENTS SPECIFICALLY TO LIVE THERE  
18 IN THE HOUSING THAT THEY BUILT. THEY ARE TARGETING LARGE  
19 SIBLING SETS. THERE, FOR SUPPORT, BY THE PROGRAM THAT THEY ARE  
20 PROVIDING.

21

22 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I LOVE THAT FOR US.

23

24 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: IT IS GREAT.

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1 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I RECENTLY MET WITH THE DIRECTOR OF  
2 THE Y AS THEY TALKED ABOUT THE NEW PROJECT EXPANDED INTO  
3 INGLEWOOD. THEY MENTIONED THEIR PROGRAM TO ALLOW EVERY FOSTER  
4 KID TO HAVE A HOME WHICH WAS REALLY, REALLY HELPFUL. I  
5 APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, I LOVE A MCDONALD'S PLAY  
6 AREA TOO, HOWEVER A Y AND A CHURCH FACILITY OR VISITATION IS  
7 REALLY IMPORTANT. YOU ADDRESS BOTH ASPECTS, VISITATION, TO  
8 ALLOW GREAT SAFE SPACES FOR SIBLING SETS AS WELL AS HOUSING.  
9 YOU KNOW, WHAT THIS REMINDS ME OF IS, YOU KNOW, THE BEST OF  
10 INTENTIONS OF POLICYMAKERS. WE PASS A LAW, WE SEEM TO  
11 MAGICALLY ASSUME IT WILL BE IN EFFECT INSTANTLY AND MOVE ON TO  
12 NEXT PROJECT. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE WHERE THAT IS NOT THE CASE.  
13 IMPLEMENTATION, SOMETIMES IS, TAKING A LONG TIME. BECAUSE I  
14 WAS STAFFED IN THE LEGISLATURE WHEN THE STATE LAW PASSED  
15 REQUIRING THAT WE PRIORITIZE SIBLING PLACEMENTS.

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17 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: IF I MAY SUPERVISOR. IN SOME WAYS TALKING  
18 ABOUT CURING THE SYMPTOM AND NOT THE DISEASE.

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20 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: YES.

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22 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: DISEASE IS NOT PLACING KIDS TOGETHER, THE  
23 PRECURSOR TO THAT, IS REMOVING CHILDREN IN THE FIRST PLACE. I  
24 WANT TO SAY, THE PREVENTION IS PART OF THE STRATEGY. CAN WE  
25 KEEP KIDS SAFELY HOME WITH THEIR PARENTS TO BEGIN WITH? SO



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1 THEY DON'T HAVE TO LIVE IN DIFFERENT PLACES? SECONDARILY, WHEN  
2 WE TAKE A KID, ALTHOUGH WE NEED TO FOCUS ON HOW TO MAKE SURE  
3 THAT THEY VISIT OR CAN WE PLACE THEM TOGETHER WITH SIBLINGS,  
4 HOPEFULLY WITH RELATIVES. WE HAVE STRATEGIES FOR THAT TOO. WE  
5 ARE SHOWING RESULTS BUT THERE IS STILL A WAYS TO GO.

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7 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE THAT. I BELIEVE IN  
8 UPSTREAM SOLUTIONS BUT IT HAS TO BE A PARALLEL TRACK. BECAUSE  
9 FOR THOSE CHILDREN WHO ARE REMOVED, REDUCING THE TRAUMA THAT  
10 THEY EXPERIENCE BY OUR HANDS, IT IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT AS  
11 WELL. PLACING SIBLING SETS IS IMPORTANT. THAT IS A REALLY  
12 NOVEL IDEA, I HAVE NOT HEARD OF THAT ANYWHERE ELSE IN TERMS OF  
13 THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING THAT WILL SUPPORT FOSTER FAMILIES  
14 AND ALLOW FOR LARGE SIBLING PLACEMENT IS SIGNIFICANT.

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16 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: I HAVE TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER, WE  
17 STOOD UP THERE AT THE SITE SEVERAL TIMES AND HELPED US  
18 NAVIGATE LOCAL POLITICAL ISSUES VERY THANKFUL.

19

20 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: HOW MANY UNITS?

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22 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: 8 UNITS RIGHT NOW. IT HAS BEEN A, LIKE I  
23 SAID, FROM A DIRT UP TO DEVELOPMENT, QUITE A PROJECT.

24

25 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: WITH COMMUNITY CENTER, FAMILY,



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1 REUNIFICATION IS A PLACE, SAFE SPACE FOR THE PARENT.

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3 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: FOR THEM TO LIVE TOO.

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5 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: IT IS A WHOLE CAMPUS.

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7 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: IT IS FIRST IN THE COUNTY. FIRST IN THE  
8 STATE. I WAS ABLE TO TALK TO THEM TO COME TO L.A.

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10 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU FOR SHARING THAT GOOD  
11 NEWS. THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

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13 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WELCOME BACK,  
14 SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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16 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: YES, I INVITE YOU ALL TO COME SEE IT.  
17 IT WILL BE OPENING --

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19 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: LOOKING AT JUNE AND JULY. THERE IS LIKE  
20 SOME PAINT TO GO ON IN A COUPLE LITTLE THINGS. WE ARE ON  
21 TRACK.

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23 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION  
24 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE NEED TO LOOK AT  
25 HOW WE CAN LIMIT THE TRAUMA INFLICTED UPON THESE KIDS WHO



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1 TRULY, MANY OF THEM DON'T WANT TO BE TAKEN OUT OF THE HOME  
2 EVEN THOUGH THAT THEY ARE IN A SITUATION THAT IS UNSAFE. YOU  
3 KNOW, I LOOK TO PROGRAMS LIKE OLIVE CREST WHERE A MOTHER IS  
4 GOING THROUGH A SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUE, HAS TWO CHILDREN, IS  
5 AFRAID HER KIDS WILL BE TAKEN AWAY WHERE SHE GOES AND GETS  
6 TREATED AND CAN'T, CAN BASICALLY IDENTIFY, SELF-DECLARE A  
7 THING, I NEED HELP. RATHER THAN GOING THROUGH THE COURT  
8 SYSTEM, OLIVE PRESS FINDS FOSTER PARENTS THAT WILL TAKE THE  
9 SIBLINGS, OR A CHILD, WHILE THE MOTHER GETS THE TREATMENT SHE  
10 NEEDS. IT IS A WIN-WIN. NO TRAUMA FOR THE CHILD. OR LESS  
11 TRAUMA FOR THE CHILD. THEY ARE NOT IN OUR COURT SYSTEM. IT IS  
12 PREVENTIVE. IT IS PREVENTIVE. IT IS REMOVING A BARRIER THAT  
13 WOULD HAVE KEPT A MOTHER CONTINUING DOWN THAT PATH OF  
14 ADDICTION. SO I HAVE SEEN IT WORK FIRSTHAND. I ALWAYS SAID, WE  
15 SHOULD DO MORE. ON THAT SIDE, ALLOWING PARENTS TO SAY, I NEED  
16 HELP AND NOT BE IN FEAR, BY ADMITTING THEY NEED HELP, THEY END  
17 UP IN OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM. THERE ARE MODELS THAT WORK AND  
18 OUTCOMES ARE FAR GREATER. SO I APPLAUD YOU FOR DOING THIS, IN  
19 FACT, WE ARE TREATING THE SYSTEM. WE NEED TO DO MORE. WE CAN  
20 DO MORE. IT IS SIMPLE. FAITH-BASED PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE.  
21 FAITH-BASED IN THE COMMUNITIES ARE REALLY PLUGGED IN TO THE  
22 COMMUNITY. LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I WILL SAY THOUGH, ON THE FAA  
23 SIDE, THEY ARE ASKED TO DO MORE WITH LESS. I KNOW IN MY  
24 DISTRICT THEY ARE CUTTING BACK ON SERVICES. SO I'M JUST HOPING  
25 THAT WE ARE GOING TO WORK WITH THEM, RECOGNIZING THAT THEY



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1 HAVE LIMITED CAPACITY AS WELL.

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3 >> BRANDON NICHOLS: I DIDN'T CALL THAT OUT, BECAUSE IT WAS  
4 PART OF THE MOTION. ABSOLUTELY, I THINK THAT FFAs HAVE A ROLE  
5 HERE. I THINK AS STATE REGULATION CHANGED, AND STATE FUNDING  
6 CHANGES, IT IS A GREAT LINE OF BUSINESS FOR FFAs TO PICK UP  
7 BECAUSE IT MAINTAINS THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE TO SERVE THIS  
8 POPULATION IN A HEALTHY AND BENEFICIAL WAY. WE ARE ALREADY  
9 TALKING TO THEM ABOUT IT A LITTLE BIT. I WILL SAY, HOPEFULLY  
10 AT THE END OF THIS YEAR, WE WILL BE ABLE TO TAP INTO NEW STATE  
11 FUNDING SOURCES, IT IS CALLED TIERED RATE STRUCTURE. WHICH  
12 HONESTLY, SOME OF THIS COST MONEY, RIGHT? PEOPLE NEED TO DRIVE  
13 A KID FROM LOCATION TO ANOTHER. SOMETIMES WE NEED A MONITOR TO  
14 SIT THERE AND OBSERVE THE VISIT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS SAFE  
15 AND APPROPRIATE. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY FOR STATE MONEY TO DO  
16 THAT AND FOCUSED ON IT AND PAYING ATTENTION.

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18 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: AGAIN THANK YOU FOR THIS  
19 MOTION.

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21 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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23 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I WAS GOING TO SAY, THANK YOU  
24 SUPERVISOR BARGER. YOU ARE RIGHT. SOME, YOU KNOW, OFTEN  
25 STRUGGLE AND DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THE GENDER DISPARITY AND ANY



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1 KIND OF RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM, MENTAL HEALTH AND  
2 DRUGS. IT IS FOR WOMEN WHO ARE MOTHERS WHO CAN'T AFFORD TO  
3 SELF-ADMIT IN OTHER THAN IF YOU ARE COURT ORDERED INTO A  
4 RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT  
5 WILL HAPPEN TO YOUR KIDS. FORTUNATE TO HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER.  
6 THAT IS ALWAYS LED TO THE DISPARITY AND LIMITED DIDN'T HAVE A  
7 PLACE FOR THE CHILDREN TO BE SAFE. THEY WOULD BE GUARANTEED TO  
8 BE RETURNED TO THEM, UPON THEIR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE  
9 PROGRAM. I WILL COME UP THERE, AND SEE THAT PROGRAM WHEN IT  
10 OPENS. I LOVE THAT. THANK YOU.

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12 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NO OTHER QUESTIONS,  
13 LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

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15 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS COME FORWARD  
16 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. SHIRLEY, JASON, CLAUDIA, JENNA,  
17 KATIE. AS A FINAL REMINDER, REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED  
18 IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 15, IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE  
19 SO, USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE ON THE DEVICE OR STAR 3 ON THE  
20 TELEPHONE NOW. CALLER 714981 YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED AND PLEASE  
21 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER 714.

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23 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M WITH  
24 CALIFORNIA YOUTH CONNECTION. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HOLLY J.  
25 MITCHELL'S OFFICE FOR BRINGING ATTENTION TO THIS ISSUE. I WAS



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1 SEPARATED FROM MY SIBLINGS WHEN I WAS 16 YEARS OLD. IT IS NOW  
2 BEEN 7 YEARS SINCE I HAVE LAST HAD CONTACT WITH THEM. THIS  
3 JUNE I WILL BE GRADUATING FROM UC IRVINE, A HUGE MILESTONE,  
4 BUT HURTS KNOWING THAT MY SIBLINGS UNFORTUNATELY CAN'T BE HERE  
5 TO SHARE THESE MOMENTS WITH ME. THAT IS WHY THIS MOTION  
6 MATTERS SO MUCH. CAREGIVER ACCOUNTABILITY IS CRITICAL.  
7 SUPPORTING SIBLINGS, SHOULDN'T BE OPTIONAL. AT THE SAME TIME,  
8 CAREGIVERS NEED SUPPORT, RESOURCES, TRANSPORTATION AND  
9 GUIDANCE TO MAKE THOSE CONNECTIONS REAL. SIBLING RELATIONSHIPS  
10 ARE TOO IMPORTANT TO LOSE. WE HAVE TO DO BETTER TO PROTECT  
11 THEM. THANK YOU.

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13 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. SANDRA, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.  
14 PLEASE BEGIN.

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16 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: I'M SANDRA WITH KIDS SAVE, A NONPROFIT.  
17 THROUGH OUR WORK WE SEE HOW CRITICAL SIBLING RELATIONSHIPS ARE  
18 TO A YOUNG PERSON'S SENSIBILITY AND BELONGING AND WE RECOGNIZE  
19 THE REAL CHALLENGES THAT CAN MAKE A PLACEMENT AND CONSIST OF  
20 VISITATION DIFFICULT. THAT IS WHERE OUR COMMUNITY BASED  
21 PARTNERSHIPS CAN HELP. COMPLEMENT CCFS TO ENGAGEMENT AND  
22 CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ONGOING CONNECTION. EACH MONTH,  
23 WITH HE BRING TOGETHER YOUTH AND FOSTER CARE, SIBLINGS,  
24 MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, EVENTS, WHERE RELATIONSHIPS CAN GROW  
25 NATURALLY GIVING SIBLINGS SEPARATE. MENTORS ALSO SUPPORT



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1 CAREGIVERS AND SIBLINGS, HELPING SIBLINGS STAY CONNECTED  
2 BETWEEN VISITS. WE APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL LEADERSHIP  
3 ON THIS MOTION AND COUNTY'S ONGOING COMMITMENT TO KEEP  
4 SIBLINGS CONNECTED. THANK YOU.

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6 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

7 CLARISSA. CLARISSA, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED PLEASE BEGIN. PLEASE  
8 BEGIN. OKAY. MADAM CHAIR, NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS  
9 THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 15 IS NOW CONCLUDED.  
10 GOING TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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12 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: MY NAME IS SHIRLEY, I'M A MSW STUDENT  
13 AND DCFS STIPEND INTERN. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 15  
14 PRIORITIZING SIBLING CONNECTIONS AND OUT OF HOME CARE. FOR  
15 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE, SIBLINGS ARE OFTEN THEIR ONLY SOURCE  
16 OF STABILITY AND EMOTIONAL SAFETY. SEPARATION ADDS TO THE  
17 TRAUMA THEY FACE DAILY. THESE RELATIONSHIPS ARE ESSENTIAL NOT  
18 OPTIONAL. REMOVAL, TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE IS CRITICAL.  
19 SEPARATION IMPACT ATTACHMENT, MENTAL HEALTH. IT SHOULD BE  
20 CONSISTENT AND SUPPORTIVE AND HEALING. NOT JUST A CHECKED BOX.  
21 WHEN SIBLINGS CANNOT BE PLACED TOGETHER, TRANSPORTATION AND  
22 SCHEDULING CANNOT BE BARRIERS. WE MUST INVEST IN THESE  
23 FAMILIES THAT CAN TAKE SETS. I URGE YOU TO TAKE  
24 ACCOUNTABILITY, AS EVERY MOMENT LOST BETWEEN SIBLINGS MATTER  
25 AND IMPACT CANNOT ALWAYS BE RECOVERED. THANK YOU.



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2 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER: NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M WITH  
5 CALIFORNIA YOUTH CONNECTION. I WANTED TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
6 HOLLY J. MITCHELL'S OFFICE FOR BRINGING THIS ISSUE FORWARD.  
7 I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT SIBLING CONNECTION AND NEED FOR  
8 ACCOUNTABILITY. SIBLINGS ARE OFTEN SEPARATED AND NOT  
9 CONNECTED. I MYSELF NO LONGER ABLE TO SEE MY SIBLINGS AND  
10 MISSING OUT ON THEIR CHILDHOOD. I WISH I WAS THERE BUT MY  
11 VISITATIONS WERE NEVER A PRIORITY. THIS MOTION IS SOMETHING  
12 THAT I'M EXCITED TO SEE HOW CAREGIVERS MUST BE HELD  
13 ACCOUNTABLE FOR SUPPORTING SIBLING VISITS. AND NEED SUPPORT OF  
14 TRANSPORTATION AND GUIDANCE TO MAKE THE VISITS ACTUALLY  
15 HAPPEN. SIBLING CONNECTIONS ARE NOT OPTIONAL BUT ESSENTIAL. WE  
16 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AND U-C-F-S TO ENSURE THAT  
17 ALSO HAVE THE MEANS TO KNOW EACH OTHER AND MEANINGFUL  
18 RELATIONSHIPS AND MAKING SURE THAT SIBLINGS STAY CONNECTED.  
19 THANK YOU.

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

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23 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: I'M WITH CALIFORNIA YOUTH CONNECTION. WE  
24 ARE HERE IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. I THINK THAT EVERYONE HERE  
25 UNDERSTANDS THE IMPORTANCE OF SIBLING RELATIONSHIPS. DESPITE



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1 THIS UNDERSTANDING, AND EXISTING LEGISLATION, TOO MANY YOUTH  
2 EXPERIENCE DISCONNECTION FROM THEIR SIBLINGS WHILE IN THE  
3 FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. WE APPRECIATE THAT THIS MOTION WILL  
4 REQUIRE DCFS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE BARRIERS THAT MAKE IT  
5 CHALLENGING FOR THEM TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICIES AND MAINTAIN  
6 SIBLING CONNECTIONS AND BETTER SUPPORT FOR CARE PROVIDERS TO  
7 MAKE SURE THAT IT IS PRIORITIZED. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING  
8 WITH YOU AND DCFS TO IMPLEMENT THIS MOTION THAT PRIORITIZES  
9 SIBLING CONNECTION. THANK YOU.

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11 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
12 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

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14 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: ITEM 15 BEFORE YOU.

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16 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY MITCHELL AND SECONDED BY  
17 BARGER. TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CALL THE ROLL.

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19 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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21 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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23 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
24 HORVATH.

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1 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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3 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
4 HAHN.

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6 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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8 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
9 BARGER.

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11 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

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13 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
14 SOLIS.

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16 >> SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

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18 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS AYE. MOTION  
19 CARRIES. 5-0. NOW MOVE TO ITEM 16, STRENGTHENING, PREVENTION  
20 AND RESPONSE EFFORTS TO FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS THAT HELD BY  
21 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY  
22 TO COMMENT, PLEASE USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE IF ON-LINE OR  
23 STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE. DR. BARBARA FERRER OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
24 WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION. FOR PUBLIC AND SPEAKERS, PLEASE  
25 STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE BOARD.



