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## BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

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**THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**TUESDAY, JULY 21ST, 2026**

**SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. AND WE WANT TO WELCOME YOU TODAY TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026, AND WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE FULL BOARD IS HERE, ACTUALLY. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. COLLEAGUES, I WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN TODAY'S MEETING BY CONGRATULATING THE SPANISH NATIONAL TEAM ON AN INCREDIBLE TOURNAMENT AND A WELL-EARNED FIFA WORLD CUP CHAMPIONSHIP THIS PAST SUNDAY. OVER THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROUDLY WELCOMED THE WORLD AS FANS FROM EVERY CORNER OF THE GLOBE CAME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THIS BEAUTIFUL GAME. FROM OUR OFFICIAL FIFA FAN ZONES AT MAGIC JOHNSON PARK AND WHITTIER NARROWS RECREATION AREA TO THE MANY WATCH PARTIES HELD THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY, RESIDENTS AND VISITORS GATHERED ALIKE IN SPIRIT OF UNITY AND EXCITEMENT AND FRIENDLY COMPETITION. I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR MANY PARTNERS WHO HELPED MAKE THIS TOURNAMENT SUCH A SUCCESS. AND IN PARTICULAR, I'D LIKE TO CALL OUT METRO, WHOSE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES HELP CONNECT MANY OF OUR FANS TO MATCHES, EVENTS, AND CELEBRATIONS THROUGHOUT THE REGION HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'RE ESPECIALLY PROUD THAT SOFI STADIUM SERVED AS THE HOST VENUE DURING THE FIFA WORLD CUP,



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1 WELCOMING FANS FROM AROUND THE WORLD AND HOSTING SEVERAL  
2 MATCHES FEATURING THE SPANISH NATIONAL TEAM DURING ITS  
3 CHAMPIONSHIP RUN. THE TOURNAMENT SHOWCASED NOT ONLY WORLD  
4 CLASS ATHLETIC TALENT, BUT ALSO THE DIVERSITY, THE ENERGY, AND  
5 THE HOSPITALITY THAT DEFINE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU TO  
6 EVERYONE WHO HELPED MAKE THIS WORLD CUP A MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE  
7 FOR ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES. AND CONGRATULATIONS ONCE AGAIN TO  
8 SPAIN, ESPANA, ON AN EXTRAORDINARY ACHIEVEMENT. PLEASE JOIN ME  
9 IN GIVING THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. AT THIS TIME, MEMBERS OF  
10 THE BOARD, WE WILL HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE  
11 FIREFIGHTERS, MEMBERS, AND PERSONNEL OF THE USA-2 TASK FORCE  
12 WHO HELPED WITH THE VILLANUELLA RESCUE. MEMBERS, IF YOU CAN  
13 PLEASE JOIN ME AT THE PODIUM IN FRONT, AND THEN WE WILL HAVE  
14 OUR, ESTEEMED L.A. COUNTY TEAM RIGHT BEHIND US FOR A  
15 PRESENTATION. COME ON. SO IF I CAN HAVE MY FELLOW COLLEAGUES  
16 JOIN ME HERE. OKAY. ALRIGHT. AGAIN, MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE  
17 AND THE PUBLIC WHO ARE WATCHING, I WANT TO TAKE THIS MOMENT TO  
18 WELCOME HOME THE 71 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS AND  
19 PERSONNEL, 37 OF WHOM ARE HERE WITH US TODAY ALONG WITH THEIR  
20 K9 PARTNERS WHO DEPLOYED TO VENEZUELA IN RESPONSE TO ONE OF  
21 THE MOST DEVASTATING NATURAL DISASTERS IN OUR NATION'S IN  
22 THEIR NATION'S HISTORY. THE EARTHQUAKE THAT STRUCK ON JUNE 24  
23 CLAIMED MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY LIVES AND  
24 INJURED MORE THAN 16,000 PEOPLE AND LEFT MANY OTHER PEOPLE  
25 STILL MISSING. AS RECOVERY EFFORTS CONTINUE, FAMILIES AND



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1 COMMUNITIES ACROSS VENEZUELA AND THE WORLD ARE FACING  
2 UNIMAGINABLE LOSS AND THE LONG ROAD TO REBUILDING. HERE IN LOS  
3 ANGELES COUNTY, WE ARE HOME TO THE VIBRANT VENEZUELA  
4 COMMUNITY, AND MANY RESIDENTS HAVE SPENT THE PAST WEEKS  
5 WORRIED ABOUT THEIR LOVED ONES, THEIR FRIENDS, THEIR RELATIVES  
6 AFFECTED BY THIS TRAGEDY. TODAY, WE RECOGNIZE THE LOS ANGELES  
7 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE KNOWN AS USA -  
8 TWO TASK FORCE FOR ANSWERING THE CALL TO HELP. WE DO SO WITH  
9 IMMENSE GRATITUDE FOR THEIR COURAGE, PROFESSIONALISM, AND  
10 COMMITMENT TO SERVING OTHERS IN THEIR GREATEST TIME OF NEED. A  
11 TOTAL OF 71 PERSONNEL AND SIX K9 TEAMS DEPLOYED FROM LOS  
12 ANGELES COUNTY COMPLETING AN ELEVEN DAY MISSION THAT PROVIDED  
13 CRITICAL SEARCH, RESCUE, AND RECOVERY SUPPORT TO COMMUNITIES  
14 DEVASTATED BY THE EARTHQUAKES. WHETHER RESPONDING TO  
15 EARTHQUAKES, FLOODS, WILDFIRES, OR OTHER DISASTERS, THESE  
16 BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN CONSISTENTLY STEP FORWARD WHEN PEOPLE NEED  
17 HELP THE MOST. THEIR WILLINGNESS SERVE BEYOND OUR BORDERS  
18 REFLECTS THE VERY BEST OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE VALUES  
19 THAT WE SHARE. THEIR MISSION IS A REMINDER THAT COMPASSION  
20 KNOWS NO BORDERS AND THAT OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO HELP OTHERS  
21 EXTENDS BEYOND GEOGRAPHY, LANGUAGE, AND NATIONALITY. TO THE  
22 MEMBERS OF THE USA-2 TASK FORCE AND THEIR K9 TEAMS, THANK YOU  
23 FOR YOUR BRAVERY, YOUR SACRIFICE, AND YOUR SERVICE. YOUR  
24 EFFORTS BROUGHT HOPE AND LIFE SAVING ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE  
25 OF VENEZUELA DURING AN INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT TIME, AND LOS



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1 ANGELES COUNTY IS PROUD OF EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. NOW I'D  
2 LIKE TO TURN IT OVER TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO SAY A FEW  
3 WORDS.

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5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, LOS ANGELES.

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7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** GOOD MORNING TO YOU, MISS MITCHELL.

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9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING TO YOU TOO, MISS HAHN.  
10 FIRST OF ALL, MY HEART, ALL OF US, OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO THE  
11 PEOPLE OF VENEZUELA AS THEY GRIEVE LOST LOVED ONES AND  
12 CONTINUE SEARCHING FOR THOSE STILL MISSING. THEIR RESILIENCE  
13 IN BEGINNING TO REBUILD WHAT HAS BEEN SHATTERED IS INSPIRING.  
14 I KNOW ALL OF US, CAN JUST IMAGINE WHAT IT MUST BE LIKE TO  
15 HAVE A DISASTER OF THAT MAGNITUDE HIT, TO PERHAPS LIVE IN THE  
16 US AND STILL HAVE CLOSE LOVED ONES AND FAMILY MEMBERS THERE  
17 AND NOT KNOW. AND SO WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST THOUGHTS  
18 AND PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO ALL OF THEM WHO ARE THERE. I  
19 ALSO WANT TO PAUSE FOR A MOMENT AND THANK YOUR FAMILY AND  
20 LOVED ONES WHO ALSO SACRIFICED WHEN YOU JUMP INTO THE LINE OF  
21 DUTY TO HELP YOUR FELLOW MEN AND WOMEN ALL OVER THIS PLANET.  
22 IT CERTAINLY ISN'T THE FIRST TIME, AND SO I ALSO WANT TO THANK  
23 THEM FOR THEIR SACRIFICE THEY MAKE WHEN YOU RUN TOWARDS  
24 DISASTER TO HELP OUT. AGAIN, I WANT TO JOIN MY COLLEAGUE IN  
25 ACKNOWLEDGING WHILE OUR FIREFIGHTERS WERE IN VENEZUELA, LIFE



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1 AND LIFE AND RESPONSIBILITIES AT HOME CONTINUED, AS WELL AS  
2 THE 24 HOUR CARE YOU CONTINUE TO ENSURE, ARE HAPPENING RIGHT  
3 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. VERY PLEASED THAT THE 2ND DISTRICT IS  
4 HOME TO THE BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM THAT IS OPERATED. SEVERAL  
5 POSTPARTUM DELIVERIES HAVE CONTINUED TO HAPPEN. SO, YOU KNOW,  
6 OUR MEN AND WOMEN OF L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT SEARCH AND  
7 RESCUE, AS WELL AS THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE US EVERY DAY IN  
8 L.A. COUNTY CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT BEYOND OUR  
9 IMAGINATION, AND SO WE ARE ALL DEEPLY, DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF  
10 WHAT YOU DO EVERY DAY. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I  
11 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE PAUSE AND TAKE THE TIME TO HONOR  
12 OUR COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS, THAT WE HELP L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS  
13 UNDERSTAND THE ROLE THEY PLAY ON THE WORLD STAGE TO BRING  
14 SAFETY AND SECURITY TO EVERYONE. I THINK WE ALL NEED A SQUEAKY  
15 TOY WHEN WE'RE TAKING A PICTURE BECAUSE THAT'S PROBABLY GOING  
16 TO BE THE BEST PICTURE WE TAKE ALL WEEK BECAUSE THE SQUEAKY  
17 TOY GOT EVERYBODY'S ATTENTION. SO I WANT TO THANK OUR FOUR-  
18 LEGGED MEMBERS OF COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE TOO BECAUSE THEY RUN  
19 INTO THE LINE OF DUTY EVERY DAY AS WELL. WITH THAT, I'D LIKE  
20 TO BRING UP MY COLLEAGUE REPRESENTING THE MIGHTY THIRD  
21 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR LINDSEY HORVATH.

22  
23 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND GOOD  
24 MORNING. I WANT TO THANK OUR CHAIR FOR LEADING THIS  
25 RECOGNITION AND OUR ENTIRE SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM COMPRISED OF





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1 MEMBERS FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S FINEST FIRE DEPARTMENT AS  
2 WELL AS OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND DEPARTMENT OF  
3 PUBLIC HEALTH, AS THE EXPERTISE THAT'S REQUIRED TO RESPOND TO  
4 THIS MAGNITUDE OF TRAGEDY, TRULY KNOWS NO BOUNDARIES AND I'M  
5 GRATEFUL THAT ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS WHO WERE ABLE TO STEP UP  
6 AND STEP IN AND LEAN IN REALLY HELPED. EARLIER THIS MONTH I  
7 HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WELCOMING THIS TEAM HOME AS THEY ARRIVED  
8 AND I KNOW THE LAST THING THEY WANTED WHEN THEY CAME HOME AT  
9 SUCH A LATE HOUR WAS HEARING A BUNCH OF SPEECHES, BUT I WAS  
10 WITNESS TO VERY MOVING FAMILY REUNIONS AND TO THE FAMILIES WHO  
11 SHARE THEIR LOVED ONES WITH US AND WITH THE WORLD AT TIMES  
12 LIKE THIS. THANK YOU BECAUSE WE KNOW YOUR SACRIFICE IS GREAT  
13 AND IT WAS TRULY MOVING TO WITNESS YOU ALL RECONNECTING WITH  
14 YOUR FAMILIES AND BEING WELCOMED HOME. WATCHING FAMILIES'  
15 EMBRACE THEIR LOVED ONES WAS A REMINDER THAT EVERY DEPLOYMENT  
16 REQUIRES SACRIFICE. SO TO THE MEMBERS OF USA-2, THANK YOU FOR  
17 YOUR SERVICE AND FOR THE EXAMPLE THAT YOU SET FOR ALL OF LOS  
18 ANGELES COUNTY. USA-2 REPRESENTS THE VERY BEST. WHETHER  
19 RESPONDING TO DISASTERS HERE AT HOME OR HALFWAY AROUND THE  
20 WORLD, THIS TEAM LEADS WITH COURAGE, WITH EXPERTISE, AND WITH  
21 COMPASSION. AND ESPECIALLY AT A MOMENT LIKE THIS WHERE  
22 DIVISIONS OFTEN ARE TALKED ABOUT, IN THIS MOMENT, WE ARE  
23 UNITED. WE ARE IN SERVICE TO ONE ANOTHER NO MATTER WHERE WE  
24 ARE, AND YOUR TEAM TRULY EXEMPLIFIES THE BEST OF THOSE VALUES  
25 TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR EXTRAORDINARY



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1 SERVICE AND FOR REPRESENTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH HONOR. WE  
2 ARE INCREDIBLY PROUD OF YOU. AND NOW I WILL TURN IT TO OUR  
3 COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN.

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AND THANK  
6 YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR, ALLOWING US ALL TO BE PART OF THIS,  
7 HONORING, OUR FIREFIGHTERS TODAY. I WANT TO ECHO WHAT MY  
8 COLLEAGUES HAVE ALREADY SAID. I'M SO GRATEFUL TO EVERY MEMBER  
9 OF OUR EXTRAORDINARY COUNTY FAMILY WHO RESPONDED TO THE  
10 EARTHQUAKE IN VENEZUELA TO SAVE LIVES. HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WE  
11 KNOW ALL TOO WELL THE DEVASTATION THAT EARTHQUAKES CAN CAUSE,  
12 BUT WE ALSO KNOW THAT IN OUR CORNER, WE HAVE SOME OF THE BEST  
13 FIRST RESPONDERS IN THE WORLD. THAT'S WHY WHEN A HUMAN TRAGEDY  
14 WAS UNFOLDING THOUSANDS OF MILES AWAY, OUR NATION TURNED TO  
15 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, OUR L.A. COUNTY DR.S,  
16 AND OUR L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS. THIS  
17 TEAM, THIS SEARCH AND URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM IS ONE OF  
18 ONLY SUCH TWO TEAMS INTERNATIONALLY. ALTHOUGH I KNOW THERE  
19 WERE FOUR TEAM THERE WAS TWO OTHER TEAMS THAT WERE SENT FROM  
20 FLORIDA, TO ASSIST. BUT YOU ALL ARE REMARKABLE BECAUSE YOU  
21 DROPPED WHAT YOU WERE DOING, YOU SAID GOODBYE TO YOUR LOVED  
22 ONES, AND YOU ANSWERED THE CALL TO HELP HUMAN BEINGS SUFFERING  
23 THOUSANDS OF MILES AWAY. AND ONCE ON THE GROUND, YOU PROVED  
24 WHY YOU'RE THE BEST. WHILE WORKING SHOULDER TO SHOULDER WITH  
25 OTHER RESCUERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD, YOU HELPED SAVE LIVES,





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1 INCLUDING A VERY DRAMATIC ONE WHERE YOU, SAVED A MAN WHO HAD  
2 BEEN TRAPPED FOR MORE THAN A WEEK UNDER A MOUNTAIN OF RUBBLE.  
3 YOU HAVE SHOWN THE WORLD THE IMMENSE HEART, HUMANITY, AND  
4 SOLIDARITY OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND YOU  
5 REPRESENT THE VERY BEST THAT OUR NATION HAS TO OFFER. THANK  
6 YOU SO MUCH. AND NOW I'D LIKE TO WELCOME MY COLLEAGUE FROM THE  
7 5TH DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER.

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9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. I HAVE TO SAY IT TRULY IS AN  
10 HONOR TO STAND ALONGSIDE CHIEF MARRONE. WHERE ARE YOU? CHIEF  
11 MARRONE, MARK PESTRELLA, AND THE COURAGEOUS MEN AND WOMEN OF  
12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO DROPPED EVERYTHING TO AID IN THE  
13 SEARCH, RESCUE, AND RECOVERY EFFORTS FOLLOWING THE DEVASTATING  
14 VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKES. TRUE BRAVERY IS NOT THE ABSENCE OF  
15 FEAR, BUT THE RESOLVE TO MOVE FORWARD IN SPITE OF IT, TO ACT  
16 WHEN IT MATTERS THE MOST NO MATTER AT WHAT COST. AND I LOOK  
17 OUT IN THE AUDIENCE AND SEE FAMILY MEMBERS HERE, AND IT IS  
18 TRULY AN HONOR TO MEET THE PEOPLE THAT HELP YOU EACH AND EVERY  
19 DAY DO YOUR JOB. TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY SEARCH AND  
20 RESCUE DELEGATION, THANK YOU FOR YOUR COURAGE, YOUR SACRIFICE,  
21 AND YOUR UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO OTHERS. YOU BRAVE  
22 CHALLENGING CONDITIONS, DIMINISHED RESOURCES, AND A DEVASTATED  
23 INFRASTRUCTURE. YOUR ACTIONS DEMONSTRATED THE VERY, VERY BEST  
24 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR COMMUNITY. AND I ALWAYS SAY L.A.  
25 COUNTY FIRE, I WOULD ARGUE, IS THE BEST IN THE NATION, IF NOT



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1 THE WORLD. YEP. AND YOU ALL REFLECT THE COURAGE, SELFLESSNESS,  
2 AND THE UNWAVERING, UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO SERVING OTHERS  
3 EVEN IN THE MOST DANGEROUS CONDITIONS. AND I KNOW WE WERE ALL  
4 WATCHING AND PRAYING FOR YOU ALL TO COME BACK SAFELY AS YOU  
5 TOOK ON THIS INCREDIBLE TASK. I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE  
6 FRIENDS, FAMILIES, AND COWORKERS WHO STAND BEHIND THESE  
7 HEROES. A SERVICE, A LIFE OF SERVICE IS SHARED, AND IT CARRIES  
8 SACRIFICES OF YOUR OWN. YOU ARE A STEADY PRESENCE THAT ALLOWS  
9 THESE MEN AND WOMEN TO ANSWER THE CALL. AND TO OUR FOUR-LEGGED  
10 FRIENDS DOWN HERE, I ASKED WHICH ONE I GET TO TAKE HOME TODAY,  
11 AND NONE OF YOU VOLUNTEERED. ALTHOUGH RENO. NO? I WON'T. OKAY.  
12 I'LL TELL YOU. YEAH. BUT THANK YOU ALSO BECAUSE, IT IS, I  
13 KNOW, ALSO IMPORTANT FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THAT THESE FOUR-  
14 LEGGED FRIENDS ARE INSTRUMENTAL AS WE WORK TOWARD RECOVERY  
15 WHEN WE SEND YOU OUT OFF TO WHETHER IT BE MEXICO, VENEZUELA,  
16 OR EVEN JAPAN. SO THANK YOU AGAIN TO OUR HEROES FOR YOUR  
17 SERVICE AND TO THE AND TO OUR NEIGHBORS BOTH FAR AND NEAR FOR  
18 THE WORK THAT YOU DO. THANK YOU.

19  
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WITH THAT, WE WERE WE'RE GOING TO  
21 HEAR NOW FROM CHIEF MARONI FOR A FEW REMARKS.

22  
23 **ANTHONY MARRONE:** SO GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND  
24 ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING USA-2 THIS MORNING. WE ARE  
25 INCREDIBLY PROUD OF OUR COUNTY FAMILY AND CANINES WHO SERVED



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1 AS LIFESAVING RESCUERS DURING THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S  
2 INTERNATIONAL SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSION TO VENEZUELA.  
3 COMPRISED OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE PERSONNEL, PUBLIC WORKS  
4 STRUCTURAL SPECIALISTS, AND HEALTH SERVICES DRS, THIS TEAM  
5 WORKED TIRELESSLY FOR ELEVEN DAYS, AND THEY TRULY ARE THE BEST  
6 OF THE BEST. WHEN THEY RECEIVED THEIR ACTIVATION ORDERS, THEY  
7 QUICKLY LEFT THEIR LOVED ONES BEHIND TO HELP OTHERS IN NEED.  
8 DURING THE DEPLOYMENT, WE RECEIVED MESSAGES OF THANKS AND  
9 GRATITUDE FOR THEIR LIFE SAVING EFFORTS FOLLOWING THE  
10 DEVASTATING EARTHQUAKES. ALONGSIDE OUR PARTNERS, USA-2 MADE US  
11 IMMENSELY PROUD, AND TODAY, WE THANK THEM FOR SHARING THEIR  
12 SKILLS WITH THE WORLD. THEY RESCUED THOSE WHO WERE TRAPPED,  
13 PERFORMED WIDE AREA SEARCHES, AND EVALUATED COUNTLESS  
14 BUILDINGS. BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, THEY BROUGHT HOPE TO THE  
15 VENEZUELAN PEOPLE DURING THEIR DARKEST DAYS. TODAY, WE PROUDLY  
16 RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND USA-2 FOR FEARLESSLY HEADING INTO THE  
17 UNKNOWN TO SAVE LIVES, PROVING THE POWER OF TEAMWORK AND  
18 COMING TOGETHER DURING TIMES OF NEED. THE EYES OF THE WORLD  
19 WERE UPON THEM, AND THEY DIDN'T DISAPPOINT. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, WE WILL NOW HEAR THE  
22 COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THE COUNTY OF LOS  
25 ANGELES RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL



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1 INHABITED AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH  
2 AND CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS  
3 AND DESCENDANTS, PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING, AS THEY CONTINUE  
4 THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE  
5 THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE,  
6 SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE,  
7 AND MULTI-GENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
8 DEMONSTRATES OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH,  
9 HEALING, AND RECONCILIATION, AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES,  
10 CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS  
11 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
12 LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO  
13 GROWING AND SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND  
14 LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER.  
15 FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELINO TONGVA  
16 INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN  
17 GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION  
18 INDIANS - KIZH NATION, YUHA AVIATAM OF SAN MANUEL NATION, SAN  
19 FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, COASTAL BAND OF CHUMASH  
20 NATION, GABRIELINO/TONGVA NATION, GABRIELINO TONGVA TRIBE. TO  
21 LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,  
22 PLEASE VISIT THE LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN  
23 INDIAN COMMISSION WEBSITE AT [LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV](http://LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV).

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING WILL BE



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1 LED BY FATHER DIMITRI SALIBA FROM SAINT ANNE MELKITE CATHOLIC  
2 CATHEDRAL FROM THE 5TH DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF  
3 ALLEGIANCE WHICH WILL BE LED BY TOM BRITT, FORMER UNITED  
4 STATES NAVY LIEUTENANT REPRESENTING THE 1ST DISTRICT. IF YOU  
5 ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND AND JOIN US.

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7 **FATHER DIMITRI SALIBA:** LET US PRAY. GRACIOUS SOURCE OF ALL  
8 WISDOM, PEACE, AND COMPASSION, WE COME TOGETHER WITH GRATEFUL  
9 HEARTS, MINDFUL OF THE PRIVILEGE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF SERVING  
10 THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE PAUSE AT THE BEGINNING OF  
11 THIS MEETING TO SEEK GUIDANCE FOR THE WORK THAT LIES AHEAD,  
12 GRANT WISDOM TO THOSE ENTRUSTED WITH LEADERSHIP. GIVE THEM  
13 DISCERNMENT TO SEE CLEARLY, COURAGE TO ACT WITH INTEGRITY, AND  
14 HUMILITY TO LISTEN WITH RESPECT TO EVERY VOICE. MAY THEIR  
15 DECISIONS BE GUIDED NOT BY CONVENIENCE OR DIVISION, BUT BY A  
16 SINCERE DESIRE TO PROMOTE JUSTICE, FAIRNESS, AND THE COMMON  
17 GOOD. WE REMEMBER THE REMARKABLE DIVERSITY OF OUR COUNTY, A  
18 COMMUNITY ENRICHED BY PEOPLE OF MANY CULTURES, BACKGROUNDS,  
19 TRADITIONS, AND BELIEFS. MAY THAT DIVERSITY ALWAYS BE A SOURCE  
20 OF STRENGTH, INSPIRING MUTUAL RESPECT, UNDERSTANDING, AND  
21 COOPERATION. HELP US RECOGNIZE THE DIGNITY AND INHERENT WORTH  
22 OF EVERY PERSON AND REMIND US THAT EVERY DECISION MADE IN THIS  
23 CHAMBER HAS THE POTENTIAL TO TOUCH LIVES BEYOND THESE WALLS.  
24 WE ALSO LIFT UP THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES EACH DAY,  
25 FIRST RESPONDERS, RESCUERS, HEALTH CARE WORKERS, EDUCATORS,



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1 PUBLIC SERVANTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND ALL WHO QUIETLY DEDICATE  
2 THEMSELVES TO THE WELL-BEING OF OTHERS. STRENGTHEN THEM IN  
3 THEIR WORK, PROTECT THEM IN TIMES OF CHALLENGE, AND ENCOURAGE  
4 THEM IN MOMENTS OF AWARENESS. MAY THIS MEETING BE MARKED BY  
5 THOUGHTFUL DIALOGUE, GRACIOUS COLLABORATION, AND A SHARED  
6 COMMITMENT TO BUILDING STRONGER, SAFER, AND MORE COMPASSIONATE  
7 COMMUNITIES. MAY WISDOM PREVAIL OVER DISCORD, SERVICE OVER  
8 SELF INTEREST, AND HOPE OVER FEAR SO THAT THE WORK  
9 ACCOMPLISHED TODAY WILL BENEFIT NOT ONLY THOSE PRESENT, BUT  
10 EVERY RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WITH GRATITUDE AND HOPE,  
11 WE OFFER THIS PRAYER. AMEN.

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

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING FATHER DIMITRI  
23 SALIBA, DIRECTOR OF SAINT ANNE MELKITE CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL IN  
24 NORTH HOLLYWOOD FOR LEADING US IN THIS MORNING'S INVOCATION.  
25 FATHER SALIBA WAS BORN IN LEBANON AND RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S





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1 DEGREE IN THEOLOGY FROM SAINT PAUL UNIVERSITY IN ROME AND HIS  
2 PHD IN INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE FROM HOLY SPIRIT UNIVERSITY IN  
3 LEBANON. FATHER SLIVA HOLDS A MASTER'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS  
4 ADMINISTRATION AND WAS A VOLUNTEER PARAMEDIC. WE SHOULD HAVE  
5 HAD YOU UP HERE WITH ALL OF US, IN THE LEBANESE RED CROSS FOR  
6 TEN YEARS. FATHER SALIBA HAS BEEN SERVING SAINT ANNE CATHEDRAL  
7 FOR FIVE YEARS NOW AS RECTOR AND WAS APPOINTED BY THE BISHOP  
8 OF THE DIOCESE OF VICAR GENERAL FOR THE WEST COAST. DESPITE  
9 HIS MULTIPLE TASK AND DUTIES, FATHER SALIBA JOINED THE  
10 COMMUNITY POLICE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE NORTH HOLLYWOOD LAPD  
11 STATION AND FUNCTION AS A CHAPLAIN WHENEVER NEEDED. YOU TRULY  
12 ARE A MAN OF SERVICE. FATHER SALIBA, THANK YOU FOR LEADING US  
13 IN THE INVOCATION AND FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE  
14 ARE GREATLY APPRECIATIVE FOR YOUR INSPIRATIONAL WORDS THIS  
15 MORNING TO SET THE TONE FOR TODAY. LET'S GIVE THEM A ROUND OF  
16 APPLAUSE.

17  
18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU TO TOM BRITT FOR LEADING US  
19 THIS MORNING. TOM ENLISTED IN THE US NAVY IN 1999, AND AFTER  
20 21 YEARS OF ACTIVE AND RESERVE SERVICE AND FOUR OVERSEAS  
21 DEPLOYMENTS, INCLUDING KUWAIT AND TWO COMBAT TOURS IN IRAQ, HE  
22 RETIRED IN 2021. HE SERVED AS A HOSPITAL CORPSMAN WITH THIRD  
23 BATTALION FOURTH MARINES DURING THE OPENING PHASE OF OPERATION  
24 IRAQI FREEDOM IN 2003 AND RETURNED IN 2005 WITH THE MARINE  
25 CIVIL AFFAIRS UNIT IN RAMADI, IRAQ. HE ADVANCED TO CHIEF PETTY



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1 OFFICER E7, EARNED A COMMISSION, AND RETIRED AS LIEUTENANT 03.  
2 HIS AWARDS INCLUDE SIX NAVY AND MARINE CORP ACHIEVEMENT  
3 MEDALS, MEDALS, ONE WITH COMBAT V, AND TWO NAVY AND MARINE  
4 CORPS COMMENDATION MEDALS ALONG WITH MANY OTHER HONORS. DURING  
5 HIS TIME IN THE NAVY, HE SERVED IN SENIOR RECRUITING,  
6 ADMINISTRATIVE, LEGAL, MEDICAL READINESS, AND OPERATIONAL  
7 LEADERSHIP ROLES, IN LEADING TEAMS OF UP TO 135 PERSONNEL IN  
8 HIGH TEMPO ENVIRONMENTS. HE ALSO SERVED LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR  
9 19 YEARS ACROSS FIVE DEPARTMENTS, CURRENTLY WORKS AS A  
10 PRINCIPAL ANALYST WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. WOW.  
11 SUPERVISING EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENTS THAT SUPPORT DEPARTMENT  
12 HEADS, COUNTY EXECUTIVES, AND BOARD AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
13 PRIORITIES. FOR MUCH OF HIS TIME, HE ALSO SERVED IN THE NAVY  
14 RESERVE, BALANCING TWO PUBLIC SERVICE CAREERS WHILE SUPPORTING  
15 THE RESIDENTS AND INSTITUTIONS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. TOM HAS  
16 ALSO SERVED AS ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER AND YOUTH SPORTS COACH  
17 CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN THE L.A. COUNTY YOUTH MENTORING  
18 PROGRAM. HE CURRENTLY LIVES IN WEST COVINA WITH HIS WIFE,  
19 DOREEN, WHO GREW UP IN LA PUENTE AND IS ALSO A LONGTIME LOS  
20 ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEE AS WELL. TOGETHER, PROUD PARENTS, AS  
21 YOU ARE, OF DAVIN, WHO IS AN ACTIVE-DUTY AIR FORCE SERVICE  
22 MEMBER, AND KYLE, WHO STUDIES AT MOUNT SAC. THANK YOU AGAIN,  
23 TOM, AND ALL YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF  
24 SUPERVISORS, SUPERVISORS, AND WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS  
25 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION SIGNED BY ALL MEMBERS OF THIS



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1 BODY. THANK YOU, AND CONGRATULATIONS FOR YOUR SERVICE.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT EVERYONE  
6 TO MEET WHERE IS KALUA? KALUA IS AN EIGHT-YEAR-OLD SHARPAY  
7 MIX WHO HAS A LOT GOING FOR HER. SHE'S SWEET, CALM, AND  
8 AFFECTIONATE, AND VERY, VERY WELL BEHAVED. THAT'S ONE OF THE  
9 BEST PARTS OF ADOPTING SENIOR DOGS. THEY COME HOUSEBROKEN AND,  
10 YES, TRAINED. KALUA SITS, WILL SHAKE HANDS, THERE YOU GO, AND  
11 TRULY IS JUST A DOG THAT WANTS TO BE LOVED. SHE WALKS WELL ON  
12 A LEASH AND KNOWS A FEW TRICKS, AND I CAN'T WAIT TO SHOW  
13 EVERYONE WHAT SHE CAN DO. THERE YOU GO WITH THE HAHND SHAKE.  
14 SHE LOVES PEOPLE, OTHER DOGS, AND LEISURELY STROLLS AND  
15 TREATS. SO HOPEFULLY, WE CAN FIND SOMEONE TO GIVE HER ALL OF  
16 HER FAVORITE THINGS. IF YOU WANT TO ADOPT KALUA, CALL THE  
17 ANIMAL CARE AGOURA CARE CENTER AT (818) 991-0071 TO BRING  
18 KALUA HOME. AND WE'RE MAKING A POINT OF BRINGING IN SENIOR  
19 DOGS BECAUSE MANY HAVE SAID THAT WE ALWAYS BRING IN PUPPIES,  
20 BUT IN FACT, WE TRY TO BRING IN DOGS AT EVERY STAGE OF LIFE.  
21 AND KALUA WAS SURRENDERED BY HER FAMILY, AND SHE TRULY IS JUST  
22 LOOKING FOR THAT FOREVER HOME. SO MEET KALUA. AND NOW I WANT  
23 TO DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN. THIS IS MALCOLM. THIS  
24 HANDSOME TWO-YEAR-OLD ALASKAN HUSKY HAS A VERY SWEET, CALM,  
25 AND RESERVED DEMEANOR, WHICH IS UNUSUAL FOR A HUSKY. HE IS



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1 STILL REGAINING HIS CONFIDENCE, AND WHILE HE'S A LITTLE SLOW  
2 TO WARM UP, HE'S PROVEN THAT HE CAN BE HAPPY AND SOCIAL ONCE  
3 YOU HAVE GAINED HIS TRUST. MALCOLM HAS A BIG HEART, AND HE  
4 HOPES TO FIND SOMEONE TO SHARE IT WITH. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
5 ADOPT MALCOLM, CALL THE PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT (661) 575-2888  
6 TO MAKE HIM YOURS. AND WE STILL HAVE THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER  
7 PROMOTION HAPPENING UNTIL JULY 31. ADOPTION FEES ARE WAIVED  
8 FOR ALL DOGS AT ALL SEVEN CARE CENTERS. AND, AGAIN, THIS IS  
9 KAHLUA. IF YOU WANT TO ADOPT KAHLUA, YOU CAN CALL THE AGOURA  
10 CARE CENTER AT (818) 991-0071. AND, HONESTLY, I SPENT SOME  
11 TIME WITH KAHLUA UPSTAIRS, AND KAHLUA TRULY IS A SWEET DOG.  
12 EIGHT YEARS OLD BUT HAS STILL A LOT OF SPUNK. SO WITH THAT,  
13 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU. THANK YOU, KALUA.