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2 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WOULD YOU  
3 LIKE TO SPEAK?

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5 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: IF WE COULD HAVE JUST DR. FERRER  
6 GIVE US HER PRESENTATION FIRST. THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

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8 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND THE  
9 BOARD FOR FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS CASES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WE  
10 APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION WHICH PROVIDES  
11 STRATEGIC DIRECTION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO COORDINATE WITH ALL  
12 OF THE DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED IN RESPONDING TO THIS COUNTY-WIDE  
13 ISSUE. INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC WORKS, HOMELESS  
14 SERVICES AND HOUSING, ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL AND PARKS AND  
15 RECREATION. WE WILL WORK TOGETHER TO COORDINATE EFFORTS AIMED  
16 THE REDUCING ENVIRONMENTAL RISK FACTORS. I WILL PROVIDE A  
17 BRIEF OVERVIEW ON FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS, ITS SYMPTOMS, DATA ON  
18 INCREASING TRENDING CASES, PREVENTIVE STEPS, AND ACTIONS THAT  
19 CITIES IN THE COUNTY CAN TAKE TO REDUCE ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS.  
20 NEXT SLIDE. FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS IS A, CAUSED BY SPECIFIC  
21 BACTERIA. THAT IS ALSO KNOWN SOMETIMES AS MARINE TYPHUS AND  
22 ADAMIC TYPHUS, INFECTION. THE DISEASE IS SPREAD BY INFECTED  
23 FLEAS ON RESERVOIR ANIMALS. WHICH INCLUDE RATS, POSSUMS AND  
24 FREE ROAMING CATS. AS YOU KNOW, FLEAS ARE VERY SMALL BUGS THAT  
25 MAY LOOK LIKE SPECS OF DUST. THEY CAN JUMP 14-16 INCHES. THE



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1 BACTERIA AND FLEA FECES THAT CAUSES TYPHUS ENTERS THROUGH THE  
2 SKIN WHEN SCRATCHED INTO A BITE. OR THE SKIN BREAKS OR IT CAN  
3 ENTER THROUGH MUCOUS MEMBRANES SUCH AS THE EYES, THE MOUTH AND  
4 THE NOSE. INFECTED FLEAS CAN SPREAD TO PET CATS AND DOGS. THIS  
5 IS PARTICULARLY TRUE IF PETS ARE ALLOWED OUTSIDE AS MORE  
6 LIKELY TO ACQUIRE FLEAS AND BRING THEM INSIDE TO YOUR HOME. OR  
7 THEY ARE NOT TREATED. THEY ARE OUTSIDE PETS AND THEY ARE NOT  
8 TREATED TO PROTECT THEM FROM FLEAS. INFECTED PETS, AND OTHER  
9 ANIMALS ARE NOT KNOWN TO GET SICK FROM TYPHUS. IMPORTANTLY,  
10 FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS CANNOT BE SPREAD FROM ONE PERSON TO ANOTHER.  
11 YOU ONLY CAN GET IT FROM AN INFECTED FLEA. NEXT SLIDE. FLEA-  
12 BORNE TYPHUS SHARES SYMPTOMS WITH OTHER FLU-LIKE DISEASES.  
13 SYMPTOMS CAN INCLUDE FEVER FOR MANY DAYS, SEVERE HEADACHES,  
14 CHILLS, MUSCLE AND JOINT PAIN, VOMITING, WEAKNESS AND  
15 SOMETIMES THE RASH. IF THERE IS A RASH, USUALLY OCCUR AT THE  
16 END OF THE FEAST WEEK OF THE ILLNESS AND LASTS 1-4 DAYS.  
17 GENERALLY WILL START ON THE TRUNK AND THEN SPREAD  
18 PERIPHERALLY. SPARING THE PALMS OF THE HANDS AND THE SOLES OF  
19 THE FEET. FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS IS READILY TREATED WITH  
20 ANTIBIOTICS AND MOST PEOPLE MAKE A FULL RECOVERY WITH THE  
21 RIGHT DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT. IT IS STILL A SERIOUS DISEASE  
22 AND CAUSE LONG HOSPITAL STAYS. IN 2025, ALMOST 90% OF FLEA-  
23 BORNE TYPHUS CASES REQUIRED HOSPITALIZATION WITH THE MEDIUM  
24 LENGTH OF STAY OF 4 NIGHTS. AND 10 PERCENT OF THOSE WHO WERE  
25 HOSPITALIZED REQUIRED CRITICAL CARE IN THE ICU. NEXT SLIDE.



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1 THERE ARE SEVERAL REASONS WHY FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS CASES ARE  
2 INCREASING IN LA COUNTY. YOU CAN SEE HERE, EVERY YEAR, WE HAVE  
3 HAD AN INCREASE. THE ONLY REASON IT IS LOWER FOR 2026, THE  
4 YEAR JUST STARTED. THERE IS MORE FOOD AND SHELTER FOR PETS AND  
5 ANIMALS, FOR PESTS AND ANIMALS. THERE IS A LOT OF TRASH AND  
6 OUTDOOR CLUTTER THAT ALLOWS RATS AND POSSUMS TO THRIVE. WE  
7 HAVE AN ISSUE HERE WITH FREE ROAMING ANIMALS. UNMANAGED  
8 POPULATIONS AND FEEDING OF WHILE LIFE BRING FLEA CARING  
9 ANIMALS RIGHT TO OUR DOORSTEPS. COMMUNITY CAT COLONIES ARE  
10 INCREASING OUR COMMUNITY RISK. THERE IS CLOSER CONTACT WITH  
11 THE WILDLIFE AS WE BUILD FURTHER INTO NATURAL AREAS WE LIVE  
12 CLOSER TO ANIMALS THAT CARRY INFECTED FLEAS. THERE IS A LACK  
13 OF PEST CONTROL. WHEN RODENT POPULATION AREN'T MANAGED, THE  
14 RISK TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD WILL GO UP. THERE IS IMPROVED CASE  
15 PROTECTION. MORE PATIENTS ARE TESTED FOR, AND DIAGNOSED  
16 THEREFORE WITH FLEA-BORNE ILLNESS. I WANT TO NOTE THAT OF THE  
17 OUTBREAKS THAT WE HAD IN 2025, WHEN WE HAD 220 CASES, THERE  
18 WERE THREE OUTBREAKS THAT YEAR. LA CITY, HAD AN OUTBREAK WITH  
19 FIVE CASES, SANTA MONICA OUTBREAK WITH FIVE CASES AND  
20 WILLOWBROOK HAS ONGOING OUTBREAK. ASSOCIATED WITH FIVE CASES.  
21 ACTUALLY SEVEN CASES IN WILLOWBROOK AS AN ENTIRE COMMUNITY. I  
22 WANT TO NOTE THAT ALMOST EVERY AREA OF LA COUNTY, HAS SEEN  
23 CASES OF A FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS. NEXT SLIDE, THERE IS SOME  
24 IMPORTANT PREVENTIVE TOOLS FOR INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND  
25 COMMUNITIES TO TAKE TO AVOID COMING INTO CONTACT WITH INFECTED



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1 FLEAS OR FLEA DIRT. THAT CAN CARRY FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS. IT IS  
2 REALLY IMPORTANT TO ENSURE THAT PETS ARE ON APPROPRIATE FLEA  
3 CONTROL. AND THAT IT IS USED ROUTINELY. PETS THAT ARE ALLOWED  
4 TO ROAM OUTSIDE, MORE LIKELY TO CARRY FLEAS TO HUMANS. DO NOT  
5 LEAVE PET FOOD OUTDOORS BECAUSE THIS ACTUALLY WILL ATTRACT  
6 OTHER WILD ANIMALS TO YOUR PROPERTY. CLOSE UP YOUR CRAWL  
7 SPACES AND OPENINGS UNDER THE HOME WHERE RATS AND STRAY  
8 ANIMALS CAN SLEEP, OR HIDE AND FIND FOOD. PROTECT YOURSELF BY  
9 WEARING GLOVES AND A MASK. ALWAYS WASH YOUR HANDS WHEN DONE  
10 CLEANING. COMMON SENSE, KEEP TRASH IN CONTAINERS THAT ARE  
11 TIGHTLY COVERED TO AVOID ATTRACTING ANIMALS. IF YOU HAVE STRAY  
12 CATS, RODENTS OR POSSUM ISSUE, ON OR NEAR YOUR PROPERTY,  
13 PLEASE HANDLE THEM. YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND CALL FOR A PRIVATE  
14 PERSON TO COME TO YOUR PROPERTY TO HELP YOU FIGURE OUT WHAT  
15 THE BEST WAY TO MANAGE THAT IS. SO IF IT IS ON YOUR PROPERTY,  
16 IT IS UP TO THE PROPERTY OWNER TO MANAGE THAT PROBLEM.  
17 PROPERTY OWNERS MANAGE THE PROBLEM, REDUCES THE RISK IN THE  
18 REST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NEVER, EVER FEED  
19 OR TOUCH RATS, POSSUMS AND FERAL CATS. PLEASE DO NOT FEED  
20 FERAL CATS. USE ENVIRONMENTAL INSECT REPELLENT THAT IS LABELED  
21 FOR USE AGAINST FLEAS OUTSIDE IN AN AREA THAT IS AT RISK FOR  
22 FLEAS. ALSO WEAR PANTS TUCKED INTO SOCKS OR BOOTS AND SPRAY  
23 THAT INSECT REPELLENT ON YOUR SOCKS AND YOUR PANT CUFFS. NEXT  
24 SLIDE. WE DO HAVE SOME EXAMPLES OF HOW CITIES CAN APPLY  
25 PREVENTION RECOMMENDATION CITYWIDE. IT WILL TAKE A LOT OF



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1 PEOPLE DOING THIS WORK IN ORDER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND  
2 REDUCE FOOD AND THAT. THE CENTRAL PREMISE IS THE SAME, REDUCE  
3 EXPOSURE TO INFECT THE FLEAS. ANIMALS AGAIN SUCH AS RATS, CATS  
4 AND POSSUMS CONGREGATE WHERE FOOD AND SHELTER ARE AVAILABLE. A  
5 PERMANENT REDUCTION OF FOOD, WATER AND HARBORAGE WILL RESULT  
6 IN PERMANENT REDUCTION AND RODENT AND STRAY ANIMAL POPULATION.  
7 A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM DOES REQUIRE ACTIVE AND CONSISTENT  
8 PARTICIPATION BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. AS I NOTED  
9 PREVIOUSLY, PUBLIC HEALTH WILL CONTINUE TO COORDINATE WITH  
10 SISTER DEPARTMENTS ON OUR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE  
11 ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AND TO REDUCE ENVIRONMENTAL RISK OF  
12 EXPOSURE. AND WE ARE ALSO WORKING CLOSELY WITH CITIES WHEN WE  
13 HAVE IDENTIFIED CLUSTERS OR OUTBREAKS OF CASES IN THOSE  
14 CITIES. SO THAT THEY TOO CAN TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS. TO AGAIN,  
15 REDUCE THE POSSIBILITY THAT WE ARE HARBORING ANIMALS THAT CAN  
16 CARRY INFECTED FLEAS. THERE ARE MORE STEPS THAT WE RECOMMENDED  
17 ON THE WEB SITE. WE REALLY WOULD LIKE TO REMIND EVERYONE TO  
18 PLEASE NOT FEED WILD ANIMALS. IT IS GOOD FOR CITIES AND THE  
19 COUNTY TO ENFORCE RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP. IT IS GOOD IT  
20 MAKE SURE THAT ANIMAL CONTROL, WHERE THERE IS AN ANIMAL  
21 CONTROL AGENCY IS ACTUALLY RESPONDING TO COMMUNITY CALLS  
22 REGARDING FREE ROAMING DOGS AND CATS AS THEY EASILY END UP  
23 CARRYING FLEAS. AND AGAIN, AS I SAID, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US  
24 TO WORK TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY TO TAKE STEPS BOTH ON OWN  
25 PROPERTIES AND ON OUR COMMUNITY PROPERTIES. THANK YOU. I'M



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1 HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

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3 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU. YOU COVERED MANY OF THE  
4 QUESTIONS THAT I HAD. JUST ONE, HELP ME UNDERSTAND  
5 SPECIFICALLY HOW YOUR DEPARTMENT, WHAT ROLE YOUR DEPARTMENT  
6 PLAYS IN RESPONDING TO OUTBREAK. I'M CLEAR ABOUT THE PUBLIC  
7 EDUCATION TELLING US TO DO WHAT YOUR GRANDMA ALWAYS TOLD YOU,  
8 DON'T TOUCH THE CAT. DON'T FEED THE PETS. CONTAIN THE TRASH.  
9 MAINTAIN YOUR PROPERTY. WHAT DO YOU DO IN TERMS OF RESPONDING  
10 TO OUTBREAKS?

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12 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: SO WE HAVE A FEW DISTINCT  
13 RESPONSIBILITIES HERE. SO I'M GOING TO TAKE A MINUTE AND GO  
14 THROUGH THEM. OUR ACUTE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL DIVISION  
15 WORKS TO CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE TO TRACK DISEASE PATTERNS AND  
16 PROTECT CASES AND PREVENT ADDITIONAL CASES. WE WILL WORK WITH  
17 OUR COMMUNITY. THEY WILL WORK WITH OUR COMMUNITY FIELD  
18 SERVICES FOLKS TO ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY EDUCATION. OUR  
19 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH TEAM WILL ASSESS ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS  
20 AND WORK WITH ALL RESPONSIBLE PARTIES TO REMEDIATE CONDITIONS  
21 TO LEAD TO VECTOR HARBORAGE. OUR VET HEALTH PROGRAM WORKS TO  
22 EDUCATE AND INFORM AROUND RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP, PROMOTING  
23 FLEA AND TICK. EDUCATING ABOUT RISK AND FREE ROAMING ANIMALS.  
24 WE COMMUNICATE WITH CITIES REGARDING MUNICIPAL ROLE TO ADDRESS  
25 THE SANITATION AND HARBORAGE CONDITIONS AND ANIMAL CARE AND



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1 CONTROL. IN PAST OUTBREAK CONDITIONS, AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO DO  
2 THAT NOW, WE DO REACH OUT TO THE CITIES. AND WE SHARE  
3 INFORMATION ABOUT TYPHUS AND PREVENTIVE STRATEGIES. FOR  
4 EXAMPLE, WE PREVIOUSLY SENT LETTERS TO THE CITIES FROM THE  
5 HEALTH OFFICER JUST TO ALERT ALL OF THE CITIES. ABOUT THE  
6 POSSIBILITIES OF HAVING OUTBREAK CASES OF FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS  
7 AND STEPS THAT WE EXPECTED THEM TO TAKE TO REDUCE THE RISK. WE  
8 PLAN TO DO THAT AS WE MOVE FORWARD.

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10 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I RECOGNIZE FROM PERSONAL  
11 EXPERIENCE, THAT THE FLEA AND TICK PREVENTION MEDICATION AIN'T  
12 CHEAP. I WONDER IF ANIMAL SERVICES PROVIDE THAT FOR PEOPLE IN  
13 NEED. WE ARE ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT, WHAT WE CAN DO TO HELP  
14 PEOPLE KEEP THEIR PETS. PARTICULARLY, AND ABOUT UNHOUSED  
15 POPULATION WHO HAVE PETS, THAT IS NOT A CHEAP MEDICATION.  
16 WHATEVER BE THAT DROPS ORAL, COLLAR, NOT CHEAP. ANIMAL  
17 SERVICES, DO YOU KNOW DR. FERRER?

18

19 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: WE KNOW THERE ARE SOME PROGRAMS THAT  
20 SUPPORT LOW COST OR NO COST PREVENTION MEDICATION FOR PETS.  
21 BUT I'M NOT SURE THAT IT IS WIDESPREAD AND IT IS ALWAYS  
22 POSSIBLE. WE WOULD ENCOURAGE MORE OF THOSE PROGRAMS. WE AGREE  
23 WITH YOU 100%.

24

25 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: YEAH, I'M GOING TO DO A VACCINATION



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1 CLINIC. I KNOW THAT MY STAFF IS LIKE, OKAY, HERE WE GO. WE  
2 NEED TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO INCLUDE --

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4 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: THERE ARE SOME PROGRAMS ALREADY. I HAVE  
5 A FEELING THAT MOST OF THEM ARE VOLUNTARILY RUN BY PRIVATE  
6 ORGANIZATIONS.

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8 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: RIGHT.

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10 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: WE CAN CHECK WITH COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL  
11 WHAT THEY ARE OFFERING.

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13 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I WILL CHECK WITH THAT. I KNOW THE  
14 UPCOMING CLINIC.

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16 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THERE ARE NONPROFITS WITH SOAPS  
17 AND SHAMPOO.

18

19 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AS WE DO OUR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, I  
20 WILL INCLUDE IT IN THE ONE THAT I GOT COMING UP. ALL RIGHT.  
21 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT IMPORTANT INFORMATION. YOU KNOW,  
22 I HAVE SELF-IDENTIFIED AS ONE OF YOUR ENVIRONMENTAL, I WILL  
23 GIVE MYSELF MY OWN TITLE. FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS I WILL TALK ABOUT  
24 AND MEASLES INCESSANTLY AS WE TALK ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY, PUBLIC  
25 HEALTH IS PUBLIC SAFETY. SO THANK YOU FOR SHARING THIS



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1 INFORMATION.