14  
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. COLLEAGUES, I WANT TO,  
16 HOLD A MOMENT OF SILENCE TODAY TO REMEMBER THE THREE US  
17 SERVICE MEMBERS WHO WERE KILLED THIS PAST WEEKEND AS A RESULT  
18 OF THE CONFLICT IN IRAN. TWO US SOLDIERS WERE KILLED IN AN  
19 IRANIAN ATTACK IN JORDAN. FIRST LIEUTENANT TYLER JAMES FREEHAN  
20 AND PRIVATE ISABELLE GONZALES. THE THIRD, SERGEANT MICHAEL  
21 SWINTON, WAS KILLED IN NORTHERN IRAQ DURING THE CONTROLLED  
22 DESTRUCTION OF AN IRANIAN DRONE. HIS DEATH MARKS THE  
23 SEVENTEENTH SERVICE MEMBER TO LOSE THEIR LIVES AS A RESULT OF  
24 THIS CONFLICT. THESE DEATHS ARE A REMINDER OF THE INTRACTABLE  
25 COST OF WAR. THEIR LOST LEAVES A VOID FOR THEIR FRIENDS AND



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1 THEIR FAMILIES WHO WILL NEVER GET TO HUG THEIR LOVED ONES  
2 AGAIN. AND THEIR SACRIFICE IS A DEBT THAT WE CAN NEVER REPAY,  
3 A MEASURE OF THEIR COMMITMENT TO A COUNTRY THAT I KNOW WE ALL  
4 LOVE DEEPLY. WE HONOR THESE INDIVIDUALS TODAY TO REMEMBER  
5 THEIR COURAGE. LET US NOW PLEASE STAND AND TAKE A MOMENT OF  
6 SILENCE TO REFLECT ON THEIR LIVES, HONOR THEIR MEMORY, AND  
7 RENEW OUR COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES THEY DIED DEFENDING.  
8 THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WITH THAT, MEMBERS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
9 WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA?

10

11 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND  
12 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO,  
13 CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14. ON  
14 ITEM 4, SUPERVISOR HAHN WOULD LIKE TO REVISE HER MOTION TO ADD  
15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS COAUTHOR. ON ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR HORVATH  
16 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR  
17 HORVATH WOULD LIKE TO REVISE HER MOTION TO ADD SUPERVISOR  
18 SOLIS AS COAUTHOR. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR HAHN WOULD LIKE TO  
19 ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS  
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 12, THIS  
21 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.  
22 ON ITEM 14, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
23 HELD. ON PAGE 12, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS ITEMS, ITEMS 15  
24 THROUGH 61. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE  
25 HELD TOGETHER WITH ITEM 59B. ON ITEM 16, THIS ITEM WILL BE



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1 HELD FOR REPORT. ON ITEM 37, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT  
2 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 37, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS  
3 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS  
4 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
5 AGENDA, ITEMS 59A THROUGH 59C. ON ITEM 59B, SUPERVISOR HAHN  
6 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD TOGETHER WITH ITEM 15. ON PAGE  
7 38, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 62 AND 63. ON ITEM 62,  
8 SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE. ON PAGE  
9 39, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE  
10 MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ITEMS  
11 1D THROUGH 2D. ON PAGE 41, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION ITEM CS1  
12 THROUGH CS9. ON ITEM CS5, THIS ITEM WAS TAKEN OFF CALENDAR AS  
13 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM CS6 COUNTY  
14 COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT ONE CASE BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY  
15 28, 2026. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE  
16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 46, ITEMS CONTINUE FROM PREVIOUS  
17 MEETINGS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD. ITEM  
18 A1. ON ITEM A1, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
19 HELD. THE REQUEST FOR REVISION, CONTINUANCE, AND ITEM TO BE  
20 TAKEN OFF CALENDAR THROUGH A ONE ARE BEFORE YOU. THAT  
21 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

22  
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
24 HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE  
25 ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY



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1 THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY  
4 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES  
5 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF  
6 CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH  
7 IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING.  
8 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN  
9 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH  
10 PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE  
11 BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC  
12 COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE  
13 BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING  
14 RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR  
15 TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO  
16 THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS  
17 LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.  
18 PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A  
19 DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL  
20 OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING  
21 PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR  
22 OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF,  
23 STAFF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE  
24 RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND  
25 BOARD MEMBERS, AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE



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1 DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON  
2 ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO  
3 BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU  
4 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
5 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN  
6 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER  
7 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. TODAY'S MEETING ORDER WILL  
10 BE THE FOLLOWING, PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT HELD FOR  
11 DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD, INCLUDING THE CLOSED SESSION MATTERS,  
12 FOLLOWED BY ITEM A1, THEN ITEM 7, 14, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 15,  
13 59B, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER, THEN ITEM 17 AND 37,  
14 FOLLOWED BY GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND FINISHING UP WITH  
15 CLOSED SESSION. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE  
16 READ THE CALL IN INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

17

18 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE  
19 PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY  
20 DO SO IN PERSON OR REMOTELY. TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE  
21 VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV](http://WWW.BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV) TO REGISTER AND JOIN  
22 THE MEETING, OR YOU MAY CALL (213) 306-3065 AND USE ACCESS  
23 CODE 25380379804 AND MEETING PASSWORD 2672026. YOU WILL HAVE  
24 THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE MEETING.  
25 FOR ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD, YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE





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1 FOR ONE ITEM AND UP TO TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS. FOR  
2 ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS  
3 THE BOARD, ONE MINUTE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM, AND ONE  
4 MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE  
5 CLEARLY STATE YOUR NAME AND INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS  
6 YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING. PLEASE NOTE ONCE YOUR TIME HAS  
7 EXPIRED, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. WHEN IT  
8 IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, IF REGISTERED ON A COMPUTER OR DEVICE,  
9 YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME WILL BE CALLED. OR IF  
10 JOINING BY TELEPHONE, YOU WILL HEAR YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, YOUR  
11 AREA CODE, AND THE LAST TWO DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER WILL  
12 BE CALLED. TO ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN PERSON AND REMOTE  
13 SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO SPEAKING QUEUES.  
14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR  
15 SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE  
16 FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO  
17 NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO. ALSO, FOR  
18 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE, PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE  
19 A CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE TEAM THAT INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES  
20 FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES,  
21 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING,  
22 AND PARKS AND RECREATION IN THE AUDIENCE SHOULD YOU NEED  
23 ASSISTANCE FROM THEM. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS  
24 OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL ITEMS NOT  
25 HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING CLOSED SESSION



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1 MATTERS. THE CONSENT ITEMS WILL BE ACTED UPON WITH ONE MOTION.  
2 FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON  
3 THESE ITEMS, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE  
4 ONLINE OR PRESS \*3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE. PLEASE INDICATE THE  
5 AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS IN THE BEGINNING  
6 OF YOUR COMMENT FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF  
7 TIME.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN PERSON SPEAKERS. AND  
10 WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS.  
11 THIS WILL BE FOR ALL ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD FOR  
12 DISCUSSION AND CLOSED SESSION ITEMS. MATTHEW MALDONADO, COOKIE  
13 LAMMEL, SUSAN FRAN, LILLIAN CABRAL, KELLY ZHU, AND CLAUDIA  
14 JEREZ, PLEASE COME FORWARD. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 3238  
15 ENDING IN 18. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND  
16 THE AGENDA ITEM YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AND BEGIN. WE WILL GO TO  
17 THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 2134 ENDING IN 78.  
18 YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE THE NAME THE ITEM YOU ARE  
19 SPEAKING ON AND BEGIN.

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21 **JOHNNY ANDRADE:** HELLO?

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

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25 **JOHNNY ANDRADE:** HELLO?



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE BEGIN.

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4 **JOHNNY ANDRADE:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. WE CAN.

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8 **JOHNNY ANDRADE:** HI THERE. MY NAME IS JOHNNY ANDRADE. I'M  
9 PRESIDENT OF SOUTH CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL HERE IN SOUTH  
10 CENTRAL LOS ANGELES 90011. I'M HERE CALLING IN REGARDS TO ITEM  
11 NUMBER 15.

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13 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** ITEM NUMBER 15 IS BEING HELD FOR  
14 DISCUSSION. YOU CAN RETURN TO THE QUEUE AND SPEAK DURING THAT  
15 TIME.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE NEXT CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 5102  
18 ENDING IN 76. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND  
19 THE AGENDA ITEM YOU'RE SPEAKING ON. OKAY. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT  
20 CALLER. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.

21

22 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HELLO?

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THAT CALLER DROPPED. ROY HUMPHRIES, YOUR  
2 LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

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4 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WHY WE GO INTO IN PERSON NEXT?

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER  
7 WITH PHONE NUMBER 3238 ENDING IN 04. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.  
8 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND THE AGENDA ITEM YOU'RE SPEAKING ON.

9

10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WHILE WE SWITCH TO IN-PERSON  
11 FIRST, AND THEN WE'LL GO INTO PHONE.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY. WE'LL GO TO IN-PERSON. PLEASE BEGIN.

14

15 **MATTHEW MALDONADO:** GOOD MORNING, MATTHEW MALDONADO. ITEM 8.  
16 GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MATTHEW  
17 MALDONADO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ASME DISTRICT COUNCIL 36.  
18 ASME REPRESENTS OVER 10,000 EMPLOYEES IN L.A. COUNTY,  
19 INCLUDING DEPO DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL  
20 MANAGERS. WE SUPPORT BUDGETARY REALIGNMENT WITHIN THE  
21 DEPARTMENT THAT HAS CONCRETE THAT HAS A CONCRETE ROAD MAP TO  
22 IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR BOTH PUBLIC AND OUR MEMBERSHIP WHO ARE  
23 ACTIVELY ON THE GROUND. IN SUPPORT OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND  
24 TRANSPARENCY MEASURES, WE ASK THAT THE BOARD AND CEO TO ENSURE  
25 WE ARE INTEGRATED IN THE PLANNING PROCESS AND DISCUSSION. IT



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1 IS CRITICAL THAT WE HAVE A SEAT AT THE TABLE TO ADVOCATE FOR A  
2 SPENDING PLAN THAT SUPPORTS DEPARTMENT NEEDS, EMPLOYEE  
3 RETENTION, RECRUITMENT, PRIORITIZATION FOR SAFETY FOR OUR  
4 MEMBERS, AND THE INDIVIDUALS WE ARE TRUSTED TO CARE FOR. WE'RE  
5 ALSO ADVOCATING FOR THE PLAN TO INCLUDE LIFTING THE DECLARED  
6 EMERGENCY ORDER DUE TO SEVERE STAFFING SHORTAGES. WE ARE  
7 CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND CEO OFFICE TO  
8 ADDRESS THIS --

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

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12 **COOKIE LOMMEL:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF THE  
13 BOARD. MY NAME IS COOKIE LOMMEL, AND I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF  
14 OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF AFSCME LOCAL 685, THE PROBATION  
15 OFFICER UNION. WE APPRECIATE THAT THE MOTION RECOGNIZES THE  
16 IMPORTANCE OF ENGAGING REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES. WE RESPECTFULLY  
17 ASK THAT LABOR BE INCLUDED AS A FULL PARTNER THROUGHOUT  
18 DEVELOPMENT OF THE BUDGET REALIGNMENT STRATEGY, NOT SIMPLY  
19 AFTER THE RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN DRAFTED. AS YOU DEVELOP  
20 THE NEXT BUDGET, WE ALL SHARE THE SAME OBJECTIVE, MAKING SURE  
21 THAT EVERY TAXPAYER DOLLAR IS ISSUED IS USED FOR THE PURPOSE  
22 IT WAS INTENDED. WE WANT EVERY AVAILABLE RESOURCE INVESTED IN  
23 EFFECTIVE REHABILITATION, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND THE PROGRAMS OUR  
24 COMMUNITIES EXPECT. FRONT LINE FRONTLINE EMPLOYEES CAN HELP  
25 ENSURE THOSE RESOURCES ARE PUT TO WORK. IF THIS BOARD --



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

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4 **LILLIAN CABRAL:** YES. MY NAME IS LILLIAN CABRAL, AND I'M A  
5 MEMBER OF SEIU 721 AND COUNTY EMPLOYEE. I AM SPEAKING ON  
6 CONCERNS OF ITEM 12. VOTERS PASSED MEASURE ER PRO TO PROTECT  
7 HEALTH CARE ACCESS TO FEDERAL CUTS THAT HIT LOS ANGELES  
8 RESIDENTS. MEASURE ER SPENDING COMPLETELY BYPASSES DHS  
9 WORKFORCE. FORTY-FIVE PERCENT OF MEASURE ER REVENUE GOES TO  
10 PROFIT PARTNERS AND 22% ARE ALLOCATED TO THE DHS HOSPITALS AND  
11 CLINICS AND THAT IS HALF. DHS DOCUMENTS WHY COUNTY STAFF  
12 CANNOT PERFORM A GIVEN FUNCTION BEFORE A CONTRACT WORKER.  
13 LOWER THE 500,000 THRESHOLD IN PUBLIC PRESENTATION. DIRECT  
14 THAT EVERY CONTRACT BE REVIEWED BY THE CITIZENS OVERSIGHT  
15 COMMITTEE WHICH INCLUDES SEIU 721. AND LET ME EXPLAIN. SEIU  
16 AND ALL OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, WHEN THE CONTRACT WORKERS  
17 COME IN, WE TRAIN THEM. --

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

20  
21 **DR. KELLY ZHAO:** MY NAME IS DR. KELLY ZHAO. I AM SEIU MEMBER. I  
22 AM SPEAKING ON ITEM 12. COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2025 SPENT  
23 \$8,410,000,000 ON CONTRACTING OUT. DHS ALONE SPENT  
24 1,760,000,000 ON CONTRACT OUT. THAT'S ASTOUNDING AMOUNT. I AM  
25 ASKING DHS DOCUMENT WHY COUNTY STAFF CANNOT PERFORM A GIVEN



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1 FUNCTION BEFORE END CONTRACT IS SIGNED. LOWER THE \$500,000  
2 THRESHOLD FOR PUBLIC PRESENTATION. DIRECT THAT EVERY CONTRACT  
3 BE REVIEWED BY THE CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, WHICH INCLUDE  
4 A REPRESENTATIVE OF SEIU 721. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BOARD OF  
5 SUPERVISORS.

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

8  
9 **SUSAN FRIEND LATURNER:** MY NAME IS SUSAN FRIEND LATURNER, AND  
10 I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF AB 2344. I'VE BEEN A VOLUNTEER  
11 AT THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SHELTER FOR NEARLY TEN YEARS, AND  
12 I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND WHAT HAPPENS WHEN DOGS AND CATS ARE LEFT  
13 IN CAGES FOR MONTHS ON END. IT'S NOT PRETTY. IT'S NOT FAIR  
14 THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE TO PAY A CRIME FOR SOMEONE ELSE'S  
15 ACTION. I THINK THIS LAW IS A GREAT LAW, BUT I THINK IT'S ALSO  
16 FLAWED AND NEEDS SOME WORK. I AM SENDING A LETTER TO MY STATE  
17 SENATORS, AND I'M ASKING FOR YOU TO SEND A LETTER APPROVING  
18 THE BILL OR SUPPORTING THE BILL BUT ASK FOR THESE ADDITIONS.  
19 1, CASES IN COURT SHOULD BE FAST TRACKED IF THEY INVOLVE  
20 ANIMAL CRUELTY. 2, THE SHELTER SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE  
21 ENRICHMENT AND EXERCISE FOR ALL ANIMALS, IN CAGES. 2, WHEN THE  
22 OFFENDANT DOES SHOW UP IN COURT, THIS LAW DOES NOT APPLY, AND  
23 THOSE ANIMALS THAT ARE IN, SEIZED SHOULD STILL BE ALLOWED TO  
24 BE, PUT INTO FOSTER HOMES AND ADOPTED. THANK YOU.



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

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3 **JANET ASANTE:** HI. MY NAME IS JANET ASANTE WITH THE JUSTICE  
4 L.A. COALITION, AND I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 8. I JUST WANT TO  
5 THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR COAUTHORING THIS MOTION. THIS IS A  
6 LONG TIME COMING. PROBATION HAS A MISALIGNED BUDGET. WE KNOW  
7 THAT WE'RE FACING HUGE FISCAL REPERCUSSIONS DUE TO THE ABUSES  
8 THEY HAVE COMMITTED AGAINST OUR YOUTH. I'M HERE IN SOLIDARITY  
9 WITH THE YOUTH ORGANIZERS THAT MADE THIS HAPPEN. NEXT, WE NEED  
10 TO MAKE SURE THAT DYD GETS ON BOARD. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT  
11 JCOD BECOMES THE TRUE INDEPENDENT PRETRIAL SERVICES THAT THE  
12 COMMUNITY FOUGHT FOR AND WANTS TO SEE INVESTMENTS IN. THE  
13 PROBATION BUDGET HAS NOT MIRRORRED THE SIGNIFICANT DECREASES IN  
14 THE INCARCERATED YOUTH POPULATION, AND I THINK THAT THEY  
15 SHOULD ALWAYS BE FACING CONSEQUENCES FOR THEIR FISCAL  
16 IRRESPONSIBILITIES. BUT THIS IS ALSO JUST THE RIGHT THING TO  
17 DO. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR MAKING THIS PROGRESS, BUT THE JOB  
18 IS NOT DONE. WE SHOULD BE DECARCERATING ALL YOUTH. IF I WERE  
19 TO KEEP YOUTH IN THE CONDITIONS THAT THEY'RE CURRENTLY BEING  
20 KEPT IN DUE TO THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S IRRESPONSIBILITY, I  
21 WOULD BE IN CRDF. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR MOVING THIS MOTION  
22 FORWARD. THANK YOU.

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

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1 **JAMES NELSON:** YEAH. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JAMES NELSON. I'M  
2 WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW AND JUSTICE L.A., AND I'M SPEAKING  
3 ON, AGENDA ITEM 8, AS FAR AS THE MOTION AS FAR AS, WITH  
4 PROBATION. PROBATION HAS BEEN IN CRISIS, EVER SINCE THE SEXUAL  
5 ASSAULTS THAT TOOK PLACE IN THERE. AND RIGHT NOW, THE  
6 PROBATION HAS A MISALIGNED BUDGET, AND THE CEO OFFICE HAS  
7 NOTED REPEATEDLY THAT THE BUDGET MUST RIGHTSIZE. PROBATION  
8 BUDGET HAS NOT MIRRORED A SIGNIFICANT DECREASE OF THE  
9 INCARCERATED YOUTH POPULATION, AND I THINK THIS IS A WAY TO  
10 WHERE WE CAN REALLY ALIGN WITH GETTING THE JUVENILES THAT'S IN  
11 THERE THE ADEQUATE TREATMENT AND PROGRAMMING THAT THEY SHOULD  
12 HAVE AND RECEIVE AS BEING HUMAN BEINGS. AND AGAIN, TOO, AS  
13 JANET JUST SAID, IT'LL GIVE US A CHANCE TO GET OTHER  
14 DEPARTMENTS ON BOARD WITH THE --

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

17  
18 **JASMINE:** HI, MY NAME IS JASMINE AND I'M WITH DIGNITY AND POWER  
19 NOW. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ECHO WHAT MY PEERS HAVE BEEN SAYING  
20 ABOUT AGENDA ITEM 8. THIS MOTION RECOGNIZES AND AIMS TO  
21 RECTIFY THE LONGSTANDING FISCAL DISORDER OF THE L.A. COUNTY  
22 PROBATION DEPARTMENT. SPECIFICALLY, IT INSTRUCTS THE CEO AND  
23 CHIEF OF PROBATION OFFICER TO REPORT BACK IN A 120 DAYS WITH A  
24 DETAILED ANALYSIS OF PROBATION'S CURRENT BUDGET AND A PROPOSED  
25 STRATEGY FOR REALIGNING THEIR OPERATIONS AND RESOURCES WHILE



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1 MAINTAINING ALIGNMENT WITH BOARD PRIORITIES. IT ENCOURAGES  
2 EXPLORATION OF AN ALTERNATIVE BUDGETING PROCESS THAT CAN BE  
3 ACTIONABLE AND CAPABLE OF BEING PHASED IN THE BEGINNING WITH  
4 THE FISCAL YEAR 27 TO 28 RECOMMENDATION BUDGET. THE SECOND  
5 DIRECTIVE ASKED FOR A 90-DAY REPORT BACK FROM THE CEO AND THE  
6 COP THAT PROVIDES A MODEL FOR AN ENHAHNCED GRANT FUNDED  
7 MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING SYSTEM THAT WILL IMPROVE THE  
8 TRANSPARENCY, ADMINISTRATION AND DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.  
9 THANK YOU.

10

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

12

13 **HELEN JONES:** HELLO. MY NAME IS HELEN JONES. I'M WITH DIGNITY  
14 EMPOWER NOW AND JUSTICE L.A. PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS NOT  
15 SIGNIFICANT DECREASES OF THE INCARCERATED YOUTH POPULATION  
16 BETWEEN 2005 AND 2025 IN L. A. COUNTY WITNESSED AN 84 DECREASE  
17 IN THE LINE OVERALL POPULATION OF INCARCERATED YOUTH. DURING  
18 THE SAME TIME, THIS PERIOD, PROBATION BUDGET INCREASED BY  
19 ROUGHLY 57%. IT HAS HOLD OVER 1,100,000,000 OR 2.3 OR 2.8 OF  
20 THE OVERALL BUDGET FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. L.A. COUNTY  
21 PROBATION IS STILL IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY, AND THIS MOTION  
22 AIMED TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT. THE EXTERNAL CRISIS WE ARE  
23 ALL FAMILIAR WITH ARE MASKED BY INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION, AND I  
24  
25 WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY, OUR YOUTH PROBATION DEPARTMENT IS IN



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

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5 **MARCELLA ROSEN:** HI. MY NAME IS MARCELLA ROSEN. I'M WITH THE  
6 JUSTICE L.A. COALITION, AND I WANT TO START BY THANKING THE  
7 SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 8. IT IS TIME WE TOOK  
8 A REALLY HARD LOOK AT THE PROBATION BUDGET. PROBATION  
9 DEPARTMENTS STATEWIDE AND IN THIS COUNTY ARE GROWING AT ONE OF  
10 THE FASTEST RATES WITHIN LAW ENFORCEMENT WHEN IN FACT THEY  
11 DON'T PROVIDE THE SERVICES THAT THEY CLAIM TO PROVIDE AND ALSO  
12 ARE ON AVERAGE SIGNIFICANTLY MORE EXPENSIVE THAN COMMUNITY  
13 BASED CARE ALTERNATIVES. OBVIOUSLY, THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT  
14 HAS COST THIS COUNTY BILLIONS OF DOLLARS DUE TO THEIR  
15 MISTREATMENT OF YOUTHS. I APPRECIATE THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE  
16 REGULAR REPORT BACKS AND LOOKING AT THIS BUDGET REGULARLY.  
17 THANK YOU.

18

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

20

21 **INGRID MARTINEZ:** HELLO. MY NAME IS INGRID MARTINEZ. I'M HERE  
22 TO SPEAK ON ITEM 8. I SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THE CEO SHOULD  
23 ACKNOWLEDGE, EXAMINE, AND INCORPORATE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK  
24 LIFTED IN THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETINGS. AS  
25 DIRECTED IN THE MOTION, THE POC REPRESENTS AN ONGOING



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1 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO TRACK AND WEIGH INTO ITS, INTO  
2 THIS PROPOSED PROBATION BUDGET PILOT. THE CEO MUST BE  
3 RESPONSIVE TO THE QUESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS SHARED BY  
4 SYSTEM IMPACTED AND FORMERLY INCARCERATED YOUTH AND FAMILIES,  
5 DIRECT SERVICE PROVIDERS AND ADVOCATES. THANK YOU.

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

8  
9 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** YES. GOOD MORNING. CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS DWC. I  
10 AM HERE TO JUST TALK ABOUT AND GIVE SOME INFORMATION ABOUT NOT  
11 INFORMATION BUT JUST DISCUSS ITEM 62. I WOULD LIKE I  
12 UNDERSTAND THAT THE ITEM 62, THERE IS AN ETHICS COMMITTEE THAT  
13 HAS BEEN COMPOSED AND I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE MY INPUT AND WOULD  
14 LIKE TO FIND OUT IF THERE COULD BE A REPRESENTATION OF THE  
15 COMMUNITY IN THIS ETHIC COMMITTEE COMPOSITION BECAUSE THERE IS  
16 A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIVING IN THE COMMUNITY AND BEING PART OF  
17 THE AWARD LOOKING AT THE COMMUNITY FROM THE INSIDE OUT. SO I  
18 WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST TO SEE IF THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT  
19 THERE COULD BE A COMPOSITION OF A COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE  
20 THAT IS PROFESSIONAL THAT IS EDUCATED AND THAT THEY CAN BRING  
21 FORWARD INSIGHT INTO HOW TO DO THINGS --

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

24  
25 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS NICOLETTE NAUDIN. I'M WITH



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1 THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION AND I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 8. JUST TO  
2 ECHO WHAT SOME OF MY PEERS HAVE SAID, THE PROBATION HAS A  
3 MISALIGNED BUDGET. THE BUDGET HAS NOT MIRRORED SIGNIFICANT  
4 DECREASES OF THE INCARCERATED YOUTH POPULATION. WHILE THE  
5 POPULATION HAS DECREASED BY 84%, THE BUDGET HAS INCREASED BY  
6 ROUGHLY 57%. L.A. COUNTY PROBATION IS STILL IN A STATE OF  
7 EMERGENCY, AND THIS MOTION DOES AIM TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT.  
8 BUT THE EXTERNAL CRISES WE ARE FAMILIAR WITH, WE ARE THEY'RE  
9 MATCHED BY AN INTERNAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND FISCAL DISASTERS,  
10 CREATING ADDITIONAL BUDGETARY PRECARITY FOR THE COUNTY AT  
11 LARGE. THIS MOTION DOES PUSH THE DEPARTMENT AND CEO TO BUDGET  
12 MORE INTENTIONALLY, TO REALIGN, RIGHT SIZE THE DEPARTMENT'S  
13 BUDGET, AND SO ON. SD3 MUST BE IN REGULAR CONVERSATION WITH  
14 THE CEO AND PROBATION STAFF. THIS IS A MOMENT TO PRIORITIZE  
15 DIVESTMENT AND REINVESTMENT. THE CEO SHOULD ACKNOWLEDGE AND  
16 EXAMINE --

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

19  
20 **ANTHONY ROBLES:** MORNING. MY NAME IS ANTHONY ROBLES. I'M HERE  
21 WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW JUSTICE L.A. I'M ACT AND A RESIDENT  
22 OF DISTRICT 1. I'M ACTUALLY FORMALLY WAS A LEADER IN THE YOUTH  
23 JUSTICE WORK GROUP. I WAS A CONSULTANT AND HELPED LEAD THAT  
24 PROCESS WHERE WE, OUR COUNTY, DECIDED TO END YOUTH PROBATION  
25 AND FUND THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. NOW THEY WERE



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1 SAYING THE SAME THING THAT WE'VE BEEN SAYING SINCE FOR A LONG  
2 TIME, FOR DECADES NOW. SINCE 2005, THERE'S BEEN A 84% DECREASE  
3 IN THE OVERALL POPULATION OF INCARCERATED YOUTH, YET  
4 PROBATION'S BUDGET HAS INCREASED BY ROUGHLY 57%. SO THERE'S AN  
5 INVERSE RELATIONSHIP WITH INCARCERATION AND CRIME RATES AND  
6 THEN LAW ENFORCEMENT BUDGETS, WHETHER IT'S PROBATION, THE  
7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE D.A.'S OFFICE, AND THAT DOESN'T MAKE  
8 ANY SENSE. SO WE COULD BE REINVESTING OUR MONEY, OUR TAX  
9 DOLLARS INTO REAL PUBLIC SAFETY SOLUTIONS, WHICH INCLUDE  
10 MENTAL HEALTH, HOUSING, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. SO, IT'S ABOUT  
11 PROBABLY 20 YEARS LATE THAT WE'RE FINALLY LOOKING AT PROBATION  
12 BUDGET AND TRYING TO DOWNSIZE IT, BUT PLEASE DO IT.

13  
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER  
15 IN PERSON SPEAKERS TO THE ADDRESS THE BOARD. WE WILL NOW GO  
16 BACK TO REMOTE SPEAKERS. MAYA COLEMAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
17 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

18  
19 **MAYA COLEMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MAYA COLEMAN. I'M A  
20 MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION, AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK  
21 ON BOTH ITEMS 8 AND 62. I'M IN SUPPORT OF THESE ITEMS BECAUSE  
22 THEY SHARE A COMMON GOAL, RESTORING PUBLIC TRUST THROUGH  
23 TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNANCE.  
24 FIRST, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS HORVATH AND MITCHELL FOR  
25 BRINGING FORWARD THE PROBATION BUDGETING MOTION. THEIR



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1 PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS EXPERIENCED LONG-STANDING FISCAL  
2 DISORDER, AND IT'S CRITICAL THAT DISTRICTS 2 AND 3 REMAIN  
3 ACTIVELY ENGAGED WITH THE CEO AND PROBATION STAFF AS THEY  
4 DEVELOP THIS BUDGET PILOT. AS COAUTHORS OF THIS MOTION, I  
5 ENCOURAGE YOU TO REMAIN HANDS ON TO ENSURE TIMELY REPORT BACKS  
6 AND ANY PROPOSALS REMAIN FAITHFUL TO THE YOUTH JUSTICE  
7 REIMAGINE AND THE CARE FIRST VISION. THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH  
8 DEVELOPMENT SHOULD ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRACKING AND  
9 ALLOCATING JJRBG, JJCPA, AND OTHER NON-CC FUNDS. TOO OFTEN,  
10 THE PUBLIC BODIES RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE INVESTMENTS ARE  
11 PLAGUED BY TECHNOLOGICAL FAILURES, MISSING AGENDAS AND  
12 MATERIALS, AND UNCLEAR OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.  
13 WE NEED DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE COMMITTED TO TRANSPARENCY,  
14 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, AND EFFECTIVE STEWARDSHIP OF PUBLIC  
15 RESOURCES. THAT SAME COMMITMENT TO ACCOUNTABILITY IS WHY I  
16 ALSO SUPPORT THE ETHICS COMMISSION CHARTER AMENDMENT. RECENT  
17 EVENTS, INCLUDING THE CONFUSION SURROUNDING MEASURE G AND ITS  
18 UNINTENDED IMPACTS ON MEASURE J, HAVE SHOWN HOW QUICKLY PUBLIC  
19 TRUST CAN BE UNDERMINED WHEN OVERSIGHT IS WEAK OR UNCLEAR.  
20 INDEPENDENT ETHICS OVERSIGHT IS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURING  
21 GOVERNMENT DECISIONS ARE TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, AND FREE  
22 FROM POLITICAL INFLUENCE. THESE TWO ITEMS ARE ABOUT MORE THAN  
23 BUDGETS OR GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES. THEY ARE ABOUT REBUILDING  
24 CONFIDENCE IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT BOTH  
25 MEASURES AND CONTINUE STRENGTHENING THE SYSTEMS THAT ENSURE

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1 TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND THE FAITHFUL IMPLEMENTATION  
2 OF THE WILL OF THE VOTERS. THANK YOU.

3  
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 8054,  
5 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND  
6 BEGIN. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 8054, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
7 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

8  
9 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** LARRY, CONCERNED STAKEHOLDER.

10  
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE BEGIN.

12  
13 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. THIS  
14 WAS BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION ON ITEM 15 LAST NIGHT. I DIDN'T  
15 HAVE A CHANCE TO READ THE VAST AMOUNT OF PAGES THAT WERE DONE.

16  
17 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** ITEM 15 IS BEING HELD. YOU CAN GET BACK IN  
18 QUEUE WHEN THAT ITEM'S CALLED.

19  
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** BROOKLYN CARTER, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.  
21 PLEASE PRESS STAR --

22  
23 **BROOKLYN CARTER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BROOKLYN CARTER, AND  
24 I'M A RESIDENT OF SD2 AND A MEMBER OF LAW DEFENSA. I'M HERE  
25 TODAY TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS BOTH 8 AND 62 TO DEMAND THAT





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1 OUR PUBLIC POLICIES AND SPENDING TRULY REFLECTS THE VALUES AND  
2 JUSTICE OF JUSTICE CARE AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT. AS THE CEO  
3 AND PROBATION MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS BUDGET PILOT, IT IS  
4 CRITICAL THAT S SD3 REMAINS DIRECTLY INVOLVED TO ENSURE THAT  
5 THE PROCESS STAYS ALIGNED WITH THE GOALS AND VISION OF YOUTH  
6 JUSTICE REIMAGINE AND THE CARE FIRST JAIL'S LAST VISION. THIS  
7 IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO TURN THE BOARD'S COMMITMENT TO DIVESTMENT  
8 AND REINVESTMENT INTO MEANINGFUL ACTION. THE CEO SHOULD ALSO  
9 BE RESPONSIVE TO THE COMMUNITY. THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT  
10 COMMISSION WAS CREATED SO SYSTEM IMPACTED YOUTH, FAMILIES,  
11 PROVIDERS, AND ADVOCATES COULD HELP SHAPE DECISIONS LIKE  
12 THESE. THE RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD NOT BE SIMPLY HEARD. THEY  
13 SHOULD BE REFLECTED IN THE FINAL PROPOSAL. I WILL NOW SPEAK ON  
14 AGENDA ITEM 62. THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY VOTED FOR  
15 CHANGE. THROUGH MEASURES G AND J, VOTERS MADE IT CLEAR THAT  
16 THEY WANTED A GOVERNMENT THAT IS TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, AND  
17 WORTHY OF THE PUBLIC'S TRUST. THAT PROMISE CANNOT BE FULFILLED  
18 WITHOUT A TRULY INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION. OVERSIGHT IS  
19 ONLY EFFECTIVE WHEN IT IS FREE FROM POLITICAL INFLUENCE AND  
20 EMPOWERED TO HOLD EVERYONE TO THE SAME ETHICAL STANDARDS. WHEN  
21 ACCOUNTABILITY IS WEAK, THE PUBLIC PAYS THE PRICE. EVERY  
22 DOLLAR LOST TO MISMANAGEMENT OR CORRUPTION IS A DOLLAR THAT  
23 CANNOT SUPPORT HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, YOUTH  
24 PROGRAMS, OR OTHER ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS BY CREATING  
25 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. THIS IS ABOUT KEEPING THE FAITH



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1 THE FAITH WITH THE VOTERS. IT PROTECTS PUBLIC RESOURCES,  
2 STRENGTHENS PUBLIC CONFIDENCE, AND ENSURES THAT ETHICS  
3 ENFORCEMENT SERVES THE PEOPLE AND NOT POLITICS. CHOOSE TO  
4 HONOR THE WILL OF THE VOTERS. CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST, AND FREE  
5 THE 50. THANK YOU.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MARLENE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
8 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HELLO? IS SHE ON THE LINE?

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MARLENE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE  
13 YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

14

15 **MARLENE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARLENE, AND I  
16 RECENTLY GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL HERE IN LOS ANGELES  
17 COUNTY. AND I'M HERE BECAUSE LGBTQ+ YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY  
18 DESERVE TO KNOW WHAT THEY MATTER. TOO MANY PEOPLE FACE  
19 HOMELESSNESS, MENTAL HEALTH STRUGGLES, AND REJECTIONS SIMPLY  
20 BECAUSE OF WHO THEY ARE. THE PROGRAM FUNDED BY THIS COUNTY  
21 PROVIDES SAFETY, STABILITY, AND HOPE WHEN IT'S NEEDED MOST.  
22 AND WHEN WE INVEST IN LGBTQ YOUTH, WE'RE INVESTING IN  
23 HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES AND BRIGHTER FUTURES. SO I URGE YOU TO  
24 RESTORE AND ACTUALLY EXPAND FUNDING FOR LGBTQ+ YOUTH HOUSING,  
25 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS. AND PLEASE



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1 CONTINUE SHOWING YOUNG PEOPLE THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS A  
2 PLACE WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS AND THANK YOU.

3  
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YASMIN SHOGEN, YOUR LINE IS  
5 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND STATE THE AGENDA ITEM YOU'RE  
6 SPEAKING ON.

7  
8 **YASMIN SHOGEN:** HI. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
9 YASMIN SHOGEN. I'M A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION  
10 AND A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND POLICY INTERN AT LA DEFENSEA. I  
11 URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT ITEM 8 AS WELL AS ITEM 62, WHICH  
12 I'LL BE SPEAKING ON BOTH TODAY. THIS BUDGET PILOT IS AN  
13 OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE PROBATION SPENDING REFLECTS TODAY'S  
14 REALITIES AND THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENTS TO YOUTH JUSTICE  
15 REIMAGINED AND CARE FIRST JAILS LAST. THE CEO AND PROBATION  
16 MUST KEEP SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3 AND THE PUBLIC MEANINGFUL  
17 ENGAGEMENT THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS AND INCORPORATE COMMUNITY  
18 FEEDBACK SHARED THROUGH THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION.  
19 FOR YEARS, MILLIONS IN STATE YOUTH JUSTICE FUNDS HAVE GONE  
20 UNSPENT WHILE COMMUNITIES CONTINUE TO FACE UNMET NEEDS. WE  
21 NEED A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE BUDGETING PROCESS THAT  
22 PRIORITIZE REINVESTMENT AND ALLOWS THE DEPARTMENT OF THE YOUTH  
23 DEVELOPMENT TO EFFECTIVELY MANAGE THESE RESOURCES. PLEASE VOTE  
24 YES ON ITEM 8. AND THEN NOW IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 62, THE COUNTY  
25 OF LOS ANGELES ETHICS COMMISSION CHARTER AMENDMENT. STRONG



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1 ETHICS PROTECTIONS ARE ESSENTIAL TO PUBLIC TRUST. L.A. COUNTY  
2 MANAGES BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN PUBLIC RESOURCES, AND RESIDENTS  
3 DESERVE CONFIDENCE THAT THOSE RESOURCES ARE BEING SPENT,  
4 MANAGED TRANSPARENTLY, RESPONSIBLY, AND IN THE PUBLIC  
5 INTEREST. AN ETHICS COMMISSION MUST BE INDEPENDENT FROM THE  
6 ELECTED OFFICIALS THAT OVERSEES. INDEPENDENCE ALLOWS FOR  
7 MEANINGFUL INVESTIGATIONS AND ACCOUNTABILITY WITHOUT POLITICAL  
8 INTERFERENCE. THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE VOTERS WERE  
9 PROMISED STRONGER ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH MEASURES G AND J.  
10 THIS CHARTER AMENDMENT HELPS ENSURE THAT THOSE PROMISES ARE  
11 REFLECTED IN HOW OUR COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATES. WHEN  
12 OVERSIGHT IS STRONG, PUBLIC RESOURCES ARE BETTER PROTECTED AND  
13 MORE LIKELY TO REACH THE COMMUNITIES AND PROGRAMS THAT THEY  
14 WERE INTENDED TO SERVE. WE URGE THE BOARD TO UPHOLD ITS  
15 COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY BY SUPPORTING  
16 THIS ORDINANCE. THANK YOU.

17  
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CHRISTIAN TREGAROS, YOUR LINE IS  
19 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF, STATE THE AGENDA ITEM YOU ARE  
20 SPEAKING ON, AND BEGIN. CHRISTIAN TREGAROS, PLEASE UNMUTE  
21 YOURSELF.

22  
23 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** LET'S MOVE ON TO THE NEXT  
24 SPEAKER.



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. ROY HUMPHREYS,  
2 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND STATE THE AGENDA  
3 ITEMS YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AND BEGIN. ROY HUMPHRIES, PLEASE  
4 UNMUTE YOURSELF. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CAITLIN PLAYER,  
5 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND STATE THE AGENDA  
6 ITEM THAT YOU'RE SPEAKING ON.

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8 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** CAN YOU HEAR ME HEAR ME?

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE CAN.

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12 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** OH, OKAY. I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S IT'S AN UNUSUAL  
13 SITUATION HERE. AGAIN, ITEM 2, DR. BEN CARSON, KNOWS THAT THE  
14 DEMOCRATS, TREASONOUS ACT OF TRAFFICKING HUMANS, THAT HAS GONE  
15 ON FOR AN ASSASSIN DECADES AND BIDEN YEARS WERE THE PINNACLE  
16 OF SUCH. YES. THERE IS A GOD WHO SAVED PRESIDENT TRUMP FROM  
17 THE ASSASSIN'S BULLET SO THAT THE DEMOCRAT ASSASSINS WILL NOT  
18 PREVAIL. I PRAY THAT FOR THE DAY OF RECKONING WHEN THE  
19 DEMOCRATS WILL PAY FOR THEIR TREASON. AS TO ITEM NUMBER 3,  
20 THAT THIS CHILD AWARENESS MONTH IS SEXUAL PERVERSION IS A  
21 SEXUAL PERVERSION AND THAT THE PARENTS AND DEMOCRATS ON THIS  
22 BOARD THAT YOU'VE SPENT BILLIONS ON THE ILLEGAL ALIENS, BUT  
23 THE TREASONOUS OBSTRUCTION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT  
24 ENFORCE THE LAWS AND, TAKE CARE OF THIS HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND  
25 THE NATIONAL BREAST FEEDING WEEK, MY GOD, HAVE YOU NOT MORE



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1 PRESSING THINGS TO DO THE BREASTFEEDING IN THIS IN THIS THING.  
2 AND BLACK BREASTFEEDING, COME ON. THAT'S LIKE HAVING BLACK  
3 ENGLISH. YOU'RE TEACHING BLACK ENGLISH. HOW ABOUT YOU WANT TO  
4 TALK ABOUT RACISM, GEEMINY? WISH YOU PEOPLE SHOULD BE ASHAMED  
5 OF YOURSELF. IT'S DISGUSTING. AND SO WE'LL LEAVE IT THERE. AND  
6 JUST THERE'S A LONG WAYS TO GO, AND WE'LL HAVE TO SAVE  
7 COMMENTS FOR OTHER THINGS. THANK YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ETHAN MOLINA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
10 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

11

12 **ETHAN MOLINA:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ETHAN MOLINA. I'LL BE  
13 REPRESENTING OUR YOUTH WITH LGBT CENTER. I WANTED TO TALK  
14 ABOUT ITEM 8. SPECIFICALLY, WHEN IT COMES TO INCARCERATION,  
15 THERE IS A LINE IN THE TEXT THAT SAYS GENDER EXPANSIVE YOUTH.  
16 I WANT TO REACH MORE INTO THAT BECAUSE A LOT OF THE TIME WHEN  
17 TRANS PEOPLE ARE TAKEN INTO PROBATION OR TAKEN INTO JAILS,  
18 THEY'RE NOT GIVEN ADEQUATE CARE. SO I WOULD REALLY HOPE THAT,  
19 WHEN IT COMES TO CERTAIN, FUNDING POOLS, SOME OF THAT WILL GO  
20 TO TRANS, TWO SPIRIT, AND GENDER EXPANSIVE YOUTH. BECAUSE I  
21 HAVE SEEN IN THE PAST, ESPECIALLY WITHIN FRIENDS OF MINE, THAT  
22 WE'RE NOT ABLE TO GET ACCESS TO TRANSGENDER HEALTH CARE, WHILE  
23 IN, WHILE IN HOLDING OR IN PRISON. THAT BEING SAID, THEY  
24 WEREN'T ABLE TO GET ACCESS TO HORMONES OR THINGS OF THAT  
25 NATURE AND WERE NOT REFERRED TO BY THEIR CHOSEN NAMES. SO I



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1 HOPE THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO IN THE  
2 FUTURE, FOR TRANS PEOPLE TO HAVE THE SAME EQUAL ACCESS TO  
3 RIGHTS AS OUR NON-TRANSGENDER COUNTERPARTS. THANK YOU.

4  
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CARLY ALBA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
6 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

7  
8 **CARLY ALBA:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
9 BOARD. MY NAME IS CARLY ALBA, ATTORNEY AND BUSINESS  
10 REPRESENTATIVE FROM TEAMSTERS LOCAL 986, AND I'M SPEAKING ON  
11 ITEM 8. WHILE WE SUPPORT TRANSPARENCY AND RESPONSIBLE  
12 SPENDING, THIS MOTION GOES FAR BEYOND BUDGET MANAGEMENT. IT  
13 PUSHES TO REALIGN CORE OPERATIONS AND TRANSFER STATUTORY  
14 PROBATION FUNCTIONS TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS. UNDER CALIFORNIA  
15 LAW, PROBATION'S CORE DUTIES, INCLUDING COURT INVESTIGATIONS,  
16 DETENTION OPERATIONS, AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION ARE MANDATED  
17 BY STATE STATUTE, NOT LOCAL PREFERENCE. AT A TIME WHEN LOS  
18 PADRINOS REMAINS IN A DECLARED LOCAL EMERGENCY AND STAFF ARE  
19 STRUGGLING WITH MASSIVE SHORTAGES AND DOUBLE SHIFTS, STRIPPING  
20 OR REDISTRIBUTING ESSENTIAL RESOURCES THREATENS PUBLIC SAFETY  
21 AND DIRECTLY IMPAIRS OUR ABILITY TO MEET THE FCC AND DOJ  
22 COMPLIANCE MANDATES. WE URGE THE BOARD TO REQUIRE A FULL LEGAL  
23 ANALYSIS OF PROBATION STATUTORY DUTIES AND PROTECT THE  
24 STAFFING NEEDED TO KEEP OUR FACILITIES AND COMMUNITIES SAFE.  
25 THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. STEPHAHNIE ALCANTAR, YOUR LINE  
3 IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

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5 **STEPHANIE ALCANTAR:** HI. MY NAME IS STEPHAHNIE ALCANTAR. I'M A  
6 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1. I AM CALLING IN TODAY TO SPEAK IN  
7 FAVOR OF ITEMS 8 AND 62. THIS IS A MOMENT TO PRIORITIZE  
8 DIVESTMENT AND REINVESTMENT. THE INTERIM CEO SHARED DURING  
9 FINAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS THAT DIVESTMENT AND REINVESTMENT IS  
10 A PRIORITY FOR BOTH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE CEO. AND  
11 SO IN ORDER TO STAND BY THEIR WORD, THE CEO SHOULD UPHOLD THIS  
12 COMMITMENT TO A DIVESTMENT REINVESTMENT STRATEGY AS THEY  
13 DEVELOP THIS BUZZ PILOT PROPOSAL. THE CEO SHOULD ACKNOWLEDGE,  
14 EXAMINE, AND IF POSSIBLE, INCORPORATE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK  
15 LIFTED UP IN THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETINGS. AS  
16 DIRECTED IN THE MOTION, THE POC REPRESENTS AN ONGOING  
17 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO TRACK AND WEIGH INTO THIS  
18 PROPOSED PROBATION BUDGET PILOT. THE CEO MUST BE RESPONSIBLE  
19 TO THE QUESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS SHARED BY SYSTEM IMPACTED  
20 AND FORMERLY INCARCERATED YOUTH AND FAMILIES, DIRECT SERVICE  
21 PROVIDERS, AND ADVOCATES. ULTIMATELY, DYD SHOULD TRACK AND  
22 ALLOCATE JJRGB, JJCPA, AND OTHER NON NCC DOLLARS. PROBATION  
23 HAS HISTORICALLY ACCUMULATED TENS OF TENS OF MILLIONS OF  
24 DOLLARS IN UNUSED STATE FUNDS STEMMING FROM ISSUES LIKE  
25 INEFFECTIVE ALLOCATION PROCESSES, LACK OF DATA COLLECTION,





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1 INACCURATE TRACKING OF SPENDING, AND INCONSISTENCY IN  
2 MEETINGS. WE NEED A DEPARTMENT COMMITTED TO TRANSPARENCY,  
3 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, AND EFFICACY TO LEAD THESE SPACES, AND  
4 NAMELY THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. AS FAR AS ITEM 62,  
5 STRONG ETHICS PROTECT PUBLIC TRUST. IN MEASURE G AND MEASURE  
6 J, VOTERS WERE PROMISED AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION AS  
7 WELL AS COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND ALTERNATIVE SKIP TO  
8 INCARCERATION. INDEPENDENCE IS ESSENTIALLY IS ESSENTIAL TO  
9 ACCOUNTABILITY. THANK YOU.

10  
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. PALOMA BUSTOS, YOUR LINE IS  
12 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

13  
14 **PALOMA BUSTOS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PALOMA BOSTOS, I'M  
15 WITH THE SUNITA JAIN ANTI TRAFFIC INITIATIVE AT LOYOLA LAW  
16 SCHOOL, I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER EIGHT. WE SUPPORT  
17 SUPERVISOR'S MOTION TO REVIEW THE PROBATIONS DEPARTMENT'S  
18 BUDGET. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE  
19 TRANSPARENCY AROUND HOW PROBATION USES ITS FUNDING AND TO  
20 DETERMINE WHETHER CURRENT SPENDING SUPPORTS THE COUNTY'S  
21 PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH, INCLUDING PREVENTION COMMUNITY BASED  
22 CARE. IT ALSO CREATES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR GREATER INVESTMENT IN  
23 THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND THE COMMUNITY BASED  
24 ORGANIZATIONS ALREADY SERVING YOUNG PEOPLE. THIS IS ESPECIALLY  
25 IMPORTANT FOR YOUTH IMPACTED BY HUMAN TRAFFICKING, INCLUDING



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1 THOSE FORCED OR COERCED INTO CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. TOO OFTEN,  
2 THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE TREATED AS OFFENDERS INSTEAD OF  
3 VICTIMS. WE URGE THE BOARD TO APPROVE THE MOTION AND USE THE  
4 BUDGET TO AND USE THE BUDGET REVIEW TO MOVE MORE FUNDING  
5 TOWARD A PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH, DYD, AND TRUSTED COMMUNITY  
6 BASED PROVIDERS. THANK YOU.

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. SEAN MCMORRIS, YOUR LINE IS  
9 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

10

11 **SEAN MCMORRIS:** HELLO. YES. MY NAME IS SEAN MCMORRIS AND I'M  
12 WITH CALIFORNIA COMMON CAUSE SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 62. WE  
13 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE AND  
14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WEIGHED IN, TO HELP DEVELOP AND  
15 SHAPE THIS CHARTER AMENDMENT. WE BELIEVE IT IS A VERY STRONG  
16 MODEL FOR AN ETHICS COMMISSION. WE THANK THE BOARD OF  
17 SUPERVISORS FOR SUPPORTING THIS EFFORT, AND WE HOPE THAT YOU  
18 WILL PLACE THIS ORDINANCE ON THE BALLOT TODAY. WE LOOK FORWARD  
19 TO SUPPORTING IT AND UPLIFTING IT AS A MODEL FOR OTHER  
20 JURISDICTIONS TO EMULATE. THANK YOU.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JOSHUA BRENNECKE, YOUR LINE IS  
23 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

24

25 **JOSHUA BRENNECKE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSHUA BRENNECKE. I



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1 AM A MEMBER OF BRILLIANT CORNERS AND POWER LOS ANGELES. I'M  
2 HERE TO SPEAK TODAY ON THE AGENDA ITEM 8 AND 62. FIRST WITH  
3 ITEM 8, I JUST WANT TO GIVE SUPPORT FOR THIS MOTION, AGAIN,  
4 REITERATING WHAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE BEEN SAYING AROUND THE  
5 MOMENT OF PRIORITIZING DIVESTMENT AND REINVESTMENT. AS  
6 DIRECTED IN THE MOTION, THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION  
7 REPRESENTS AN ONGOING OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO TRACK AND  
8 WEIGH INTO THIS PROPOSED PROBATION BUDGET PILOT. THE CEO MUST  
9 BE RESPONSIVE TO THE QUESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS SHARED BY  
10 SYSTEM IMPACTED AND FORMERLY INCARCERATED YOUTH AND FAMILIES,  
11 DIRECT SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND ADVOCATES. PROBATION HAS  
12 HISTORICALLY ACCUMULATED TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN UNUSED  
13 STATE FUNDS STEMMING FROM ISSUES LIKE INEFFECTIVE ALLOCATION  
14 PROCESSES, LACK OF DATA COLLECTION, INACCURATE TRACKING OF  
15 SPENDING, AND INCONSISTENCY IN MEETINGS. AGAIN, ASK WE IN  
16 FAVOR OF ITEM 8 AND THEN SPEAKING ON ITEM 62, WE ALL KNOW WHAT  
17 WORKS. STRONG ETHICS PROTECT PUBLIC TRUST. MEASURE G AND  
18 MEASURE J, VOTERS WERE PROMISED AN INDEPENDENT ETHICS  
19 COMMISSION AS WELL AS COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND ALTERNATIVES TO  
20 INCARCERATION. COMMUNITIES ARE MORE LIKELY TO ENGAGE WITH  
21 COUNTY GOVERNMENT WHEN THEY KNOW DECISIONS ARE BEING MADE  
22 TRANSPARENTLY. PUBLIC TRUST GROWS WHEN ELECTED OFFICIALS AND  
23 COUNTY EMPLOYEES ARE HELD TO CLEAR ETHICAL STANDARDS, AND THIS  
24 ORDINATE ORDINANCE HELPS ENSURE THAT THE COUNTY IS ACCOUNTABLE  
25 TO THE PEOPLE IT SERVES. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING BOTH OF



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1 THESE MEASURES.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CHRISTIAN TREGUERAS, YOUR LINE  
4 IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CHRISTIAN  
5 TREGUERAS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND  
6 BEGIN. WE WILL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CAITLIN PLAYER, YOUR  
7 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

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9 **CAITLIN PLAYER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
10 CAITLIN PLAYER, AND I'M AN INTERN WITH LA DEFENSEA. I AM  
11 SPEAKING TODAY IN STRONG SUPPORT OF BOTH ITEMS 8 AND 62 TO  
12 ADVOCATE FOR ACCOUNTABILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND COMMUNITY  
13 INVESTMENT. ON ITEM 8, WE WERE WE URGE THE BOARD TO IMPLEMENT  
14 AN ALTERNATIVE BUDGETING APPROACH FOR PROBATION THAT ALIGNS  
15 WITH OUR COMMUNITY'S VISION. SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3 MUST STAY  
16 HANDS ON TO ENSURE TIMELESS AND BUILD A TEETH TO YOUTH JUSTICE  
17 REIMAGINED AND CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST. THE CEO MUST HONOR ITS  
18 COMMITMENT TO DIVESTMENT REINVESTMENT IN INCORPORATING  
19 FEEDBACK FOR PRO PROHIBITION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETINGS AND  
20 SYSTEM IMPACTED COMMUNITIES. HISTORICALLY, PROBATION HAS  
21 ACCUMULATED TENS OF MILLIONS IN UNUSED STATE FUNDS. JJCP  
22 BALANCE IS IN 2024. TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY, THE DEPARTMENT OF  
23 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SHOULD TRACK AND ALLOCATE JJRPG, JJCPA, AND  
24 NON NCC DOLLARS MOVING FORWARD. ON ITEM 62, I URGE THE BOARD  
25 TO ADVOCATE FOR A ROBUST INDEPENDENT COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION.



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1 IN IN MEASURE G AND J, VOTERS WERE PROMISED AN INDEPENDENT  
2 ETHICS COMMISSION ALONGSIDE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND  
3 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. INDEPENDENT INDEPENDENCE IS  
4 ESSENTIAL TO TRUE ACCOUNTABILITY BECAUSE AN ETHICS COMMISSION  
5 MUST ANSWER TO THE PUBLIC, NOT THE ELECTED OFFICIALS IT  
6 OVERSEES. REAL OVERSIGHT ONLY WORKS WHEN THE COMMISSION CAN  
7 INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS AND ENFORCE RULES FREE FROM POLITICAL  
8 INTERFERENCE. WHEN ETHICS PROTECTIONS ARE WEAK, MISMANAGEMENT  
9 FLOURISHES, AND EVERY DOLLAR IS LOST TO CORRUPTION. A DOLLAR  
10 THAT CANNOT BE INVESTED IN HOUSING, HEALTH CARE, YOUTH  
11 PROGRAMS, MENTAL SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY BASED CARE. LOS  
12 ANGELES COUNTY MANAGES BILLIONS OF TAXPAYER DOLLARS EVERY  
13 YEAR, AND RESIDENTS DESERVE TOTAL CONFIDENCE THAT THESE  
14 RESOURCES ARE BEING MANAGED RESPONSIBLY. PLEASE BE ACCOUNTABLE  
15 FOR THE VOTERS OF MED FOR THE VOTES OF MEASURE G AND J BY  
16 SUPPORTING THIS AMENDMENT. THANK YOU.

17  
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER 5102, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
19 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

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21 **OLIVIA:** HELLO?

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23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE BEGIN.

24  
25 **OLIVIA:** CAN YOU HEAR ME? GOOD MORNING. THIS IS OLIVIA WITH



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1 URBAN PEACE INSTITUTE AND ALLIES UPRISING COALITION, SHARING  
2 STRONG SUPPORT FOR ITEMS 8 AND 62. AS SOMEONE WHO'S BEEN  
3 ADVOCATING FOR YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINE FOR FIVE YEARS NOW AT  
4 THE BOARD, IT'S BEEN WILDLY DISCOURAGING TO CONTINUOUSLY HEAR  
5 THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DIVEST FROM PROBATION'S BUDGET AND  
6 REINVEST THOSE DOLLARS INTO STRATEGIES WE KNOW WILL BRING  
7 YOUNG PEOPLE THE CARE THEY DESERVE AND TRULY FOSTER SAFETY AND  
8 WELL-BEING IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THROUGH SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S  
9 MOTION TO APPROACH PROBATION'S BUDGET IN A NEW WAY IS AN  
10 UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY TO UNSTICK FUNDS THAT HAVE LONG BEEN  
11 MISMANAGED AND POORLY MONITORED BY A DEPARTMENT WITH A  
12 HORRENDOUS TRACK RECORD IN THEIR TREATMENT OF YOUTH AND A  
13 DEPARTMENT WHOSE BUDGET HAS MAINTAINED EVEN AS THE POPULATION  
14 OF INCARCERATED YOUTH SHRINK. WE MUST RIGHT SIZE PROBATION'S  
15 BUDGET, AND WHENEVER POSSIBLE, THIS BUDGET PILOT INCORPORATE  
16 COMMUNITY FEEDBACK, PARTICULARLY UPLIFTED IN INFORMATION  
17 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETINGS. FURTHERMORE, I URGE THE BOARD  
18 TO BE ACCOUNTABLE TO THE VOTERS OF MEASURE G AND J BY  
19 SUPPORTING THE ETHICS COMMITTEE CHARTER AMENDMENT, WHICH IS A  
20 CRUCIAL STEP TOWARDS A MORE TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, AND  
21 TRUSTWORTHY COUNTY GOVERNMENT. EVERY DOLLAR LOST TO CORRUPTION  
22 IS A DOLLAR THAT COULD BE INVESTED IN HOUSING, HEALTH CARE,  
23 YOUTH PROGRAMS, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY BASED  
24 CARE. RESIDENTS DESERVE CONFIDENCE THAT THESE RESOURCES ARE  
25 BEING MANAGED RESPONSIBLY. THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER 4152, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
3 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CALLER 4152,  
4 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND  
5 BEGIN. WE WILL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER 2134, YOUR LINE  
6 IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CALLER  
7 2134, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF  
8 AND BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER 2139, YOUR LINE  
9 IS IN YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF  
10 AND BEGIN.

11

12 **MARIA ESPINOSA:** HELLO?

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES. CALLER, PLEASE BEGIN.

15

16 **MARIA ESPINOSA:** YES. HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARIA  
17 ESPINOSA. I AM CALLING, ALL THE SUPERVISOR, AND I'M PRESIDENT  
18 FOR HUMAMAZ PROCENTRA. AND I WOULD, YEAH, I WOULD LOVE TO LIKE  
19 TO COMMENT TO THE I TO THE AGENDA 15 REGARDING THE CLOSE OF  
20 THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL.

21

22 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** ITEM 15 IS BEING HELD. YOU CAN RETURN BACK  
23 TO THE QUEUE WHEN THAT ITEM'S CALLED.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 6264,

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1 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND  
2 BEGIN. CALLER WITH 6264, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
3 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. PLEASE BEGIN.

4  
5 **CHRISTIAN PINERO:** OH, HI. YEAH. MY NAME IS CHRISTIAN PINERO  
6 FROM EL MOTEC, SPEAKING ON ITEM 62. THE COUNTY ETHICS  
7 COMMISSION APPLICATION WEBSITE MUST BE CORRECTED AND  
8 CLARIFIED. ITS CURRENT WORDING CAN REASONABLY BE INTERPRETED  
9 TO MEAN THAT APPLICANTS MUST BE BID IN AN UNCOOPERATED AREA OF  
10 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT IS NOT WHAT THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE  
11 SAID. ALL LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS MAY APPLY WHILE ONLY AT  
12 LEAST ONE OF THE FOUR COMMISSION'S NOMINATED MEMBERS MUST  
13 RESIDE IN AN UNINCORPORATED AREA. I PRESUME THIS UNDERSTUDY  
14 REQUIREMENT AFTER READING THE WEBSITE IS SOMEONE WHO REGULARLY  
15 PARTICIPATES IN PUBLIC MEETINGS AND GOVERNMENT PROCESSES CAN  
16 BE CONFUSED. MANY WORKING-CLASS RESIDENTS MAY SIMPLY ASSUME  
17 THEY ARE INELIGIBLE AND NEVER APPLY. THE UNDERMINED COUNTY'S  
18 STATE COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT, ACCESS ACCESSIBILITY,  
19 TRANSPARENCY, AND REPRESENTATION FROM THE UNDERREPRESENTED  
20 COMMUNITY. THE WEBSITE SHOULD PROMINENTLY STATE IN PLAIN  
21 LANGUAGE THAT RESIDENTS WORK ON --

22  
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER 3234, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
24 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CALLER 3234,  
25 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND





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1 BEGIN. WE WILL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER 32, OH, WE CAN  
2 HEAR YOU. PLEASE BEGIN.

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4 **SOFIA QUINONES:** OKAY. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 25 AND  
5 26 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. MY NAME IS SOFIA QUINONES. I'M WITH THE  
6 EAST L.A. BOYLE HEIGHTS COALITION, AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON  
7 THE TOXIC LINEAGE FIRE. WHAT IS THE REASON WHY THE INCIDENT  
8 COMMAND SYSTEM WASN'T ACTIVATED FOR THE LINEAGE FIRE? IS IT  
9 BECAUSE L.A. DEPARTMENT --

10

11 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** MA'AM, THIS ONE IS BEING HELD. YOU CAN  
12 SPEAK ON ITEM 20 AND THE OTHER ITEM, BUT NOT A1.

13

14 **SOFIA QUINONES:** WELL, 25, WHICH ALSO HAS TO DO WITH FIRES AND  
15 EMERGENCY RESPONSE. WHY IS IT THAT THE REASON THE INCIDENT  
16 COMMAND SYSTEM WASN'T ACTIVATED FOR THE LINEAGE FIRE.

17

18 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** MA'AM IS IT BECAUSE WE WOULD BE ABLE TO  
19 HEAR YOU BETTER AND NOT HAVE AN ECHO IF YOU JUST COME TO THE  
20 PODIUM INSTEAD OF SITTING AT THE BACK ON YOUR PHONE.

21

22 **SOFIA QUINONES:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I APPRECIATE IT. I COULDN'T  
23 GET IN ON TIME. MY NAME IS SOFIA QUINONES AND I WANT TO  
24 DISCUSS A VERY IMPORTANT ITEM WHICH IS THE LINEAGE FIRE. WHAT  
25 IS THE REASON?



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2 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** BUT, MA'AM, THE LINEAGE FIRE IS ACTUALLY  
3 BEING HELD. SO WHEN THAT ITEM IS CALLED, YOU CAN SPEAK AT THAT  
4 TIME.

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6 **SOFIA QUINONES:** SO BUT, 2025 HAVE TO DO WITH FIRE RESPONSE.  
7 YOU HAVE THEM LISTED, ALL OF THEM. I WANTED THAT THE LINEAGE  
8 FIRE ALSO BE ADDED TO THOSE ITEMS WHICH IS 20 AND 25.

9

10 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THOSE ARE SPECIFICALLY THE JANUARY  
11 WILDFIRES. THOSE ARE A DIFFERENT FIRE ITEM.