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3 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR  
4 YOUR PRESENTATION. IT IS INCREASING PRESENCE IN OUR  
5 COMMUNITIES IS SOMETHING THAT WE CANNOT IGNORE. WHEN WE SEE  
6 CASES OF TYPHUS, WE ARE OFTEN SEEING THE EFFECTS OF UNMANAGED  
7 WASTE, GAPS AND SANITATION AND THE PRESENCE OF RODENTS IN  
8 AREAS WHERE PEOPLE LIVE AND WORK. NO ONE SHOULD FACE EXPOSURE  
9 TO PREVENTIBLE DISEASE BECAUSE OF THE CONDITIONS IN  
10 NEIGHBORHOOD OR THE HOUSING STATUS. ADDRESSING FLEA-BORNE  
11 TYPHUS IS PART OF THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE SAFE AND CLEAN  
12 ENVIRONMENTS FOR ALL. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE KEEP CLEAR AND  
13 PRECISE WITH FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS. I WAS ASKED BY LOCAL PRESS  
14 ABOUT THIS ISSUE IN RELATIONSHIP TO OUR DECLARED STATE OF  
15 EMERGENCY ON HOMELESSNESS. THE PRESUMPTION BEING THAT  
16 HOMELESSNESS IS WHAT IS CAUSING THIS INCREASE. I THINK THAT WE  
17 WOULD HAVE BENEFITED THROUGH A FULLER TO ILLUMINATE THAT. WE  
18 CAN TALK ABOUT WHAT ACTUALLY ARE THE CAUSES OF THIS ISSUE. WE  
19 RISK REINFORCING A NARRATIVE THAT OVERSIMPLIFIES THE ISSUE BY  
20 INCORRECTLY LINKING THE CAUSE OF TYPHUS TO PEOPLE EXPERIENCING  
21 HOMELESSNESS. AS I HAVE READ IT, THE DATA DOES NOT SUPPORT  
22 THAT CONCLUSION. ONLY TO 10% OF PEOPLE DIAGNOSED WITH THIS, IS  
23 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THERE IS NO EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT A  
24 BROADER CONNECTION. CAN YOU PLEASE BE MORE SPECIFIC BECAUSE I  
25 KNOW THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WATCHING FOR THIS CONVERSATION IN



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1 PARTICULAR ESPECIALLY BECAUSE IT WAS ADVANCED TO BOARD UNDER  
2 THE OFFICES OF THE HOMELESSNESS DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY TO  
3 PLEASE EXPLAIN THE CAUSE OF THE SPREAD AND SPECIFICALLY  
4 WHETHER ENCAMPMENTS HAVE CAUSED THE RECENT SPREAD OF THIS.

5

6 >> DR. BARBARA FERRER: THANK YOU SO MUCH SUPERVISOR HORVATH  
7 FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND FOR THAT QUESTION. IT IS TRUE THAT IF YOU  
8 ARE UNHOUSED, AND YOU ARE LIVING OUTSIDE AND YOU ARE LIVING IN  
9 AN AREA WHERE THERE ARE RODENTS, OR POSSUMS OR FERAL CATS,  
10 YOUR RISK OF EXPOSURE IS GREATER. I WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT YOUR  
11 RISK OF EXPOSURE DOES INCREASE IF YOU ARE A PERSON THAT IS  
12 UNHOUSED AND LIVING IN AN AREA WHERE YOU HAVE MORE EXPOSURES.  
13 BUT THE DATA DOES NOT SUPPORT THAT THE INCREASES WE ARE SEEING  
14 ARE DUE TO INCREASES IN THE CASES AMONG PEOPLE EXPERIENCING  
15 HOMELESSNESS. SADLY, THIS IS A PROBLEM THAT EXISTS ACROSS THE  
16 ENTIRE COUNTY. ALMOST EVERY CITY HAS HAD AT LEAST 1-2 CASES OF  
17 FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS. AND IT IS REALLY DIRECTLY ASSOCIATED AS I  
18 NOTED WITH THE INCREASING CONNECTIONS BETWEEN PEOPLE AND THE  
19 RESERVOIR OF ANIMALS THAT CARRY THE FLEAS THAT SPREAD FLEA-  
20 BORNE TYPHUS. I LIVE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD IF YOU LOOK AT THE  
21 CAMERA, YOU SEE POSSUMS, SKUNKS, COYOTES. I LIVE NEXT TO A  
22 PARK AREA, THAT IS COMMON. WE ALL HAVE TO DO OUR PART  
23 INCLUDING THE CITY AND THE COUNTY TO REDUCE THE ATTRACTION OF  
24 THOSE ANIMALS THAT ARE THE RESERVOIR FOR FLEA-BORNE TYPHUS  
25 WALKING THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.



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2 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: I KNOW YOU HAVE EPIDEMIOLOGISTS THAT  
3 WORK WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT. EVEN IF THERE WAS A VISUAL TO SHOW  
4 ENCAMPMENTS WITH THE OUTBREAKS, TO DISTINGUISH THE FACT, OF  
5 COURSE WE KNOW, I THINK THAT WE ARE RIGHT TO HIGHLIGHT, PEOPLE  
6 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ARE MORE AT RISK, THAT DOESN'T MAKE  
7 THEM THE CAUSE. ENTIRELY OR OVERWHELMINGLY, OR IN THIS CASE,  
8 EVEN CLOSE TO A MAJORITY. SO I JUST REALLY WANTED TO MAKE SURE  
9 THAT WE DISTINGUISH THAT. I HAVE NOW SEEN IT REPEATEDLY AND  
10 ASKED DIRECTLY. I WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR WE ARE ON THE RECORD  
11 ABOUT THAT. I'M GLAD THAT WE HIGHLIGHTED THE NEED FOR SOME OF  
12 THE INTERVENTIONS OF MAKING SURE THAT WE AREN'T CUTTING BACK  
13 ON FLEA PREVENTION FOR THE PETS OR OTHER THINGS THAT CAN HELP  
14 TO REDUCE THIS. I APPRECIATE YOUR DEPARTMENT'S EDUCATION AND  
15 AWARENESS OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO PREVENT.

16

17 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR  
18 BRINGING THIS ISSUE TO THE FOREFRONT TODAY. DR. FERRER, THANK  
19 YOU. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE SEEN SOME INCREASES IN THE WESTLAKE  
20 MACARTHUR PARK AREA. I THINK THAT MORE COLLABORATION WITH THE  
21 CITY AND OUR OTHER CITIES WOULD REALLY BE HELPFUL. SO I WANT  
22 TO SEE THAT AS WE MOVE FORWARD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH SUPERVISOR  
23 MITCHELL FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS  
24 FOR MEMBERS, LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

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1 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME  
2 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ALI. FOR FINAL REMINDER, TO  
3 ADDRESS ITEM 16, IF NOT DONE SO, USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE  
4 ON DEVICE OR STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE NOW. OKAY. MADAM CHAIR,  
5 NO REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION  
6 FOR ITEM 16 CONCLUDED. IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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8 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS ALI SPEAKING.  
9 RESIDENT OF SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3. SO I WORK IN THE HEALTHCARE  
10 INDUSTRY, I'VE BEEN IN THERE FOR OVER 5-PLUS YEARS. I WANTED  
11 TO GIVE SOME OF MY OPINIONS WITH THIS MATTER. SO I OBVIOUSLY  
12 PREVENTION IS IMPORTANT AND WE HOPE THAT SINCE A SUBSTANTIAL  
13 AMOUNT OF OUR RESIDENTS DO HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE, MAYBE THERE  
14 COULD BE SOMETHING THAT COULD BE WORKED OUT IN THE NEAR FUTURE  
15 WHERE PETS COULD BE VACCINATED OR THERE SHOULD BE SOME  
16 PREVENTION MECHANISMS AS WELL. MY OTHER QUESTION THAT I HAVE  
17 IS THAT, YES, HOMELESSNESS, OR HOMELESS PEOPLE, UNHOUSED  
18 PEOPLE ARE SUSCEPTIBLE. WHAT MEASURES ARE WE TAKING TO EDUCATE  
19 THEM ON THIS? THAT IS THE KEY QUESTION THAT I HAD. I DO THINK  
20 THAT DEPUTY FERRER FOR THE PRESENTATION. THANK YOU AGAIN.

21

22 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
23 OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

24

25 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: ITEM 16 BEFORE YOU.



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2 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I'LL  
3 SECOND. TO APPROVE THE ITEM EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE  
4 ROLL.

5

6 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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

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10 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
11 HORVATH.

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13 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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15 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
16 HAHN.

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18 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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20 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR  
21 BARGER.

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23 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

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25 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR



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1 SOLIS.

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3 >> SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

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5 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS AYE. MOTION

6 CARRIES. 5-0 NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 20. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

7 JOINING US REMOTELY, TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE

8 RAISED HAND FEATURE. IF ON-LINE. OR STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE.

9 JOSEPH NICCHITTA, ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SARAH MAHIN,

10 DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING AND OSCAR VALDEZ,

11 AUDITOR CONTROLLER WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION. PLEASE STATE YOUR

12 NAME AND TITLE WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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14 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: CEO.

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16 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: GOOD AFTERNOON. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS

17 OF THE BOARD. SO IF YOU RECALL BACK IN FEBRUARY, WE HAVE

18 RECEIVED SOME REPORTS OF COUNTY CONTRACTORS WHO HAVE FUNDING

19 AGREEMENTS WITH CONCERNS NOT BEING PAID ON TIME. WE LOOKED AT

20 THIS. I SENT LETTER OVER TO LAHSA LETTING HER KNOW THAT WE

21 WOULD INITIATE A REVIEW. THIS IS HOW THIS SNOWBALL STARTED.

22 SUBSEQUENT TO THAT, ON, WE HAD AN ITEM IN FRONT OF YOUR BOARD,

23 DURING WHICH WE WERE DIRECTED TO REPORT BACK ON A PLAN TO PAY

24 PROVIDERS FOR COUNTY FUNDED PROGRAMS THROUGH LAHSA AND REPORT

25 BACK TO YOUR BOARD ON THE OUTCOMES OF THE REVIEW AND ON THAT



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1 PLAN. THAT IS WHY WE ARE BACK HERE TODAY. I WANT TO JUST TALK  
2 ABOUT THREE ASPECTS THAT WE HAVE DONE. FIRST IN FEBRUARY. WE  
3 DID FILE REPORT YESTERDAY, LAYING WHERE WE ARE WITH THAT  
4 REVIEW. AS A GENERAL MATTER, I WILL SAY BEFORE, KIND OF SET  
5 THE STAGE AND THEN AUDITOR CONTROLLER CAN PROVIDE MORE  
6 SPECIFICS. AS A GENERAL MATTER, OUR REVIEW IS COMPLETE. WHERE  
7 IT IS AT IN THE PROCESS IS THAT IT IS, IT HAS BEEN SENT OVER  
8 TO LAHSA. THEY HAVE OPPORTUNITY AND RIGHT TO REVIEW AND LET US  
9 KNOW IF FACTUAL SITUATIONS WRONG AND TELL US IF THEY AGREE  
10 WITH FINDINGS OR DISAGREE, WHY NOT? SO THE REVIEW IS DONE. BUT  
11 IT IS STILL PENDING COMPLETION THROUGH THAT PROCESS THAT BACK  
12 AND FORTH WITH LAHSA. WE EXPECT THAT WILL BE COMPLETED END OF  
13 MAY. THAT LEADS US TO THE QUESTION, IF THE REVIEW IS STILL  
14 PENDING, WHAT ARE WE ABLE TO DO TO ENSURE THAT OUR COUNTY  
15 FUNDED CONTRACTORS GET THEIR PAYMENTS ON TIME BEFORE THE END  
16 OF THE FISCAL YEAR. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE MAY AND THEN JUNE AND  
17 THEN THE FISCAL YEAR IS OVER. BECAUSE OUR REVIEW IS DONE, WE  
18 HAVE BEEN ABLE TO, YOU KNOW, WITH THE STRONG SUPPORT OF THE  
19 AUDITOR CONTROLLER, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY SOME  
20 CORRECTIVE ACTIONS THAT WE CAN TAKE NOW, SOME WAYS TO MAKE OUR  
21 PROCESS QUICKER THROUGH LAHSA. ESSENTIALLY WHAT IS HAPPENING  
22 RIGHT NOW, LAHSA TAKES A LOT OF TIME UPFRONT TO RECONCILE  
23 INVOICES BEFORE THEY ISSUE THE NEXT QUARTERLY ADVANCE. WORKING  
24 WITH THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER, WE HAVE SUBMITTED YESTERDAY A  
25 PROPOSAL TO STREAMLINE THE PAYMENT OF QUARTERLY ADVANCES UP TO



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1 80% OF THE TOLD FOR EACH CONTRACTOR. WITHOUT CONDUCTING A PRE-  
2 REVIEW OF INVOICES. THE INVOICES WILL STILL BE REVIEWED. THERE  
3 WILL STILL BE A RECONCILIATION OF ALL OF THE INVOICES. JUST  
4 NOT BEFORE THE NEXT ADVANCE TAKES PLACE. A COUPLE REASONS FOR  
5 THAT. ONE IS, BECAUSE RECONCILIATION WILL STILL TAKE PLACE, WE  
6 BELIEVE THAT IT MINIMIZES ANY RISK THAT WE HAVE IN ELIMINATING  
7 THAT AS AN INITIAL STEP. NUMBER TWO, BECAUSE RECONCILING  
8 INVOICES IS A VERY TIME INTENSIVE PROCESS, IT DOES PUSH BACK  
9 THE TIMING OF THAT QUARTERLY PAYMENT. WHAT WE ARE LOOKING AT  
10 IS MAKING SURE THAT THOSE PAYMENTS GO OUT ON TIME. THE LAST  
11 THING THAT I WILL SAY IS THAT, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT IMPLEMENTING  
12 A PLAN TO OVERSEE THE PAYMENT OF COUNTY CONTRACTORS, IT IS  
13 IMPORTANT TO CLARIFY THAT WE CANNOT STEP INTO THE SHOES OF  
14 LAHSA. THERE IS A SEPARATE LEGAL ENTITY. AND THE COUNTY CANNOT  
15 DISPLACE THEM FOR THE WORK THAT THEY ARE REQUIRED TO DO EITHER  
16 THROUGH THE JPA AGREEMENT OR FUNDING AGREEMENT. THAT SAID, WE  
17 HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH LAHSA LEADERSHIP AND THEY HAVE AGREED  
18 TO ALLOW A COUNTY MONITOR, CALL A MONITOR, INSTALLED AT LAHSA,  
19 ACCESS TO THEIR SYSTEMS. THIS IS READ ONLY ACCESS. WON'T BE  
20 ABLE TO MAKE CHANGES OR DIRECT ANY LAHSA STAFF. THEY WILL HAVE  
21 ALL OF THE ACCESS THAT WE BELIEVE NEEDED TO MONITOR WHAT IS  
22 HAPPENING WITH RESPECT TO COUNTY FUNDING AGREEMENT AND  
23 PAYMENTS SUPPOSED TO GO OUT UNDER THE FUNDING AGREEMENT. THE  
24 NEXT STEP IS TO FINALIZE AN MOU WITH LAHSA SO THAT THEY ARE  
25 CLEAR WHAT OUR MONITOR WILL BE DOING AND WE ARE CLEAR WHAT



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1 THEY ARE ALLOWING OUR MONITOR TO DO. WITH THOSE STEPS, IN  
2 PLACE, WE THINK THAT WE HAVE A GOOD STRATEGY FOR EXPEDITING  
3 BOTH THE PAYMENT OF QUARTERLY ADVANCES AND FOR CHECKING TO  
4 MAKE SURE THAT THE QUARTERLY ADVANCES ARE PAID AND IF THERE  
5 ARE ANY ISSUE, THOSE WILL BE SUNSHINE TO US AS SOON AS OUR  
6 MONITOR BECOMES AWARE. THERE IS MORE DETAIL PROVIDED BY THE  
7 AUDITOR CONTROLLER. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTION, I WILL HAND IT  
8 BACK TO THE BOARD MADAM CHAIR, OR IF YOU WISH, AUDITOR.

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10 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I JUST WANT TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS  
11 AND GO TO THE BOARD MEMBERS. SO AUDITOR CONTROLLER, DO WE KNOW  
12 APPROXIMATELY HOW MUCH, HOW MANY OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS LAHSA  
13 OWES PROVIDERS? DO WE HAVE AN IDEA?

14

15 >> OSCAR VALDEZ: MADAM CHAIR, OSCAR VALDEZ, AUDITOR  
16 CONTROLLER, I WILL DEFER THAT TO ROBERT CAMPBELL, WHAT THE  
17 BALANCES ARE. THAT IS ALSO PART OF THE REVIEW THAT WE HAVE  
18 RIGHT NOW. SO THE GOAL HERE IS REALLY TO FINALIZE THAT AUDIT  
19 WITH THE LAHSA. WE DID FINISH THE REVIEW MARCH 24. PROVIDED  
20 THEM WITH A PRELIMINARY SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS ON THAT DATE.  
21 WE ACTUALLY PROVIDE THEM WITH ACTUAL DRAFT OF THE REPORT THIS  
22 PAST MONDAY. SO THEY HAVE UNTIL MAY 22, THE WEEK BEFORE MAY  
23 22, BECAUSE THAT GIVES US A WEEK TO REBUT ANY TYPE OF  
24 DISAGREEMENTS WITH THE OBSERVATIONS THAT WE HAVE. THE GOAL  
25 HERE IS REALLY TO PROVIDE A LITTLE BIT MORE EFFICIENCY. I



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1 THINK THAT IT IS REALLY THE FRAMEWORK THAT WE DEVELOPED TO  
2 BASICALLY ALLOW LAHSA TO PAY THEIR CONTRACTORS A LITTLE BIT  
3 MORE TIME, LIKE JOE WAS MENTIONING. THE GOAL HERE IS TO ENSURE  
4 INDIVIDUALS, THE CONTRACTORS ARE IN GOOD STANDING. STILL  
5 ACTIVELY DELIVERING SERVICES THAT AGAIN ARE NOT DRAWING DOWN  
6 MORE THAN THE 80%. THEY NEED TO DO THE REMAINING 20%. THEY  
7 HAVE THAT ADDITIONAL DOLLARS LEFT OVER, INVOICES COME IN,  
8 THOSE ARE RECONCILED AND TRUED UP. ALSO THAT THEY ARE  
9 PROVIDING INVOICES TO LAHSA TIMING. THE GOAL HERE IS REALLY TO  
10 ENSURE THAT FEELS PROVIDERS ARE INVOICING LAHSA ON A MONTHLY  
11 BASIS. I THINK THAT THOSE PROVIDERS NEED TO ALSO PROVIDE THAT  
12 ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO THEM IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE  
13 MAKING THOSE PAYMENTS. WHAT WE DID FIND IS THAT THE COUNTY HAS  
14 BEEN ADVANCING THE QUARTERLY, YOU KNOW, ANNOUNCEMENT TO LAHSA.  
15 SITTING IN THE TRUST FUND AND HAVE THE ABILITY TO DRAW THE  
16 DOLLARS DOWN.

17

18 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO WE ARE DOING OUR PART. SOUNDS  
19 GOOD. I'LL TURN TO COLLEAGUES. I HAVE -- SUPERVISOR BARGER.  
20 YOU HAVE YOUR -- GOING IN ORDER.