12

13 **SOFIA QUINONES:** I KNOW. I'M ASKING TO AMEND IT TO INCLUDE US  
14 IN THAT.

15

16 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** UNFORTUNATELY, WE CAN'T DO THAT, BUT YOU  
17 CAN SPEAK DURING A1 WHEN WE CALL THE ITEM, WHICH IS DIRECTLY  
18 AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT ENDS. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19

20 **SOFIA QUINONES:** AND I CAN SPEAK UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT AND 25.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** NO. PUBLIC COMMENT'S AT THE END.

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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 3235, YOUR LINE IS  
2 UNMUTED. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CALLER  
3 3235, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF  
4 AND BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. KEALANI PEARL, YOUR  
5 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

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7 **KEALANI:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KEALANI, AND  
8 I'M A FRESHMAN IN HIGH SCHOOL HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
9 STARTING HIGH SCHOOL IS ALREADY STRESSFUL, AND I CAN'T IMAGINE  
10 HOW MUCH HARDER IT WOULD BE IF I DIDN'T HAVE A SAFE PLACE TO  
11 GO OR PEOPLE I COULD TRUST. FOR A LOT OF LGBTQ PLUS STUDENTS,  
12 PROGRAMS FUNDED BY THE COUNTY PROVIDE THAT SUPPORT. THEY HELP  
13 YOUNG PEOPLE FIND HOUSING, ACCESS COUNSELING, AND FEEL  
14 ACCEPTED FOR WHO THEY ARE. WHEN THESE PROGRAMS LOSE FUNDING,  
15 IT DOESN'T JUST AFFECT THE BUDGET. IT AFFECTS REAL STUDENTS  
16 WHO ARE TRYING TO GET THROUGH SCHOOLS WHILE FACING CHALLENGES  
17 MANY OF US NEVER HAVE TO THINK ABOUT. PLEASE RESTORE AND  
18 EXPAND FUNDING OF LGBTQ+ YOUTH SERVICES SO EVERY YOUNG PERSON  
19 HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED NO MATTER WHO THEY ARE OR WHO  
20 THEY LOVE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

21  
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 2139,  
23 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND  
24 BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER  
25 4152. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF



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1 AND BEGIN.

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3 **NICKOLAUS SACKETT:** HELLO, SUPERVISOR, HELLO, SUPERVISORS. I'M  
4 CALLING ON ITEM 10, SUPPORT FOR AB 2344. MY NAME IS NICKOLAUS  
5 SACKETT. I WORK FOR SOCIAL COMPASSION IN LEGISLATION, CO-  
6 SPONSORS OF THE BILL ALONG WITH THE LOS ANGELES DISTRICT  
7 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. FIRST, THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR  
8 BRINGING THIS ITEM TO THE BOARD. AS MENTIONED BY AN EARLIER  
9 CALLER, ANIMALS THAT HAVE BEEN SEIZED IN ANIMAL ABUSE CASES  
10 DESERVE TO HAVE A CHANCE TO FIND A LOVING HOME AS SOON AS  
11 POSSIBLE. WHEN THOSE ARE ACCUSED WHEN THOSE THAT ARE ACCUSED  
12 OF ANIMAL ABUSE COME FROM A COURT DATE, IN EFFECT, THEY ARE  
13 ABANDONING THESE ANIMALS. THE BILL STRIKE A BALANCE OF  
14 FAIRNESS BY ALLOWING A COMBINED 44 DAYS AT A MINIMUM FOR THE  
15 ACCUSED TO RETURN TO COURT TO STATE THEIR INTENTION TO KEEP  
16 THEIR ANIMALS. IF THEY ARE NOT WILLING TO DO THAT, THEN THESE  
17 ANIMALS DESERVE A CHANCE AT A NEW LOVING HOME. I ALSO LIKE TO  
18 CLARIFY THAT THIS BILL DOES MAKE IT CLEAR THAT ANIMAL FEEDS  
19 UNDER THIS SECTION OF LAW WOULD BE ABLE TO BE FOSTERED OUT  
20 WHILE THEY'RE IN THE CUSTODY OF THE ANIMAL SHELTER. THANK YOU  
21 VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 2139,  
24 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND  
25 BEGIN. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 2139, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.



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1 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. OKAY. MADAM  
2 CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO ADDRESS THE  
3 BOARD. THAT WILL CONCLUDE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS.

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5 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS --

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7 **TOM KIESCHE:** HELLO?

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9 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

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11 **TOM KIESCHE:** HI. I RAISED MY HAND SEVERAL TIMES, AND IT KEPT  
12 CLEARING ON ME. SO MY NAME IS TOM KIESCHE. I WOULD LIKE TO  
13 SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 10. I VOLUNTEERED AT A NUMBER OF  
14 DIFFERENT SHELTERS. CURRENTLY, I'M AT ONE OF THEM RIGHT NOW,  
15 AND I WORK WITH THE MCU DOG. PLEASE, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY WE  
16 TREAT ANIMALS LIKE THEY'RE EVIDENCE, LIKE THEY CAN BE STUCK IN  
17 A LOCKER FOR YEARS. PLEASE PUT YOUR SUPPORT BEHIND AB 2344.  
18 THERE ARE DOGS IN SHELTERS RIGHT NOW THAT HAVE BEEN HERE FOR  
19 TWO YEARS, AND I'VE KNOWN OTHER CASE ANIMALS OVER TWO YEARS.  
20 WE NEED TO TREAT THEM LIKE THE SENTIENT BEINGS THEY ARE AND  
21 NOT THE EVIDENCE THAN WE'VE BEEN TREATING THEM FOR AS LONG AS  
22 I KNOW. PLEASE. PLEASE. THANK YOU.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JOHN FASANO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
25 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. JOHN FASANO, YOUR LINE IS



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1 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

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3 **JOHN FASANO:** YES. THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR SOLIS AND  
4 BOARD MEMBERS. I'M JOHN FASANO ADDRESSING ITEM 62. THE  
5 GOVERNMENT REFORM TASK FORCE DEVELOPED A ROBUST CHARTER  
6 AMENDMENT THAT IS BEFORE YOU TODAY FOR AN INDEPENDENT COUNTY  
7 ETHICS COMMISSION. WE APPRECIATE THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE  
8 PUBLIC, COUNTY COUNSEL, AND STAFF IN GETTING TO TODAY. THE  
9 TASK FORCE HAS CONTINUED TO REFINE OUR RECOMMENDATIONS. AFTER  
10 EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION, WE SUBMITTED A LETTER TO YOU FROM OUR  
11 CHAIR, NANCY YAP, WITH SEVEN RECOMMENDATIONS THAT I SUPPORT. I  
12 URGE THAT YOU PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO RECOMMENDATIONS 1  
13 THROUGH 4. ONE ALLOWS THE COMMISSION TO ENFORCE COUNTY IN  
14 CALIFORNIA LAWS. TWO, REMOVES THE REFERENCE TO SUBSTANTIAL  
15 EVIDENCE, WHICH IS NOT A TYPICAL EVIDENTIARY STANDARD. THREE,  
16 CLARIFIES INTERACTION BETWEEN THE ETHICS COMMISSION AND COUNTY  
17 AGENCIES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS IN THE RESPECTIVE  
18 ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY. AND FOUR, CREATES A WAY TO INVESTIGATE  
19 ALLEGATIONS INVOLVING THE ETHICS COMMISSION OR COMMISSIONERS.  
20 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR LEADERSHIP.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 6264  
23 ENDING IN 35. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND  
24 BEGIN. CALLER 6264 ENDING IN 35, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE  
25 PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. PLEASE BEGIN.



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2 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** YES. [INAUDIBLE] COUNTY ONLY COURT  
3 [INAUDIBLE] FOR A 127,000,000 IN SPENT CARE FIRST AND  
4 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUNDS HAD OUR COMMUNITY BY THE END OF THE  
5 FISCAL YEAR 2024, 2025. ALTHOUGH PORTIONS WERE LATER ALLOCATED  
6 THE PUBLIC TO THE CLEAR AND CURRENT ACCOUNTING SHOWING HOW  
7 MUCH HAS ACTUALLY BEEN, HOW MUCH IS ENCUMBERED, HOW MUCH IS  
8 ALLOCATED WHEN COMMUNITIES RECEIVE SERVICES AND WHO IS  
9 RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTINUING LEAVE. AND ETHICS COMMISSION SHOULD  
10 NOT ONLY TO REGULATE INDIVIDUAL CONDUCT, WHICH IS TRACING,  
11 TRANSPARENCY, DISCLOSURE, AUDIT TRAIL, CONFLICT OF INTEREST,  
12 SAFEGUARD, AND ACCOUNTABILITY WHEN VOTER APPROVED COMMUNITY  
13 INVESTMENTS REMAIN UNUSED WHILE WORKING CAST COMMUNITIES ARE  
14 STRUGGLING. ANY AMENDMENT INVOLVING MUST PRESERVE THE VOTER'S  
15 MANDATE WITHOUT INTERRUPTION, REDUCTION, DELAY, OR  
16 REINTERPRETATION BEFORE CLAIMING ETHICS REFORM. THE COUNTY  
17 MUST ACCOUNT FOR THE PUBLIC MONEY AND THE PUBLIC VOTE. THANK  
18 YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
21 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE  
22 ITEMS.

23

24 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
25 BOARD, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3,



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1 4 AS REVISED, 5 AND 6. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR HAHN WOULD LIKE  
2 TO RESCIND HER ABSTENTION, 9 THROUGH 13, 17 THROUGH 36, 38  
3 THROUGH 58, 59A AND 59, 62 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER ABSTAINING  
4 FROM THE VOTE, 63, 1D AND 2D. THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

5  
6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY  
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS  
8 NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL  
9 THE ROLL.

10  
11 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

12  
13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE.

14  
15 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE.  
16 SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

17  
18 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AYE.

19  
20 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE.  
21 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

22  
23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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25 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE.





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1 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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5 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE.

6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

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10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION  
11 CARRIES. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM A1, PROCLAIMED LOCAL  
12 EMERGENCY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF  
13 THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE  
14 USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU HAVE ON IF YOU ARE ONLINE  
15 OR PRESS \*3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. DR. MUNTU DAVIS, COUNTY HEALTH  
16 OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. KELLY LOBIANCO, DIRECTOR  
17 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. JESSICA KIM, CHIEF DEPUTY, DEPARTMENT  
18 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. LESLIE LUKE, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY  
19 MANAGEMENT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WAYNE NASTRI, EXECUTIVE  
20 OFFICER, SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT. DAVID  
21 FORD, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. MARK PESTRELLA, DIRECTOR OF  
22 PUBLIC WORKS. LUIS RAMIREZ, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF  
23 PUBLIC WORKS, AND MARIBEL MARIN, 211 ARE AVAILABLE FOR  
24 QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR  
25 NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES  
3 FOR INDULGING ME TODAY. I'M HOLDING AGAIN THIS ITEM A1 TO GET  
4 AN UPDATE ON THE BOYLE HEIGHTS EAST LOS ANGELES FIRE  
5 EMERGENCY. IT HAS BEEN EXACTLY ONE MONTH SINCE THE FIRE BROKE  
6 OUT AND THERE CONTINUES TO BE A LOT OF MISINFORMATION AND  
7 CONFUSION THAT IS OUT IN THE COMMUNITY. AND OUR PURPOSE TODAY  
8 IS TO HOPEFULLY GET THROUGH THAT AND GET CLARIFICATION FROM,  
9 FROM YOU AND A DIRECTION IN TERMS OF WHERE WE ARE TO THIS  
10 DATE. ESPECIALLY, I'M CONCERNED HOW THE COUNTY IS RESPONDING  
11 AND WANTING TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR CONSTITUENTS UNDERSTAND WHAT  
12 BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF  
13 EAST LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO MAKE IT KNOWN THAT ALL RESOURCES  
14 AND SERVICES WE HAVE MADE AVAILABLE FOR EAST LOS ANGELES  
15 RESIDENTS HAVE COME THROUGH OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL AS  
16 MY OFFICE, AS WELL AS VARIOUS FEDERALLY QUALIFIED CLINICS, AS  
17 WELL AS COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS. AND I CAN SEE OUR  
18 DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE HERE HAVE BEEN ENGAGED SINCE THIS  
19 STARTED, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE. I DID  
20 WANT TO MENTION THAT THE CITY OF L.A. HAS ENGAGED WITH SEVERAL  
21 CBOS THAT RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH LINEAGE'S \$2,000,000  
22 ALLOCATION THROUGH CCF WHOSE EFFORTS ARE PRIMARILY FOCUSED ON  
23 SERVING BOYLE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY. I KNOW THAT THAT IS CHAHNGING  
24 NOW AS WE SPEAK BECAUSE WE MADE AN EFFORT TO ARTICULATE THAT  
25 TO LINEAGE. WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT, AND AT THE SAME LEVEL THAT



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1 THE CITY IS RECEIVING, I BELIEVE IS UNFAIR AND DOESN'T PROVIDE  
2 US WITH THE EQUITY THAT OUR RESIDENTS WOULD LIKE TO SEE. WE  
3 HAVE BEEN WORKING TO HOLD LINEAGE ACCOUNTABLE, AND I WOULD  
4 LIKE TO CALL THE PEOPLE'S ATTENTION TO TWO LETTERS ON THE  
5 SCREEN ABOVE ME. ONE IS FROM OUR CEO, JOE NICCHITTA, TO  
6 LINEAGE, UPLIFTING OUR ASKS TO ENSURE A COORDINATED RESPONSE,  
7 RESPONSE, EQUITABLY MEETING THE NEEDS OF EAST LOS ANGELES  
8 RESIDENTS. THE SECOND LETTER IS LEANING RESPONSE, MAKING  
9 COMMITMENTS TO EXPAND THE ELIGIBILITY MAP AND TO STREAMLINE  
10 THE RECOVERY EFFORTS TO CREATE LESS CONFUSION. I JUST WANT TO  
11 SAY THAT WE'VE COME A LONG WAY, BUT IT TOOK US A LONG TIME TO  
12 GET HERE, QUITE FRANKLY, AND IT HAS BEEN VERY FRUSTRATING FOR  
13 OUR RESIDENTS IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND INCLUDING BOYLE HEIGHTS  
14 BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF MISCOMMUNICATIONS. MEANWHILE, MY  
15 OFFICE STILL CONTINUES TO BE ON THE GROUND RESPECTIVELY,  
16 WHETHER IT'S IN THE EAST L.A. CIVIC CENTER OR NOW AT SALAZAR  
17 PARK, WHICH IS VERY CLOSELY ADJACENT TO WHERE THE STORAGE  
18 FACILITY IS. I WAS JUST THERE YESTERDAY, IN FACT, IN THE  
19 AFTERNOON AND YOU COULD SMELL THE ODOR. AND IT REMINDED ME OF  
20 A TIME WHEN WE HAD OUR OFFICES IN SELA, SOUTHEAST L.A., AND  
21 FARMER JOHN'S FACTORY WAS THERE, AND WE HAD A LOT OF  
22 COMPLAINTS AT THAT TIME THAT PEOPLE HAD TO, FOR YEARS, SUSTAIN  
23 THE ODOR. AND I KNOW AQMD, WAYNE, YOU'RE WELL AWARE OF THAT  
24 SITUATION. THEY'RE NO LONGER THERE, BUT HERE WE GO, WITH THIS  
25 NOW SITUATION. I DO WANT TO CLARIFY THOUGH THAT PEOPLE HAVE,



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1 PERHAPS MISCONSTRUED WHAT THE COUNTY IS DOING AND WHAT OUR  
2 OFFICES HAVE BEEN UP TO, AND I WANT TO SAY THAT TO THIS DATE,  
3 FOR THE LAST, I WANT TO SAY ALMOST MORE THAN THREE WEEKS, WE  
4 HAVE DISTRIBUTED ALONGSIDE WITH OUR PARTNERS, SOME OF WHOM ARE  
5 HERE IN THE AUDIENCE AND SOME THAT ARE LISTENING,  
6 APPROXIMATELY 11,500 AIR PURIFIERS. WE DIDN'T DO IT ALL ALONE.  
7 WE ALSO HAD AQMD. WE ALSO HAD COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS  
8 AND CLINICS, FAITH BASED GROUPS, AND OTHERS THAT CONTRIBUTED  
9 TO THIS CAUSE. WE'VE ALSO PROVIDED FOOD, WATER, AND N95 MASKS  
10 TO BOTH EAST L.A. AND BOYLE HEIGHTS RESIDENTS. SO WE HAVE  
11 ATTEMPTED TO DO EVERYTHING WE CAN. THE EFFORTS CONTINUE ON THE  
12 GROUND AT SALAZAR PARK. IN FACT, TODAY FROM 11AM TO 3PM, WE  
13 WILL BE THERE AS LONG AS SUPPLIES LAST. BUT WE KNOW THAT  
14 THERE'S GOING TO BE AN END IN TERMS OF, HOW MUCH WE CAN  
15 DELIVER IF WE'RE NOT GIVEN SUFFICIENT FUNDING BY LINEAGE AND  
16 OTHERS. I ALSO WANTED TO LIFT UP THE FACT THAT WE HAVE BEEN  
17 ABLE TO SECURE TEMPORARY HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR EAST L.A.  
18 RESIDENTS LIVING IN THE AREAS MOST AFFECTED BY THE FIRE  
19 THROUGH A PARTNERSHIP THAT WAS ESTABLISHED THROUGH AIRBNB.ORG  
20 AND 211 LA, WHICH IS HERE. AND I'M HAPPY 211 THAT YOU'RE HERE  
21 TODAY TOO. THESE ARE JUST SOME OF THE EFFORTS THAT THE COUNTY  
22 HAS BEEN ENGAGED WITH, BUT I WANT TO HELP PROVIDE FURTHER  
23 CLARITY BY ASKING QUESTIONS OF THE PANEL. AND AGAIN, I WANT TO  
24 THANK YOU. I'M SORRY THAT YOU HAD TO WAIT THIS LONG TO GET TO  
25 US TODAY, BUT WE'VE HAD A KIND OF A ROBUST MEETING HERE AND



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1 TYPICALLY, WE DON'T ALWAYS KNOW HOW LONG IN LENGTH WE'RE GOING  
2 TO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT THESE ARE INTERESTING TIMES AS WE  
3 ALL KNOW. SO I WANT TO BEGIN, FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU OEM FOR  
4 BEING HERE AND THANK YOU KEVIN MCGOWAN. AND I ESPECIALLY WANT  
5 TO THANK LESLIE LUKE WHO HAS BEEN ASSIGNED AND BEEN IN SO MANY  
6 WAYS, OUR GO TO PERSON. AND I WANT TO PUBLICLY THANK YOU  
7 BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THE INVOLVEMENT AND ENORMITY AND  
8 RESPONSIBILITY THAT THIS TAKES. AND TO SEE YOU PERFORM AND  
9 YOUR STAFF, AS WELL AS WITH KEVIN AND OTHERS, HAS JUST BEEN  
10 OUTSTANDING. BECAUSE WHEN WE CALL BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ASK  
11 QUESTIONS, YOU HAVE BEEN AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE. AND WE  
12 HAVE BEEN PRODDING AND PUSHING TO GET ANSWERS FOR BLEEDING  
13 EDGE. AND I CAN TELL YOU IT HAS BEEN FRUSTRATING, AND I KNOW  
14 IT'S BEEN FRUSTRATING FOR ALL OF YOU AS WELL. BUT NOW I WANT  
15 TO GET TO THE POINT WHERE IF WE CAN GET SOME INFORMATION  
16 REGARDING THE CLEANUP AND THE LATEST, STATUS UPDATE FOR OUR  
17 RESPONSE OF THESE LETTERS THAT WE RECEIVED AND THAT WE SENT.  
18 AND IF WE COULD, TALK A BIT ABOUT THAT, LESLIE, AND AS WELL AS  
19 I WANT TO THANK PUBLICLY OUR CEO FOR SENDING THIS LETTER AND  
20 ALSO MEETING WITH LINEAGE AND WITH STAFF, LAST WEEK IN OUR  
21 OFFICE AND TO CLARIFY SOME OF THE CONCERNS, MAJOR CONCERNS  
22 THAT WE HAVE. SO I'M HOPING THAT YOU CAN GIVE US, OEM, A  
23 RUNDOWN AND CEO IF NECESSARY, WHERE WE ARE AND IF THE RESPONSE  
24 IS ADEQUATE, BY LINEAGE AND WHAT CAN WE EXPECT IN TERMS OF THE  
25 CLEANUP AND DEBRIS REMOVAL BECAUSE THAT SEEMS TO BE THE MOST



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1   TIMELY ISSUE RIGHT NOW. THE EMANATING ODORS THAT CONTINUE, THE  
2   FACT THAT THERE MIGHT BE OTHER THINGS THAT ARE OUT THERE IN  
3   THE ENVIRONMENT THAT WE'RE NOT AWARE OF OR THAT WE CAN  
4   CLARIFY, AND AS WE GO THROUGH THE PROCESS, WE'LL ASK THOSE  
5   QUESTIONS OF EACH OF YOU. SO IF YOU COULD START, PLEASE,  
6   LESLIE LUKE. THANK YOU.

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8   **LESLIE LUKE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
9   GOOD MORNING. LESLIE LUKE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF  
10   EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. THE WORK AT THE SITE CONTINUES 24/7.  
11   THIS WEEK, THEY HAVE ACTUALLY INCREASED THE NUMBER OF TRUCKS  
12   REMOVING DEBRIS FROM THE SITE. DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS AND AIR  
13   MONITORING INSIDE OF THE INSIDE OF THE SITE, THINGS HAVE  
14   ACTUALLY BEEN GOING A LITTLE SLOWER, BUT THEY ARE MAKING  
15   PROGRESS THERE. THERE'S ACTUALLY A CONCRETE WALL BETWEEN  
16   FREEZER 1 AND FREEZER 2 THAT THEY'RE TRYING TO DEMOLISH. AND  
17   BY DOING SO, THEY WILL ABLE TO GET TO FREEZER 2 AND THE ROWS  
18   OF PRODUCT THAT ARE ACTUALLY IN THERE. EACH ONE OF THOSE ROWS  
19   IS ABOUT THE SIZE OF TWO FOOTBALL FIELDS, AND THERE ARE ABOUT  
20   28 ROLLS IN THAT SECOND FREEZER. SO ONCE THEY HAVE THAT  
21   COMPLETED AND DID THAT SAFETY MEASURE, THEY'LL BE ABLE TO  
22   START WORKING ON THAT. WE CONTINUE TO MEET WITH THEM DAILY IN  
23   REGARDS TO ACTUALLY, TODAY, THERE'S A WASTE MANAGEMENT  
24   MEETING. YESTERDAY, WE HAD A VECTOR CONTROL MEETING IN REGARDS  
25   TO ALL OF THE RODENTS, FLIES, MOSQUITOES IN THE AREA. WE'RE



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1 WORKING WITH THEM STILL ON THEIR PERMITTING FOR THE ROADS,  
2 AROUND THE SITE. AND, ALSO, THE OTHER MAJOR THING WE'RE GOING  
3 TO BE DOING THIS WEEK IS TRYING TO HELP THEM FIND ANOTHER  
4 LOCATION TO STAGE SOME OF THEIR TRUCKS. ONCE WE HAVE THAT,  
5 THEY'LL BE ABLE TO MOVE MORE PRODUCT OUT OF THE SITE.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IF I COULD JUST GO BACK, COULD YOU  
8 REFER AGAIN TO WHAT REMAINS, WHAT THE DEBRIS I MEAN, WHAT THE  
9 TONNAGE IS THAT STILL REMAINS THAT HAS TO BE REMOVED?

10

11 **LESLIE LUKE:** THERE'S ABOUT 55,000,000, TONS OF TONNAGE THAT WE  
12 STILL THINK ARE IN THERE, BUT THEY'RE STILL DOING THOSE  
13 ASSESSMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO THAT'S MORE THAN HALF?

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17 **LESLIE LUKE:** YES.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND IS THIS 24/7?

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21 **LESLIE LUKE:** YES.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WHEN YOU SAID THERE'S A STAGING  
24 AREA FOR TRUCKS, WHAT IS BEING USED RIGHT NOW? HOW IS THAT  
25 OPERATED?



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2 **LESLIE LUKE:** SO RIGHT NOW, THEY HAVE A ROAD PLAN THAT THEY'RE  
3 ACTUALLY MOVING IN AND OUT OF THE SITE AND MOVING THOSE TRUCKS  
4 THROUGH THERE. TODAY IS THE WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN MEETING.  
5 THEY WILL BE DISCUSSING THE HAULING ROUTES AND DOING THAT AS  
6 WELL. PUBLIC WORKS IS A PART OF THAT MEETING, SO THEY PROBABLY  
7 COULD HAVE A LITTLE BIT MORE INFORMATION ON THAT. BUT RIGHT  
8 NOW, THE ADDITIONAL STAGING AREA MEANS THAT WE'LL HAVE  
9 ADDITIONAL TRUCKS THAT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO USE TO INCREASE  
10 THE NUMBER OF TONS AND TRUCKLOADS THAT ARE MOVING OUT OF THE  
11 SITE.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WHAT PROTECTIONS ARE IN PLACE TO  
14 SAFEGUARD ANY OF THAT DEBRIS, FALLING INTO THE NEIGHBORING  
15 COMMUNITIES?

16

17 **LESLIE LUKE:** YES. THERE'S A PLAN THAT THEY'RE WORKING ON THAT  
18 IN REGARD TO THE TRUCKS AND THE WRAPPING OF THE TRUCKS AND THE  
19 MATERIALS. AND I KNOW THAT PUBLIC WORKS HAS BEEN PART OF THOSE  
20 CONVERSATIONS THAT THEY'VE BEEN ACTUALLY HAVING ON THOSE  
21 PARTICULAR MEETINGS. AND THOSE MEETINGS ARE USUALLY OCCURRING  
22 MORNINGS, EVERY MORNING, NOT ONLY WITH THE COUNTY STAFF, BUT  
23 WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES STAFF AS WELL.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND AT THAT COMMAND CENTER THAT





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1 YOU'RE A PART OF, WHAT ARE YOUR EXACT ROLES?

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3 **LESLIE LUKE:** SO THERE ARE SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS THERE FROM  
4 ONE OF OUR FROM OUR OPERATING DEPARTMENT, SO PUBLIC HEALTH,  
5 PUBLIC WORKS, AND THEN WE ARE THERE TO KIND OF MAKE SURE  
6 EVERYTHING ELSE IS COORDINATED. NOW THERE ARE TWO SEPARATE  
7 INCIDENTS THAT WE KINDA LOOK AT THIS. ONE INTERNAL, WHICH IS  
8 THE OPERATION, AND THEN THE EXTERNAL, WHICH WE'RE WORKING WITH  
9 THEM IN ADDRESSING THE COMMUNITY NEEDS AS WELL.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANY UPDATES ON THAT AT THIS  
12 POINT IN TERMS OF THEIR OUTREACH?

13

14 **LESLIE LUKE:** YES. WE'VE WORKED WITH LINEAGE. THEY'VE HAD ONE,  
15 AREA THAT THEY HAD INITIALLY BEEN WORKING WITH, WHICH IS  
16 CONSIDERED AREA 1, WHICH GOES FROM LOS POLIS TO OVER TO HICKS  
17 AND FROM THE 5 FREEWAY DOWN TO UNION PACIFIC. WE DIDN'T FEEL  
18 THAT THAT WAS SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH, AT LEAST, FOR THE EAST L.A.  
19 STANDPOINT, SO WE WORKED WITH LINEAGE TO INCREASE THAT OVER  
20 FROM DITMAN TO HERBERT AND STAYING FROM UNION PACIFIC, UP TO  
21 THE 5 FREEWAY. WITHIN THOSE AREAS, LINEAGE IS ACTUALLY GOING  
22 DOOR TO DOOR TO BE ABLE TO OFFER RESOURCES TO THOSE RESIDENTS  
23 IN THERE. SO IN AREA 1, THEY'RE RECEIVING GROCERY GIFT CARDS,  
24 GAS ASSISTANCE, AIR CONDITIONING UNITS, AIR PURIFIERS, MASKS,  
25 WATER, HOUSING VOUCHERS, FLY TRAPS, AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE. IN



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1 AREA TWO, THEY RECEIVE EVERYTHING THAT AREA ONE WITH THE  
2 EXCEPTION OF THE CASH ASSISTANCE AND THE UTILITY ASSISTANCE.

3  
4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WHY IS THAT? WHY IS THERE A GAP?

5  
6 **LESLIE LUKE:** THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO WORK WITH THEM NOW TO  
7 TRY TO FIGURE THAT OUT AND WHY THEY MADE THOSE PARTICULAR  
8 DECISIONS, WITH US AND DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES.  
9 WE'RE MEETING WITH LINEAGE TO TRY TO DETERMINE NOT ONLY THOSE  
10 AREAS, BUT IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER AREAS THAT WE NEED TO BE  
11 CONCERNED ABOUT. SO WE'RE TRYING, AS YOU SAW IN THE MAP I  
12 MEAN, THE LETTER THAT THE CEO SAID, LOOKING AT THAT  
13 ELIGIBILITY MAP SO WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF THE CANVASSING  
14 THAT IS BEING DONE IN THE AREA IS INCLUSIVE OF THE PEOPLE WHO  
15 ARE BEING AND MAY NEED THIS SERVICE.

16  
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WHAT HAPPENS IF PEOPLE AREN'T  
18 HOME? WHAT IS LEFT? HOW DO PEOPLE GET IN TOUCH?

19  
20 **LESLIE LUKE:** THEY WILL ACTUALLY GO BACK. SO THEY'RE MAKING  
21 CONTACT WITH THOSE RESIDENTS. IF THEY ARE NOT HOME, THEY GO  
22 BACK. AND THEN, ALSO, THERE ARE SOME LOW LOTS THAT HAVE  
23 MULTIPLE LOCATIONS ON. SO IF THEY CANNOT GET TO THAT SECOND  
24 HOUSE OR THE SECOND ADDRESS ON THAT PARTICULAR LOT, THEY DO  
25 RETURN BACK TO THEIRS.



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN WE JUST CAN I JUST ASK FOR  
3 AN EXPLANATION OF THE HOUSING VOUCHER? WHAT EXACTLY IS THAT?  
4 AND BECAUSE SOMETIMES THEY'RE NOT WORTH THE PAPER THEY'RE  
5 WRITTEN ON IN TERMS OF WHAT THEY CAN BE USED FOR.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELL, WE'RE --

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9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** CAN YOU EXPLAIN THAT?

10

11 **LESLIE LUKE:** YES. SO WHAT WE'RE ACTUALLY DOING AND 211, LIKE,  
12 CAN TURN IT OVER TO THEM TO KIND OF TALK ABOUT THE ACTUAL  
13 VOUCHERS, BUT WE'VE WORKED WITH AIRBNB TO BE ABLE TO OFFER TWO  
14 WEEKS OF ASSISTANCE FOR RESIDENTS IN THE IMPACTED AREA THAT  
15 NEEDS THAT HOUSING VOUCHER TO BE UTILIZED.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH. AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT IN  
18 IN THE WALKAROUNDS THAT HAVE HAPPENED EVEN WITH, LINEAGE'S  
19 STAFF AS WELL AS PUBLIC HEALTH THAT PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO  
20 NECESSARILY MOVE, BECAUSE OF OTHER ISSUES THAT THEY FACE,  
21 HARDSHIPS ACTUALLY, BECAUSE EITHER THEIR LOCATION OF WORK OR  
22 THEY DON'T HAVE, BABYSITTERS OR PETS OR THINGS OF THAT NATURE,  
23 INCLUDING THE FACT THAT THEY DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE PERHAPS  
24 MOVING INTO A LOCATION THAT IS TWO OR THREE CITIES AWAY, IN  
25 DISTANCE. THAT IS A CHALLENGE. MAYBE LATER ON WE CAN GET A



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1 BETTER UPDATE OF WHAT REALISTICALLY WE SHOULD BE OFFERING, SO  
2 THEN MAYBE IT SHOULD BE SOME FINANCIAL BENEFIT FOR THEM IF  
3 THEY NEED TO MAKE THEIR MORTGAGE OR IF THEY NEED IT FOR  
4 SOMETHING ELSE, UTILITY BILLS. BUT I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO TALK  
5 ABOUT UTILITY BILLS, I WANT TO GO NEXT TO, TO SOUTHERN CAL  
6 EDISON TO DAVE FORD. AND DAVE, THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY.  
7 I KNOW THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING OVER THE LAST WEEKEND, COUPLE  
8 OF DAYS, AND YOU'VE BEEN WORKING WITH MY STAFF AS WELL AS  
9 WITH, OUR OEM STAFF AND AS WELL AS WITH LINEAGE. AND THE  
10 QUESTION ARISES AS TO WHY EAST L.A. WAS NOT PROVIDED, UTILITY  
11 ASSISTANCE. AND IN PART, MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT LINEAGE GAVE  
12 FUNDING THROUGH CCF TO VARIOUS COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS.  
13 THERE ARE 22, I BELIEVE, THAT ARE THAT ARE LISTED, AND MANY OF  
14 THEM WERE CHARGED WITH PROVIDING SOME KIND OF MONETARY  
15 ASSISTANCE FOR UTILITY BILLS, AND THAT WOULD BE WORKED OUT  
16 WITH L.A., DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. AND I GOT A LOT OF  
17 INQUIRIES ABOUT WHY AND WHERE IS, EAST LOS ANGELES AND WHERE  
18 IS EDISON BECAUSE EDISON PROVIDES ELECTRICITY TO OUR  
19 RESIDENTS. SO I WANTED YOU TO TALK ABOUT, WHAT EFFORTS WE HAVE  
20 BEEN WORKING ON UP TILL NOW TO MAKE SOME CHANGES, AND I WANT  
21 TO, YOU KNOW, THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR THE WORK THAT YOU AND  
22 OUR STAFF HAVE BEEN DOING AT OEM. SO CAN YOU PLEASE SPEAK ON  
23 THAT?

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25 **DAVE FORD:** WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR



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1 YOUR EFFORTS AND LEADERSHIP IN BRINGING LINEAGE TO THE TABLE  
2 WITH US. WE'RE LOOKING AT WORKING WITH THEM ON VERY SIMILAR  
3 PROGRAM THAT THEY HAVE PROVIDED FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
4 AND DOING THE SAME IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF EAST L.A. I  
5 HAVE MY COLLEAGUE HERE WITH ME TODAY, CHRISTIAN GARCIA, WHO IS  
6 PART OF OUR TEAM AND WORKING, WITH OUR OUTREACH AND CUSTOMER  
7 ENGAGEMENT. SO I'M GOING TO PASS IT OVER TO CHRISTIAN TO  
8 PROVIDE YOU SOME MORE DETAILS.

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10 **CHRISTIAN GARCIA:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD MORNING,  
11 SUPERVISORS. YES. THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU,  
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR REALLY HELPING TO BRING LINEAGE TO THE  
13 TABLE. AS YOU MENTIONED, IT WAS A LITTLE BIT FRUSTRATING TO  
14 GET THEM IN THERE. BUT NOW THAT WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER NOW  
15 THAT THEY'RE AT THE TABLE AND WORKING WITH US, WHAT THEY'RE  
16 WORKING ON IS ESTABLISHING A FUND SO THAT, SCE CUSTOMERS IN  
17 THE IMPACTED AREAS, CAN RECEIVE SOME, RELIEF, FOR THE ELECTRIC  
18 ELECTRICITY DIRECTLY THROUGH THEIR BILL. WE'RE EXPLORING  
19 OPTIONS RIGHT NOW ON HOW TO DO THAT SPECIFICALLY, BUT THAT'S  
20 OUR INTENT, SIMILAR TO WHAT, RESIDENTS IN THE CITY OF LOS  
21 ANGELES, NEIGHBORING AREA ARE ALSO RECEIVING RIGHT NOW.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND DO YOU HAVE AN APPROXIMATE NUMBER  
24 OF HOW MANY HOUSEHOLDS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AND WHAT THAT MIGHT  
25 LOOK LIKE IN TERMS OF THAT UTILITY BILL?



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2 **CHRISTIAN GARCIA:** SO WE'RE EVALUATING THE AREA RIGHT NOW. IT'S  
3 NOT OF A 100 SO FAR, BUT THE EXACT NUMBERS ARE STILL BEING  
4 FINALIZED, AS WE LOOK AT MORE OF THE DATA AND MORE OF THE MAPS  
5 THAT ARE AVAILABLE. THE EXACT DOLLAR AMOUNT HAS NOT BEEN  
6 ESTABLISHED JUST YET BECAUSE THE OVERALL FUND AMOUNT HAS NOT  
7 BEEN ESTABLISHED. BUT ONCE WE DO THAT, WE WILL MAKE SURE TO  
8 LET EVERYONE, MAKE THEM AWARE OF THAT.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. AND I THINK WHAT THE MINIMUM  
11 IS TO REQUEST NOTHING LESS THAN WHAT THE CITY IS RECEIVING,  
12 AND PERHAPS WE NEED TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION AS WELL SINCE  
13 LINEAGE IS NOW PASSING OUT AIR CONDITIONING UNITS. SOME PEOPLE  
14 NEVER HAD AIR CONDITIONING UNITS. NOW THEY'RE RUNNING 24/7 IN  
15 ADDITION TO THE AIR FILTERS THAT ARE ALSO OPERATING. SO AS YOU  
16 CAN SEE, THE COST OF UTILITIES WILL REMAIN HIGH FOR A PERIOD  
17 OF TIME, AND I THINK THAT HAS TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION  
18 AS WELL.

19

20 **CHRISTIAN GARCIA:** YES. PART OF OUR SUPPORT AS WELL FOR THE  
21 COMMUNITY IS TO MAKE THEM AWARE OF ALL OF DISCOUNTS THAT ARE  
22 AVAILABLE TO THEM THROUGH OUR PORTFOLIO OF PROGRAMS AND  
23 SERVICES. FOR EXAMPLE, THE CARE PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE TO OUR  
24 CUSTOMERS WHO PROVIDES UP TO A 20% DISCOUNT AS WELL AS OUR  
25 MEDICAL BASELINE PROGRAM, WHICH OFFERS A DISCOUNT FOR



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1 CUSTOMERS WHO ARE USING SPECIFIC MEDICAL EQUIPMENT IN THE  
2 FACILITY. SO --

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'LL KEEP MY EFFORT AND GOAL IS TO  
5 SEE THAT LINEAGE PROVIDE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PERHAPS  
6 USING A DIFFERENT VEHICLE. IF WE'RE USING 211 NOW FOR AIRBNB,  
7 MIGHT THAT BE SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CONSIDER MOVING FORWARD SO  
8 WE HAVE A CENTRALIZED WAY OF GETTING THIS ASSISTANCE OUT  
9 INFORMATION? AND MAYBE, LESLIE, YOU WANT TO OPINE ON THAT?

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11 **LESLIE LUKE:** YES. WE'RE WORKING WITH LINEAGE NOW TO TRY TO  
12 COME UP WITH A UNIFIED PORTAL THAT ALL THAT INFORMATION WILL  
13 BE ON. RIGHT NOW, WE'VE BEEN UTILIZING 211 TO PUT THAT  
14 INFORMATION OUT. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THEY DO NOW HAVE A  
15 CUSTOMER SERVICE LINE. WE'RE TRYING TO GET THAT INFORMATION  
16 FROM THEM SO WE CAN MAKE SURE 211 HAS THAT. SO IF SOMEONE DOES  
17 CALL 211 FOR ANY OF THESE TYPE OF SERVICES, THEY CAN REFER  
18 THEM BACK. SO IT'S NOT JUST A NO WRONG DOOR APPROACH.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND AT 211, I HAVE A QUESTION FOR  
21 YOU. CAN YOU RESPOND TO THE KINDS OF CALLS THAT ARE COMING IN,  
22 AND HOW ARE YOU DEALING AND ARE YOU CATEGORIZING THEM, AND  
23 COULD YOU GIVE US AN IDEA IF PEOPLE ARE RESPONSIVE TO, THE  
24 AIRBNB OFFER?

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1 **MARIBEL MARIN:** YES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WE HAVE BEEN  
2 REGISTERING CALLERS. WE HAVE ABOUT 640 HOUSEHOLDS WHO HAVE  
3 REACHED OUT ASKING FOR RELOCATION. NOW MOST OF THEM ARE  
4 OUTSIDE OF THE PRIORITY ZONE BUT THEY ARE ALL WITHIN A THREE-  
5 MILE RADIUS. SO, TO DATE, WE'VE HOUSED ABOUT 249 HOUSEHOLDS, A  
6 180 OF THEM FROM THE UNINCORPORATED AREA AND 69 FROM THE CITY.  
7 WE CONTINUE TO HAVE PEOPLE FROM THE ZONE CALLING IN BUT WE  
8 THINK THAT IN TOTAL THERE MIGHT BE ABOUT A 150 WITHIN THE  
9 PRIORITY ZONE SO WE'RE LOOKING TO EXPAND THAT NOW SINCE WE DO  
10 HAVE FUNDING FOR, I BELIEVE, ABOUT A TOTAL OF 250 HOUSEHOLDS  
11 TO HOUSE THEM AS CLOSE TO AUGUST 14 AS WE POSSIBLY CAN. WE  
12 ALSO HAVE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR ALL OF THOSE 640 HOUSEHOLDS.  
13 SO IF THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PUSH OUT MORE INFORMATION TO  
14 THEM INCLUDING HOW TO GET THEM REGISTERED FOR THE NEW BENEFITS  
15 THAT ARE COMING, WE HAVE THEM IDENTIFIED BY UNINCORPORATED  
16 AREA AND CITY SO THAT WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT THE RIGHT  
17 INFORMATION GETS TO PEOPLE. WE DO STILL CONTINUE TO GET CALLS  
18 FOR THE PURIFIERS. THE AIR CONDITIONERS ARE ITS NEW  
19 INFORMATION BUT WE'RE WORKING WITH LESLIE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE  
20 AT 211 HAVE ALL THE ZONES WITH A VERY CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF  
21 WHAT PEOPLE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR WITHIN THOSE ZONES AND WE'RE  
22 GOING TO CONTINUE TO HAVE PEOPLE REGISTER SO THAT WE HAVE A  
23 WAY OF REACHING OUT TO THEM AFTER. SO WE ARE CALLING PEOPLE  
24 WHO HAVE BEEN HOUSED TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY CONTINUE TO GET  
25 SUPPORTS SINCE THEY'RE OUT OF THE AREA NOW AND THEY'RE NOT





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1 NECESSARILY BEING ABLE TO ACCESS LIKE THE RESOURCE CENTERS AND  
2 THE POP-UP SERVICES THAT ARE COMING. WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE  
3 THAT ANY NEW SERVICES THAT THEY MIGHT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THAT  
4 THEY'RE ABLE TO APPLY EITHER THROUGH 211 OR GETTING THEM OVER  
5 TO THE RIGHT AGENCY. BUT WE ARE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH  
6 LESLIE TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF HER INFORMATION IS COMING  
7 DIRECTLY FROM THE COUNTY AND THAT IT'S VETTED AND WE KNOW THAT  
8 IT'S ACCURATE.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND IS THIS ON A PORTAL?

11

12 **MARIBEL MARIN:** WE WELL, WE DO HAVE AN ONLINE, INTAKE FORM SO  
13 PEOPLE CAN APPLY DIRECTLY ONLINE OR THEY CAN CALL 211 BUT THEY  
14 CAN ALSO CALL THE 10-DIGIT NUMBER THAT WE SET UP THAT WILL GET  
15 YOU DIRECTLY TO OUR CARE COORDINATOR. SO, THERE'S NO WAY YOU  
16 CAN GO WRONG. IF YOU CALL 211, WE'LL MAKE SURE TO ROUTE YOU TO  
17 THE RIGHT TEAM.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND HOW QUICKLY DO YOU THINK  
20 YOU CAN, GET YOUR STAFF EQUIPPED ONCE YOU DO KNOW THAT THERE  
21 IS AVAILABLE RESOURCES? BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY THE QUESTION OF  
22 THE CLOCK IS TICKING.

23

24 **MARIBEL MARIN:** RIGHT. I THINK THAT BY TOMORROW. SO TODAY,  
25 WE'LL TAKE THE TIME TO MAKE SURE WE GET THE NEW INFORMATION



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1 ABOUT THE ZONES AND WHAT PEOPLE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AND THEN GET  
2 OUR STAFF, INFORMED AND TRAINED UP SO THAT THEY WOULD KNOW  
3 EXACTLY HOW TO ROUTE PEOPLE.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE  
6 THAT WE GET THOSE UPDATES BECAUSE WE DO GET THE CALLS IN OUR  
7 OFFICE NOW AND SOMETIMES PEOPLE WILL SAY, WELL, 211 SAID TO  
8 CALL YOUR OFFICE, SOLIS. AND I'M LIKE, WELL

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10 **MARIBEL MARIN:** AND WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH CCF BECAUSE THEY  
11 HAVE CONVENED ALL OF THE GRANTEES, SINCE A LOT OF THE SERVICES  
12 THAT THEY ARE PROVIDING ARE NOT IN OUR DATABASE. THEY'RE NEW  
13 SERVICES OR POP-UP SERVICES OR TIME LIMITED SERVICES. SO WE'RE  
14 WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH THEM TO GET ALL OF THAT INFORMATION  
15 AS WELL.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO IT'S AN EFFORT TO COORDINATE ON  
18 OUR PART FOR THE COUNTY SO THAT WE HAVE A LINE, A STRATEGIC  
19 LINE OF WHERE, WHAT PEOPLE KNOW HOW TO CALL AND GET  
20 INFORMATION DISPLAYED OR WHAT HAVE YOU AND NOT HAVE TO GO  
21 THROUGH FOUR OR FIVE DIFFERENT ENTITIES TO GET INFORMATION. SO  
22 THAT IS WHAT I THINK OUR NUMBER ONE GOAL SHOULD BE, AND I KNOW  
23 CEO, YOU FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT THAT AS WELL.

24

25 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH. SUPERVISOR, I THINK, ONE OF THE



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1 THINGS WE EMPHASIZED WHEN WE MET WITH LINEAGE IS THE NEED FOR  
2 COORDINATION WITH ALL THE PARTNERS. AND SO WE TALKED ABOUT  
3 WITH THEM A DAILY, EXCUSE ME, A DAILY COORDINATION CALL. I  
4 UNDERSTAND THAT THAT LINEAGE HAS ASKED TO MOVE THAT TO WEEKLY.  
5 I THINK THAT'S TOO INFREQUENT. I THINK DAILY IS STILL  
6 IMPORTANT AS WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF, YOU KNOW, TAKING THAT  
7 BUILDING APART AND PROVIDING THE COMMUNITY SUPPORT. I THINK  
8 LATER, WE CAN TRANSITION WEEKLY. SO I ENCOURAGE THEM TO  
9 CONTINUE TO DO THAT. I THINK ON OUR END, WE CAN CONTINUE TO  
10 COORDINATE DAILY, WHICH IS TYPICALLY OUR MO, AND WE HAVE,  
11 RESPONDING TO A DISASTER LIKE THIS, AND BRINGING THE PARTNERS  
12 TOGETHER AND FOCUSING ON WHAT IS THE MOST WHAT IS THE BEST WAY  
13 TO ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT HAVING, MULTIPLE DIFFERENT  
14 AGENCIES INTERFACE WITH THEM ALL AT ONCE. IT'S TRYING TO GET  
15 THEM TO HAVE A SINGLE POINT OF ENTRY AND THEN TRIAGING THEIR  
16 NEEDS AS WELL. SO, I THINK THAT'S CRITICAL. I THINK THE OTHER  
17 THING I'LL MENTION THAT LESLIE LUKE HAD MENTIONED IS, THE  
18 TYPES OF BENEFITS BEING OFFERED. I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS  
19 THAT IS NOT IN THE RESPONSE LETTER IS COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE  
20 RESOURCES FOR PROPERTY ABATEMENT. SO IF YOU'RE RIGHT UP  
21 AGAINST THAT THAT WAREHOUSE, WE KNOW YOU HAD A LOT OF SMOKE  
22 INTRUSION. YOU PROBABLY HAVE SMOKE DAMAGE. THAT'S SOMETHING  
23 THAT, NOT EVERYONE HAS INSURANCE THAT THEY CAN CALL ON, SO  
24 THAT'S SOMETHING WE THINK IS IMPORTANT. WE ENCOURAGE LINEAGE  
25 TO CONTINUE TO FOCUS ON THAT AS A BENEFIT, NOT JUST FOR THOSE



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1 RIGHT NEXT TO THE WAREHOUSE, BUT THOSE WHO HAVE SMOKE DAMAGE  
2 FROM, THE INCIDENT AS WELL.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WANT TO, MOVE TO, WAYNE  
5 NASTRI, OUR AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, BECAUSE YOU HAVE  
6 BEEN SINCE YOU'VE BEEN AT OUR MEETINGS NOW, A LOT HAS  
7 CHANGED. AND I WANT TO I WANT TO APPLAUD YOUR STAFF AND YOU  
8 FOR HEEDING OUR CALLS AND UNDERSTANDING THE ENORMITY OF WHAT'S  
9 BEFORE US. AND I AM VERY IMPRESSED WITH, I THINK, THE DAY  
10 AFTER YOU SPOKE AT OUR AT OUR MEETING TWO WEEKS AGO, YOU HAD,  
11 I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE MORE THAN 20 STAFF FROM YOUR OFFICE OUT IN  
12 EAST L.A., AND THEY WERE ACTUALLY MEETING FIRSTHAND AND  
13 ENROLLING PEOPLE IN PROGRAMS SO THEY COULD RECEIVE PURIFIERS,  
14 AND YOU HAD PURIFIERS SENT TO EAST L.A., AND I FORGET THE  
15 TOTAL NUMBER, BUT IT HAD TO BE A COUPLE OF 100, MAYBE MORE. A  
16 THOUSAND? CORRECT ME. CORRECT ME.

17

18 **WAYNE NASTRI:** SEVERAL THOUSAND.

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SEVERAL THOUSAND IN ADDITION TO  
21 HAVING YOUR STAFF OUT THERE ENROLL, BUT ALSO DISTRIBUTING, AND  
22 THAT IS PHENOMENAL. AND I KNOW THAT, YOUR WORK CONTINUES  
23 BECAUSE NOW THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL 100 COMPLAINTS WITH  
24 RESPECT TO HOW PEOPLE CAN MAKE A COMPLAINT AND WHY IT'S  
25 IMPORTANT. CAN YOU TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT THAT AND HOW MANY



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1 COMPLAINTS HAVE COME IN AND WHAT KINDS OF AUTHORITY YOU HAVE  
2 IN TERMS OF ENFORCEMENT?

3  
4 **WAYNE NASTRI:** THANKS, SUPERVISOR. SO PROBABLY ABOUT THREE  
5 WEEKS AGO, WE WERE GETTING LESS THAN ANYWHERE FROM FOUR TO 10  
6 CALLS A DAY, AND WE WEREN'T ABLE TO VERIFY. AND WE KNEW THAT  
7 WE NEEDED TO GET THE WORD OUT. I THINK THERE WERE A NUMBER OF  
8 EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS WHERE WE WERE  
9 ABLE TO INFORM AND TO WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS TO GET THE  
10 MESSAGE OUT THAT IF YOU SMELL ANYTHING, PLEASE CALL 1-800-  
11 CUTSMOG. SINCE LAST SUNDAY, I THINK IT WAS THE TWELFTH, WE'VE  
12 HAD OVER 1,400 COMPLAINTS. WE'VE ISSUED AN NOV EVERY DAY SINCE  
13 THE TWELFTH, AND WE CONTINUE TO GET CALLS, AND WE CONTINUE TO  
14 MOVE FORWARD. WHAT'S, MOST IMPORTANT IS ONCE WE ESTABLISHED A  
15 PUBLIC NUISANCE AND WE WERE ABLE TO ISSUE NOTICES OF  
16 VIOLATION, WE WERE THEN ABLE TO CONTINUE, MOVING FORWARD AND  
17 ISSUED A DEMAND LETTER TO LINEAGE ON FRIDAY. WHAT WE'RE REALLY  
18 LOOKING AT, THOUGH, IS A TWO-PRONGED STRATEGY OF WORKING WITH  
19 LINEAGE. ONE IS WORK WITH US NICELY, DO THINGS THE THAT WE'RE  
20 ASKING OF YOU, AND, HOPEFULLY, WE CAN CONTINUE TO MOVE IN THAT  
21 FASHION. IF YOU DON'T INCORPORATE THE ELEMENTS THAT WE'RE  
22 SAYING, WE HAVE, HOPEFULLY, BY NOON TODAY, WE'LL HAVE FILED A  
23 PETITION WITH OUR HEARING BOARD TO SEEK, ADDITIONAL, ACTION  
24 LEGAL ACTION IN WHICH THEY WOULD BE COMPELLED. I DO WANT TO  
25 NOTE, THOUGH, THAT THE HEARING BOARD IS INDEPENDENT FROM THE



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1 SOUTH COAST AQMD. SO THERE'LL BE IF WE MOVE IN THAT DIRECTION,  
2 THERE'LL BE PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PUBLIC TO PROVIDE  
3 INPUT. SO WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH LINEAGE. IN THE DEMAND  
4 LETTER, WE GAVE A NUMBER OF ITEMS THAT WE FELT COULD BE  
5 IMPROVED THAT CAUSE ODORS. I WOULD SAY ONE OF THE MOST,  
6 IMPORTANT ELEMENT, THOUGH, IS THAT THEY NOTIFY THE COMMUNITY  
7 WHEN THEY BEGIN ACTIVITIES OR THAT THEY'RE AWARE OF ACTIVITIES  
8 THAT WILL INCREASE ODORS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SO WE WANT TO  
9 MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE COMMUNICATING REGULARLY ABOUT THE  
10 ACTIVITIES THAT THEY'RE UNDERTAKING. YOU HEARD A LITTLE BIT  
11 EARLIER ABOUT THE TRANSITION FROM REFRIGERATOR TWO TO  
12 REFRIGERATOR ONE. WE'RE VERY CONCERNED THAT AS THEY MOVE INTO  
13 THE REFRIGERATION UNIT, THERE'S GOING TO BE AN INCREASE  
14 BECAUSE THERE'S MUCH MORE PRODUCT. AND SO ONE OF THE THINGS  
15 THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IS MAKING SURE THAT THEY'RE DOING  
16 EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO MINIMIZE. THEY'VE ACTUALLY BROUGHT IN,  
17 VERY LARGE ACTIVATED, GRANULATED ACTIVATED CARBON BEDS. WE  
18 PERMITTED THOSE RIGHT WAY. WE'VE ALSO GIVEN THEM A NUMBER OF  
19 ITEMS WHICH WE FELT WOULD IMPROVE, THE CONTROL OF ODORS,  
20 MAKING SURE THAT DRAINS AND LIQUIDS ARE CLEANED IMMEDIATELY,  
21 THAT THEY'RE DISINFECTED, MAKING SURE THE TRUCKS ARE LOADED  
22 AND COVERED, IMMEDIATELY, MINIMIZING THE LOAD HEIGHTS. THERE'S  
23 A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT WE'VE PROVIDED COMMENT ON. WE'RE  
24 HOPING TO HEAR BACK FROM THEM TODAY, AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO  
25 MOVE FORWARD. BUT I THINK THE OTHER ASPECT IS WE'VE ALSO BEEN



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1 VERY FOCUSED ON THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH. AND JUST LAST SUNDAY,  
2 IN SPIITE OF MY BEST ATTEMPTS TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF STAFF THAT  
3 WERE THERE, WE HAD A NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WANTED TO BE OUT IN  
4 THE COMMUNITY. WE WERE AT OUR LADY OF VICTORIA CHURCH ON  
5 SUNDAY FOR THREE OF THE MASSES AND MET WITH MANY OF THE  
6 PARISHIONERS, AND IT WAS REALLY A GOOD WAY TO MEET WITH THE  
7 COMMUNITIES WITHOUT ANY EXPECTATIONS. I WANT TO NOTE THAT WE  
8 DID THAT WITH PUBLIC HEALTH. PUBLIC HEALTH ALSO HAD A  
9 REPRESENTATIVE AND THE ABILITY TO HAVE COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES  
10 WITH US TO ADDRESS AIR QUALITY CONCERNS AND PUBLIC HEALTH  
11 CONCERN, REALLY WORKED WELL. AND THE PARISH, YOU KNOW, NOW  
12 THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO BUILD AT LEAST A CERTAIN LEVEL OF  
13 RAPPORT, THEY WANT TO BRING IN MORE PEOPLE AT A LARGER TIME.  
14 SO WE'RE DOING THIS TO SEE HOW WE CAN IMPROVE COMMUNICATION TO  
15 THE COMMUNITY AND REALLY ENGENDER THAT TRUST THAT WE'RE TAKING  
16 ACTION, AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS AS WE  
17 MOVE FORWARD.

18  
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WANTED TO ASK, YOU KNOW, WE GET,  
20 CALLS ABOUT THE NUMBER OF FILTERS THAT COULD BE MADE  
21 AVAILABLE. AND BECAUSE WE HAVE LIMITED SUPPLY, WE WERE WE WERE  
22 RESTRICTED TO GIVING HOUSEHOLD. NOW IF THEY GO THROUGH YOU,  
23 ARE THEY ABLE TO GET UP TO THREE? BECAUSE THAT'S NOPE.

24  
25 **WAYNE NASTRI:** NO. IT'S THE SAME. IT'S THE ONE PER HOUSEHOLD.



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1 BUT I KNOW LAST TIME I WAS HERE, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAD ASKED  
2 ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF LOOKING DEVELOPING AN INVENTORY, IF  
3 YOU WILL, OF, THESE KIND OF UNITS, AND WE COULD LOOK AT  
4 DEVELOPING THE PARAMETERS IN TERMS OF HOW THEY WOULD BE  
5 ISSUED. I DID REACH OUT TO THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD,  
6 AND WE ARE MEETING WITH ASSEMBLYMEMBER SOLACHE, AT THE  
7 BEGINNING OF AUGUST TO TALK FURTHER ABOUT WHAT MIGHT BE SOME  
8 OF THE OPPORTUNITIES TO START DEVELOPING THESE STOCKPILES  
9 WHERE THERE IS, I THINK, AS YOU PUT IT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,  
10 SKIN IN THE GAME BY EVERYONE. AND SO WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE  
11 TO LOOK AT THAT SO THAT WE CAN HAVE MORE OF THESE UNITS  
12 READILY AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION.

13  
14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. AND THAT THAT JUST BRINGS US  
15 BACK TO THE STOCKPILING SO THAT WE HERE AT THE COUNTY HAVE  
16 THAT. I KNOW THAT WAS RAISED AT OUR PREVIOUS MEETING. DR.,  
17 DAVIS, I WANTED TO ASK YOU, IF YOU COULD TALK ABOUT, YOUR  
18 TEAM'S EFFORTS IN THE LAST, I GUESS, TWO WEEKS, AND MEETINGS,  
19 AND NOT MEETINGS, BUT ACTUAL VISITATIONS AND TEAMS THAT YOU  
20 COMPILED AND WENT OUT AND, TALKED TO FOLKS AND WHAT THEIR  
21 NEEDS WERE AND REGISTERING ALL THAT. CAN YOU TALK ABOUT THAT  
22 AND HOW MANY HOUSEHOLDS AND WHAT YOUR FINDINGS ARE?

23  
24 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** YES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND GOOD MORNING  
25 TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS. SO I WOULD SAY THAT OUR DEPARTMENT IS IN





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1 A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS. SO ONE, WE ARE IN THE PLANNING  
2 MEETINGS. WE ARE WITH THE OTHER REGULATORY AGENCIES  
3 COORDINATING AROUND THAT. WE DO HAVE STAFF THAT ARE ON THE  
4 GROUND AT THE SITE, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, FOLKS WHO ARE ALSO,  
5 SORT OF LOOKING, INSPECTING, LOOKING FOR ODORS, INSECTS, AND  
6 THINGS LIKE THAT. AND THEN IN TERMS OF, THE LAST WEEKEND, SO  
7 JULY FIFTEENTH AND SIXTEENTH, WE VISITED OVER 650 HOUSEHOLDS,  
8 AND, IN THE COMMUNITY, JUST TO BETTER UNDERSTAND HOW THEY WERE  
9 BEING IMPACTED BY THE ODOR NUISANCE. AND WE REACHED ABOUT 40%  
10 OF THE HOUSEHOLDS. AND WE HAD SOME PRETTY MAJOR FINDINGS JUST  
11 IN TERMS OF, PEOPLE NOTING THAT THE ODORS WERE STRONG, NOTING  
12 THAT, THEY DID HAVE MORE PESTS, IN PARTICULAR, FLIES, WHERE  
13 THE ABOUT 70% OF THEM, WERE SAYING THAT, AND ALSO THAT THEY DO  
14 DID HAVE SOME DISCOMFORT AS WE MIGHT EXPECT RELATED TO THE  
15 ODORS. WE IN THAT SURVEY, WE ALSO OFFERED MANY OF THE HANDOUTS  
16 THAT WE HAD CREATED RELATED TO PEST RODENT CONTROL, RELATED TO  
17 CLEANING UP AFTER A FIRE IN TERMS OF SMOKE, ASH, ETCETERA, IN  
18 ADDITION TO INFORMATION ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL ODORS. WE ALSO,  
19 GAVE LINEAGE'S MATERIALS AND THEIR PHONE NUMBER RELATED TO  
20 ADDITIONAL RESOURCES THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE FROM THEM. AND WE  
21 PASSED OUT, ABOUT 298 AIR PURIFIERS AS WELL AS ALMOST 4,000  
22 N95 MASKS, WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. WE DID ALSO OFFER TO PROVIDE  
23 SOME FOLLOW-UP IF PEOPLE HAD MORE QUESTIONS. SO ABOUT A 117  
24 RESIDENTS REQUESTED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, AND WE WERE ABLE  
25 TO FOLLOW-UP WITH ABOUT TWO THIRDS OF THEM. AND WE DID THREE



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1 ATTEMPTS TO TRY TO REACH THEM, IN TERMS OF CALLING THEM BACK.  
2 AND THE PRIMARY NEED THAT WAS REALLY NOTED WAS REALLY AROUND  
3 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, IN PARTICULAR RELATED TO UTILITIES OR  
4 ANYTHING ELSE THAT MAY HAVE INCREASED AS A RESULT OF THIS FIRE  
5 AND THE ONGOING CLEANUP EFFORTS THAT ARE HAPPENING RIGHT NOW.  
6 SO THE BOTTOM LINE IS REALLY THAT MANY NOTED THAT THERE WERE  
7 PERSISTENT, MEANING WELL OVER SIX HOURS, OFTENTIMES, OVER  
8 TWELVE HOURS OR EVEN THE WHOLE DAY FOR SOME, IN TERMS OF  
9 ODORS, WITH SOME INCREASED PESTS, IN PARTICULAR FLIES, AND  
10 ALSO THAT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WAS THE MOST COMMON THING. NOW  
11 THERE WERE A FEW THAT DID, TALK ABOUT RELOCATION. IT WAS MUCH  
12 LESS THAN WHAT WE'VE SEEN THERE. BUT I WILL SAY THAT WHEN YOU  
13 GO BACK TO OUR DIRECTIVE FOR JUNE 29, THIS IS WHAT WE  
14 ANTICIPATED. WE ANTICIPATED THAT BEFORE THE FACILITY WAS  
15 TURNED OVER, GIVEN THE AMOUNT OF, CONTAMINATED FOOD THAT WAS  
16 THERE, THAT THERE WOULD NEED TO BE A NEED TO HAVE SPECTRUM OF  
17 RESOURCES, FOR PEOPLE, AND ASKING FOR, THEM TO SUPPORT, PEOPLE  
18 IN HAVING BETTER INDOOR AIR QUALITY, ASKING FOR SUPPORT IN  
19 TERMS OF TEMPORARY LOCATIONS THAT PEOPLE COULD GO FOR A FEW  
20 HOURS IF THEY FELT LIKE THEY COULDN'T STAY IN THEIR HOMES, YOU  
21 KNOW, DURING THE WORST TIME THAT THE ODORS WERE BEING  
22 EXPERIENCED, AS WELL AS, TEMPORARY RELOCATION FOR THOSE THAT  
23 MAY NEED THAT AS WELL. AND SO THAT'S WHERE WE ARE SO FAR.  
24 THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED WITH OUR SURVEY, AND I'M OPEN TO OTHER  
25 QUESTIONS.

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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND YOU DID PROVIDE A NOTICE TO  
3 LINEAGE AS WELL, RIGHT, WITH SOME --

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5 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** THE DIRECTIVE.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH.

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9 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** THAT WAS THE JUNE 29 DIRECTIVE. WE DO WE DID  
10 RECEIVE, JUST TO GO IN ADVANCE, WE DID RECEIVE A RESPONSE FROM  
11 THEM. IT'S ABOUT 440 PAGES LONG. WE ARE GOING THROUGH THAT,  
12 AND WE'LL PROVIDE SOME FEEDBACK. AND FOR THE AREAS THAT WE  
13 NEED SOME EXPERTISE FROM OUR PARTNER AGENCIES LIKE AQMD OR  
14 OTHERS, WE ARE ASKING THEM TO PROVIDE SOME FEEDBACK ON THAT AS  
15 WELL.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** FOUR HUNDRED PAGES. WHERE ARE YOU?  
18 TWO HUNDRED?