21

22 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THAT. I AM  
23 JUST CURIOUS, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT, AND I KNOW THAT WE ARE IN  
24 LAHSA TOGETHER SUPERVISOR HORVATH. THEY HAVE THESE AUDITS COME  
25 THERE THROUGH, DAILY, DOLLAR SHORT, A LOT OF FRAUD TAKING



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1 PLACE. I KNOW THAT YOU ALL ARE LOOKING TO ADD 15 UNITS, I  
2 GUESS THIS QUESTION FOR YOU SARAH, 15 POSITIONS TO DO THE  
3 CONTRACT MONITORING. DO YOU THINK THAT WILL BE SUFFICIENT  
4 GIVEN THE PORTFOLIO THAT WE HAVE COMING IN-HOUSE?

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6 >> SARAH MAHIN: THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION SUPERVISOR. THIS IS  
7 SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES  
8 AND HOUSING. I'LL TALK MORE ABOUT THIS IN MY PRESENTATION ON  
9 ITEM 31 IS. BUT WE HAVE, ACTUALLY 29 POSITIONS THAT WE WILL  
10 HAVE THAT WILL BE DOING CONTRACT MONITORING. EXISTING  
11 POSITIONS THAT WE TRANSFERRED OVER FROM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
12 SERVICES. SO WE ARE HIRING 15 MORE POSITIONS DOUBLING THE  
13 NUMBER OF CONTRACT MONITORING STAFF THAT WE HAVE. WE WILL BE  
14 CAREFULLY MONITORING THAT. TO ENSURE THAT IT IS SUFFICIENT  
15 CAPACITY.

16

17 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU FOR THAT. WHAT I WILL SAY  
18 IS, YOU KNOW, THIS IS A SITUATION THAT QUITE FRANKLY IS  
19 EXACERBATED BY, WITH LAHSA, BY POOR BOOKKEEPING, POOR PAYMENT  
20 THAT PREDATES THIS COUNTY GOING IN AND PULLING THE CONTRACTS  
21 AND BRINGING IT IN-HOUSE. LAHSA HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WRITE  
22 THE SHIFT. I DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY ARE WITH FINDING A  
23 PERMANENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. BUT I HOPE THAT WE ARE LOOKING  
24 AT THAT BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, YOU HAVE AN ACTING, AND AS ACTING,  
25 THAT IS FINE. I DON'T KNOW IF SHE WANTS IT OR NOT. I THINK



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1 THAT IT IS TIME TO START TO BUILD AN INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING  
2 A FISCAL INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WILL REALLY REFLECT WHAT IS  
3 NEEDED FOR LAHSA. I THINK THAT, I DON'T THINK, I KNOW THAT WE  
4 DID THEM A FAVOR BY PULLING THE CONTRACTS. THEY WERE FAR MORE  
5 UNDER WATER THAN ANY OF US REALIZED. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY  
6 FOR US TO ACTUALLY DELIVER TO OUR COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE  
7 EXPECTATIONS BASED ON THE NEW SALES TAX. AS TO HOW THAT MONEY  
8 IS GOING TO BE SPENT. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO, YOU KNOW, HAVING  
9 MORE OF THESE DISCUSSIONS, I THINK THAT WE SHOULD. IN FAIRNESS  
10 TO TRANSPARENCY. I HOPE THAT LAHSA WILL CONSIDER, THE BOARD OF  
11 LAHSA WILL CONSIDER WHAT THEIR NEXT STEP IS THAT RELATES TO AN  
12 ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VERSUS A PERMANENT EXECUTIVE  
13 DIRECTOR. THANK YOU.

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15 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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17 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: I AGREE. I KNOW THAT SOME OF THE  
18 CONTRACT OVERSIGHT WE SAW WAS, YOU KNOW, WAS NOT QUITE THE  
19 ANALYSIS I THINK THAT ONE EXPECTS OF DOCUMENTS THAT ARE COMING  
20 THROUGH. IT IS JUST, YOU KNOW, IN MANY CASES, IT WAS, HAS THIS  
21 BEEN PAID YET? THAT BEEN PAID YET? AS OPPOSED TO ACTUAL  
22 DISCERNMENT OF WHETHER SERVICE PROVISION WAS MET. WAS IT  
23 QUALITY? WAS IT DELIVERING EXPECTATIONS? I THINK THAT  
24 OPPORTUNITY NOW EXISTS WITH OUR NEW DEPARTMENT AND THE KIND OF  
25 OVERSIGHT WE ARE PROPOSING. COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE. I



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1 APPRECIATE THE DUE DILIGENCE THAT IS SPECIAL RAH RAT, WE --  
2 THAT IS SEPARATE, FROM DOLLARS, ESPECIALLY JULY 1. I  
3 APPRECIATE YOU CEO OF YOU WITH THE DISCUSSION OF HELPING  
4 UNDERSTAND, WE HAVE INFORMATION NOW. WE WANT AUDIT BEST  
5 PRACTICES TO ALLOW FOR THE PROCESS TO TAKE ITS COURSE. WE HAVE  
6 A PENDING JULY 1 TRANSITION DATE. SO WHAT WILL WE BE ABLE TO  
7 DO WITH THE AUDIT INFORMATION SHOULD THEY COME BACK AND  
8 CONTRADICT OR DISPUTE WHATEVER IS PRESENTED THUS FAR IN OUR  
9 FINDINGS. WHAT WILL WE BE ABLE TO DO IN THE AMOUNT OF TIME  
10 THAT EXISTS BETWEEN MAY 22 AND JULY 1 TO ENSURE THAT OUR  
11 COUNTY DOLLARS WILL BE SPENT RESPONSIBLY AND TO DO THE PROPER  
12 FOLLOW-UP AND DUE DILIGENCE THAT WE ARE EXPECTING.

13

14 >> OSCAR VALDEZ: THE AUDIT THAT IS CONDUCTED, THAT IS ONE OF  
15 THE MEASURES TO CONVEY TO LAHSA, IN ORDER TO GET THE DOLLARS  
16 OUT TO THE CONTRACTORS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SAME TIME, WE NEED  
17 THE CONTRACTORS TO FULFILL THEIR RESPONSIBILITY, INVOICE AND  
18 SHOW UP. THIS WAY, OUT THERE, THEY NEED TO VERIFY THAT  
19 SERVICES ARE STILL BEING, YOU KNOW, CONDUCTED. I'M NOT SURE IF  
20 I MISSED ANYTHING ELSE.

21

22 >> ROBERT CAMPBELL: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ROBERT CAMPBELL,  
23 ASSISTANT AUDITOR CONTROLLER. PART OF OUR REVIEW, YOU KNOW, IS  
24 INTENDED TO BENEFIT LAHSA AND BENEFIT THE COUNTY'S  
25 RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM IN ANY FORM THAT IT CONTINUES IN THE



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1 FUTURE, THEY WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST IN SOME FORM. IT IS  
2 IMPORTANT THAT THEY HAVE THE BENEFIT OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS  
3 THAT THEY HAVE A CONSULTANT IN-HOUSE RIGHT NOW, THAT IS ALSO  
4 LOOKING AT ASSISTING THEM AND RE-ENGINEERING THEIR BUSINESS  
5 PROCESSES. BUT THERE ARE CERTAINLY AREAS THAT I THINK THAT WE  
6 HAVE IDENTIFIED FOR IMPROVEMENT. OUR RECONCILIATION PROCESS  
7 WITH LAHSA IS GOING TO SPAN BEYOND THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR.  
8 AND SO WE BELIEVE THAT HAVING RAISED THESE ISSUES, PRESENTED  
9 THEM, IN THE DRAFT FORM THAT THEY ARE NOW, THEY ALREADY HAVE  
10 THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE A BENEFIT BEYOND JUST, INFORMING THIS  
11 EXPEDITED PAYMENT PROCESS AND HELPING US TO GAIN SOME  
12 ASSURANCE AROUND THE RISK PROFILE OF THAT. BUT ALSO, THEY  
13 PROVIDE INSIGHTS, I THINK THAT ARE GOING TO BE POTENTIALLY  
14 BENEFICIAL TO THE COUNTY AS WE ONBOARD AND OPERATIONALIZE OUR  
15 OWN MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT OF THE SERVICES SO THAT, TO THE  
16 EXTENT, THERE WERE PRACTICES THAT WE CAN IMPROVE ON OR GAPS.  
17 THAT WE HAVE THE BENEFIT OF LEARNING FROM THAT AND NOT MAKING  
18 THE SAME MISTAKES.

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20 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: IT IS CLEAR, I THINK THAT LAHSA HAS  
21 BEEN CLEAR WITH US, THAT THEY ARE FACING CHALLENGES HIRING,  
22 MAINTAINING CAPACITY IN THEIR FINANCE AND BUDGET UNITS. I KNOW  
23 THAT WE OFFERED STAFF TO THEM, THEY INSTEAD CHOSE TO HIRE  
24 TEMPORARY STAFF AND I THINK THAT IS THE, THOSE ARE THE  
25 CONTRACTORS THAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT. TO HELP WITH THIS



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1 WORK THOUGH IT TOOK SOME TIME, WE COULD HAVE PROVIDED THROUGH  
2 THE COUNTY, THEY OPTED FOR OUTSIDE GROUP. BUT WHY DID IT TAKE  
3 SO LONG FOR OUR ONE COUNTY, I THINK YOU CALLED THEM MONITOR TO  
4 BE ABLE TO COME INTO THIS, THIS WAS DIRECTED, YOU KNOW, BACK  
5 MARCH 3.

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7 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: SO IT IS A GREAT QUESTION. THERE ARE TWO  
8 THINGS THAT WE ARE DISCUSSING WITH LAHSA ABOUT STAFFING IN  
9 GENERAL. SO NUMBER ONE, IN TERMS OF OUR MONITOR, WE HAD TO  
10 IDENTIFY SOMEBODY READY, WILLING AND ABLE TO GO IN AND DO THIS  
11 WORK. WE WERE FORTUNATE TO HAVE SOMEBODY THAT AUDITOR CONTROL  
12 IDENTIFIED TO DO IT. WE NEEDED ALSO TO HAVE A STRATEGY FOR HOW  
13 WE WERE GOING TO IMPROVE OR IMPLEMENT OUR IMPROVEMENT PROCESS  
14 AND SO THE MONITOR IS REALLY COMING ON-LINE AT THE SAME TIME  
15 THAT OUR IMPROVEMENT PROCESS IS COMING ON-LINE. IN TERMS OF  
16 THE, LIKE THE STAFFING LEVELS THAT LAHSA GENERALLY, WE HAVE  
17 SINCE, INITIALLY THEY WERE LOOKING AT STAFFING AGENCIES, TO  
18 SUPPORT, SINCE THAT TIME, WE OPENED UP A DIALOGUE WITH THE  
19 LEADERSHIP IN WHICH THEY HAVE ASKED US TO HELP IDENTIFY PEOPLE  
20 WHO HAVE A CERTAIN LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE WHO COME IN AS LAHSA  
21 EMPLOYEES AND HELP SHORE UP THE FISCAL. THAT IS THE SECOND  
22 THING THAT WE ARE DOING, WE ARE NOT JUST GOING IN AND DOING A  
23 REVIEW AND TELLING THEM, YOU KNOW, HERE IS WHAT WE FOUND AND  
24 YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN. WE ARE LOOKING FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO  
25 ARE WILLING AND QUALIFIED WHO CAN GO INTO LAHSA AND SHORE UP



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1 THE FINANCIAL OPERATION AS WELL. THERE IS A, THERE ARE A  
2 HANDFUL OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY ARE WILLING TO  
3 BE INTERVIEWED BY LAHSA AS WELL. I THINK THE TIMING ISN'T  
4 PERFECT. BUT IT TOOK SOME TIME TO JUST UNDERSTAND WHAT WAS  
5 EVEN HAPPENING AT LAHSA. ONCE I UNDERSTOOD IT, THE REVIEW  
6 DIDN'T CONCLUDE THAT LONG AGO, I THINK THAT IT WAS A WEEK AGO?  
7 THE 24TH. WE HAD, SINCE THAT TIME, MOBILIZED TO FIND SOMEBODY  
8 TO INSTALL AS A MONITOR.

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10 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: YOU MENTIONED THAT LAHSA HAD TO AGREE  
11 WITH IT. NOT ONCE YOU RECEIVE THE DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD,  
12 YOU COULD GO RIGHT IN. THERE WAS SOME NEGOTIATION BACK AND  
13 FORTH I UNDERSTAND.

14

15 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: WE HAD DISCUSSION. DISCUSSIONS LAST WEEK.  
16 YESTERDAY, TALKED TO THE INTERIM CEO AND FINALIZED THE PATH  
17 FORWARD FOR PUTTING THE MONITOR IN.

18

19 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: ALL OF THAT LETS US KNOW THAT EVEN  
20 THOUGH THAT WE WILL NOT INITIATE NEW CONTRACTS, BEGINNING JULY  
21 1, I THINK THAT IT IS FAIR TO ASSUME THAT THERE WILL BE SOME  
22 TIME AFTER JULY 1 WHERE OUR COUNTY OVERSIGHT WILL CONTINUE TO  
23 BE NEEDED INSIDE LAHSA, NOT ONLY FOR CLOSING OUT OUR BOOKS,  
24 AND COMPLETE THE TRANSITION THAT WE HAVE INITIATED, BUT TO  
25 HELP MAKE SENSE OF WHAT WILL HAPPEN NEXT, I THINK WITH THE



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1 CHANGES IN FEDERAL FUNDING THAT WILL CERTAINLY IMPACT WHAT  
2 LAHSA CAN AND CAN'T DO AS THE COC, AND OTHER FUNCTIONS, IF  
3 THEY CAN'T MANAGE HMIS, THAT IS SEVERE HINDRANCE TO ENTIRE  
4 REGION TO DELIVER SERVICES. THERE ARE FUNCTIONS THAT WILL  
5 CONTINUE TO LIVE AT LAHSA, IF THEY SUFFER BECAUSE OF THE  
6 FEDERAL CUTS, AND THEIR INABILITY TO ORGANIZE THEMSELVES, THEN  
7 YOU KNOW, THERE IS GOING TO BE MORE WORK TO DO. SO I WOULD  
8 STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT THE PAYMENT MODEL PROCESS YOU SHARED  
9 AND THE LETTER THAT YOU RECEIVED, REMAIN IN EFFECT BEYOND JUNE  
10 30. THAT THIS INFRASTRUCTURE AND EXPERTISE NEED TO STAY AT  
11 LAHSA UNTIL THE COUNTY'S DOLLARS ARE PAID TO PROVIDERS AND  
12 CONFIDENT THAT ALL COUNTY FUNDING ADMINISTERED BY LAHSA HAS  
13 BEEN PROCESSED. SO THANK YOU FOR THE UPDATE.

14

15 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GREAT. SEEING NO FURTHER QUESTIONS  
16 FROM COLLEAGUE, THEN LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

17

18 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE  
19 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CLAUDIA. AS A FINAL  
20 REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING  
21 QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 20, IF NOT DONE SO, HIT THE RAISED HAND  
22 FEATURE OR STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE  
23 IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

24

25 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: OKAY. I WANT TO EXPRESS, YOU KNOW, THIS



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1 IS 2026. I'VE BEEN MONITORING THIS CATEGORY FOR SOMETIME NOW.  
2 TO REALIZE HOW ANTIQUATED THAT WE ARE IN UNMONITORED AND TALK  
3 ABOUT DATA CENTERS AND COMPUTERS, WE ARE SO FAR BEHIND THE  
4 POWER CURVE, IT IS EMBARRASSING. AND PAINFUL. THANK YOU.

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6 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, NO OTHER  
7 REMOTE PARTICIPANTS. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 20 IS NOW  
8 CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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10 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: VWC-DPSS, ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT I VERY,  
11 VERY GRATEFUL THAT YOU HAVE UNDERSTOOD THAT THERE WAS A  
12 PROBLEM WITH LAHSA. I AM, IMCS CASE MANAGER, I UNDERSTAND THE  
13 HMIS IS VERY IMPORTANT SYSTEM. BECAUSE I WORK WITH IT VERY  
14 WELL. HAVING ALL THAT INFORMATION BE COMPROMISED IS, YOU KNOW,  
15 VERY CRITICAL FOR US. SO I UNDERSTAND THAT I SAY COMPROMISE,  
16 AND I'M NOT SEEING THAT PEOPLE ARE COMPROMISING, I'M JUST  
17 SAYING THAT, YOU KNOW, IF THE BOARD HAS HAD TO COME IN THERE  
18 AND INTERVENE, IT WAS VERY NECESSARY THAT EVERYTHING WAS, YOU  
19 KNOW, UP TO DATE. IT WAS CORRECTLY PERFORMED AND I KNEW IT  
20 WASN'T. I AM, I AM A I-M-C-S CASE MANAGER AND SOME  
21 IMPROVEMENTS THAT WERE NEEDED. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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23 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
24 OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

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1 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: THIS REPORT RECEIVED AND FILED.

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3 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL  
4 BE THE ORDER.

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6 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 31. VERBAL  
7 PRESENTATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING  
8 HELD FOR REPORT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US  
9 REMOTELY, TO COMMENT ON THE ITEM USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE  
10 ON ON-LINE STAR 3. SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS SERVICES  
11 AND HOUSING, MAKING A PRESENTATION. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL  
12 SPEAKER, STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE AS YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

13

14 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU SARAH. WILL YOU BEGIN.

15

16 >> SARAH MAHIN: GOOD AFTERNOON. SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR OF  
17 HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING, I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU  
18 TO OUR CHIEF PROGRAM OFFICER, LIPA. AND CHIEF OFFICER, MICHAEL  
19 EUGENE WHO PLAY A KEY ROLE IN PROCESSES. I WANT TO EXPRESS  
20 APPRECIATION TO OSCAR AND TEAM AND AUDITOR CONTROLLER FOR  
21 PARTNERSHIP AS WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS REPORT BACK AND  
22 REVIEWING ALL OF THE CONTRACT MONITORING PROCESSES. NEXT  
23 SLIDE. FEBRUARY 3, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPTED A MOTION  
24 INSTRUCTING HSH TO PARTNER WITH AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO CONFIRM  
25 CONTRACT ISSUANCE, IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING PROTOCOLS AND



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1 PROCEDURES FOR HSH, ROBUST YET EFFICIENT. AS PART OF  
2 DEVELOPING, HSH MONITORING FUNCTION, THE MOTION DIRECTED HSH  
3 TO UNDERTAKE A NUMBER OF CONTRACT PROCEDURES THAT ARE OUTLINED  
4 BEFORE YOU. THE MOTION ALSO INSTRUCTED HSH TO EXPLORE  
5 CONTRACTING WITH THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER FOR CERTAIN OVERSIGHT  
6 FUNCTIONS. THIS COULD INCLUDE MONITORING CONTRACTORS WHO  
7 RECEIVE A HIGH RISK ASSESSMENT SCORE. HSH SUBMITTED A WRITTEN  
8 REPORT BACK ON APRIL 3 RESPONDING TO THE DIRECTIVES. I'M HERE  
9 TO PROVIDE OVERVIEW OF THE REPORT BACK AND ANSWER YOUR  
10 QUESTIONS. NEXT SLIDE. HSH IS MODELING ITS CONTRACT AND  
11 MONITORING FRAMEWORK ON THE STRUCTURE PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED  
12 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE HOUSING FOR  
13 HEALTH PROGRAM. HOUSING FOR HEALTH STRAIGHTFORWARD AND  
14 FLEXIBLE APPROACH TO CONTRACTING THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF  
15 HOUSING AND/OR SERVICES MASTER AGREEMENT, SUSHMA, PROVIDES THE  
16 FOUNDATION FOR HMH CONTRACTING. IT INCORPORATES KEY  
17 CONTRACTING, ALIGNED WITH THE BOARDS FOR TRANSPARENCY AND  
18 PUBLIC TRUST BY OFFERING CONTRACTORS EQUITABLE ACCESS,  
19 FLEXIBILITY, WHILE STILL HOLDING TRUE TO HAVING CLEAR  
20 EXPECTATIONS AND TIMELY PAYMENTS. USING HOUSING FOR HEALTH  
21 FRAMEWORK AT HSH, WILL PROMOTE CONTINUITY AND FAMILIARITY FOR  
22 OUR VALUED PROVIDER PARTNERS AND THE DEPARTMENTAL STAFF WHO  
23 ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING AGREEMENTS THAT WERE  
24 TRANSITIONED TO HSH FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.  
25 ULTIMATELY, THIS REDUCES ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN AND SUPPORTS A



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1 SEAMLESS TRANSITION TO HSH OVERSIGHT. WHILE BUILDING UPON THIS  
2 FOUNDATION, HSH, WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE AUDITOR  
3 CONTROLLER TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN OUR CONTRACTING AND  
4 MONITORING PROCESSES. NEXT SLIDE. IN FISCAL YEAR 26-27, HSH  
5 WILL USE STANDARDIZED CONTRACT TEMPLATES THAT HAVE BEEN  
6 REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY COUNTY COUNSEL ACROSS ITS VARIOUS  
7 AGREEMENT TYPES. STANDARDIZED CONTRACT TEMPLATES WILL INCLUDE  
8 CLEARLY DEFINED COPEs OF WORK, WITH SPECIFIC DELIVERABLES AND  
9 REQUIREMENTS. AUDIT RIGHTS AND ACCESS PRIVILEGES FOR HSH AND  
10 THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER AS WELL AS ROBUST TERMINATION  
11 PROVISIONS. HSH WILL CONTINUE TO ACTIVELY MONITOR CONTRACTS  
12 USING SEVERAL BEST PRACTICES, THAT WERE ESTABLISHES AT HOUSING  
13 FOR HEALTH AND WE CARRIED FORWARD TO HSH. TO SET CLEAR  
14 EXPECTATIONS AND SHARED UNDERSTANDING OF CONTRACT PURPOSE, HSH  
15 CONDUCTS AN INITIAL KICKOFF MEETING WITH CONTRACTORS TO  
16 COMMUNICATE OUR REQUIREMENTS, TO CLARIFY ANY EXPECTATIONS, AND  
17 TO EXPLAIN THE ROLE OF OUR CONTRACT MONITORING. WE CONDUCT  
18 BOTH SCHEDULED AND UNANNOUNCED SITE VISITS TO ENSURE THE  
19 QUALITY OF SERVICES AND MEET WITH THE STAFF WHO ARE BILLED TO  
20 OUR CONTRACTS. WE ALSO COORDINATE WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES TO  
21 INSPECT CONTRACT AT SITES AND ENSURE QUALITY STANDARDS ARE MET  
22 AND ADDRESS ANY REQUIRED CORRECTIVE ACTIONS. EACH HSH  
23 CONTRACTED SITE THAT PROVIDE SERVICES IS ASSESSED FOR RISK AND  
24 NON-COMPLIANCE AND PLACED ON A MONITORING SCHEDULE THAT ALIGNS  
25 WITH THE RISK LEVEL. HSH MONITORS PROGRAMS USING CLEARLY



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1 DEFINED PERFORMANCE MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT SERVICE DELIVERY  
2 COMPLIES WITH CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS. HSH PROGRAM MANAGERS  
3 SUPPLEMENT THIS ONGOING REVIEW WITH ANNUAL REVIEW AS WE DID  
4 PREVIOUSLY AT HOUSING FOR HEALTH. HSH WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO  
5 MONITOR HOW CONTRACTED AGENCIES ARE ADHERING TO THE POLICIES  
6 AND PROCEDURES THAT ARE OUTLINED IN THE CONTRACT. THIS WILL  
7 CONSIST OF AN ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF CONTRACTOR  
8 ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS SUCH AS STAFFING, QUALIFICATIONS  
9 AND VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE AND RETENTION. BACKGROUND CHECK  
10 POLICIES, STAFF TRAINING, PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, JOB  
11 DESCRIPTIONS AND INSURANCE COMPLIANCE. HSH WILL ALSO CONTINUE  
12 TO MONITOR HOW CONTRACTED AGENCIES ADHERE TO THE POLICIES AND  
13 PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE CONTRACT. AND THE UPCOMING FISCAL  
14 YEAR, HSH WILL EXPAND HOW WE ARE CONDUCTING FISCAL MONITORING.  
15 THIS WILL CONSIST OF COMPREHENSIVE INDEPTH ANNUAL REVIEW OF  
16 INVOICES AND INTERNAL CONTROLS, ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND  
17 PROCEDURES, COST ALLOCATION PLANS, REVENUE REPORTING,  
18 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, GOVERNANCE, ADVANCED PAYMENTS, AND  
19 FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT REQUIREMENTS. FISCAL MONITORING WILL  
20 CONTINUE TO ALIGN WITH THE AUDITOR CONTROLLERS CONTRACT  
21 ACCOUNTING AND ADMINISTRATION HANDBOOK AND COUNTY FISCAL  
22 MANUAL STAND STANDARDS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THESE  
23 ACTIONS WILL NOT BE TAKEN IN SILOS. MEMBERS OF EACH OF THE  
24 TEAM'S PERFORMING THESE OVERSIGHT DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS, ALONG  
25 WITH HSH'S OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE, RISK, SAFETY AND PRIVACY,



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1 WILL COLLABORATIVELY CONDUCT REVIEWS AND IDENTIFY AREAS OF  
2 RISK TO ADDRESS CONTRACT PERFORMANCE ISSUES. NEXT SLIDE. THE  
3 PROTOCOLS OUTLINED ON THIS SLIDE WILL CONTINUE IN THE BEST  
4 PRACTICES ESTABLISHED AT HOUSING FORGE HEALTH. THESE PROTOCOLS  
5 ARE UNDER WAY FOR AGREEMENTS THAT TRANSITION FROM HOUSING FOR  
6 HEALTH AND WILL BE IMPLEMENTED NEXT FISCAL YEAR FOR ALL OTHER  
7 AGREEMENTS THAT HSH HOLDS. TO ENSURE PUBLIC FUNDS ARE  
8 SUPPORTING HIGH QUALITY SERVICES, HSH WILL CONTINUE TO  
9 IMPLEMENT CORRECTIVE MEASURES WHEN NECESSARY. HSH ISSUES  
10 CONTRACTOR DISCREPANCY REPORTS WHEN CONTRACTORS DO NOT MEET  
11 PERFORMANCE OR OTHER COMPLIANCE STANDARDS. WE REQUIRE AND  
12 MONITOR CORRECTIVE ACTIONS THROUGH CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS.  
13 THAT INCLUDES SPECIFIC REMEDIATION STEPS AND TIMELINES. THE  
14 TEAMS ACROSS THE PROGRAMS, CONTRACTS, FINANCE AND RISK, WORK  
15 TOGETHER TO ESTABLISH THESE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS. WE  
16 CONSULT WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND AUDITOR CONTROLLER AS NEEDED.  
17 WE WILL CONTINUE TO IMPOSE CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE AND  
18 TO ESCALATE PRO-ACTIVELY BY PERFORMING REVIEWS ON AN ONGOING  
19 BASIS UNTIL ACTION PLANS ARE CLOSED. BRINGING MULTIPLE UNITS  
20 TOGETHER AND ACTIVE MONITORING ALLOWS A MORE COMPREHENSIVE AND  
21 STRATEGIC APPROACH AND OVERSIGHT. THIS IS -- THAT REALLY BY  
22 PERFORMING A DEPARTMENT DEDICATED TO THE MISSION, WE REALLY  
23 ARE ABLE TO BRING THESE TEAMS TOGETHER IN A WAY THAT WE  
24 HAVEN'T PREVIOUSLY. HSH WILL ALSO IMPLEMENT MONITORING  
25 PROTOCOLS THAT INCORPORATE CLIENT FEEDBACK ON THE QUALITY OF



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1 THE SERVICES THAT ARE RENDERED. HSH CONTRACTS INCLUDE A  
2 PROVISION REQUIRING CONTRACTORS TO DEVELOP AND ANALYZE ANNUAL  
3 SURVEY TO ASSESS CLIENT SATISFACTION AND PROVIDE THE COUNTY  
4 WITH THE RESULTS. HSH IS IMPLEMENTING PROTOCOLS THAT ENSURE  
5 FISCAL INTEGRITY AND VERIFY THAT SERVICES HAVE BEEN DELIVERED  
6 TO PARTICIPANTS. HSH WILL IMPLEMENT IN REAL-TIME AND ADDRESS  
7 ISSUES IMMEDIATELY RATHER THAN PERFORMING THEM IN ARREARS FOR  
8 THE PAST FISCAL YEAR. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE DID AT HOUSING  
9 FOR HEALTH, WHERE WE ARE REVIEWING SERVICES ON AN ONGOING  
10 BASIS AND MONTHLY ISSUING CONTRACT DISCREPANCY REPORTS WHEN  
11 THE EXPECTATIONS ARE NOT MET. HSH WILL CONTINUE TO REQUIRE  
12 CLIENT IDENTIFICATION FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS, SERVICES AND  
13 PERMANENT HOUSING. WE REVIEW CONTRACTOR INVOICES AGAINST  
14 PROGRAM AND CLIENT LEVEL DATA, CROSS REFERENCING SERVICE  
15 RECORDS, PRIOR TO AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS. HSH WILL ACTIVELY  
16 MONITOR AND ANALYZE INVOICE PROCESSING TO ENSURE PAYMENTS ARE  
17 MADE IN A TIMELY MANNER. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY, HSH  
18 WILL ISSUE PAYMENTS TO CERTIFY LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS  
19 ENTERPRISES WITHIN 15 DAYS OF RECEIVING AN APPROVED,  
20 UNDISPUTED INVOICE. ALL OF THE CONTRACTORS WILL BE PAID WITHIN  
21 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT TO ALLOW FOR MORE TIME TO MAKE CORRECTIONS  
22 AND RESUBMIT FOR PAYMENT. WE'LL BE REPORTING THIS TO THE BOARD  
23 ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. HSH WILL IMPLEMENT A PRO-ACTIVE RISK  
24 MANAGEMENT APPROACH TO CONTRACTOR OVERSIGHT. ENABLING THE  
25 DEPARTMENT TO FOCUS ON MONITORING RESOURCES FOR THE RISK OF



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1 NON-COMPLIANCE OR FRAUD IS THE HIGHEST. AS PART OF THIS  
2 PROCESS, THE DEPARTMENT WILL UPDATE AND APPLY A RISK  
3 ASSESSMENT SCORE FOR BOTH NEW AND EXISTING CONTRACTORS. THESE  
4 AREAS INCLUDE THE SIZE OF A CONTRACT, THE EXPERIENCE OF THE  
5 CONTRACTOR, PAST PERFORMANCE, AUDIT FINDING, AND OTHER  
6 FACTORS. LOW SCORES RESULT IN STANDARD SAMPLING, MEDIUM SCORES  
7 IN EXPANDED SAMPLING AND HIGH SCORES RESULT IN MUCH MORE  
8 FREQUENT MONITORING. SOMETIMES THAT MEANS WE ARE ON-SITE 40  
9 HOURS A WEEK. CONTRACTORS WITH SERIOUS UNRESOLVED FINDINGS AND  
10 FAILED TO IMPROVE, SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION OF  
11 AGREEMENT. NEXT SLIDE. THE AUDITOR CONTROLLERS COUNTY WIDE  
12 CONTRACT MONITORING REVISION REVIEWED SAMPLES OF CONTRACTING  
13 AND MONITORING DOCUMENTS, OUR POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND  
14 GUIDANCE MATERIALS TO CONSOLIDATE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HSH AND  
15 OUR IMPROVEMENT. THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER, IDENTIFIED  
16 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT, IN THREE DIFFERENT AREAS THAT  
17 YOU SEE BEFORE YOU. ON THE FIRST IS CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. THE  
18 AUDITOR CONTROLLER RECOMMENDED THAT OUR CONTRACT DOCUMENTS  
19 INCLUDE DEFINE PERFORMANCE MEASURES OR KEY PERFORMANCE  
20 MEASURES KPI WHICH WE'LL DO TO INCORPORATE KPIs DEVELOPED BY  
21 THE BEST PRACTICES OF CARE COMMITTEE UNDER THE EXECUTIVE  
22 COMMITTEE UNDER REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT. IN THE PROCESS OF  
23 PUTTING THOSE IN, EFFECTIVE JULY 1. CONTRACTS SHOULD ALSO  
24 ADDRESS PAYMENT ADVANCES, CLEARLY SPECIFY HOW UNSPENT FUNDS  
25 WILL BE RECOVERED. THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER RECOMMENDED THAT OUR



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1 CONTRACTS INCLUDE PROVISIONS FOR YEAR END COST REPORTING  
2 REQUIREMENTS. WE ARE BUILDING THOSE IN. FINALLY, HSH CONTRACT  
3 TEMPLATES SHOULD INCLUDE FUNCTIONAL LENGTH TO ENSURE EASY  
4 ACCESS TO IMPORTANT RESOURCES SUCH AS THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S  
5 HANDBOOK. THE SECOND AREA OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AUDITOR  
6 CONTROLLER, ARE AROUND MONITORING TOOLS, POLICIES, PROCEDURES,  
7 AND ACCOUNTING PROTOCOLS. AND WHAT WAS RECOMMENDED IS THAT AS  
8 WE INCORPORATE THE KPIS INTO OUR CONTRACTS, THAT WE INTEGRATE  
9 THOSE INTO OUR CORRESPONDING PROCEDURES, AND TO THE PROGRAM  
10 MONITORING TOOLS THAT WE ARE USING TO BE OVERSEEING THE  
11 QUALITY OF THE SERVICES. THE THIRD, IS, HAS TO DO WITH RISK  
12 ASSESSMENT, MONITORING SCHEDULES AND STAFFING STRUCTURES. SO  
13 FINALLY, TO STRENGTHEN HSH'S CONTRACT MONITORING CAPACITY, WE,  
14 AUDITOR CONTROLLER RECOMMENDED THAT WE CONSIDER LEVERAGING THE  
15 AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S EXPERTISE TO SUPPORT MONITORING FOR A  
16 SUBSET OF HIGH RISK CONTRACTS. NEXT SLIDE. TO PREPARE FOR THE  
17 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROTOCOLS OUTLINED IN THE REPORT, HSH IS  
18 ACTIVELY RECRUITING 15 CONTRACT MONITORING STAFF TO PREPARE  
19 FOR THE FY26-27 MONITORING SCHEDULE. THIS WILL DOUBLE THE  
20 NUMBER OF CONTRACT MONITORING STAFF THAT WE HAVE ON BOARD  
21 TODAY. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ASSESS STAFFING LEVELS AND  
22 WORKLOADS THROUGHOUT FY26-27. AND IF NECESSARY, SEEK  
23 ADDITIONAL FUNDING OR SHIFT OUR EXISTING FUNDING AND  
24 PRIORITIES AROUND TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE APPROPRIATE STAFF TO  
25 WORKLOAD ARE RATIO AND WE HAVE COMPREHENSIVE CONTRACT



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1 MONITORING THAT WE KNOW THAT THIS BOARD IS DIRECTING US AND A  
2 MAJOR GOAL OF OUR DEPARTMENT. THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER SUBMITTED  
3 A PROPOSAL TO HSH TO PERFORM MONITORING OF HSH CONTRACTS. THIS  
4 INCLUDED CONDUCTING 13 AUDITS A YEAR FOR OUR HIGHEST RISK  
5 CONTRACTORS, AT A TOTAL COST OF 1.3 MILLION. GIVEN OUR CURRENT  
6 FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS, HSH IS UNABLE TO ABSORB THE COST OF  
7 CONTRACTING WITH AUDITOR CONTROLLER NEXT FISCAL YEAR, BUT WE  
8 AGREE AND RECOGNIZE THE VALUE OF THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S  
9 EXPERTISE. WE'LL BE EXPLORING FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES IN FUTURE  
10 FISCAL YEARS AS WELL AS PURSUING ONE-TIME FUNDING THROUGH THE  
11 NEXT COUNTY BUDGET PROCESS. TO BE ABLE TO BRING THE SUPPORT  
12 IN. IN CASES OF FRAUD, WASTE, ABUSE, WE WILL CONTINUE TO REFER  
13 AND COLLABORATE WITH THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S OFFICE OF COUNTY  
14 INVESTIGATIONS. NEXT SLIDE. SO HSH CONTINUES TO BUILD ON THE  
15 FOUNDATION AND ESTABLISH A CONTRACT MONITORING, AND OVERSIGHT  
16 FRAMEWORK THAT ALIGNS WITH THE BOARD'S MANDATE FOR  
17 TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND PUBLIC TRUST. THIS FRAMEWORK  
18 IS INTENDED TO ENSURE THAT ALL FUNDS ENTRUSTED TO US BY COUNTY  
19 RESIDENTS AND PROPERLY TRACKED, AUDITED AND MONITORED, WHILE  
20 PROVIDING THE BEST POSSIBLE TO SUPPORT, TO SERVICE PROVIDERS  
21 AND THE PEOPLE THAT THEY SERVE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.  
22 I'M HAPPY TO TAKE ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS.  
23  
24 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE  
25 PRESENTATION. I'LL START WITH SUPERVISOR HORVATH.