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20 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** A LOT OF IT IS APPENDICES, BUT IT DOES HAVE  
21 SOME DETAIL, IN THERE AS WELL. SO WE'RE JUST TRYING TO MAKE  
22 SURE WE CAN WE CAN GO THROUGH IT AND PROVIDE CONSTRUCTIVE  
23 FEEDBACK.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I APPRECIATE THAT, AND TIME IS OF THE



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1 ESSENCE JUST TO UNDERSCORE. AND DID WANT TO ASK YOU, YOU KNOW,  
2 FOR CLARIFICATION BECAUSE I CONTINUE TO GET, COMMENTS IN OUR  
3 STAFFS ABOUT EVACUATION. AND IF YOU COULD WALK US THROUGH WHAT  
4 THE THRESHOLD IS IF THERE IS YOU KNOW, WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA  
5 IN THE STATUTE FOR DECLARING SUCH AN ORDER FOR AN EVACUATION?  
6 COULD YOU WALK US THROUGH THAT?

7  
8 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** SURE. SO I WILL SAY THAT IN IN GENERAL, WHEN  
9 YOU LOOK AT STATUTE, IT'S NOT AS BLACK AND WHITE, YOU KNOW, IN  
10 TERMS OF EMERGENCIES. THE PRINCIPLE THAT WE USE IS AND THE  
11 AUTHORITY IS REALLY AROUND OUR TEMPORARY CLOSING AN AREA DUE  
12 TO AN IMMINENT ENDANGERMENT IN TERMS OF HEALTH. AS WE'VE  
13 LOOKED THROUGH THIS WHOLE INSTANCE, AND I THINK THIS WAS DONE  
14 ALSO BY FIRE AND ALL THE RESPONDING AGENCIES DURING THE FIRE,  
15 AS WELL AS AQMD, STAFF DOING AIR MONITORING DURING THE FIRE,  
16 AND ALL OTHERS IN THERE, IN TERMS OF DETERMINING WHETHER OR  
17 NOT THERE WAS AN IMMINENT ENDANGERMENT IN TERMS OF LIFE OR  
18 HEALTH. IN THIS INSTANCE, WHERE WE ARE RIGHT NOW, WHAT IS  
19 BEING ASKED FOR IS A MANDATORY EVACUATION OF THE AREA POST  
20 FIRE, AND THAT WOULD MEAN THAT EVERY PERSON THAT LIVES AND  
21 WORKS THERE, ALL THE BUSINESSES WOULD NEED TO CLOSE. AT THIS  
22 POINT, IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'VE SEEN IN TERMS OF INFORMATION, WE  
23 DO NOT HAVE AN IMMINENT ENDANGERMENT IN TERMS OF HEALTH. AND  
24 SO, THEREFORE, WE DON'T USE THAT REALLY BLUNT INSTRUMENT TO  
25 REALLY SAY THAT NOBODY CAN BE IN THE AREA. HOWEVER, IF YOU GO



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1 BACK TO OUR DIRECTIVE IN TERMS OF PEOPLE WHO FEEL LIKE THEY  
2 NEED TO LEAVE, THAT'S WHY WE ASK FOR TEMPORARY LOCATION  
3 RELOCATION. THAT'S WHY WE ASK WE KNOW THAT SOME PEOPLE AREN'T  
4 GOING TO WANT TO LEAVE. THAT'S WHY WE ASK FOR TEMPORARY  
5 RESPITE LOCATIONS AS WELL AS THINGS TO IMPROVE INDOOR AIR  
6 QUALITY.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO IN YOUR OPINION, WE HAVEN'T  
9 REACHED THAT THRESHOLD?

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11 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** NO.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THAT CORRECT?

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15 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** THAT IS CORRECT.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THAT SOMETHING THAT OTHERS ON THE  
18 PANEL WANT TO SAY ANYTHING ABOUT? LESLIE OR KEVIN?

19

20 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** I'LL JUST QUICKLY COMMENT FROM THE OFFICE OF  
21 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S PERSPECTIVE. YOU WE LOOK TOWARDS THE  
22 AUTHORITIES THAT ARE VESTED WITH DOING EVACUATIONS EARLY ON IN  
23 THE INCIDENT, AND I BRIEFED THIS EARLIER IN A PRIOR BOARD  
24 MEETING, THE INCIDENT COMMAND HAD THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE  
25 EVACUATION ORDERS FOR WHEN THE FIRE WAS, OCCURRING, AND THEY



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1 WERE RESPONDING TO THAT PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY. AND THEN THE  
2 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND THE CITY'S EMERGENCY  
3 MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT ASSISTED WITH ISSUING NOTIFICATIONS TO  
4 SUPPORT, THOSE SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER AND THE SMOKE  
5 ADVISORIES. AND THEN, JUST CONCUR WITH WHAT DR. DAVIS SAID  
6 ABOUT THE STAGE OF THE INCIDENT THAT WE'RE AT RIGHT NOW.

7  
8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANYTHING ELSE, DR. DAVIS, THAT  
9 I MISSED THAT YOU WANT TO ADD TO? NOT AT THIS TIME. OKAY. I  
10 NEED TO I NEED TO ALSO ASK OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
11 MARK PESTRELLA, REGARDING ROAD PERMITS AS WELL AS LANDFILL  
12 SUPPLY OR THE NEED TO REMOVE AND TAKE THE DEBRIS TO CERTAIN  
13 LANDFILLS. CAN YOU GIVE US AN UPDATE ON WHAT'S HAPPENING THERE  
14 AND WHAT YOUR ROLE IS?

15  
16 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRESS  
17 IS CONTINUING. IT'S 24 HOUR, SEVEN DAY A WEEK OPERATION AT  
18 THIS TIME AS MR. LUKE REPORTED. LINEAGE IS HAULING FOOD WASTE  
19 FROM FREEZER 1, WHICH SUSTAINED MINOR DAMAGE, AND FREEZER 2,  
20 WHICH WAS DAMAGED BY THE FIRE. WE THE DEBRIS THE TYPE OF  
21 DISPOSAL THAT WE'RE OUR MATERIALS ARE DISPOSING OF ARE SCRAP  
22 METAL, FOAM DEBRIS, FOOD WASTE, GENERAL TRASH, AND LIQUID  
23 WASTE. THEY'RE ALL BEING TRANSPORTED TO DISPOSAL FACILITIES  
24 IDENTIFIED IN THE WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN. I'LL HAVE A LIST FOR  
25 YOU IN A SECOND. WE TO DATE, WE APPROXIMATELY REMOVED 56% OF



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1 THE DAMAGED ROOF HAS BEEN REMOVED, ALLOWING FOR REMOVAL OF  
2 DEBRIS FROM FREEZER 2. THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY HAS NOT PROVIDED  
3 A FIRM ESTIMATE FOR COMPLETION OF DEBRIS REMOVAL, AND WE ARE  
4 PUSHING THEM FOR THAT, BUT IS GEARING IS ENSURING OR STATING  
5 THAT THEY WILL COMPLY WITH THE MAYOR'S 45 DAY TIMELINE, WHICH  
6 THE DATE OF THAT WOULD BE AUGUST 13TH. THE MATERIALS, AS I  
7 SAID, THAT ARE BEING REMOVED ARE SIGNIFICANT IN THEIR SCALE,  
8 AND THEY ARE BEING REMOVED TO THE SCRAP METAL IS GOING TO  
9 THREE DIFFERENT RECYCLING PLANTS, CSA RECYCLING, CWS, AND SA  
10 RECYCLING IN CARSON. FOAM DEBRIS, SUNSHINE CANYON VIA TRANSFER  
11 STATION, FOOD WASTE, WHICH IS A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF  
12 MATERIAL. CURRENTLY, THEY'VE REMOVED 3,000,000 POUNDS OF  
13 MATERIAL WITH MUCH, MUCH MORE TO GO. THESE ARE, FOOD WASTE IS  
14 BEING SENT TO EL SOBRANTE LANDFILL IN RIVERSIDE, SIMI VALLEY  
15 LANDFILL IN VENTURA COUNTY, AND HAVE HAD NONE BUT APPROVED  
16 YUMA LANDFILL. WE'VE HAD NONE GO THERE SO FAR. GENERAL TRASH  
17 IS GOING TO PARAMOUNT RESOURCE RECYCLING, CWS, AND BUTTON  
18 WILLOW IN CALIFORNIA. LIQUID WASTE, A 178,000 GALLONS, IS,  
19 BEING SENT TO IDAHO AND AVALON CLEAN IN GARDENA. SO, AND THEN  
20 AS FAR YOU ASKED ABOUT THE HAUL ROUTES.

21  
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH.

23  
24 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WE CONTINUE TO WORK. OUR FIRST, YOU ASKED  
25 ABOUT OUR STAFF'S ROLE. PUBLIC WORKS HAS AN INCIDENT COMMANDER



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1 ON-SITE, AND IN MEETINGS ON A, TWICE A DAY TWICE A DAY  
2 CURRENTLY. ONE OF THE MEETINGS IS AN OPERATIONAL MEETING WHERE  
3 THEY'RE GOING INSPECTION REPORTS AND GIVING DIRECTION TO  
4 LINEAGE ABOUT COMPLIANCE WITH THE HAUL ROUTES THAT I JUST  
5 MENTIONED AND MAKING ADJUSTMENTS AS NEEDED AS WE MAKE OUR WAY  
6 THROUGH THE MATERIALS THAT ARE BEING PRODUCED. SO IT'S FULL-  
7 TIME MONITORING. YOU DIDN'T ASK, BUT I WILL MENTION THAT IN  
8 THOSE THE STORM DRAIN SYSTEM, WE HAVE LINEAGE CURRENTLY  
9 CLEANING THE ENTIRE STORM DRAIN SYSTEM UNDERGROUND, ORDERED  
10 THAT, AND IT THEY'VE COMMENCED THAT CLEANUP. I MEAN, THE WASH  
11 DOWN OF THE MATERIAL. WE ARE NOT SEEING WE'VE SEEN THE  
12 DISSOLVED OXYGEN LEVELS RISE IN THE L.A. RIVER, SO THAT'S  
13 GOING BACK TO NORMAL, AND WE'RE NOT SEEING, ANY SIGNIFICANT  
14 DEBRIS FLOWS AT THIS TIME.

15  
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO WE STILL HAVE TO KEEP OUR PRESSURE  
17 ON LINEAGE FOR THE REMAINING REMOVAL IF THEY HAVEN'T REALLY  
18 FULLY COMMITTED TO ALL OF THAT AS YOU SAID.

19  
20 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, WE NEED TO REMAIN ON-SITE, 24/7 DURING  
21 THE OPERATION, INCLUDING INSPECTION TO CONFIRM THEY'RE  
22 COMPLYING WITH THE WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN.

23  
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. AND I  
25 KELLY, YOU'RE HERE, LOBIANCO REPRESENTING DEPARTMENT OF





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1 ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. I KNOW YOU'VE HAD TEAMS OUT ON THE  
2 GROUND AS WELL FOR SOME TIME. CAN YOU GO OVER THAT, WHAT  
3 YOU'RE FINDING, AND WHAT RESOURCES ARE YOU PROVIDING?

4  
5 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** YES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THE DEPARTMENT OF  
6 ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY HAS BEEN CANVASSING. WE BOTH CANVASSED  
7 WITH 211 AROUND THE AIRBNB PILOT AS WELL, AND THE HOUSING  
8 VOUCHERS AS WELL AS TWO BUSINESSES. WE'VE BEEN OUT SEVEN TIMES  
9 SO FAR. OUR TEAM WILL BE OUT TOMORROW AND THURSDAY, AND WE'LL  
10 BE OUT EVERY WEDNESDAY AND EITHER THURSDAY OR FRIDAY UNTIL WE  
11 CANVAS EVERY COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR AND EVERY BUSINESS IN THE MAP  
12 AND INCLUDING THE EXTENDED AREAS TO HERBERT THAT WE JUST  
13 MENTIONED. WE ARE FINDING WHAT YOU'D IMAGINE. WE'RE COLLECTING  
14 A MORE DETAILED SURVEY, OF THE BUSINESSES THAT WE CANVAS, 66  
15 HAVE ACTUALLY SAT WITH US AND GONE THROUGH THE FULL SURVEY,  
16 REVENUE LOSS, TRAFFIC LOSS, SOME PROPERTY DAMAGE, SO WE'RE  
17 CATALOGING ALL OF THAT. WE ARE GOING TO BE MAKING SURE THAT IN  
18 OUR SURVEY, WE'RE COLLECTING INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT PEOPLE  
19 HAVE RECEIVED, WHETHER IT'S THROUGH LINEAGE, PUBLIC HEALTH, OR  
20 ANY OF THE OTHER CANVASSING EFFORTS TO JUST MAKE SURE THAT WE  
21 HAVE A HOLISTIC UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT SMALL BUSINESSES ARE  
22 RECEIVING. BUT WE'RE MAKING SURE THAT FOLKS CONNECTED TO THE  
23 OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS, THAT WE'RE GATHERING INFORMATION,  
24 FOR FUTURE CLAIMS PROCESSES, AND WE'RE CONNECTING TO AVAILABLE  
25 NO COST LEGAL AID AND CAPITAL OPPORTUNITIES WHERE AVAILABLE.



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1 WE MADE SURE FOLKS HAD ACCESS TO THE INCLUSIVE ACTION AND  
2 OTHER, CASH ASSISTANCE THAT CLOSED ON THE THIRTEENTH, BUT  
3 WE'RE MAKE MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE MAINTAINING CONTACT. IN  
4 ADDITION TO THE CANVASSING EFFORTS WHERE WE ARE ABLE TO HAVE  
5 THAT MORE ONE ON ONE CONVERSATIONS, OUR TEAMS ARE AT THE  
6 SALAZAR PARK AND AT COSTELLO FIVE DAYS A WEEK. THAT'S WHERE  
7 WE'VE SEEN OVER A THOUSAND, INDIVIDUALS COME BY OUR TABLES,  
8 WHICH INCLUDE HUNDREDS OF WORKERS AND BUSINESSES, MAKING SURE  
9 THAT THEY'RE ACCESSING RESOURCES DIRECTLY THERE AS WELL  
10 AVAILABLE MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT OUR EAST L.A. ENTREPRENEUR  
11 CENTER AND OUR EAST L.A. AMERICA'S JOB CENTER OF CALIFORNIA.  
12 SO FOLKS HAVE A LOT OF ACCESS POINTS TO US, WHERE WE'RE  
13 GATHERING INFORMATION ON NEEDS AND MAKING SURE THEY'RE  
14 CONNECTED TO RESOURCES.

15  
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND YOU HAVE INFORMATION IN IN  
17 SPANISH THAT YOU'RE HAHNDING OUT AS YOU'RE GOING TO DOOR TO  
18 DOOR TO THE BUSINESSES?

19  
20 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** THAT'S RIGHT. OUR, WE HAVE FOLKS THAT CAN  
21 SPEAK ENGLISH AND SPANISH THAT ARE CANVASSING AS WELL AS  
22 MATERIALS IN IN BOTH LANGUAGES.

23  
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT AT THIS POINT, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY  
25 DIRECT CASH ASSISTANCE OF ANY FORM OR DO YOU?



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2 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** NOT RIGHT NOW OTHER THAN MAKING SURE FOLKS ARE  
3 CONNECTED TO WHAT'S AVAILABLE THROUGH CCF AND OTHER GROUPS.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S NOT ENOUGH, OBVIOUSLY, AND I'M  
6 NOT SURE WHAT ACCOUNTING THERE IS IN TERMS OF WHAT'S HAPPENING  
7 ON THE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. ARE WE ABLE TO GET ANY OF  
8 THAT INFORMATION, DO YOU THINK?

9

10 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** IN IN TERMS OF, WHAT CASH ASSISTANCE HAS GONE  
11 OUT THROUGH THE CCF PARTNERS.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH.

14

15 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** WE CAN COME BACK WITH WHAT WE KNOW.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I REALLY AM VERY CURIOUS ABOUT  
18 THAT BECAUSE THAT, WHAT I'M BEING TOLD IS THAT SOME OF THE  
19 PARTNERS, THE CBOS ARE NOT, COLLECTING THE DATA OR IT'S NOT  
20 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. AND SO THERE ARE A LOT OF QUESTIONS  
21 ABOUT, WELL, WHERE DID THE MONEY GO AND HOW HAS IT BEEN SPENT  
22 AND WHO RECEIVED IT? AND THERE'S NO DOUBT THERE'S, THERE ARE  
23 PEOPLE OUT THERE WORKING, BUT I THINK THERE IS AN OBLIGATION  
24 TO PROVIDE TRANSPARENCY.

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1 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** YES.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO I WOULD ASK US TO KEEP PUSHING ON  
4 THAT, ON GETTING THAT INFORMATION.

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6 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** YES.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THEN JUST LAST, I KNOW COUNTY  
9 COUNSEL'S HERE. I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANYTHING, UNLESS YOU WANT  
10 TO MENTION SOMETHING, BUT I KNOW GATHERING WE'RE INFORMATION  
11 RIGHT NOW. AND WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT LINEAGE, THROUGH OEM AND  
12 THROUGH THE GRACES OF SOME OF YOU HERE WHO'VE BEEN ENGAGING  
13 WITH THEM, UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS, AN URGENT MATTER AND THAT  
14 IT REQUIRES, I WOULD HOPE, SOLVING, IF POSSIBLE, BEFORE THE 45  
15 DAYS. AND THE FACT THAT WE ARE NOW I'M LEARNING THAT THERE'S A  
16 BIG CEMENT BLOCK THAT SEPARATES THE TWO STORE THE STORAGE  
17 FACILITY IS ANOTHER ITEM THAT CAUSES ME TO THINK, WELL, NOW  
18 HOW LONG IS IT GOING TO TAKE TO BRING THAT DOWN? AND THEN WHAT  
19 IMPACTS WILL THAT HAVE, AND WILL THAT SLOW UP THE PROCESS?  
20 AND, YOU KNOW, ARE WE TALK WHAT TONNAGE ARE WE TALKING ABOUT  
21 IN TERMS OF CEMENT? AND THAT'S ANOTHER DIFFERENT TYPE OF  
22 ISSUE. BUT ONE THAT I KNOW, I'M VERY FAMILIAR WITH, HAVING  
23 LIVED AROUND GRAVEL PITS AND DUST AND WHAT THAT ALSO MEANS IN  
24 TERMS OF PROVIDING THE BEST REMEDIES SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE  
25 PARTICULATE MATTER FLYING, AGAIN IN PEOPLE'S HOMES AT THE AT



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1 THE RATES THAT WE SAW AT THE BEGINNING. I THINK THAT'S GOING  
2 TO BE VERY, VERY INTERESTING AND VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO  
3 MONITOR. SO WITH THAT, I KNOW I HAVE MEMBERS THAT WANT TO ASK  
4 QUESTIONS, AND THANK YOU FOR INDULGING ME, MEMBERS. SO LET ME  
5 START WITH, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'VE  
8 TYPICALLY NOT SAID TOO MUCH, BUT I JUST WANT, I DON'T WANT  
9 THAT TO COMMUNICATE ANYTHING OTHER THAN WE'VE GOT YOUR BACK. I  
10 REALLY COMMEND YOU ON THE WAYS THAT YOU'VE SET UP STOOD UP IN  
11 YOUR OFFICE AND HOW YOUR TEAM HAS WORKED WITH THIS TEAM HERE  
12 TO MAKE SURE THAT THE RESIDENTS OF THIS DISTRICT, AND ALL OF  
13 THE BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED ARE GETTING THE SUPPORT  
14 THAT THEY NEED FROM THE COUNTY. IT'S COMPLICATED WHEN ANOTHER  
15 LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT IS A LEAD AGENCY IN RESPONSE TO A TRAGEDY,  
16 AND THAT RESPONSIBILITY STILL FALLS ON A PRIVATE ENTITY. IT'S  
17 VERY COMPLICATED. AND SO I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, BUT  
18 I ALSO KNOW BASED ON THE CONVERSATIONS THAT WE'VE BEEN HAVING  
19 AS A BOARD HOW HARD YOU'VE BEEN FIGHTING. SO I JUST WANTED TO  
20 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT FIRST. SECONDLY, I KNOW, WE JUST RECENTLY  
21 WENT THROUGH AN LADWP INFRASTRUCTURE EMERGENCY, IN THE CITY OF  
22 WEST HOLLYWOOD THAT WAS TRIGGERED BY CITY OF L.A.  
23 INFRASTRUCTURE. AND, IN THAT CASE, BECAUSE OF THE PARTNERSHIP  
24 AND PREPAREDNESS THAT THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD HAD READY TO  
25 GO, HOUSING VOUCHERS WERE AVAILABLE THE SAME DAY. THERE WAS A



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1 LOT OF, YOU KNOW, FORETHOUGHT AND PLANNING THAT THEY, PUT INTO  
2 PLACE. SO I JUST OFFER THAT, YOU KNOW, WE SHOULD GIVEN THIS  
3 EXPERIENCE IF WE CAN BE PREPARED TO, HAVE THAT KIND OF  
4 PARTNERSHIP GOING FORWARD, WE KNOW THERE'S GOING TO BE ANOTHER  
5 KIND OF EMERGENCY AT SOME POINT IN TIME THAT WE HAVE THOSE  
6 KINDS OF OFFERINGS, MADE AVAILABLE QUICKLY. AND, YOU KNOW, I  
7 KNOW THAT OUR AQMD LEADERS HERE AND, I THINK, MY COLLEAGUE FOR  
8 SERVING, AND REPRESENTING THE COUNTY THERE. I KNOW THAT IT'S  
9 BEEN REPORTED YOU'VE BEEN MAKING WEEKS OF DEMANDS, AND I  
10 APPRECIATE THE PRESSURE THAT YOU'VE BEEN PUTTING ON LINEAGE. I  
11 ALSO THINK, THE PUBLIC WANTS TO SEE FASTER CONSEQUENCES. AND  
12 SO IF THERE'S ANYTHING THAT WE CAN DO TO ACCELERATE, THE  
13 PROCESS THAT I KNOW YOU HAVE TO RIGHTLY GO THROUGH THAT AQMD  
14 INVOLVES, SO PEOPLE KNOW THAT THERE IS A SENSE OF URGENCY AND  
15 THAT THIS ISN'T SORT OF BUSINESS AS USUAL, IN IN TERMS OF  
16 RESPONSE. AND FINALLY, BECAUSE THERE IS, THIS YOU KNOW, WE'RE  
17 DISCUSSING AT THIS STAGE THE STRUCTURE COMING DOWN, AT SOME  
18 POINT THAT THERE MAY BE A STRUCTURE THAT RETURNS. AND I THINK  
19 THAT IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO IMPRESS WHEN THESE TYPES OF  
20 FACILITIES ARE BEING BUILT NO MATTER WHICH JURISDICTION THAT  
21 THERE'S AN ACTION PLAN DEVELOPED IN ADVANCE OF THEM BEING  
22 OCCUPIED. SO THAT WAY, YOU KNOW, GOD FORBID SOMETHING LIKE  
23 THIS HAPPENS, WE'RE NOT SORT OF SCRAMBLING AND TRYING TO  
24 FIGURE OUT WHAT EXISTS INSIDE THE BUILDING AND HOW TO RESPOND.  
25 THERE SHOULD BE A FORETHOUGHT PUT INTO, INTO FACILITIES LIKE



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1 THIS THROUGH THAT PLANNING PROCESS, SO WE KNOW HOW TO QUICKLY  
2 RESPOND AND WHAT WE'RE CONTENDING WITH. SO I JUST WANTED TO  
3 ADD THAT. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
6 BARGER.

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8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND I TOO WANT TO COMMEND YOU  
9 AND YOUR STAFF. I KNOW, I'M STILL DEALING WITH CHIQUITA CANYON  
10 AND THE CHIQUITA LANDFILL AND THE ISSUES THAT HAS CREATED IN  
11 THE COMMUNITY. SO I UNDERSTAND THAT THE IMPACT THIS HAS ON  
12 PEOPLE'S HEALTH, ON THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. I MEAN, AQMD, YOU  
13 WERE THERE FOR US. DR. DAVIS, YOU AS WELL. THIS IS LIKE DEJA  
14 VU, AND I FEEL FOR THE RESIDENTS. BUT ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I  
15 HAD FOR YOU, KELLY, IS, YOU KNOW, THERE'S A RESTAURANT, LA  
16 SANTA NATA, IS THAT HOW YOU PRONOUNCE IT? THAT I THINK HAS  
17 BEEN PROFILED ON TV AND HAS BEEN ON I'VE SEVERAL THINGS. WHEN  
18 YOU HAVE RESTAURANTS I MEAN, EVEN DRIVING IN HERE TODAY, I  
19 DON'T KNOW IF MY COLLEAGUES COULD SMELL IT, BUT EVEN IN THE  
20 GARAGE, THE SMELL IS NOW PERMEATING THE STRUCTURE.  
21 RESTAURANTS, EVEN IF YOU GIVE THEM MONEY, PEOPLE ARE NOT GOING  
22 TO WANT TO EAT AT THE RESTAURANT WITH THAT STENCH. SO I'M JUST  
23 WONDERING, IF WE CAN APPROACH SOME NONPROFITS MAYBE TO HELP  
24 WITH BRIDGE BECAUSE I WOULD HATE TO SEE THAT RESTAURANT'S  
25 FAMILY-OWNED GENERATIONS, HAVE TO CLOSE ITS DOORS BECAUSE OF



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1 THE FACT THAT THAT THEY CANNOT SURVIVE. AND THEN I'M SURE  
2 THERE'S OTHERS AROUND THERE, AND THERE ARE A LOT OF MORE MOM  
3 AND POPS. THESE ARE NOT CHAINS. SO I WOULD JUST KIND OF PLANT  
4 THAT SEED FOR YOU, BECAUSE, AGAIN, WE CAN SAY GO AND, YOU  
5 KNOW, SUPPORT THESE BUSINESSES, THESE RESTAURANTS, BUT EVEN TO  
6 SIT IN THE RESTAURANT, YOU CAN'T. IT'S JUST IT'S  
7 INSURMOUNTABLE. AND THEN I APOLOGIZE FOR ASKING A BASIC  
8 QUESTION, BUT AND I THINK IT'S GREAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT  
9 REMEDIATION AND ABOUT WHAT ARE WE DOING TO HELP THE RESIDENTS.  
10 BUT HOW LONG IS IT GOING TO TAKE TO CLEAR THIS HORRIBLE,  
11 HORRIBLE, ROTTING FOOD OUT? I MEAN, I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT  
12 WHAT THE IMPEDIMENT IS BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND IN THE PAPER, AND  
13 I'M GOING ON THE PAPER, WHICH CAN BE DANGEROUS, BUT, THAT THE  
14 SOLAR COMPANY PUT A CEASE AND DESIST AND DIDN'T WANT THEM TO  
15 CONTINUE TO MOVE THE PRODUCT OUT. BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT THAT  
16 NOW IS LIFTED. DO WE HAVE AN ESTIMATE OF HOW LONG IT'S GOING  
17 TO TAKE? BECAUSE THE RESIDENTS I MEAN, I'VE GOT TWO PEOPLE IN  
18 MY OFFICE WHO ARE IMPACTED BY THIS. THEY'D WANT TO KNOW WHAT  
19 IS BEING DONE TO GET THIS DONE AND WHEN WILL IT BE DONE. AND  
20 I'M STILL NOT CLEAR EVEN WHEN I HEAR US TALK ABOUT HOW THIS  
21 WAS BUILT, WHICH IS UNBELIEVABLE. THE WAY THAT IT WAS IT WAS  
22 BUILT WITH SUCH, LIKE, THE HEIGHT AND THE CONCRETE THAT'S USED  
23 AND ALL. DO WE HAVE AN ESTIMATE? I MEAN, MARK, DO YOU KNOW?

24  
25 **MARK PESTRELLA:** SUPERVISOR, THEY HAVE A, AS YOU CAN TELL, THEY





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1 HAVE A SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM ON THEIR HANDS, AND IT'S LIMITED BY  
2 THAT STRUCTURE AS YOU DESCRIBED IT BECAUSE IT'S BUILT LIKE A,  
3 YOU KNOW, JUST SUPER DEEP THICK CONCRETE WALLS. SO THE  
4 DEMOLITION ALONE OF THE ONE WALL THAT THEY'RE TRYING TO TAKE  
5 DOWN NOW CAN TAKE TIME. AS I TESTIFIED EARLIER, THEY ARE  
6 STATING THEY'RE GOING TO BE COMPLETE BY AUGUST 13. THAT IS  
7 THEIR DEADLINE THEY'RE GIVING THEMSELVES. IT'S BASED ON THE  
8 EXECUTIVE ORDER FROM THE MAYOR MANDATING THAT. WE'RE TRYING TO  
9 KEEP THEM TO THAT, BUT AS WE DO OUR CALCULATIONS, WE CAN COME  
10 BACK BETTER TO YOU. I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY MAKE AUGUST 13, TO  
11 BE HONEST WITH YOU, GIVEN THAT AMOUNT OF MATERIAL YOU HAVE TO  
12 MOVE. JUST THE TRUCKING ALONE TO MOVE THAT MUCH MATERIAL WILL  
13 TAKE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME.

14  
15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO ARE THEY MOVING ARE THEY TEARING APART  
16 THE STRUCTURE AND GETTING RID OF THE ROTTEN FOOD AT THE SAME  
17 TIME? OR YEAH. I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THEY WOULD HAVE TRIAGED  
18 AND GOTTEN RID OF THE FOOD.

19  
20 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YEAH. THEY'VE TRIAGED WHAT THEY COULD GET TO  
21 ALREADY. THAT WAS, DONE. THE FIRE DAMAGED MUCH OF THE  
22 STRUCTURE, AND THAT FIRE DAMAGED STRUCTURE HAS BEEN REMOVED.  
23 SO THAT GIVES THEM COMPLETE ACCESS TO IT. RIGHT NOW, THEY'RE  
24 TRYING TO MAKE ACCESS INTO THE INTO THE FOOD MATERIAL IN THE  
25 SECOND BUILDING, AND THIS IS WHERE THEY'RE CURRENTLY WORKING



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1 TO DEMO TO CREATE THAT PROPER ACCESS. THE OTHER THING THAT'S  
2 SIGNIFICANT IS THE EQUIPMENT THAT THEY USE TO ACTUALLY MOVE  
3 THE MATERIAL WAS MUCH OF IT WAS LOST IN THE ORIGINAL FIRE.  
4 FORKLIFTS, MECHAHNICAL SYSTEMS TO ACTUALLY LIFT. THIS IS A  
5 FIVE-STORY STRUCTURE INSIDE, WHICH YOU CAN IMAGINE WITH, LIKE,  
6 A HUGE WAREHOUSE WHERE YOU'RE PULLING MATERIALS OUT. SO  
7 THERE'S A LOT OF LOGISTICS TO JUST PHYSICALLY, GRABBING THE  
8 MATERIAL AND MOVING IT, AND PUTTING IT INTO THE PROPER TRUCKS  
9 AND MOVE IT OFF-SITE. SIGNIFICANT DEBRIS REMOVAL, SIGNIFICANT  
10 DEMOLITION PROJECT, THAT THEY'RE FACING.

11  
12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I MEAN, LESSONS  
13 LEARNED. AND I KNOW, AGAIN, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I COMMEND YOU  
14 AND YOUR STAFF BECAUSE WHEN YOU'RE DEALING WITH QUALITY OF  
15 LIFE FOR PEOPLE AND THEIR LIVELIHOOD AND THEIR FAMILY AND  
16 THEIR HOME, WHICH IS THEIR, LIKE, SANCTUARY, EMOTIONS GET  
17 HIGH. AND, AND I KNOW FIRSTHAND, THAT THEY LOOK TO US TO SOLVE  
18 THE PROBLEM. AND YOU HAVE BEEN PRESENT, AND I AND I KNOW YOUR  
19 STAFF HAS AS WELL. BUT ARE WE LOOKING AT THESE TYPE OF  
20 STRUCTURES IN ALL 88 CITIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AND PUTTING  
21 TOGETHER A LIST OF THEM AND DOING SOME SORT OF INSPECTION OR,  
22 YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW WHAT IN IN TERMS OF BEING MORE  
23 PROACTIVE, SO THAT, GOD FORBID, THIS HAPPENS AGAIN, WE KNOW  
24 WHAT TO DO?