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2 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU  
3 DIRECTOR. I APPRECIATE YOUR PRESENTATION. WE BASE THE  
4 FOUNDATION OF THE NEW DEPARTMENT ON DHS'S HOUSING FOR HEALTH  
5 PROGRAM IN PART BECAUSE IT WAS WELL RUN, IMPACTFUL, BUILT ON  
6 STRONG FISCAL AND BUDGET PROCESSES. SO IT MAKES SENSE THAT YOU  
7 ARE BRINGING THOSE PROCESSES INTO HSH. IT IS WISE TOO THAT YOU  
8 ARE STILL SEEKING PARTNERSHIP WITH THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO  
9 BUILD OUT THOSE BEST PRACTICES. WE KNOW THE INPUT FROM SERVICE  
10 PROVIDERS HOW TO BEST SUPPORT THEM AS DIRECT CONTRACTORS WILL  
11 MAKE A DIFFERENCE. IN THIS PARTICULAR TIME OF UNCERTAINTY, IT  
12 IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT THAT WE SUPPORT OUR CONTRACTED  
13 PROVIDERS WITH TIMELY PAGES, WHEN FUNDERS DON'T PAY ON TIME IT  
14 LIMITS THEIR ABILITY TO DO THEIR BEST WORK. AND AS THEY SPEND  
15 TIME WORRYING ABOUT MAKING PAYROLL OR PAYING A FOOD VENDOR,  
16 WHAT HAVE YOU, THEN THEY ARE CONSIDERING WHETHER THEY CAN  
17 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THAT EVER IS. GONE ARE THE DAYS WHEN WE  
18 ARE PASSING FUNDING THROUGH LAHSA, ONLY TO HAVE PAYMENTS  
19 DELAYED AND PROVIDERS STRUGGLING. IT IS REASSURING TO SEE THE  
20 CONTINUATION OF HOUSING FOR HOW STRONG MONITORING AN OVERSIGHT  
21 FUNCTION. THIS CONSTANT ASSESSMENT OF THE PERFORMANCE WILL  
22 MAKE HSH MORE NIMBLE AND PREPARED TO PIVOT AND MEET THE  
23 MOMENT. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE DEPARTMENT YOU ARE  
24 BUILDING. I KNOW THAT OUR EXPECTATIONS ARE HIGH AND THAT YOU  
25 FEEL THEM. BUT YOU CONTINUE TO MEET THE MOMENT, AND I



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1 APPRECIATE THAT. THANKS.

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3 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

4 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION.

5 MONITORING OVERSIGHT WAS KIND OF THE FOUNDATION UPON WHICH THE  
6 DEPARTMENT WAS DEVELOPED AND THOUGHT TO BE A GOOD IDEA,

7 PARTICULARLY GIVEN THE EXPERIENCE WITH LAHSA. AND I AGREE, YOU  
8 TALKED ABOUT TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND PUBLIC TRUST.

9 THE OTHER ELEMENT THAT I WANT TO ELEVATE IS TIMELINESS. IT HAS  
10 NOT BEEN OUR TEAM'S RECENT EXPERIENCE THAT WE ARE EXPERIENCING

11 THAT. I MENTIONED THAT IN THE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING. MY TEAM  
12 HAD BEEN WORKING WITH LAHSA TO EXECUTE THREE CONTRACTS PRIOR

13 TO THE START OF 2026. THOSE CONTRACTS LATER TRANSFERRED TO  
14 HSH. AND SO IT HAS BEEN TWO MONTHS SINCE THE TRANSFER. ONLY

15 ONE OF THE THREE CONTRACTS IN THE FINAL STAGE OF EXECUTION. SO  
16 THAT IS TWO MONTHS BEYOND THE THREE MONTHS IT PREVIOUSLY SAT

17 AT LAHSA. SO THINK ABOUT THAT, FROM THE PROVIDER PERSPECTIVE.  
18 WHEN I RAISED BEFORE, I WAS TOLD IT WAS RELATED TO THE

19 CONTRACTING TOOL. I HAVE SINCE BEEN TOLD THAT IS NOT THE  
20 ISSUE. AND SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT HSH IS HOLDING TO

21 EFFICIENT AND EXPEDITING CONTRACTING AS WELL AS THE OVERSIGHT  
22 AND MONITORING. ONE SHOULDN'T GIVE FOR THE OTHER. AND YET, I

23 HAVE THESE CONTRACTS THAT ARE STILL SITTING. WE ARE NOT CLEAR  
24 AS TO WHY. AND I RAISE IT, BECAUSE FROM THE START, MY CONCERN

25 HAS BEEN THAT WE SHOULD NOT OVERPROMISE A SERVICE THAT WE



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1 CAN'T DELIVER OUT OF THE GATE. HSH NEEDS TO BE SUCCESSFUL, WE  
2 WANT TO BUILD PUBLIC TRUST, TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY  
3 AND I'M CLEAR THAT THE METHOD OF BUILDING A PLANE WHILE FLYING  
4 IT, INEVITABLY, WILL CREATE HICCUPS. I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT I  
5 AM DEEPLY CONCERNED. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE HONEST  
6 WITH OURSELVES. WHEN WE OPERATE OFF THE ASSUMPTION OF BRINGING  
7 SERVICES IN-HOUSE AUTOMATICALLY CREATES BETTER OUTCOMES. THAT  
8 SHOULDN'T BE OUR HYPOTHESIS. WE HAVE TO BUILD AN ORGANIZATION  
9 THAT CREATES BETTER OUTCOMES. I WANT TO BE CRYSTAL CLEAR WITH  
10 THE PUBLIC THAT THIS PROCESS IS GRADUAL. AND THAT TIME IS  
11 REQUIRED TO STRENGTHEN THE PROCESS. AS WELL AS ACKNOWLEDGING  
12 THAT THERE IS A SENSE OF URGENCY AND ENTHUSIASM AROUND SETTING  
13 UP THE DEPARTMENT. BUT ALSO WE HAVE TO BE HONEST AND  
14 TRANSPARENT ON WHAT THE CHALLENGES ARE. I NEED TO BE CLEAR  
15 FROM YOU WHAT THE CHALLENGES ARE. AND IF CONTRACT DELAYS ARE  
16 SPECIFIC TO MY OFFICE, THAT MIGHT WARRANT A DEEPER LOOK AS  
17 WELL. SO CAN YOU PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION ON THE APPROXIMATE  
18 TIMELINES PROVIDERS CAN EXPECT UNDER THE DEVELOPING HSH  
19 CONTRACTING MODEL.

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21 >> SARAH MAHIN: THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. SO FOR CONTRACTS  
22 THAT ARE STARTING JULY 1, THAT IS OUR TYPICAL CONTRACT START  
23 DATE, THOSE WILL ALL BE DONE AND EXECUTED BY JULY 1. WE ARE  
24 COMMITTED TO THAT. THE CONTRACTS THAT OUR TEAM IS WORKING ON  
25 WITH YOUR OFFICE, I HAVE BEEN TRACKING THEM AND I HAVE



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1 OBSERVED HOW THE TIMELINE HAS SLIPPED AS WELL. THERE IS ONE --

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3 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE YOU ACKNOWLEDGING  
4 THAT.

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6 >> SARAH MAHIN: THERE IS ONE THAT IS EXECUTED, THAT IS THE ONE  
7 AGREEMENT THAT IS USING OUR STANDARD AGREEMENT. THE OTHER ONES  
8 ARE NOT USING OUR STANDARD AGREEMENTS. SO THAT REQUIRES  
9 ADDITIONAL WORK WITH DEVELOPING SCOPES OF WORK THAT HAVE TO BE  
10 DEVELOPED BY OUR STAFF. REVIEWED BY COUNTY COUNSEL AND GO  
11 THROUGH ADDITIONAL PROCESS.

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13 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: IS THAT YOUR PREFERENCE? WHY THAT  
14 DIFFERENCE?

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16 >> SARAH MAHIN: BECAUSE OF THE NATURE WHAT IS REQUESTED IN THE  
17 CONTRACT. WHEN WE DO LIKE THIS BOARD MOTION DIRECTED US TO  
18 DEVELOP A STANDARD AGREEMENT. WHICH IS WHAT THE PRACTICE OF  
19 HOUSING FOR HEALTH. THAT, WHEN WE HAVE THESE STANDARD  
20 AGREEMENTS, THEY HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED BY COUNTY  
21 COUNSEL. IT GOES VERY FAST. WHEN IT IS NOT A STANDARD  
22 AGREEMENT, IT REQUIRES MORE NEGOTIATOR WITH THE CONTRACTOR,  
23 REQUIRES REVIEW BY COUNTY COUNSEL, SO IT TAKES ADDITIONAL  
24 TIME.

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1 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: YOU HAVE A SENSE OF WHAT CONTRACT  
2 FALLS IN THE BUCKET?

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4 >> SARAH MAHIN: VAST MAJORITY ARE STANDARD AGREEMENTS. IT IS  
5 NEW, WE WERE NOT TYPICALLY HANDLING BOARD DISCRETIONARY  
6 FUNDING. THAT IS SOMETHING NEW THAT HSH IS STEPPING INTO. WE  
7 ARE LOOKING AT PROVIDING, ARE THERE WAYS FOR US TO STANDARD  
8 THAT MORE? AND THE SAME WAY THAT WE HAVE CREATED STANDARD  
9 AGREEMENTS FOR INTERIM HOUSING, CASE MANAGEMENT, WE ARE  
10 LOOKING AT, IF THERE ARE WAYS THAT WE CAN AT LEAST STANDARDIZE  
11 THE INTAKE OF IT THAT WILL HELP EXPEDITE THE PROCESSING OF THE  
12 NON-STANDARD AGREEMENTS. AND ALSO, LOOKING AT, THERE IS GIVING  
13 GUIDANCE TO BOARD OFFICES AROUND THESE ARE THE TYPES, THESE  
14 ARE WHAT OUR STANDARD AGREEMENTS DO. THIS IS WHAT NON-STANDARD  
15 AGREEMENTS MAKE SENSE FOR HSH TO DO. THEN SOMETIMES IT MAY  
16 NOT, HSH MAY NOT BE THE BEST COUNTY ENTITY TO ADMINISTER IT.  
17 IT MIGHT BE THE SERVICE, SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENTS THAT ARE  
18 ADMINISTERED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE MIGHT BE MORE  
19 APPROPRIATE. WE ARE DOING WORK NOW TO DIFFERENTIATE WHAT THE  
20 DIFFERENT TYPE OF AGREEMENTS ARE. AND HELP PROVIDE OUR STAFF  
21 AND YOUR STAFF WITH A ROADMAP AROUND, WHEN YOU ARE LOOKING TO  
22 GET FUNDING OUT THE DOOR, WHEN DOES IT MAKE SENSE TO ENGAGE  
23 WITH HSH. AND WHAT CONTRACT MECHANISM WITH HSH. OR DOES IT  
24 MAKE SENSE TO USE ANOTHER COUNTY ENTITY.

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1 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: ONCE YOU DO THAT, YOU WILL BE ABLE  
2 TO GIVE US A SENSE OF, IF IT IS NON-STANDARD CONTRACT THAT IS  
3 GOING TO BE HOUSED WITH HSH. YOU CAN EXPECT THIS NUMBER OF  
4 WEEKS FOR YOUR ROLE, THAT NUMBER OF DAYS, WEEKS, COUNTY  
5 COUNSEL, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE US, AT LEAST A GUESSTIMATE  
6 ON HOW LONG IT SHOULD TAKE FOR A NON-STANDARD CONTRACT.

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8 >> SARAH MAHIN: YES.

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10 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THAT WORK DONE AS WELL, WHEN CAN I  
11 EXPECT THAT ANSWER?

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13 >> SARAH MAHIN: THAT IS A FAIR QUESTION. DO WE KNOW THE ANSWER  
14 TO THAT?

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16 >> MICHAEL EUGENE: COMPLETING THE MASTER AGREEMENTS NOW. WE  
17 COMPLETED 87 MASTER AGREEMENTS IN JUST AUGMENT THE DIRECTORS  
18 COMMENT, WHAT THE PROCESS DOES IS IT PREQUALIFIES PROVIDERS SO  
19 THAT CYCLE TIME THAT OFTENTIMES CONTRACTORS GET STUCK IN, IN  
20 THAT PROCESS, IT IS DONE. NOW WE ARE JUST ISSUING WORK ORDERS.  
21 FROM THE TIME --

22

23 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: EVEN FOR THE NON-STANDARD CONTRACT.

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25 >> MICHAEL EUGENE: NO THAT IS THAT CYCLE TIME. ONCE WE FINISH



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1 GETTING ALL 87 ON BOARD, WE WILL ESTABLISH A STANDARD PROCESS  
2 AND A STANDARD CYCLE TIME. SO I CAN GET AN ANSWER BACK TO YOU  
3 IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS.

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5 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I JUST WANTED TO KNOW, SO I WON'T  
6 KEEP ASKING, YOU TOLD ME A TIME FRAME, THEN WE'LL KNOW. THE  
7 PUBLIC WILL KNOW. PROVIDERS WILL KNOW. IF YOU HAVE A NON-  
8 STANDARD CONTRACT, THIS SHOULD BE YOUR EXPECTATION. OKAY THAT  
9 IS HELPFUL. ONE MORE QUESTION, IN TERMS OF CONCERNS WE HEARD  
10 FROM SERVICE PROVIDERS IN MY OFFICE. THAT IS ABOUT THE SHIFT  
11 FROM FEE-BASED TO COST-BASED REIMBURSEMENT. I LIVED THAT  
12 BEFORE. AS A GRANTEE IN PAST ITERATIONS OF MY PROFESSIONAL  
13 LIFE. IT IS AN ADJUSTMENT. IT JUST IS. I KNOW THAT THEY HAVE  
14 BEEN CHAIR SHARED WITH YOU THROUGH THE SERVICE PROVIDER TASK  
15 FORCE. HOW DO YOU ANTICIPATE THIS CHANGE IN IMPROVING THE  
16 MODEL FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS COMPARED TO WHAT EXISTED BEFORE?  
17 I'M CLEAR THAT IT HELPS ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE SIDE. IN TERMS  
18 OF THE BACK OFFICE OPERATIONS. BUT HELP ME INFORM THE  
19 PROVIDERS ABOUT HOW THIS SHIFT POSITIVELY, IF AT ALL, IMPACTS  
20 THEM.

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22 >> SARAH MAHIN: A COUPLE THINGS. ONE IS AT HOUSING FOR HELP,  
23 USING A FEE FOR SERVICE MODEL, FOR INTERIM MODELING. IT COST  
24 REIMBURSEMENT. AT HSH, WE MADE THE DECISION THAT WE WILL BE  
25 DOING COST REIMBURSEMENT FOR INTERIM HOUSING CONTRACTS. WE



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1 BELIEVE THAT, IT IS NOT BECAUSE IT MAKES IT EASIER. IT IS MORE  
2 WORK FOR US. MUCH MORE BURDENSOME FOR US. AND FOR A COUPLE  
3 WAYS. ONE IS BECAUSE IT IS MORE FOR US TO BE REVIEWING. WE  
4 HAVE TO REVIEW ALL OF THE DOCUMENTATION THAT THEY ARE  
5 SUBMITTING FOR ISSUING THOSE PAYMENTS. AND THEN, SO THAT IS  
6 MORE, THAT IS MORE BURDENSOME. IT IS ALSO NECESSITATING US TO  
7 DO AN ADVANCE. WE DID NOT DO AN ADVANCE MODEL AT HOUSING FOR  
8 HEALTH IN OUR INTERIM HOUSING CONTRACTS. IF WE ARE DOING COST  
9 REIMBURSEMENT, WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO DO ADVANCE MODEL SO  
10 THAT PROVIDERS HAVE ACCESS TO THE FUNDS THAT THEY NEED. THERE  
11 IS ADDITIONAL WORKLOAD FOR US ASSOCIATED WITH THAT AS WELL.  
12 BUT GIVEN BOTH THE FISCAL ENVIRONMENT AS WELL AS THE LARGER  
13 SORT OF ENVIRONMENT THAT WE ARE IN, WE FEEL THAT IT IS REALLY  
14 IMPORTANT FOR US TO HAVE LINE OF SIGHT AND HOW THE DOLLARS ARE  
15 BEING USED. IT HELPS WITH TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND  
16 TRUST AND ALSO MEANS THAT FUNDING, YOU KNOW, WE INCREASE  
17 SIGNIFICANTLY THE INTERIM HOUSING RATES AND MADE THEM  
18 STANDARDIZED. IT IS NOT STANDARD THE COST WITH EVERY FACILITY.  
19 SO THERE ARE SOME SITES AND WE SEE THIS, THAT AREN'T SPENDING  
20 THE FULL AMOUNT. DON'T NEED TO HAVE THE FULL AMOUNT TO OPERATE  
21 THEIR SITE. THE FUNDS THAT ARE UNSPENT AND NOT NEEDED TO  
22 OPERATE THAT SITE SHOULD COME BACK TO THE COUNTY, PARTICULARLY  
23 IN THIS FISCAL ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE ARE HAVING TO CUT HOUSING  
24 SERVICES FOR US TO BE ABLE TO USE THAT FUND TO BE ABLE TO  
25 CONTINUE TO OFFER MORE HOUSING AND SERVICES FOR PEOPLE.



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2 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AS I LISTEN TO YOU, REMIND YOU  
3 ABOUT INTERESTING CONVERSATION HERE AT THE BOARD. IT WAS, I  
4 THINK, DURING AUDIT CONVERSATIONS AROUND LAHSA, AROUND  
5 ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT TRACKING FUNDS. AND THERE ARE ORGANIZATIONS  
6 THAT DIDN'T THINK THAT THEY HAD TO SHOW RECEIPTS AND VALIDATE  
7 HOW FUNDS WERE SPENT. OR RETURN UNSPENT FUNDS. THIS CERTAINLY  
8 WILL PROVIDE CLARITY UPFRONT TO, TO EVERYBODY. ABOUT WHAT THE  
9 PROCESS IS. HOW TO BE REIMBURSED. I AM GLAD TO HEAR THAT YOU  
10 ARE SENSITIVE TO ORGANIZATIONS WHO HAVE, DON'T HAVE THE  
11 CAPACITY TO FRONT LOAD GOVERNMENT. AS A FORMER NONPROFIT  
12 EXECUTIVE, THAT WAS ALWAYS SO IRRITATING TO ME. THAT  
13 GOVERNMENT EXPECTED ME TO COVER THEIR EXPENSES AND THEN WAIT  
14 FOREVER. FOR REIMBURSEMENT. IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU ARE SENSITIVE  
15 TO THAT POINT AS WELL. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING ABOUT THE  
16 TIME FRAME FOR THE NON-STANDARD CONTRACTS AND I LOOK FORWARD  
17 TO CONTINUING TO PUSH AND WORK FOR THESE TWO CONTRACTS THAT,  
18 YOU KNOW, NO FAULT OF THEIR OWN, WE HAVE DONE THIS TRANSITION.  
19 THEY WERE SITTING IN LAHSA. DIDN'T GET THEIR NEEDS MET. NOW  
20 THEY ARE IN HOUSE WITH US. SO THANK YOU FOR THE FOLLOW-UP ON  
21 THAT. THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

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23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES. THANK YOU FOR THE  
24 PRESENTATION TO THE PANEL. I FEEL MUCH MORE ASSURED. YOU  
25 MENTIONED HOW MANY GRANTS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED? WHAT WAS IT? A



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1 NUMBER? 80?

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3 >> MICHAEL EUGENE: MICHAEL EUGENE, HOMELESS SERVICES, WE  
4 COMPLETED 87.

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6 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: 87. WHAT TIME FRAME WAS THAT?

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8 >> MICHAEL EUGENE: WE STARTED TWO MONTHS AGO. COMPLETED A --

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10 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT IS PHENOMENAL. THAT IS  
11 PHENOMENAL. I AM CONCERNED WE MAY NEED MORE AUDITORS. YOU  
12 MENTIONED THE \$1.3 MILLION COST THAT THE AUDITOR NEEDS, RIGHT?  
13 IS THAT CORRECT? WHAT DOES THAT BUY US?

14

15 >> OSCAR VALDEZ: MADAM CHAIR, THAT IS BASICALLY GOING TO COVER  
16 13 AUDITS DURING THE YEAR. IT IS GOING TO BE BASED ON THE RISK  
17 ASSESSMENT, ADDRESSING THE HIGHER RISK AUDITS. SO I DO NEED TO  
18 BASICALLY STAND UP A TEAM TO BE BASICALLY DEDICATED TO  
19 HOUSING. VERSUS, YOU KNOW, JUST RE-ALLOCATING RESOURCES. THAT  
20 IS WHY WE ARE MAKING THE ASK AND RECOMMENDATION OVER TO HSS  
21 FUNDING STREAM AND COLLABORATE WITH THEM.

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23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WHERE DOES THE NUMBER 13 COME  
24 FROM? HOW DO YOU ESTABLISH THAT?

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1 >> MICHAEL EUGENE: IT IS BASED ON A COUPLE OF THINGS, NUMBER  
2 ONE, OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE INITIAL UNIVERSE OF CONTRACTS.  
3 AND THE APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF REVIEWS THAT COULD BE RESOURCED  
4 BY A SINGLE TEAM THAT WE WOULD STAND UP. SO, STARTING WITH ONE  
5 TEAM DEDICATED TO HSH, SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS IN THAT AREA AND  
6 AVAILABLE AS A RESOURCE TO THE DEPARTMENT. AND IN OUR CONTRACT  
7 MONITORING, MODEL IS ONE THAT PARTNERS WITH THE DEPARTMENTS  
8 THAT WE SERVE. THEY ARE OUR CLIENTS AND SO, IT IS A  
9 COLLABORATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT PROCESS. THEY ARE INTENDED TO BE  
10 NIMBLE. IF PROBLEMS COME UP, YOU KNOW, CONTRACTORS PRESENT  
11 ISSUES WHERE MAYBE THEY DIDN'T HAVE ONE BEFORE THEY RISE UP  
12 AND RISK. WE HAVE THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO DEPLOY THEM RIGHT  
13 AWAY. SO HOPEFULLY, IDENTIFY, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO CORRECT  
14 AND ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT AND RESOLVING THE PROBLEMS WERE THEY  
15 BECOME SOMETHING TERMINAL THAT CAUSES THAT CONTRACTOR TO NO  
16 LONGER SERVE THE COUNTY.

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18 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I THINK THAT IS KEY. ONE OF THE  
19 BIGGEST FEARS I HAVE. LIMITATIONS OF SOME OF THE PROVIDERS  
20 HAVE, THEY HAVE BEEN USED TO A SYSTEM THAT WORKED FOR THEM.  
21 THEY WERE GETTING BY. NOW WE ARE PUTTING, YOU KNOW, THE BRAKES  
22 ON IT. WE ARE SAYING, OKAY, THERE ARE PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW.  
23 YOU HAVE TO FULFILL THESE DIFFERENT ASPECTS. AND I HAVE HEARD  
24 FROM SOME OF MY PROVIDERS IN THE PAST, WHERE THEY HAVE HAD TO  
25 FRONT LOAD. THEY PUT IT ON THEIR CREDIT CARDS. THAT IS



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1 UNCONSCIONABLE. I DON'T, I HOPE THAT WE ARE NOT ANYWHERE NEAR  
2 THAT. BUT I NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU ALL. I HOPE THAT DOESN'T  
3 HAPPEN. I HOPE IT NEVER HAPPENS.

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5 >> SARAH MAHIN: NO COMMITTED TO THAT AT HSH. RIGHT NOW, WE  
6 HEARD A LOT OF CHALLENGES FROM PROVIDERS BECAUSE OF THE  
7 PAYMENT ISSUES AT LAHSA. WE HAVE BEEN, AS YOU HEARD, WORKING  
8 WITH LAHSA TO ADDRESS THOSE. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING TO EXPEDITE  
9 PAYMENTS FOR PROVIDERS THAT WE CAN TO MANAGE THAT. WE ARE  
10 REALLY LOOKING AT WHAT WE ARE DOING TO MOVE FORWARD TO MAKE  
11 SURE THAT IT DOESN'T HAPPEN UNDER HSH. TO COST-BASED  
12 REIMBURSEMENT FOR INTERIM HOUSING, WE WILL IMPLEMENT ADVANCED  
13 MODEL. WE ARE LOOKING AT HOW WE LEARN FROM THE ADVANCED MODEL  
14 HAPPENING THE A LAHSA TWEAKING IT, SO IT WILL BE LESS  
15 BURDENSOME AND BETTER MEET THE NEEDS OF SERVICE DEPARTMENT.  
16 RIGHT NOW, MODEL THAT GOES TO LAHSA, QUARTERLY ADVANCE THAT  
17 GOES TO LAHSA AND THEN THEY ISSUE MONTHLY ADVANCES TO  
18 PROVIDERS. WE ARE LOOKING AT A MODEL THAT WE GIVE QUARTERLY  
19 ADVANCE TO THE PROVIDERS. THEN THEY BILL EACH MONTH AND THEN  
20 THE LAST FOUR MONTHS WE WILL DO THE TRUE. THAT IS AWAY AGAIN A  
21 WAY OF HOW CAN WE LEARN AND DO IT BETTER?

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23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I APPRECIATE THAT. A LOT OF THEM  
24 ARE GOING TO BE NEEDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THAT HANDS-ON  
25 AND NOT FEELING LIKE, YOU KNOW, BIG PROCEDURE WITHS ON TOP OF



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1 THEM EITHER. HELP THEM BE SUCCESSFUL. SO WHATEVER ADVICE AND  
2 CORRECTIONS THAT COME INTO PLAY I WOULD HOPE THAT WE FOSTER  
3 THAT. OUR SYSTEM IS SO NIMBLE. ESPECIALLY OUT IN THE SAN  
4 GABRIEL VALLEY. I WORRY ABOUT THAT ALL OF THE TIME. SO THAT IS  
5 MY CONCERN AND THEN WITH CEO, THE REQUEST IS FOR \$1.3 MILLION.  
6 FOR THIS? WHERE ARE WE GOING TO FIND THE MONEY? WHERE WE GOING  
7 TO GET IT?

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9 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: WE HAVE TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT  
10 THROUGH THE BUDGET DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR.

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12 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IT IS A PRIORITY.

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14 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: YEAH, WELL, WE WILL HAVE TO GO BACK AND  
15 PRIORITIZE. WE HAVE TO WORK ON THE BUDGET PROCESS. I  
16 UNDERSTAND, IT IS A PRIORITY. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE HAD A  
17 BUDGET REQUEST FOR IT THIS TIME AROUND. I COULD BE WRONG. BUT  
18 CERTAINLY WE -- WE DID NOT?

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20 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THERE IS?

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22 >> JOSEPH NICCHITTA: CERTAINLY THE NEXT BUDGET PHASE.

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24 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. YOU BROUGHT IT OUT. I  
25 THINK THAT IT IS IMPORTANT. THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER



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1 QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD, LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

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3 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS COME FORWARD  
4 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CLAUDIA, HOLLY. MADAM CHAIR, NO  
5 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR  
6 ITEM 31 IS CONCLUDED. GOING TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE  
7 BEGIN.

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9 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: CLAUDIA, DPS CWC, I AM VERY, VERY  
10 IMPRESSED HOW YOU HAVE HANDLED THE SITUATION. I KNOW IT TAKES  
11 A LOT OF TIME, I KNOW IT TAKES A LOT OF EFFORT. SOMEWHAT  
12 EMOTIONAL. I'M VERY ATTACHED TO LAHSA. I WORK WITH THEM. I  
13 THINK THAT IT IS VERY NECESSARY THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOUR  
14 SITUATION HAS BEEN CRITICAL AND VERY IMPORTANT. I WANT TO JUST  
15 SAY SOMETHING ABOUT JUST THE MONITORING TOOLS. I KNOW THAT YOU  
16 HAVE THEM EQUIPPED. I KNOW THAT YOU ARE THERE. YOU HAVE THEM  
17 ALTOGETHER. I JUST WANT TO GIVE YOU A SUGGESTION, WANT TO MAKE  
18 SURE THAT THERE IS DEVIATIONS SOMETIMES, AND YOU KNOW,  
19 MONITORING TOOLS ARE IMPORTANT TO BE ADJUSTED. SO I THINK THAT  
20 YOU HAVE TO CONSIDER THAT THERE ARE DEVIATIONS IN THAT, YOU  
21 KNOW, IT IS VERY NECESSARY SOMETIMES TO TAKE OTHER NECESSARY  
22 STEPS, LOOK AT OTHER TOOLS THAT YOU NEVER USED BEFORE. AND  
23 THEY HAVE TO BE USED. YOU KNOW. IT IS VERY IMPRESSIVE THAT YOU  
24 HAVE TO USE THOSE TOOLS. IT IS IMPRESSIVE TO ME. BUT THANK YOU  
25 SO MUCH. I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU DO.



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2 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, ALI AGAIN, LIVE IN SUPERVISOR  
5 HORVATH'S DISTRICT. HELLO. SINCE I'VE WORKED FOR L.A. CARE  
6 PLAN AND HEALTHNET WE WRESTLE WITH THE HOUSING INSTABILITY  
7 THAT A LOT OF OUR MEDI-CAL MEMBERS ARE FACING. SINCE I WORK IN  
8 THE GRIEVANCES DEPARTMENT, MY SUPERVISOR AND I ARE LOOKING AT  
9 OURSELVES TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IS A 65 INCH TV WORTH IT FOR A  
10 MEDI-CAL MEMBER OR ARE DISINFECTING WIPES IMPORTANT? OR FIRST  
11 MONTH'S RENT TO BE HONEST? I DO ECHO WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL  
12 WAS ASKING YOU ALL. THIS IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION OF  
13 COURSE. LAHSA IS LIKE THAT UGLY SIBLING THAT DOESN'T WANT TO  
14 LEAVE THE COUNTY, UNFORTUNATELY, BUT THIS IS A STEP IN THE  
15 RIGHT DIRECTION. THANK YOU.

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17 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON  
18 THIS ITEM.

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20 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: THIS REPORT WILL BE RECEIVED AND  
21 FILED.

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23 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: HEARING NO OBJECTION THAT WILL BE  
24 THE ORDER.

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1 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: AS STATED IN THE BEGINNING OF  
2 MEETING, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE'LL TAKE A VOTE  
3 ON ITEM 66 F, EXTENDING PRICE GOUGING PROTECTIONS.

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5 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY HORVATH, SECONDED BY HAHN  
6 TO APPROVE THE ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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8 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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10 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: ABSTAIN.

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12 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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14 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: AYE.

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16 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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18 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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20 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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22 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: ABSTAIN.

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24 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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1 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

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3 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MOTION PASSES WITH A VOTE OF 3-2,  
4 WITH SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND BARGER ABSTAINING. WE WILL NOW -  
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7 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THERE IS ONE SPECIAL.

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9 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: THERE IS ONE SPECIAL, IT IS  
10 SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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12 >> SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THANK YOU. I WILL BE INTRODUCING A  
13 MOTION TODAY CO-AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL PROCLAIMING  
14 APRIL 27, 2026 AS MARINE MAMMAL RESCUE DAY IN LOS ANGELES  
15 COUNTY. L.A. COUNTY'S COASTLINE IS HOME TO A DIVERSE ARRAY OF  
16 MARINE MAMMALS INCLUDING SEA LIONS, SEALS, DOLPHINS AND WHALES  
17 VITAL TO THE BIODIVERSITY AND CULTURAL IDENTITY OF OUR COASTAL  
18 COMMUNITIES. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HAS EXPERIENCED INCREASINGLY  
19 SEVERE AND FREQUENT HARMFUL ALGAE BLOOMS, CLIMATE CHANGE AND  
20 OTHER FACTORS THAT LED TO UNPRECEDENTED NUMBERS OF STRANDINGS  
21 ALONG LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEACHES. I KNOW THIS BOARD HAS TAKEN  
22 ACTION TO ADDRESS IT WHICH IS WHY WE ARE BRINGING FORWARD THIS  
23 MOTION THAT WILL DIRECT TO PROCLAIM APRIL 27, 2026 AS MARINE  
24 MAMMAL RESCUE DAY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ENCOURAGE  
25 AGENCIES, MUNICIPALITIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO ADOPT THE



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1 COASTAL PARTNERS PLEDGE BY VISITING

2 BEACHES.LACOUNTY.GOV/PARTNER PLEDGE. THANK YOU.

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4 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. EO?

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6 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: AT THIS TIME WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO

7 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE

8 PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT,

9 THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON

10 SUBJECT MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION BUT NOT ITEMS

11 ON THE MEETING AGENDA. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REMOTELY, USE THE

12 RAISE HAND FEATURE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON THE TELEPHONE.

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14 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL CALL IN PERSON SPEAKERS,

15 WHILE THEY COME FORWARD WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS. MALACHI,

16 CLAUDIA. CHRISTINA, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED PLEASE BEGIN.

17

18 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: AM I TO SPEAK RIGHT NOW?

19

20 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YES, PLEASE BEGIN.

21

22 >> TELEPHONE SPEAKER: GREAT. YES, I'M HAPPY TO SPEAK TO THE

23 ENTIRE SUPERVISORS. BASICALLY WE'RE ASKING L.A. COUNTY BOARD

24 OF SUPERVISORS ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL TO DIRECT

25 THE BEACHES AND HARBOR DEPARTMENT TO SWITCH FROM HARMFUL



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1 DANGEROUS TOXIC POLLUTING FIREWORKS TO LIGHTS AND MUSIC WITH A  
2 DRONE SHOW. WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MANY DRONE COMPANIES,  
3 AND IT HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL. ESPECIALLY THIS IS A CONCERN  
4 NEAR THE MARINA DEL REY FIREWORKS, WHICH IS COMING UP IN JULY.  
5 IT'S RIGHT NEXT TO THE WETLANDS AND ECOLOGICAL RESERVE. THE  
6 LAST COASTAL WETLANDS IN L.A. COUNTY. OF ALL PLACES, HAVING  
7 MARINA DEL REY FIREWORKS RIGHT NEXT TO AN ECOLOGICAL RESERVE  
8 MAKES NO SENSE. IT'S HARMFUL TO THE WILDLIFE THERE. WE WOULD  
9 LOVE TO HAVE THE SUPERVISORS TALK ABOUT THIS AND WE'D LOVE TO  
10 HAVE A MEETING WITH HOLLY MITCHELL'S OFFICE. THANK YOU.

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12 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR THERE ARE  
13 NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, REMOTE  
14 PARTICIPATION FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS CONCLUDED. WE WILL  
15 GO TO IN PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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17 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, SORRY TO BE HERE -- OKAY. I  
18 WANTED TO BEGIN ON HOW MUCH TORTURE AND INJUSTICE THAT I HAVE  
19 SUCCUMBED FROM OUR SYSTEM. GIVEN THE FACT THAT I ONLY HAVE ONE  
20 MINUTE TO SPEAK, I CAN'T GIVE WITH DETAILS. I'LL GET STRAIGHT  
21 TO THE POINT. I'M AN HEIR OF A STATE OF ATTORNEY, BEATRICE  
22 LAWSON, FORMER CHAIRPERSON OF THE LAW REVISION COMMISSION OF  
23 1977 THROUGH 1983. SINCE HER DEATH ADMINISTRATION OF HER  
24 PROBATE AND STATE IN L.A. COUNTY, IT IS EVIDENT THAT THE  
25 PROBATE ESTATE REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BREACHED THEIR FIDUCIARY



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1 DUTIES, AND THE JUDGE IN THIS CASE IS FAILING TO ISSUE A  
2 RELIEF. THE JUDGE IS UNLAWFULLY PREJUDICED TOWARD ME. I'VE  
3 BEEN THROUGH THE DCFS SYSTEM MY WHOLE LIFE. YOU GUYS NEED TO  
4 WORK. BUDGET, NO, YOU NEED TO DO SOMETHING. MAKE SURE THE  
5 LAW --

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7 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

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9 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: CLAUDIA JEREZ. I JUST WANT TO JUST SAY  
10 THAT I AM VERY, VERY GRATEFUL THAT A BOARD SUCH AS YOU CAN  
11 TAKE UP ALL OF THESE QUESTIONS, THESE ITEMS, AND ORDER THEM,  
12 AND I BELIEVE THAT ORDER IS NECESSARY IN THIS CITY, IN THIS  
13 COUNTY. I'M AN EDUCATED PERSON, I WENT TO SCHOOL FOR 18 YEARS  
14 OF MY LIFE, IT TAKES HARD WORK TO BE -- TO HAVE ORDER, TO HAVE  
15 FORMALITY. TO BE EDUCATED. IT TAKES HARD WORK. I THINK THAT  
16 YOU NEED TO KNOW, THAT NEEDS TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR ALL OF THE  
17 PEOPLE THAT COME TO THIS BOARD, THAT IT TAKES SOME TIME FOR  
18 YOU TO HAVE ORDER, TO HAVE FORMALITY, AND TO FOLLOW  
19 INSTRUCTION AND FOLLOW THE LAW AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS. WHOEVER  
20 DOESN'T WANT TO DO IT, THAT'S SOMEBODY THAT YOU HAVE TO DEAL  
21 WITH AND GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT.