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1   **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, THAT WOULD BE TYPICAL, AND I AND IT WILL  
2   BE WHAT WE'RE DOING. WE TYPICALLY DO IT FOR UNINCORPORATED  
3   AREA, BUT, WE CAN COORDINATE WITH THE OTHER BUILDING OFFICIALS  
4   AROUND THE COUNTY TO DO FORENSICS OF WHO HAS WHAT TYPE  
5   STRUCTURES LIKE THIS IN THE COUNTY AND THEN REPORT BACK TO YOU  
6   WITH FINDINGS. I KNOW I'VE ALREADY STARTED WORKING WITH COUNTY  
7   FIRE. CHIEF MARRONE AND I ARE ALREADY LOOKING AT BUILDING  
8   STANDARDS RELATED TO THIS STRUCTURE. REMEMBER TOO THAT THE  
9   STRUCTURE ON TOP, THE SOLAR PANELS WERE AN AFTERTHOUGHT ON  
10   THIS BUILDING. THEY WERE NOT ORIGINALLY A PART OF THE DESIGN  
11   OF THE BUILDING. THEY WERE ATTACHED AFTER THE FACT. SO THAT  
12   ATTACHMENT'S LOOKING AT AND ALSO THE FIRE LIFE SAFETY ISSUES  
13   YOU MENTIONED, ONCE YOU COMPLICATE THE BUILDING WITH SECONDARY  
14   ATTACHMENTS TO THE BUILDING. THAT'S WHY I'M SAYING ALL 88  
15   CITIES BECAUSE THIS WAS IN THE CITY OF L.A., AND THE OWNER  
16   DOESN'T KNOW WHERE THIS FOUNDRY STOPPED AND WHERE THEY BEGAN.  
17   I MEAN AND SO I WOULD HOPE THAT WE WOULD COORDINATE WITH ALL  
18   88 CITIES, AS WELL AS UNINCORPORATED. IF WE COME UP WITH  
19   BUILDING STANDARDS, MAYBE WE SHARE AS, AS A BASIC, YOU KNOW,  
20   SMART WAY TO GO ABOUT DOING PLANNING MOVING FORWARD, ON THINGS  
21   LIKE THIS. THAT'S ALL. BUT I THINK THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT  
22   OF LESSONS LEARNED. AND THEN TO YOU, DR. DAVIS, I KNOW THAT I  
23   KNOW WITH CHIQUITA, THEY WANT ALL THE ANSWERS, AND THEY WANT  
24   YOU TO FIX IT, AND THEY WANT YOU TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. THEY  
25   WANT YOU TO MANDATE THIS, AND I APPRECIATE THE DIFFICULTY.



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1 IT'S HARD TO HEAR AS ELECTED, WHEN YOU KNOW THAT THE COMMUNITY  
2 WANTS ONE THING AND YOU CAN'T GIVE IT TO THEM LEGALLY OR EVEN  
3 BASED ON THE GUIDELINES. AND SO I APPRECIATE YOUR CANDOR, AND  
4 I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU AND YOUR TEAM DO BECAUSE YOU  
5 SOMETIMES HAVE TO BE THE MESSENGER, WITH, WITH INFORMATION  
6 THAT MAY NOT RESONATE OR BE EMBRACED BY, THE COMMUNITY. SO  
7 THANK YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR THAT. AND YOU TOO, WAYNE. TAKE  
8 CARE.

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR  
11 BARGER. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I  
14 WANT TO START WHERE SUPERVISOR BARGER LED US WITH REGARD TO  
15 LESSONS LEARNED BECAUSE I HAD TWO OF THE VERY SAME NOTES, HOW  
16 LONG COULD THIS POTENTIALLY TAKE, AS WELL AS ANY IDEA OF OTHER  
17 SIMILARLY CONSTRUCTED STRUCTURES. SO I THINK THAT WOULD BE  
18 REALLY IMPORTANT FOR ALL 88 CITIES AND CORPORATE AREAS JUST SO  
19 WE KNOW SINCE THIS WAS SUCH A UNIQUE SITUATION IF WE HAVE  
20 OTHER POTENTIAL AREAS. THE OTHER IN TERMS OF LESSONS LEARNED,  
21 AND I DON'T WANT THE PUBLIC TO THINK THAT, OH, THEY'VE MOVED  
22 ON TO LESSONS LEARNED AND WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE  
23 TRAGEDY. I THINK THE LESSONS LEARNED SHOULD COME UP AND EVOLVE  
24 AS WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF PROBLEM SOLVING NOW, AND THAT IS  
25 OUTREACH AND EDUCATION ALONG THE TRANSPORT PATH THAT HAS COME



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1 UP REPEATEDLY WITH OUR PAST FIRES WHERE OTHER SEEMINGLY  
2 UNIMPACTED COMMUNITIES THEN FEEL HAVE SOME CONCERN IF, PRODUCT  
3 IS BEING MOVED THROUGH THEIR COMMUNITY INTO COMMUNITY TO BE  
4 STORED. SO IS THERE ANY OUTREACH AND EDUCATION AND  
5 COMMUNICATION PLANS SO WE CAN GET IN FRONT OF, WHAT WE'VE  
6 EXPERIENCED IN THE PAST TO LET THE PUBLIC KNOW WHERE WE PLAN  
7 TO MOVE IT, HOW THE SMELL AND RODENTS AND ALL THAT WILL BE  
8 CONTAINED APPROPRIATELY. AND SO I'M NOT SURE IF I DIRECT THAT  
9 TO PUBLIC WORKS OR TO WHOM.

10

11 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YEAH. I MEAN, I HAVE A SUGGESTION. YOU KNOW,  
12 WE SHOULD LOOK THROUGH. THERE ARE CORRIDORS THAT ARE AS YOU  
13 KNOW, SUPERVISOR, THERE ARE COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS FOR  
14 TRANSPORTATION, AND THE ROADS ACTUALLY ARE RATED FOR, YOU  
15 KNOW, CERTAIN SIZED TRUCKS AND THAT. THERE IS RESIDENTS THAT  
16 OR COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES THAT EXPERIENCE HALL ROUTES. THEY'RE  
17 REGULARLY USED TO THAT. SO THESE ARE AREAS THAT WE GO TO  
18 FIRST, ATTEMPT TO USE THOSE ROUTES FIRST. WHAT'S INTERESTING  
19 ABOUT THIS FACILITY IS THAT THEY HAVE BEEN DELIVERING ACROSS  
20 REGULAR DELIVERIES ACROSS RESIDENTIAL STREETS FOR YEARS. AND  
21 SO WHEN I WENT TO LOOK AT, WELL, WHAT'S THE EXTRA LOAD GOING  
22 TO BE, IT WAS SIGNIFICANT, BUT IT WASN'T IT WAS A VERY COMMON  
23 TYPE OF TRUCKING THAT'S GOING ON IN FRONT OF THEM. NOT TO SAY  
24 SO WE KNOW THAT PEOPLE MAY BE USED TO THAT, BUT THE IMPACT  
25 THAT THEY HAVE ON THAT HAS ON THEM AND JUST THE FEAR THAT IS



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1 IN PUT INTO PEOPLE'S MINDS WHEN YOU'RE CARRYING MATERIALS THAT  
2 COULD BE CONSIDERED HAZARDOUS. SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE I  
3 THINK WE CAN DO A BETTER JOB OF AND WE ARE LESSON LEARNINGS  
4 FROM WOOLSEY AND FROM THE OTHER FIRE AND THE LAST FIRE DEBRIS  
5 REMOVAL IS HAVING THE ROOTS PREPLANNED ROOTS FOR HAULING,  
6 ANTICIPATING THIS KIND OF HAULING. THAT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU  
7 NORMALLY PLAN FOR BUT GIVEN THE AMOUNT OF TIMES YOU KNOW WE  
8 SEE HAULING GOING ON, WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A MOVE ON OUR AT  
9 LEAST COUNTY STREETS TO IDENTIFY ESCAPE HAULING ROUTES, EXCUSE  
10 ME, FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL, PERMANENTLY THEN EDUCATE THE PUBLIC  
11 ABOUT THOSE HAUL ROUTES AND THEIR EXISTENCE. THIS IS ONE OF  
12 THE OUTCOMES OF THIS THIS EVENT AND MANY OTHER EVENTS THAT  
13 WE'VE RECENTLY HAD.

14  
15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** YOU KNOW, I THINK SOMETIMES UNIQUE  
16 EXPERIENCES OF THOSE WHO LIVE IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES IS  
17 THAT RESIDENTIAL AREAS AND BUSINESS CORRIDORS ARE ONE AND THE  
18 SAME. AND SO I JUST WANT US TO BE MINDFUL OF OUR RESIDENTS AND  
19 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES THAT BE CONSIDERED. IT'S NOT JUST  
20 HAZARDOUS MATERIAL HAS BEEN OUR EXPERIENCE IN THE PAST, BUT  
21 WITH THIS UNIQUE SITUATION, IT'S MATERIAL WITH STRONG ODOR, AN  
22 ODOR THAT ATTRACTS FLIES AND ALL THINGS YOU TALKED ABOUT. SO  
23 MAKING SURE THAT AS IT IS BEING TRANSPORTED, THAT IT IS  
24 ENCAPSULATED IN SUCH A WAY THAT THAT DOESN'T BECOME A MOVING  
25 ISSUE. SO I'M HOPING THAT WILL BE THE CASE. FOLLOWING UP ON



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1 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S POINTS, AND I WANT TO ECHO MY COLLEAGUE'S  
2 COMMENTS ABOUT SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND HER TEAM BEING FRONT AND  
3 CENTER, ALL OF YOU BEING FRONT AND CENTER, AND WE APPRECIATE  
4 THAT AS WELL AS YOUR TEAMS AND ALL OF THE MULTIPLE DOOR TO  
5 DOOR STRATEGIES THAT WE'VE HEARD YOU ENGAGE IN. I WANT TO SAY,  
6 WITH REGARD TO SOUTH COAST AQMD, MY NOTES SAY THAT WE'VE  
7 ISSUED VIOLATIONS SIX STRAIGHT DAYS IN A ROW, PLUS THE DEMAND  
8 LETTER, REQUIRING LINEAGE TO STRENGTHEN ITS ODOR PLAN. I KNOW  
9 THE RESPONSE WAS DUE TODAY. DID I MISS THAT? HAS IT BEEN  
10 RECEIVED?

11  
12 **WAYNE NASTRI:** NOT AS OF YET.

13  
14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND SO WHAT'S NEXT? I THINK GOING TO  
15 SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S POINT ABOUT, WHAT POWER AND AUTHORITY WE  
16 HAVE TO KICK IT UP A NOTCH, IF YOU WILL. IF THEY FAIL TO  
17 RESPOND TODAY, WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP?

18  
19 **WAYNE NASTRI:** FIFTEEN MINUTES AGO, MY TEAM WAS SUPPOSED TO  
20 FILE WITH A PETITION BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD. SO THE HEARING  
21 BOARD DOES REQUIRE A SET AMOUNT OF TIME FOR PREPARATION BEFORE  
22 YOU COME FORWARD. BUT I WANTED TO START THAT IMMEDIATELY AND  
23 THEN HAVE TWO PATHS OF NEGOTIATION. SO THE PETITION HAS BEEN  
24 FILED OR IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN FILED TODAY, AND WE WILL KEEP  
25 BOTH AVENUES OPEN. WE'LL PURSUE WHICHEVER IS THE MOST



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1 AGGRESSIVE.

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3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT. AND ACKNOWLEDGING  
4 ALSO THAT THOSE ACTIONS STILL WON'T MAKE FAMILIES WHOLE IS  
5 WHAT WE HAVE TO DO, BUT IT WON'T MAKE FAMILIES WHOLE. I THINK  
6 THE READ IN MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS BROUGHT FORWARD  
7 IS ABOUT WHETHER PEOPLE CAN ACTUALLY RECOVER WHAT THEY LOST.  
8 BUT I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MANY PEOPLE HIT HARDEST BY  
9 THE DISASTER ARE RENTERS WHO DON'T CARRY INSURANCE OR THEIR  
10 POLICIES WON'T TOUCH SMOKE REMEDIATION, SPOIL FOOD, OR MISS  
11 WORK. WITH THE COST STILL BEING DISPUTED BETWEEN THE OPERATOR  
12 AND CONTRACTORS' CLAIMS, WE KNOW ARE GOING TO MOVE SLOWLY, AND  
13 THAT'S CHALLENGE. I WANT TO ECHO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,  
14 THAT WE SHOULD PRESS ON MAKING SURE THAT THE RELIEF THAT'S  
15 ALREADY BEEN COMMITTED MOVES QUICKLY. WE HAVE TO PRESS FOR  
16 THAT. JUST AS WE IN GOVERNMENT HOLD OURSELVES TO A  
17 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARD, CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY  
18 FOUNDATION IS GOING TO HAVE TO DO THE SAME THING. I DON'T WANT  
19 TO HAVE TO WAIT FOR THEIR 990 FILINGS TO FIGURE OUT WHO THEY  
20 FUNDED AND HOW QUICKLY THE FUNDING WENT OUT. IF PHILANTHROPY  
21 AND FOUNDATIONS ARE GOING TO STEP INTO THIS ROLE, THEN THEY'RE  
22 GOING TO HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO BEHAVE QUASI GOVERNMENTAL  
23 LIKE TO MAKE VERY PLAIN TO US AND TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT  
24 WHO GOT MONEY FOR WHAT AND BY WHEN. SO, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT  
25 THAT WE CONTINUE TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE AND TO UNDERSTAND





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1 THAT WE TOO EXPECT FULL TRANSPARENCY AS DOES THE PUBLIC,  
2 PUBLIC, AND THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FIGURE OUT THE MECHAHNISM  
3 BY WHICH THEY CAN DO THAT. I HOPE THEIR BOARD, GETS IT. THEY  
4 STEPPED UP AND TOOK, AND WERE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE MONEY FROM  
5 THE COMPANY, AND SO I HOPE THAT THEY WILL GET IT OUT TO MAKE  
6 SURE PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO THE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT THEY NEED  
7 AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND THAT WE ALL KNOW HOW IT WAS DONE.  
8 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE PRESENTATION, THANK YOU, MADAM  
9 CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU TO MY  
12 COLLEAGUES. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M JUST REMINDED BY MY STAFF THAT,  
13 REGIONAL PLANNING ACTUALLY SET UP WHAT WE CALL A GREEN ZONE  
14 ORDINANCE. SOME OF YOU MAY BE FAMILIAR WITH, AND IT CAME ABOUT  
15 BECAUSE OF THE HIGH NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL RETAIL, FACTORIES,  
16 ASSEMBLY, WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL THEM, LOCATED IN CERTAIN  
17 AREAS. IN THIS IN THIS, INSTANCE, IT WAS IN CITY TERRACE,  
18 WHITESIDE. WE'VE HAD A NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS, AND I KNOW AQMD,  
19 YOU'VE BEEN INVOLVED. WE EVEN CALLED YOU IN TO DO AIR  
20 MONITORING, AND WE CAME UP WITH AN ORDINANCE. AND PERHAPS  
21 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT MORE REGULARLY  
22 WITH OUR OTHER 88 CITIES AS WELL, BUT ALSO WHAT ENFORCEMENT  
23 MECHAHNISMS THAT COMES THAT BRINGS DOWN TO BEAR ON GETTING  
24 PEOPLE TO ACTUALLY DO SOMETHING. SO I THINK THAT MIGHT BE  
25 SOMETHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO GET INFORMATION ON THAT.



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1 OKAY. SO WITH THAT, I WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN, PANEL, FOR  
2 BEING HERE. YOU'RE WELCOME TO STAY. I THINK WE HAVE SOME FOLKS  
3 IN THE AUDIENCE THAT WANT TO SPEAK IF YOU CAN, IF YOU HAVE TO  
4 LEAVE, BUT THAT'S FINE. BUT, AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR INDULGING US  
5 AND ALSO TO OUR CEO AND ALL THE HELP IN DEPARTMENTS, OEM, ALL  
6 OF YOU, AND OUR CBOS TOO. OUR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS  
7 HAVE BEEN OUT THERE WEATHERING THIS WITH US, AND MANY OF THEM  
8 LIVE IN THE IMPACTED AREAS. I KNOW SOME OF THEM ARE HERE, AND  
9 THEY'RE GOING TO WANT TO SPEAK AS WELL ABOUT THEIR SERVICE.  
10 THANK YOU. YES. GO AHEAD, WAYNE.

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12 **WAYNE NASTRI:** I JUST WANT TO CONFIRM THAT MY STAFF DID FILE  
13 THE PETITION BEFORE THE HEARING BEFORE NOON TODAY.

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. ALRIGHT. TWENTY MINUTES AGO.  
16 THANK YOU. OKAY. VERY GOOD. THANK YOU ALL. EO, LET'S GO TO  
17 PUBLIC COMMENT.

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** LET'S GO TO IN PERSON IF WE CAN, PLEASE.  
20 WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF  
21 WILL ASSIST YOU? AILEEN GUERRERO MARTINEZ, LEAH BRACAMONTES,  
22 JOSE MARTINEZ, JACOB GUERRERO, ALEJANDRO LOPEZ, JONATHAN  
23 GONZALES, SOFIA QUINONES, BARBARA M, SALVADOR DIAZ, MARIA  
24 PERLETTA, SYLVIA CORNA, YESENIA PALM, RAYMOND PALM, VICTOR  
25 NUNEZ, AND MARTHA MARTINEZ. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR MEMO



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1 PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS  
2 ITEM A ONE, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE  
3 HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS \*3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW.  
4 WE WILL HEAR FROM IN PERSON FIRST. PLEASE BEGIN.

5  
6 **LEA BRACAMONTES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LEA BRACAMONTES  
7 REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS IN EAST L.A.  
8 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR YOUR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP AND  
9 FOR KEEPING RELIEF OPERATIONS MOVING FORWARD. SUPPORTING THESE  
10 RECOVERY EFFORTS HAS BEEN ONE OF THE MOST MEANINGFUL  
11 EXPERIENCES I'VE HAD. I'VE MET FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN  
12 IMPACTED, BUT I'VE ALSO WITNESSED INCREDIBLE STRENGTH,  
13 COMPASSION, AND NEIGHBORS COMING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT ONE  
14 ANOTHER. I'VE SEEN THE UNWAVERING COMMITMENT FROM HILDA SOLIS  
15 AND HER STAFF TO THE RESIDENTS, INCLUDING UNINCORPORATED EAST  
16 LOS ANGELES, ENSURING THEY WERE HEARD AND SUPPORTED THROUGHOUT  
17 THIS PROCESS. AS RECOVERY EFFORTS CONTINUE, WE WILL CONTINUE  
18 TO STAND BESIDE AND SUPPORT HILDA SOLIS TO HELP THE COMMUNITY  
19 AND PROVIDE THEM WITH THE SUPPORT, RESOURCES, AND  
20 ENCOURAGEMENT THEY NEED UNTIL RECOVERY IS COMPLETE. THANK YOU.

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

23  
24 **JOSE MARTINEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOSE MARTINEZ. I AM  
25 A SUPERVISOR AT LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS FOR EAST L.A.



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1 FIRSTLY, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR  
2 GATHERING US ALL HERE TO DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE ABOUT RECOVERY  
3 PROCESS IN OUR COMMUNITY AS WELL AS THE OTHER PARTIES HERE.  
4 THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK THAT  
5 YOU'RE DOING. DURING THIS RECOVERY PROCESS, I HAD THE  
6 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ALONGSIDE YOU IN YOUR OFFICE AS WELL AS  
7 THE PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE A CREW THAT HELPS WITH THE BULKY ITEM  
8 PROCESS ON CLEANING UP THE AREA PAST INDIANA TO EASTERN. AS  
9 OUR COMMUNITY CONTINUES THROUGH THIS DIFFICULT TIME, IT IS  
10 IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THE FAMILIES THAT ARE IMPACTED AND WHY  
11 WE ALL CONTINUE TO WORK TO GET THIS DONE. L.A. CORPS ALONG  
12 WITH THE PARTIES, ALONG WITH HILDA SOLIS' LEADERSHIP, WE ARE  
13 COMMITTED TO BRINGING A SAFE, CLEAN, AND SECURE HOME FOR OUR  
14 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR ALL THE PATIENCE AND LEADERSHIP AND  
15 CONTINUED SUPPORT.

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

18  
19 **AILEEN GUERRERO MARTINEZ:** HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS AILEEN  
20 GUERRERO MARTINEZ. I AM REPRESENTING THE L.A. CONSERVATION  
21 CORPS AT THE EAST L.A. SITE. OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS, OUR TEAM  
22 HAS BEEN OUT IN THE COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY THE BOYLE HEIGHTS  
23 FIRE. WE HAVE BEEN DELIVERING AIR PURIFIERS, BOTTLED WATERS,  
24 AND BOXES OF FOOD AT SALAZAR PARK AND THE CIVIC CENTER SO  
25 PEOPLE CAN ACCESS THESE RESOURCES AS THEY NEED IT. THIS WORK



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1 HAS BEEN ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL TO ME BECAUSE I AM PERSONALLY  
2 AFFECTED BY THE FIRE, SO I KNOW HOW OVERWHELMING AND STRESSFUL  
3 THIS SITUATION HAS BEEN. PROGRAMS LIKE THE FREE LAKE SWIM  
4 BEACH BUS TO THE SANTA FE DAM AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF AIR  
5 PURIFIERS HAVE BEEN A SMALL RELIEF FROM THE SMELL AND THE  
6 STRESS CAUSED BY THE WAREHOUSE FIRE. ALTHOUGH THERE IS STILL A  
7 LONG ROAD TO GO, I WANT TO THANK TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK YOU  
8 ALL FOR MAKING THESE OUTREACH EFFORTS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

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

11  
12 **JASON VOSKIS:** AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MEMBERS OF THE  
13 BOARD, AND ANYONE HERE. MY NAME IS JASON VOSKIS REPRESENTING  
14 THE L.A. CONSERVATION CORP EAST L.A. SITE. IT'S BEEN A  
15 PLEASURE TO HELP HILDA SOLIS'S OFFICE TO HELP OUT THE COUNTY  
16 THE COUNTY OF EAST L.A. AND SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY WITH THE  
17 WAREHOUSE DISASTER AND THE FAMILIES IN NEED. WE'VE BEEN  
18 PROVIDING WATERS, FOOD, AND AIR PURIFIERS TO THOSE AFFECTED.  
19 WE BELIEVE SHOWING UP FOR THE COMMUNITY WHEN IT MATTERS MOST.  
20 THE L.A. CONSERVATION CORP ARE ALWAYS PREPARED AND COMMITTED  
21 TO HELP THE COMMUNITIES OF LOS ANGELES AND THE SURROUNDING  
22 AREAS. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT, DONATE,  
23 AND WE STAND WITH EAST L.A. TOGETHER. WE'RE STRONG.

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

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2 **JONATHAN GONZALEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JONATHAN  
3 GONZALEZ. I'M REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS,  
4 EAST L.A. SITE. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR FOR  
5 BRINGING EVERYONE TOGETHER TODAY AND FOR CONTINUING TO MAKE  
6 THIS RECOVERY A PRIORITY. I HAD THIS PRIVILEGE OF SUPPORTING  
7 YOUR OFFICE THROUGHOUT THIS RECOVERY EFFORT, AND I'VE SEEN  
8 FIRSTHAND THE COMPASSION, DEDICATION, URGENCY YOUR TEAM HAS  
9 BROUGHT TO EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD. THIS WASN'T JUST RESPONDING TO  
10 A DISASTER, IT WAS ABOUT STANDING BESIDES FAMILY DURING SOME  
11 OF THE MOST DIFFICULT MOMENTS OF THEIR LIVES. YOUR TEAM HAS  
12 BEEN THERE FOR THE RESIDENTS AND EAST L.A. RESIDENTS FROM THE  
13 VERY BEGINNING. AS RECOVERY EFFORTS CONTINUE, THE LOS ANGELES  
14 CONSERVATION CORPS REMAINS COMMITTED TO STANDING ALONG  
15 ALONGSIDE SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, HER OFFICE, AND OUR  
16 COMMUNITY TO ENSURE FAMILIES CONTINUE RECEIVING THE SUPPORT  
17 RESOURCES AND ASSISTANCE THAT THEY NEED TO RECOVER. THANK YOU.

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

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21 **JACOB GUERRA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MEMBERS OF THE  
22 BOARD, AND EVERYONE HERE TODAY. MY NAME IS JACOB GUERRA. SINCE  
23 THE UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES FIRE, I'VE HAD THE  
24 OPPORTUNITY TO HELP DISTRIBUTE FOOD, WATER, KN95 FACE MASKS,  
25 AND AIR PURIFIERS TO RESIDENTS IMPACTED BY THE FIRE. BEING



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1 PART OF THIS EFFORT HAS BEEN A HUMBLING EXPERIENCE. IT WAS  
2 REWARDING TO SEE HOW MANY HOW SIMPLE AS HANDING OUT FOOD,  
3 WATER, AND AIR PURIFIERS COULD COMFORT AND REASSURE AND  
4 REASSURANCE DURING A STRESSFUL TIME. MANY RESIDENTS EXPRESSED  
5 THEIR GRATITUDE, AND THOSE CONVERSATIONS REMINDED ME THAT  
6 BEING PRESIDENT AND WILLING TO HELP CAN HAVE A LASTING IMPACT.  
7 I'M PROUD TO BE PART OF THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS AND  
8 GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY. THANK  
9 YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND FOR RECOGNIZING  
10 OUR WORK.

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

13  
14 **ALEX LOPEZ:** LOPEZ SPEAKING ON AGENDA A1. HELLO, EVERYBODY. MY  
15 NAME IS ALEX LOPEZ. I SERVE AS SENIOR DIRECTOR FOR  
16 CONSERVATION PROGRAMS FOR THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS  
17 EAST L.A. SITE. I WAS PERSONALLY BORN AND RAISED IN EAST LOS  
18 ANGELES, SO BEING HERE TODAY SUPPORTING THIS RECOVERY EFFORT  
19 IS ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL TO ME. AND MANY OF THE YOUNG ADULTS  
20 CORE MEMBERS THAT YOU HEARD FROM TODAY ALSO RESIDE IN EAST LOS  
21 ANGELES. LIKE ME, THEY AREN'T JUST SUPPORTING COMMUNITY OR  
22 SUPPORTING THEIR OWN NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS, AND FAMILIES. THE  
23 PERSONAL CONNECTION HAS MADE THIS WORK INCREDIBLY MEANINGFUL  
24 FOR ALL OF US. OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS, WE'VE HAD THE  
25 PRIVILEGE OF SUPPORTING SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND HER STAFF AS THEY



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1 CONTINUE TO LEAD RECOVERY EFFORTS FOR FAMILIES IMPACTED BY THE  
2 LINEAR LOGISTICS FACILITY FIRE. WE'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND THE  
3 COMPASSION AND DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT FROM HER AND HER  
4 STAFF SHOWN TO THE RESIDENTS --

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

7  
8 **SOFA QUINONES:** SOFA QUINONES. THE LINEAGE FIRE IS AN EXAMPLE  
9 OF ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM. WE HAD A MEETING YESTERDAY WITH  
10 LINEAGE AND DR. DAVIS WHERE HE STATED THAT THERE'S A  
11 POSSIBILITY THAT THERE COULD BE AN EXPLOSION DUE TO THE  
12 ROTTING MEAT. THE ICS IS ACTIVATED WHEN AN INCIDENT REQUIRES  
13 TECHNICAL RESPONSE FOR TWO OR MORE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. IT IS  
14 WIDESPREAD ACROSS DIFFERENT JURISDICTIONS, POSES SIGNIFICANT  
15 THREAT TO LIFE, PROPERTY OR THE ENVIRONMENT. IT IS A LONG  
16 DURATION RESISTING MULTI SHIFT MANAGEMENT. THIS CRITERIA WAS  
17 MET YET CSI WAS NOT ACTIVATED. WILL THE COUNTY RELEASE AN  
18 ACTION REPORT DOCUMENTING THE TIMELINE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
19 DECISIONS INCLUDING THE NON-ACTIVATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
20 PUBLIC HEALTH'S ICS EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTER AND EMERGENCY  
21 COORDINATION? WILL THIS HAPPEN AFTER AN EXPLOSION HAPPENS?

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

24  
25 **YESENIA PUM:** MY NAME IS YESENIA PUM. I LIVE IN UNINCORPORATED





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1 EAST L.A. HILDA SOLIS, SORRY DOES NOT CUT IT WHEN WE DON'T  
2 KNOW THE ADVERSE LONG TERM HEALTH IMPACT THE TOXIC FIRE HAS  
3 LEFT ON US. INTERESTINGLY, HOW THE COMMUNITY IS NOT AT THE  
4 TABLE. HAS ANYBODY ASKED ME? UNFORTUNATELY, FOLKS IN OUR  
5 COMMUNITY CANNOT AFFORD TO TAKE THE TIME OUT OF THEIR WORK AS  
6 WE ARE WORKING CLASS COMMUNITIES. THE 211 ENDS AT HICKS  
7 AVENUE. RESOURCES ARE STILL BEING DENIED. FOLKS LIKE MYSELF  
8 WHO ARE IN THE WAIT LIST LIVE ON RECORD. HOWEVER, WE SHOULD BE  
9 BACK HOWEVER, WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN EVACUATED IMMEDIATELY. I  
10 INVITE YOU ALL TO SPEND THE NIGHT 24/7 TO EXPOSE YOURSELF TO  
11 TOXIC CHEMICALS, TERRIBLE AIR QUALITY, AND CONTAMINATED AIR  
12 AND FACE WHO WE ALWAYS FACE ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM AND  
13 INJUSTICE. AS FOR AIR PURIFIERS, WE HAVE SAID THAT ONLY ONE  
14 PER HOUSEHOLD HAS BEEN LEFT. THAT IS NOT ENOUGH WHEN YOU HAVE  
15 A FAMILY OF FIVE. EACH ONE NEEDS TO BE IN EACH FAMILY  
16 HOUSEHOLD. I YIELD MY TIME TO THE SECOND COMMUNITY MEMBER. MY  
17 NAME IS ALEXANDER DOMINGUEZ. I LIVE ON INDIANA STREET, AND  
18 FROM THE CORNER OF MY HOUSE, I CAN SEE THE LINEAGE BUILDING.  
19 HOW THIS FIRE HAS AFFECTED MY LIFE, IT HAS CAUSED --

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

23  
24 **RAYMOND PUM:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RAYMOND PUM. IT WILL  
25 BE 45 DAYS ON 08/13/2026. I'M GOING BACK TO SCHOOL BEFORE THE



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1 DEADLINE IS ON 08/11/2026. WHO KNOWS IF THAT DEADLINE IS  
2 REALISTICALLY TRUE BECAUSE BY THEN, I WILL BE STARTING SCHOOL.  
3 THE MORNING IS WHEN IT SMELLS THE WORST, AND EVERYONE WHO HAS  
4 TO WAKE UP TO GO TO WORK, SCHOOL WILL SMELL IT. SO STUDENTS,  
5 PARENTS WILL HAVE TO SMELL IT WHILE GOING TO SCHOOL. AS AN  
6 LAUSD STUDENT ATTENDING SCHOOL IN JUST A FEW WEEKS, KIDS MY  
7 AGE AND YOUNGER HAVE TO LIVE WITH THE ODORS OF TOXIC FIRE,  
8 DEBRIS, ROTTEN FOOD, ASH, DECOMPOSING ITEMS, CHEMICALS, GASES,  
9 AND UNKNOWN TOXINS. WE CANNOT SHELTER IN PLACE. WE HAVE TO GO  
10 TO SCHOOL WITH AN UNKNOWN SUBSTANCE IN THE AIR, INCLUDING THE  
11 DISGUSTING ORDER. SUPERVISORS LAUSD, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO  
12 ABOUT THAT? WE STUDENTS ARE THE FUTURE, BUT THIS IS NO FUTURE.  
13 WHEN WE CANNOT SLEEP AT NIGHT BECAUSE OF STRONG DISGUSTING  
14 ORDER AND PREPARED TO GO TO SCHOOL, THE NEXT DAY. THESE ARE  
15 UNLIVABLE --

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

18  
19 **MARTHA MARTINEZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]  
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21 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARTHA MARTINEZ. I  
22 LIVE IN MONTEREY PARK AND I AM VERY TIRED OF THIS WHOLE THING.  
23 I NEED YOU TO PAY ATTENTION TO ME. THIS WILL CAUSE OUR THIS  
24 WILL CAUSE OUR CHILDREN TO HAVE ILLNESSES. IT MAY NOT AFFECT  
25 THEM IMMEDIATELY, BUT AT 30, 40 YEARS OF AGE, THEY WILL HAVE



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1 ILLNESSES IN THEIR LUNGS. IT'S NOT GOOD AT ALL TO BE ENCLOSED  
2 IN OUR HOMES. YOU'RE NOT ABLE TO GO OUT WITH THIS HORRIBLE  
3 SMELL. WITH THE HEAT RIGHT NOW, MAKES THE SITUATION EVEN  
4 WORSE. AND SO SUPERVISOR, HILDA SOLIS, PLEASE ASK FOR YOUR  
5 HELP. I KNOW THAT IT'S NOT IN YOUR HANDS, BUT PLEASE, YOU  
6 WOULD DO WHATEVER IS POSSIBLE.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE TALK TO YOU,  
9 SENORA.