22

23 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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25 >> IN-PERSON SPEAKER: YES, ALI AGAIN, THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR



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1 THE OPPORTUNITY. I'M SURE ALL OF YOU HEARD, I HEARD THE NEWS  
2 THAT THE POPULATION OF L.A. COUNTY IS DECREASING. WHICH IS,  
3 I'M KIND OF WARY OF THAT, THEN WE WILL HEAR THAT SERVICES ARE  
4 GOING TO BE CUT BECAUSE OF OUR POPULATION GOING DOWN. I HOPE  
5 THAT ALL OF US CAN COME UP WITH SOME STRATEGIES TO INCREASE  
6 OUR POPULATION EVEN THOUGH I KNOW THAT WE HAVE A POPULATION  
7 LARGER THAN 40 STATES. BUT ANYWAY, THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I  
8 WANTED TO BRING UP. I HOPE YOU HEARD THE NEWS, IF NOT YOU WILL  
9 BE HEARING THE NEWS. YEAH, I THANK YOU ALL FOR LISTENING TO ME  
10 AND PUTTING UP WITH ME. I TRIED SPEAKING TO THE CITY OF L.A.  
11 BUT WASN'T ABLE TO FOR WHATEVER REASON. THANK YOU AGAIN.

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13 >> ASST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, THAT COULD BE INCLUDES  
14 OUR TIME FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

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16 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: WE WILL NOW PROCEED WITH  
17 ADJOURNMENTS.

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19 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, SUPERVISOR HAHN WILL BEGIN  
20 WITH ADJOURNMENTS FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, THEN I'LL GO  
21 THEN SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ENDING WITH SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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23 >> SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
24 TODAY WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF WILLIAM MACK MCKOSKER. LIFE  
25 LONG SAN PEDROIAN, DEFINED BY FAMILY, SERVICE, AND COMMUNITY.



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1 HE WAS THE FATHER OF OUR FRIEND L.A. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER TIM  
2 McKOSKER. MAC WAS BORN AND RAISED IN SAN PEDRO AND REMAINED  
3 DEEPLY ROOTED IN THE COMMUNITY THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE. HE  
4 ATTENDED HOLY TRINITY, MARY STAR, AND SAN PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL  
5 AND CARRIED A STRONG SENSE OF PRIDE IN BOTH HIS HOMETOWN AND  
6 IRISH HERITAGE. IN 1961, MACK JOINED THE LOS ANGELES FIRE  
7 DEPARTMENT BEGINNING A LONG CAREER IN PUBLIC SAFETY. HE TOOK  
8 GREAT PRIDE IN THAT WORK AND IN THE VALUES IT REPRESENTED. HIS  
9 COMMITMENT TO SERVICE EXTENDED BEYOND HIS OWN CAREER WITH TWO  
10 OF HIS SONS AND SEVERAL GRANDCHILDREN FOLLOWING IN HIS  
11 FOOTSTEPS. SOME AS CITY AND SOME AS COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS. MACK  
12 AND HIS WIFE, PAT, BUILT A LARGE AND CLOSE-KNIT FAMILY RAISING  
13 SIX CHILDREN, CREATING A HOME CENTERED ON TRADITION,  
14 CONSISTENCY, AND TIME SPENT TOGETHER. WHETHER IT WAS A FAMILY  
15 CAMPING TRIP, WEEKENDS WATCHING NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL, OR TIME  
16 ON THE GOLF COURSE HE VALUED BEING PRESENT WITH THE PEOPLE HE  
17 LOVED. HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS KINDNESS AND EASY GOING SELF-  
18 DEPRICATING SENSE OF HUMOR WHICH MADE OTHERS FEEL COMFORTABLE  
19 AND WELCOME. HE HAD A WAY OF CONNECTING WITH PEOPLE THAT LEFT  
20 A LASTING IMPRESSION. MACK IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, PAT, HIS  
21 CHILDREN PAT, TIM, DANNY, JOHN, AND KEVIN. HIS 21  
22 GRANDCHILDREN, 14 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND THREE MORE EXPECTED  
23 LATER THIS YEAR. HE'S NOW REUNITED WITH HIS LATE SON, MIKE,  
24 WHO PASSED AWAY IN 2019. I KNOW THIS IS A LOSS THAT'S DEEPLY  
25 FELT BY OUR COLLEAGUE TIM McKOSKER. I UNDERSTAND AT THE END,



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1 THE FINAL HOURS, THEY HAD, TIM SAID, OVER 40 OF THE FAMILY  
2 MEMBERS IN THE ROOM WITH HIM TO BE WITH HIM WHEN HE  
3 TRANSITIONED. OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH THEM, MAY MACK REST IN  
4 PEACE.

5

6 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: CAN WE DO ALL MEMBERS ON THAT? THAT  
7 WAS BEAUTIFUL, JANICE, WOW. THANK YOU FOR THAT. I MOVE WHEN WE  
8 ADJOURN TODAY WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF RICHARD S. MUSELLA WHO  
9 PASSED AWAY APRIL 6, 2026. HE WAS BORN ON JANUARY 7, 1937 IN  
10 NEW YORK. AND WAS ONE OF NINE CHILDREN OF ITALIAN IMMIGRANTS.  
11 HIS FATHER A WORLD WAR I VETERAN TAUGHT HIM THE IMPORTANCE OF  
12 DUTY AND SERVICE VALUES THAT SHAPED HIS LIFE. RICHARD SERVED  
13 IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING THE KOREAN CONFLICT AND WAS  
14 STATIONED IN SEOUL. AFTER RETURNING HOME HE EARNED HIS  
15 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS EDUCATION FROM UCLA AND LATER  
16 GRADUATED FROM THE PACIFIC COAST BANKING SCHOOL. WORKING IN  
17 SECURITY PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK'S AUDIT DEPARTMENT, HE MET  
18 BARBARA. THEY MARRIED AND SHARED 50 YEARS TOGETHER UNTIL HER  
19 PASSING IN 2021. RICH AROUND SPENT MORE THAN 3 DECADES WITH  
20 SECURITY PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK ON THE SOUTH BAY REGION, AND  
21 LATER BECAME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF WHAT IS NOW THE LAX COASTAL  
22 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. HE ALSO SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
23 OF THE BOB HOPE UNITED SERVICES ORGANIZATION AT LAX A ROLE  
24 THAT REFLECTED HIS DEEP RESPECT FOR THOSE WHO SERVED. FOR MORE  
25 THAN 50 YEARS RICHARD WAS A DEDICATED LEADER IN THE



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1 WESTCHESTER COMMUNITY. HE SERVED AS TREASURER OF THE ROTARY  
2 CLUB OF WESTCHESTER AND RECEIVED HIS ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PAUL  
3 HARRIS FELLOW AWARD. HE HELD LEADERSHIP ROLES AT WESTCHESTER  
4 REVITALIZATION, LIGHT PATH RESEARCH CENTER, WESTCHESTER  
5 ASSOCIATION IN THE MARINA DEL REY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, PROUD  
6 UCLA GRADUATE HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE WESTSIDE BRUINS  
7 CLUB. RICHARD LIVED A LIFE CENTERED ON SERVICES TO HIS  
8 COUNTRY, HIS COMMUNITY, AND MOST OF ALL HIS FAMILY AND  
9 FRIENDS. HIS IMPACT LIVES ON IN THE MANY PEOPLE AND  
10 ORGANIZATIONS HE STRENGTHENED. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER,  
11 STEPHANIE, HIS SON JOHN, SON-IN-LAW IVAN, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN,  
12 A GREAT GRANDSON AND BROTHER. HE'S PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS  
13 WIFE, BARBARA, AND HIS SIBLINGS. SUPERVISOR CHAIR SOLIS YOU  
14 WILL BE DOING AN ADJOURNMENT FOR DR. LUXMAN? I'LL SAY A FEW  
15 WORDS WHEN YOU DO THAT. THANK YOU.

16

17 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. IT'S WITH GREAT SADNESS  
18 THAT WE ANNOUNCE THE ADJOURNMENT TODAY IN MEMORY OF FORMER --  
19 OUR CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER, KNOWN AS DR. L., I CAN'T EVEN SAY  
20 IT -- I'M GOING TO MESS UP THE LAST NAME. AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN  
21 AS OUR DOCTOR L. HE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 8 AT THE AGE OF 77,  
22 NATURAL CAUSES. DR. L. SERVED THE COUNTY WITH DISTINCTION FOR  
23 MORE THAN THREE DECADES. APPOINTED CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER--  
24 CORONER IN 1992 HE GUIDED THE DEPARTMENT THROUGH A DEPARTMENT  
25 OF SIGNIFICANT GROWTH IN MODERNIZATION BEFORE RETIRING IN



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1 2013. UNDER HIS DIRECTION, THE DEPARTMENT ADVANCED ITS  
2 TECHNOLOGICAL CAPACITY WITH MAJOR UPGRADES INCLUDING A  
3 COMPREHENSIVE COMPUTER SYSTEM ENHANCEMENT IN 2000, THE LAUNCH  
4 OF THE FIRST INTERNET SITE, PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE'S  
5 ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM IN 2008, AND THE START OF  
6 A MULTI-YEAR INITIATIVE TO DIGITIZE THE DEPARTMENT'S CASE  
7 FILES. HIS LEADERSHIP OVERSAW THE DEPARTMENT'S PHYSICAL  
8 EXPANSION INCORPORATING OFFICE BUILDINGS ALONG MISSION ROAD  
9 AND SPACE WITHIN THE OLD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON THE COUNTY  
10 HOSPITAL CAMPUS LOCATED IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. THROUGHOUT HIS  
11 TENURE, DR. L. LED THE COUNTY THROUGH CHALLENGING AND TRAGIC  
12 EVENTS. HIS STEADY LEADERSHIP GUIDED RESPONSES TO NUMEROUS  
13 LARGE SCALE DISASTERS, INCLUDING THE 1986 CERRITOS AIR CRASH  
14 AND THE 1991LAX USAir CRASH, AND 1992 LOS ANGELES RIOTS. IN  
15 1994 NORTHRIDGE EARTHQUAKE. THE 2005 GLENDALE METROLINK  
16 INCIDENT AND THE 2008 CHATSWORTH METROLINK TRAIN COLLISION. HE  
17 ALSO MANAGED SEVERAL HIGH PROFILE CASES WITH PROFESSIONALISM,  
18 CLARITY, AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE. DR. L. WORKED  
19 COLLABORATIVELY WITH DIVISION CHIEFS AND STAFF TO ACHIEVE AND  
20 MAINTAIN FULL ACCREDITATION BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
21 MEDICAL EXAMINERS. THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIME LABORATORY  
22 DIRECTORS, LABORATORY ACCREDITATION BOARD, ACCREDITATION  
23 COUNCIL FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION, CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION  
24 INSTITUTE FOR MEDICAL QUALITY, AS WELL AS CERTIFICATION FROM  
25 POST. THESE ACHIEVEMENTS STRENGTHENED THE DEPARTMENT STANDING



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1 AND ENHANCED THE COUNTY'S ABILITY TO SERVE RESIDENTS WITH  
2 ACCURACY, COMPASSION, AND INTEGRITY. DR. L. WAS A KIND AND  
3 CARING INDIVIDUAL. SOMEONE WHOA APPROACHED HIS WORK WITH DEEP  
4 PASSION AND EXCEPTIONAL MEMORY, AND A SENSE OF HUMOR THAT  
5 PROVIDED COMFORT IN THE MOST DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCE'S. ON  
6 BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES I EXTEND MY DEEPEST  
7 CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY, HIS LOVED ONES, AND CHIEF MEDICAL  
8 EXAMINER TEAM. I JOIN THEM IN REMEMBERING DR. L. IN  
9 EXTRAORDINARY PUBLIC SERVANT AND RESPECTED LEADER IN THE  
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WHOSE LIFE WORK SHAPED THE STANDARDS AND  
11 PRACTICES OF OUR COUNTY'S MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE FOR  
12 GENERATIONS TO COME. I RECALL HIM FONDLY CALLING AND SENDING  
13 TEXTS AND WISHING ME WELL WITHOUT NOTICE, NOT FOR A PARTICULAR  
14 REASON. HE WAS THAT KIND OF A PERSON. I WILL RECOGNIZE NOW,  
15 SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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17 >> SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: I THINK YOU SAID IT ALL. HE, LONG-TIME  
18 RESIDENT OF ARCADIA AND HIS WIFE WERE IN RETIREMENT. I THINK  
19 TRULY ENJOYING NOT ONLY THEIR GRANDDAUGHTER BUT LIFE. TO YOUR  
20 POINT CHAIR SOLIS, HE REALLY DID TURN THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S  
21 OFFICE AROUND. THEY WERE REALLY STRUGGLING AND HE CAME IN AND  
22 TOOK CARE OF BUSINESS AND DID IT IN A GENTLE AND COMPASSIONATE  
23 WAY. THANK YOU FOR THE ADJOURNMENT.

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25 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?



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2 >> SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SHE THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM  
3 CHAIR. COLLEAGUES I ASK TODAY -- AND THIS IS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE  
4 I HOPE THAT YOU WILL ALL JOIN ME IN THIS ADJOURNMENT. I ASK  
5 THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF DEPUTY PROBATION  
6 OFFICER DEVON MATTHEWS. MR. MATTHEWS WAS BORN OCTOBER 30, 1963  
7 AND PASSED AWAY APRIL 11 AT THE AGE OF 62. MR. MATTHEWS BEGAN  
8 HIS CAREER IN 1983 HAS A LIBRARY AID IN OUR OWN COUNTY LIBRARY  
9 SYSTEM. 1987, HE JOINED THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND ADVANCED  
10 THROUGH NUMEROUS ROLES, BEGINNING AS A DETENTION SERVICES  
11 OFFICER AT CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL TAKING ON SEVERAL SPECIALIZED  
12 ASSIGNMENTS FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.  
13 HE WAS PROMOTED TO DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER II, SERVE AS  
14 NARCOTICS TESTING OFFICER BEFORE MOVING THROUGH INVESTIGATIVE  
15 UNITS. HE JOINED THE AB-109 UNIT AND SERVED IN SPECIAL  
16 ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION WHERE HE CONTINUED TO DEMONSTRATE  
17 DEDICATION UNTIL HIS PASSING. HE ALSO CONTRIBUTED HIS  
18 EXPERTISE TO SEVERAL SPECIALIZED ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDING THE  
19 LAPD HUMAN TRAFFICKING TEAM AND THE LA COUNTY DISTRICT  
20 ATTORNEY'S SEXUAL ENFORCEMENT TEAM FOR 290 REGISTRANTS. HIS  
21 WORK IN THESE AREAS REFLECTED DEEP COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING  
22 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AND STRENGTHENING PUBLIC SAFETY.  
23 MR. MATTHEWS WAS A PILLAR OF HIS COMMUNITY. HE WAS DEDICATED  
24 TO MENTORING YOUTH AND GUIDING THEM TO POSITIVE LIFE CHOICES.  
25 A DEVOTED FAMILY MAN AND MAN OF FAITH HE ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED



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1 IN HIS CHURCH'S MEN'S OUTREACH MINISTRY. HE WAS A THE FATHER  
2 FIGURE TO HIS NIECES AND NEPHEWS WHO LOVED HIM DEARLY. KNOWN  
3 FOR HIS SPIRITED PERSONALITY HE PROUDLY SUPPORTED THE  
4 SAN FRANCISCO 49ers, REPRESENTING THE RED AND GOLD EVEN AMONG  
5 L.A. RAMS AND CHARGERS FANS. HE IS SURVIVED BY AND DEEPLY  
6 MISSED BY HIS CHILDREN, SIBLINGS, EXTENDED FAMILY, CLOSE  
7 FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES IN OUR OWN PROBATION DEPARTMENT AS WELL  
8 AS MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE  
9 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. ALL OF WHOM WILL CHERISH HIS  
10 MEMORY. THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE PROBATION  
11 DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZE THE INVALUABLE SERVICE AND UNWAVERING  
12 DEDICATION OF DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER DEVON MATTHEWS, AND  
13 EXTEND HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES AND THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS DURING  
14 THIS DIFFICULT TIME. THANK YOU.

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16 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ALL MEMBERS? SUPERVISOR  
17 HORVATH? DO YOU HAVE ANY? NO, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY? OKAY. VERY  
18 GOOD. THANK YOU ALL. WE'LL TAKE ALL MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF  
19 THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO UNANIMOUS VOTE THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.  
20 AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

21

22 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THE BOARD WILL  
23 NOW BE GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
24 REQUIREMENTS NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
25 WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS1



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1 THROUGH CS4, OFFENSES WITH LEGAL COUNCIL REGARDING EXISTING  
2 LITIGATION, AND CS5, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
3 ANTICIPATED LEGAL ACTION. AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

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5 [CLOSED SESSION]

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7 >> EXECUTIVE OFFICER YEN: THIS IS A REPORT OF ACTION FORMT HE  
8 CLOSED SESSION. ITEMS CS1 THROUGH CS5, NO REPORTABLE ACTION  
9 WAS TAKEN.

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11 >> SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING,  
12 THANK YOU. OUR NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 21, 2026, IT'S BEEN  
13 CANCELLED. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE A PUBLIC  
14 HEARING MEETING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026 AT 9:30A.M.