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11 **INTERPRETER:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. WE ARE HUMAN BEINGS, WHETHER  
12 WE LIVE IN EAST L.A. OR BEVERLY HILLS. WE ARE HUMAN BEINGS. WE  
13 NEED THE SAME ATTENTION. THANK YOU, PLEASE.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND THAT MONTEREY PARK IS  
16 ALSO MAKING PURIFIERS AVAILABLE TO THEIR RESIDENTS. SO THAT'S  
17 INFORMATION THAT PERHAPS WE CAN TRY TO PUT ON OUR --

18

19 **INTERPRETER:** TO MY KNOWLEDGE, ONLY THE OTHER COMMUNITIES

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I HAVE READ IT. MAYBE IT'S SOMETHING  
22 WE CAN FOLLOW UP ON.

23

24 **INTERPRETER:** LIKE EAST L.A. AND NOT NOTHING IN MY PART.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE CAN FOLLOW-UP ON THAT. THANK YOU.

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

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5 **KRISTIE HERNANDEZ:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KRISTIE  
6 HERNANDEZ. I LIVE IN UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES, AND I'M  
7 ALSO THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE MARAVIA COMMUNITY ADVISORY  
8 COMMITTEE. AND I'M HERE TODAY BECAUSE WHILE WE APPRECIATE L.A.  
9 COUNTY'S EFFORTS, THE LINEAGE WAREHOUSE TOXIFIER HAS ALSO BEEN  
10 VERY TELLING ABOUT THE LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND EMERGENCY  
11 RESPONSE. THIS IS A STATE OF EMERGENCY, AND L.A. COUNTY NEEDS  
12 TO ACT WITH MORE URGENCY. THIS IS A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY.  
13 RESIDENTS ARE GETTING SICK AND BECAUSE OF THE SMOKE AND NOW  
14 THE OUTDOOR ROTTING FOOD. RESIDENTS DID NOT CAUSE THIS FIRE OR  
15 THE RAT FLY INFESTATION. 211 FOLKS ARE CALLING AND ARE BEING  
16 DENIED VOUCHERS FOR AIRBNB. THE ELECTRIC ASSISTANCE IS  
17 DECEIVING. THEY'RE NOT BEING ASSISTED. THEY'RE ACTUALLY BEING  
18 OFFERED A PAYMENT PLAN. WE'RE ASKING L.A. COUNTY TO ACT  
19 IMMEDIATELY AND CALL FOR AN EVACUATION. LIVING IN THESE  
20 CONDITIONS IS UNBEARABLE. THIS IS INHUMANE TO EXPECT HUMANS TO  
21 TOLERATE THESE CONDITIONS, NOT BEING ABLE TO COOK IN THEIR OWN  
22 HOME, AND FEELING NAUSEATED, NOT EVEN FEELING LIKE THE EATING.  
23 THE TOWN HALL THAT WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS, WE'VE BEEN  
24 WAITING FOR AN OIL SPILL. THE OIL SPILL TOWN HALL HAS BEEN TWO  
25 MONTHS. WE HOPE THAT THE SAME LEVEL OF NEGLIGENCE IS NOT



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1 BEING, YOU KNOW, GOING TO THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO SEE THAT  
2 WITH THIS FIRE. THE NEGLIGENCE AND DISREGARD FOR OUR COMMUNITY  
3 IS UNACCEPTABLE, AND OUR COMMUNITY RESILIENT --

4

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

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7 **SALVADOR DIAZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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9 **INTERPRETER:** VERY GOOD AFTERNOON TO YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
10 MY NAME IS SALVADOR DIAZ. I COME FROM THE WALNUT PARK  
11 COMMUNITY. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I PERCEIVE BESIDES THIS  
12 WHOLE DISASTER THAT HAS HAPPENED IS THAT THESE RESIDENTS OF  
13 THESE COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN AFFECTED AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE  
14 AFFECTED BY THIS. AND JUST LIKE THIS COMMUNITY, THERE ARE  
15 OTHER COMMUNITIES IN SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES WHO WILL CONTINUE  
16 TO BE AFFECTED BY, THIS POLLUTION. I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT,  
17 WHEN THESE ORGANIZATIONS ARE PUTTING, THESE BUILDINGS, NEAR  
18 OUR COMMUNITIES. YOU MUST RESEARCH WHAT THIS KIND OF BUILDING  
19 WILL KIND OF WHAT KIND OF IMPACT IT WILL HAVE IN TERMS OF  
20 HARMING OUR RESIDENTS, OUR FAMILIES, OUR COMMUNITY. THIS IS  
21 GOING TO AFFECT US FOR LIFE. OUR COMMUNITIES, THEY NEED HELP  
22 AND THEY NEED RESPECT RIGHT NOW. THERE ARE PEOPLE IN THESE  
23 COMMUNITIES THAT WERE DISPLACED, AND THEY DO NOT HAVE ANYWHERE  
24 TO GO RIGHT NOW.

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

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3 **BARBARA MARTINEZ:** CAN YOU HEAR ME? MY NAME IS BARBARA  
4 MARTINEZ. I'M HERE BECAUSE I'M A CANCER SURVIVOR FROM THE  
5 XCITE ORDEAL AND, TO ME, THIS IS LIKE XCITE ALL OVER AGAIN. I  
6 AM REALLY SCARED BECAUSE, HONESTLY, I FEEL LIKE I'M GOING TO  
7 END UP SICK AGAIN. IT'S NOT FAIR WHAT THEY'RE DOING TO OUR  
8 COMMUNITY. THIS IS A DISASTER AND ITS INJUSTICE. WE WANT TO  
9 MAKE SURE THAT OUR GOVERNOR AND HILDA SOLIS, PLEASE PUT  
10 ATTENTION TO ALL THIS THIS THAT'S GOING ON BECAUSE, HONESTLY,  
11 THIS IS NOT GOING TO GET BETTER. WE HAVE IT IN THE WATER, OUR  
12 AIR, AND OUR SKIN. WE CAN'T SLEEP AT NIGHT. I GOT TOGET UP IN  
13 THE NIGHT BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE VOMITING. I'M JUST COUGHING AND  
14 COUGHING ALL NIGHT. IT'S NOT FAIR. THIS IS NOT A WAY TO LIVE.  
15 YOU KNOW, WE GOT THE EXPERTS HERE. YOU CLAIM THAT YOU GUYS ARE  
16 DOING WHATEVER IT TAKES TO HELP US. HONESTLY, I DON'T THINK  
17 SO. I DON'T THINK YOU'RE DOING WHAT REALLY NEEDS TO BE DONE  
18 BECAUSE WE'RE OUT THERE SICK. OUR CHILDREN SICK. WE CAN'T EVEN  
19 WALK OUTSIDE.

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

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23 **SYLVIA CORONA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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25 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SYLVIA CORONA. FOR THE



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1 LAST 51YEARS, I HAVE LIVED IN EAST LOS ANGELES. THIS IS THE  
2 WORST THING THAT WE ARE LIVING THROUGH RIGHT NOW. I THINK IN  
3 ORDER TO GIVE PERMITS, TO THESE, KIND OF BUSINESSES, I KNOW  
4 THERE ARE OTHER SIMILAR COMPANIES IN THE AREA. WHAT ELSE NEEDS  
5 TO HAPPEN, BEFORE SOMETHING IS DONE? ARE WE PREPARED FOR AN  
6 EMERGENCY OF THIS KIND? NO. BECAUSE WE ARE SEEING IT. SO IF  
7 YOU REMEMBER, MISS KAREN BASS, WHEN THERE WAS THE EMERGENCY IN  
8 HOLLYWOOD AND THERE WAS THERE WERE SOME TYPE SOME, PIPES THAT  
9 BURST. SHE CALLED FOR A PRESS CONFERENCE IMMEDIATELY. AND SO  
10 WHAT? WHAT HAPPENED THERE IN EAST L.A.? WHAT HAPPENED? WHEN  
11 YOU ALL NEED OUR VOTES, WE ARE THERE FOR YOU. BUT WHEN WE NEED  
12 YOU, YOU ARE NOT THERE FOR US. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO I WOULD  
13 LIKE A RESPONSE FROM THE GOVERNOR, FROM OUR STATE  
14 REPRESENTATIVE, AND FROM EVERYBODY.

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

17  
18 **INTERPRETER:** SPEAK SPOKE WITH HECTOR, THE REPRESENTATIVE'S,  
19 ASSISTANT WHO SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING.

20  
21 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22  
23 **INTERPRETER:** THAT HILDA SOLIS WAS THE RESPONSIBLE ONE. PLEASE  
24 HELP US AND PUT YOURSELF IN OUR SHOES.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GRACIAS SENORA.

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3 **VICTOR NUNEZ:** HELLO. MY NAME IS VICTOR NUNEZ, AND I AM AN  
4 INDUSTRY EXPERT IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF LARGE-SCALE  
5 PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAYS LIKE THE ONE THAT WAS SITUATED AT TOP OF  
6 THE LINEAGE LOGISTICS WAREHOUSE. BECAUSE OF MY EXPERIENCE, I  
7 KNOW THAT THESE SYSTEMS ARE MANUFACTURED USING A COMBINATION  
8 OF GLASS, METALS, POLYMERS, ENCAPSULANTS, ADHESIVES, AND OTHER  
9 SPECIALIZED MATERIALS. DURING THE MANUFACTURING OF THESE  
10 PANELS, COMPANIES USE ENCLOSED PROCESSES, VENTILATION SYSTEMS,  
11 AND OTHER INDUSTRIAL CONTROLS TO REDUCE WORKER EXPOSURE TO  
12 CHEMICAL EMISSIONS DURING GENERATE DURING PRODUCTION. THEY DO  
13 THAT BECAUSE DURING SOLAR PANEL MANUFACTURING, IT CAN PRESENT  
14 HEALTH HAZARDS IF THEY ARE RELEASED DURING MANUFACTURING OR  
15 THERMAL DEGRADATION LIKE THE FIRE. THIS GENTLEMAN SAID THAT  
16 THERE WAS NO IMMINENT THREAT BECAUSE THE THRESHOLD HADN'T BEEN  
17 MET. I THINK THAT THRESHOLD WAS MET HOURS WITHIN THE FIRE.  
18 OKAY? YOU GUYS NEED TO DO AN INVESTIGATION ON POSSIBLE LEECH  
19 OF HEAVY METALS INTO THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND THE  
20 ENVIRONMENT.

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

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24 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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1 **INTERPRETER:** I AM DIRECTING MYSELF TO EACH ONE OF YOU, WHO  
2 HOLD THE POWER, THAT YOU WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE SMOKE  
3 THAT WE ARE ALL SMELLING, AND THE HEADACHES THAT WE HAVE AND  
4 ALL OF THE FLIES THAT ARE AROUND US. WE'RE NOT ABLE TO SLEEP.  
5 WITH A MASK. I SLEEP WITH A MASK. I LIVE VERY CLOSE TO THE  
6 COMPANY WHERE THE FIRE BURNED, AND IT'S UNBEARABLE. WE DO HAVE  
7 THE AIR FILTERS THAT WERE PROVIDED, BUT WHAT'S GOING TO  
8 HAPPEN? IT'S ON DAY AND NIGHT, AND THE BILL THAT'S GOING TO  
9 COME IS SO HIGH. AND WE DID JUST GOT A \$291 BILL JUST  
10 RECENTLY. WHAT'S THE NEXT BILL GOING TO BE? AND WE ARE  
11 CONCERNED. I LIVE ON THE STREET NEAR UNION PACIFIC AND  
12 OLYMPIC. THERE ARE MANY ELDERLY FOLKS LIVING THERE, AND I SAID  
13 I'M GOING TO COME SPEAK BECAUSE THERE'S NOT AS MANY YOUNGER  
14 FOLKS. I HOPE THAT YOU DO SOMETHING FOR US. IT IS UNJUST  
15 HAVING TO SMELL THIS AND BREATHE THIS. PLEASE DO SOMETHING.  
16 THANK YOU TO EACH ONE OF YOU. PLEASE, LISTEN TO US AND PAY  
17 ATTENTION.

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

20  
21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GRACIAS, THANK YOU, GRACIAS.

22  
23 **MARIA ALVAREZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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25 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO AND GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA



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1 ALVAREZ. SO MY COMMENT IS JUST THE SMELL THAT WE HAVE TO  
2 ENDURE IS JUST HORRIBLE. IF IT'S BAD FOR US, WHAT ABOUT THE  
3 ELDERLY? SO WE I LIVE ABOUT SEVEN BLOCKS FROM WHERE THE FIRE  
4 WAS. AND WITH THE SMELL AND THE HEAT, THERE ARE QUITE A FEW  
5 FEMALE ELDERLY RESIDENTS NEARBY. NONE OF THEM WERE ABLE TO GET  
6 AIR FILTERS AND SOME OF US HAD TO GO AND GET OR OBTAIN THOSE  
7 FILTERS TO BRING TO THEM. AND SO IN TERMS OF GETTING THE AIR  
8 FILTERS, WE'VE BEEN TRYING FOR 35 DAYS, AND WE SPOKE WITH  
9 PEOPLE WHO ARE GIVING THEM OUT, AND THEY SAID WE HAD TO WAIT  
10 FOR OUR TURN AND NOTHING.

11  
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

13  
14 **INTERPRETER:** I DO KNOW THAT SOME FOLKS, THE CLOSER, THEY DO  
15 NEED IT, BUT SOMETIMES, THE SMELL GOES AWAY SOMEWHAT TOWARD  
16 THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY, BUT AT NIGHTTIME AND EVERYTHING, IT  
17 VERY MUCH AFFECTS.

18  
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER

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21  
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I JUST WANT TO ASK I JUST WANT TO ASK  
23 HER IF SHE'LL WAIT AND MEET WITH ONE OF MY STAFF BECAUSE THEY  
24 CAN GIVE HER INFORMATION ON WHERE TO GET AN AIR FILTER AT,  
25 SALAZAR PARK. SO PLEASE. [SPEAKING IN SPANISH] LET'S GO TO THE



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1 PHONES.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER  
4 IN PERSON SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. WE WILL GO TO REMOTE  
5 SPEAKERS. RENEE JIMENEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE  
6 YOURSELF AND BEGIN. RENEE JIMENEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE  
7 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

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9 **RENE JIMENEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RENE JIMENEZ, AND I'M  
10 A RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED SOUTH SAN JOSE HILLS IN SD 1 AND  
11 WORK FOR THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS. THANK YOU,  
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR CONVENING THIS IMPORTANT DISCUSSION AND  
13 CONTINUING TO KEEP THIS RECOVERY FRONT AND CENTER. I LEARNED A  
14 LOT FROM THIS DISCUSSION. MY TEAM AND I HAVE HAD THE  
15 OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER ALONGSIDE YOU AND YOUR STAFF  
16 THROUGHOUT THESE RECOVERY EFFORTS, AND WE'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND  
17 THE DEDICATION YOUR OFFICE HAS SHOWN IN MAKING SURE THE COUNTY  
18 AND ITS PARTNERS ARE RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY.  
19 THAT COMMITMENT HAS INCLUDED THE RESIDENTS OF UNINCORPORATED  
20 EAST L.A. WHERE YOUR TEAM HAS BEEN ON THE GROUND PROVIDING  
21 SUPPORT. IT WAS GREAT HEARING THIS MORNING HOW OUR COUNTY IS  
22 AND HAS RESPONDED TO THIS TRAGEDY SO CLOSE TO HOME. NOW WHILE  
23 THE RECOVERY IS FAR FROM OVER AND MANY CHALLENGES REMAIN, IT  
24 IS CLEAR THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO UNITE IN SUPPORT OF THOSE  
25 AFFECTED. THANK YOU, AND A HUGE SHOUT OUT TO L.A. CONSERVATION



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1 CORPS.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS  
4 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

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6 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** OKAY. MY ON SCREEN ON MUTE. THAT'S A GOOD  
7 THING. HEY. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE WHERE AND GIVE CREDIT WHERE  
8 CREDIT DUE FOR ALL THE AGENCIES AND PARTS COMING TOGETHER TO  
9 DEAL WITH THIS SITUATION. BUT FOR SOME OF THESE ISSUES THAT  
10 THAT IT MIGHT BE PERPLEXING, WHY DON'T YOU GIVE ELON MUSK A  
11 CALL? I'M SURE IN THESE MOMENTS, HE'D BE ONLY TOO HAPPY, TO DO  
12 WHAT HE CAN TO HELP THINGS OUT. HE'S GOT A LOT OF RESOURCES  
13 AND A MAGNIFICENT MIND. AND AS TO THE SMELL SITUATION, SOME OF  
14 YOU WHO HAVE LIVED THIS LONG AS I HAVE, REMEMBER OUT IN THE  
15 ONTARIO RIVERSIDE AREA, THE THEY CALL THEM SEWAGE LAGOONS AND  
16 THOSE ODORS THAT THEY EMANATED, AND THEY HAD A METHOD OF  
17 MASKING IT. NOW IT WASN'T LIKE SMELLING LIKE A ROSE, BUT IT  
18 WAS SURE AS HECK BETTER THAN SMELLING THE, SEWAGE LAGOONS.  
19 GIVE IT A TRY. THANK YOU.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. SAMANTHA BERG, YOUR LINE IS  
22 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

23

24 **SAMANTHA BERG:** HI. MY NAME IS SAMANTHA BERG. I'VE BEEN  
25 VOLUNTEERING, WITH VARIOUS OFFICES REGARDING THIS ISSUE, AND I



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1 JUST WANT TO SAY EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING SUCH A GOOD JOB. BUT  
2 THE REASON WHY I'M SPEAKING TODAY IS BECAUSE EACH NEIGHBOR  
3 THAT I'VE SPOKEN TO, THEY HAVE ALL SAID THAT ATTORNEYS HAVE  
4 BEEN COMING TO THEIR DOORS. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S POSSIBLE IN  
5 IN THE LANGUAGE WHEN VOLUNTEERS GO OUT, THEY CAN MAYBE LET,  
6 YOU KNOW, TENANTS KNOW THEIR RIGHTS, HOMEOWNERS KNOW THEIR  
7 RIGHTS, LETTING THEM KNOW, TO URGE THEM NOT TO SIGN ANYTHING.  
8 I KNOW THIS IS SOMETHING, YOU KNOW, TO ADD ON TOP OF, YOU  
9 KNOW, GETTING THE MESSAGE ACROSS OF, YOU KNOW, WHERE FILTERS  
10 ARE, WHERE WATER IS, WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM, BUT  
11 THIS IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT. AND I DO WANT TO SAY THANK YOU SO  
12 MUCH FOR EVERYONE, YOU KNOW, KEEPING LINEAGE ACCOUNTABLE. BUT  
13 CAN WE PLEASE ALSO ADD, YOU KNOW, THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PET  
14 CARE THAT'S HAPPENING NOW? A LOT OF PETS HAVE BEEN HURT OR  
15 DAMAGED. SO AND THEY DON'T HAVE A VOICE. YES. THEY'RE OWNERS,  
16 BUT THERE'S NO ANIMAL THAT CAN SAY, YOU KNOW, THEY'VE BEEN  
17 AFFECTED BY THIS. SO THAT'S ALL I WANT TO SAY. THANK YOU SO  
18 MUCH, FRIENDS.

19  
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 5626  
21 ENDING IN 26. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF.  
22 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER  
23 5626, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF. PLEASE  
24 BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. OH.



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1 **KERRY CHAI:** HELLO.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE BEGIN.

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5 **KERRY CHAI:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KERRY CHAI. I'M A  
6 [INAUDIBLE] MEMBER [INAUDIBLE] PCT AND IHEART WAY. I THANK  
7 YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR CONVENING THIS FOR DISCUSSION,  
8 KEEPING THE RECOVERY EFFORTS AT THE FOREFRONT. MY GROUP MATES,  
9 AND I HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER WHEN MET WITH THE  
10 OFFICE AND OTHER ORGANIZATION TO HELP DISTRIBUTE WATER, AIR  
11 PURIFIERS, AND FOOD, AND PBH TO THE RESIDENTS. IT'S THANKS TO  
12 THE UNITED WORK OF EVERYONE TO HELP ADDRESS THIS CRISIS IN  
13 NEED, ESPECIALLY IN CORPORATE AREAS OF EAST L.A. WE HOPE TO  
14 KEEP ON FIXING THIS PROBLEM. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 3106  
17 ENDING IN 98, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF.  
18 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

19

20 **ESPERANZO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ESPERANZO.  
21 I'M HERE WITH [INAUDIBLE]. WE ACTIVELY SERVE THE COMMUNITIES  
22 OF BOYLE HEIGHTS AND UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES. FOR  
23 WEEKS, OUR MEMBERSHIP, LONG TERM RESIDENTS, AND FAMILIES IN  
24 THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE LIVED WITH THE AFTERMATH OF THE LINEAGE  
25 LOGISTICS FIRE, WHICH HAS CREATED A PUBLIC HEALTH HAZARD.



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1 WEEKS HAVE PASSED, AND THE FUTURE NOW CONTINUES TO GROW. IT'S  
2 BRINGING STORMS OF FLIES. IT'S PREVENTING FAMILIES FROM  
3 OPENING WINDOWS AMIDST THE HEAT WAVE, AND IT'S FORCING LOCAL  
4 SHOPS TO LOSE CUSTOMERS. THE COMMUNITY CANNOT WAIT ANY LONGER.  
5 I URGE ACCOUNTABILITY FROM WITH LINEAGE LOGISTICS AND FREE  
6 CONSUMER DIRECT SUPPORT FOR THE RESIDENTS WHOSE DAILY LIVES  
7 HAVE BEEN DISRUPTED FOR RESULT OF THIS FIRE. THANK YOU,  
8 SUPERVISORS.

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10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 3236  
11 ENDING IN 29, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF.  
12 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER  
13 3236 ENDING IN 29. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE  
14 YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

15

16 **DIEGO RODRIGUES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DIEGO  
17 RODRIGUEZ, AND I'M THE COO OF ALMA FAMILY SERVICES, WHICH  
18 SERVES 18,100 UNITS ANNUALLY, MANY OF WHICH RESIDE IN THE  
19 IMPACTED AREA. I WANT TO THANK CHAIR SOLIS FOR THIS CRITICAL  
20 DISCUSSION AND FOR KEEPING THIS RECOVERY FRONT CENTER. OVER  
21 THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS, ALMA'S STAFF HAS WORKED ALONGSIDE  
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS' OFFICE THROUGH COMMUNITY CANVASSING,  
23 RESOURCE NAVIGATION, AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF ESSENTIAL  
24 SUPPLIES AND AIR PURIFIERS. IN DOING SO, WE HAVE WITNESSED THE  
25 EXTRAORDINARY COMMITMENT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S ENTIRE TEAM TO



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1 ENSURE RESIDENTS RECEIVE THE SUPPORT THEY NEED. AFTER LOSING  
2 MY OWN HOME IN LAST YEAR'S EATON FIRE, THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
3 VOLUNTEER ALONGSIDE SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S STAFF HAS BEEN MISSION  
4 AFFIRMING. I RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARD TO CONTINUE TO  
5 PRIORITIZE THE NEEDS OF RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN  
6 UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. SO THAT EVERY INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY  
7 ARE FULLY INCLUDED IN A RECOVERY THAT IS EQUITABLE, WELL  
8 COORDINATED, AND COMMUNITY DRIVEN. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER  
11 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR  
12 ITEM A ONE IS NOW CONCLUDED.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MEMBERS, THIS IS A RECEIVE  
15 AND FILE. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

16

17 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, I BELIEVE THERE'S  
18 A HAND RAISED.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THERE'S OH, I'M SORRY.

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22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** IT'S OKAY. YES.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I  
25 APOLOGIZE.





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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** IT'S OKAY, MADAM CHAIR. A VERY QUICK  
3 QUESTION, AND PARDON MY NAIVETE. IS LINEAGE A PUBLICLY TRADED  
4 COMPANY? DO WE KNOW? IT IS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND, AGAIN, I WANT TO  
7 THANK THE PANELISTS. I WANT TO THANK THE COMMUNITY THAT CAME  
8 OUT AND ALSO, JUST WANT TO MAKE A NOTE THAT PERHAPS WE DO NEED  
9 TO GET OUR CONSUMER BUSINESS AFFAIRS ENGAGED IN OIA SO THEY  
10 CAN TALK TO THE COMMUNITY ABOUT, ANY SCAMS OR FRAUD THAT, MAY  
11 BE OCCURRING AS WELL.

12

13 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** WE ARE PROMOTING THAT INFORMATION AND WORKING  
14 WITH DCBA, BUT WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE COLLABORATING ON  
15 CANVASSING IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THANK YOU.

18

19 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 7.  
20 MOTION SUPPORTING LITIGATION TO BLOCK THE PARAMOUNT WARNER  
21 BROTHERS MERGER, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR  
22 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS  
23 ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE, OR  
24 PRESS \*3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES,  
4 TIME IS NOT ON OUR SIDE. THE FUTURE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S  
5 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY AND THE LIVELIHOODS OF THE PEOPLE WHO  
6 MAKE IT POSSIBLE ARE AT STAKE. FOR GENERATIONS, FILM AND  
7 TELEVISION PRODUCTION HAS BEEN ONE OF THE DEFINING PILLARS OF  
8 OUR LOCAL HOLLYWOOD HAS CREATED GOOD PAYING JOBS, SUPPORTED  
9 COUNTLESS SMALL BUSINESSES, AND MADE LOS ANGELES COUNTY THE  
10 CREATIVE CAPITAL OF THE WORLD. TODAY, WE'RE SENDING A CLEAR  
11 MESSAGE. LOS ANGELES COUNTY STANDS WITH OUR WORKERS, OUR  
12 CREATIVES, OUR SMALL BUSINESSES, AND EVERY FAMILY WHOSE FUTURE  
13 DEPENDS ON THIS IMPORTANT INDUSTRY. I WANT TO THANK ATTORNEY  
14 GENERAL ROB BONTA FOR TAKING DECISIVE ACTION TO CHALLENGE THIS  
15 PROPOSED MERGER. AND WITH THE COURT GRANTING A TEMPORARY  
16 RESTRAINING ORDER, WE HAVE A CRITICAL OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE  
17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S VOICE IS PART OF THIS FIGHT. THE  
18 INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS PREPARED BY CVL ECONOMICS COMMISSIONED BY  
19 OUR DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY IS CLEAR. THIS MERGER  
20 POSES A SERIOUS THREAT TO JOBS, PRODUCTION, AND THE FUTURE OF  
21 LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S ENTERTAINMENT ECONOMY. IF IT MOVES  
22 FORWARD, THE CONSEQUENCES WILL RIPPLE ACROSS OUR ENTIRE REGION  
23 FROM UNION CREWS AND PRODUCTION WORKERS TO CATERERS, DRY  
24 CLEANERS, RENTAL HOUSES, RESTAURANTS, AND THE THOUSANDS OF  
25 SMALL BUSINESSES THAT MAKE THIS INDUSTRY POSSIBLE. THIS MOTION



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1 AUTHORIZES COUNTY COUNSEL TO WORK WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL BY  
2 EXPLORING EVERY APPROPRIATE LEGAL AVENUE TO SUPPORT THE  
3 STATE'S CASE, WHETHER THAT'S FILING AN AMICUS BRIEF, PROVIDING  
4 DECLARATIONS, OR SHARING THE COUNTY'S ECONOMIC ANALYSIS  
5 DEMONSTRATING THE DEVASTATING IMPACTS THIS MERGER COULD HAVE  
6 ON COMMUNITIES ACROSS OUR COUNTY. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO SIT ON  
7 THE SIDELINES WHILE THIS POTENTIAL MERGER THREATENS THE  
8 FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES' ECONOMY AND IDENTITY. WE HAVE A  
9 RESPONSIBILITY TO STAND WITH WORKERS, SMALL BUSINESSES, AND  
10 COMMUNITIES WHO BUILT THIS INDUSTRY AND WHO DESERVE THE  
11 OPPORTUNITY TO KEEP BUILDING IT HERE. THIS IS ABOUT PROTECTING  
12 JOBS. IT'S ABOUT PROTECTING ONE OF THE DEFINING INDUSTRIES OF  
13 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND IT'S ABOUT KEEPING HOLLYWOOD IN  
14 HOLLYWOOD. I WANT TO THANK CHAIR SOLIS FOR PARTNERING AND CO  
15 AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION, AND I THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR  
16 CONSIDERATION. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER HAS AN  
17 AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION, WHICH WE APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNERSHIP  
18 AS WELL. AND WE'RE HAPPY TO ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT, WHICH I KNOW  
19 YOU'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT. THE AMENDMENT COMPLEMENTS FROM OUR  
20 PERSPECTIVE THE MOTION DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK  
21 ON ADDITIONAL LEGAL OPTIONS THAT THE COUNTY CAN PURSUE TO  
22 PROTECT OUR ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. AND I KNOW OTHER PATHS  
23 HAVE BEEN PRESENTED, AND I'M SUPPORTIVE OF MAKING SURE WE TAKE  
24 ALL NECESSARY STEPS AS WE VOTE TO SUPPORT ATTORNEY GENERAL  
25 BONTA'S EFFORTS TODAY. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE ALSO CONTINUE



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1 EVALUATING WHAT ADDITIONAL STEPS THE COUNTY CAN TAKE MOVING  
2 FORWARD. SO THANK YOU.

3  
4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. THE CHAIR STEPPED AWAY  
5 BRIEFLY. LET'S GO AHEAD ON, TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISOR BARGER.  
6 THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR TODAY'S  
7 MOTION. THE BOARD IS LASER FOCUSED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE  
8 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY ON OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. I'VE HEARD FROM  
9 CONSTITUENTS AND RESIDENTS WHO'VE SPOKEN AT OUR BOARD MEETINGS  
10 CONCERNED OVER JOB LOSS AND THE MOVEMENT OF INDUSTRY JOBS TO  
11 OTHER STATES AND COUNTRIES. FILM AND FILM AND TELEVISION JOBS  
12 ARE A CORNERSTONE THE COUNTY'S ECONOMY, SUPPORTING MORE THAN  
13 1,711 I'M SORRY, 171,000 ENTERTAINMENT SECTOR JOBS AND DRIVING  
14 A BROADER CREATIVE WORKFORCE OF OVER 300,000 PEOPLE. EACH  
15 PRODUCTION CREATES SEVERAL INDIRECT JOBS ACROSS LOCAL  
16 BUSINESSES SUCH AS CATERING, HOSPITALITY, TRADES,  
17 TRANSPORTATION, AND EQUIPMENT RENTAL. A SINGLE LOCATION SHOOT  
18 CAN INJECT HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS PER DAY INTO LOCAL  
19 COMMUNITIES AND SUPPORT THOUSANDS OF RELATED JOBS. THE  
20 INDUSTRY GENERATES MORE THAN 100,000,000,000 IN TOTAL ECONOMIC  
21 OUTPUT FOR THE COUNTY, INCLUDING TENS BILLIONS IN BOTH DIRECT  
22 AND SECONDARY SPENDING. FILM AND TELEVISION WORK PROVIDES  
23 STABLE, WELL-PAID, MIDDLE-CLASS UNION JOBS THAT SUPPORT  
24 FAMILIES THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS  
25 UNMATCHED COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES, TALENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND



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1 DECADES OF INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP THAT MUST BE ACTIVELY  
2 SAFEGUARDED. I UNDERSTAND THE CONCERNS THAT IF THE PARAMOUNT  
3 WARNER BROTHERS MERGER GOES FORWARD, THERE WILL BE JOBS LOST  
4 AS WELL AS DUPLICATIVE JOBS THAT WILL BE CUT OR THE  
5 HEADQUARTERS OF PARAMOUNT MAY EVEN MOVE OUT OF STATE. JOB  
6 LOSSES CAUSED BY PRODUCTION FLIGHT, CORPORATE CONSOLIDATION OR  
7 REDUCED INVESTMENT DISPROPORTIONATELY HARM THE COUNTY BECAUSE  
8 OF ITS LARGE CONCENTRATION OF CREATIVE INDUSTRY WORKERS. THAT  
9 IS WHY I AM INTRODUCING, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH,  
10 FOR ACCEPTING IT, A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO DIRECT COUNTY  
11 COUNSEL TO INVESTIGATE ALL LEGAL OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO US AS IT  
12 RELATES TO THIS MERGER SO THAT WE CAN DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO IN  
13 ORDER TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THESE JOBS AND KEEP THEM HERE IN  
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ALTHOUGH PARAMOUNT HAS COMMITTED TO KEEP  
15 KEEPING ROLLING OUT FILMS, IT'S THOSE FILMS, IF THOSE FILMS  
16 ARE NOT SHOT IN L.A. COUNTY, WE WILL NOT SEE THE IMPACT.  
17 REDUCED FILMING ACTIVITY WEAKENS SUPPLY CHAINS, REDUCES  
18 CONSUMER SPENDING, AND DESTABILIZES COMMUNITIES THAT DEPEND  
19 UPON PRODUCTION RELATED EMPLOYMENT. LOSING PRODUCTION MEANS  
20 LOSING LONG TERM INDUSTRY PRESENCE, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
21 PATHWAYS, AND THE CULTURAL LEADERSHIP MEANS THAT HAS DEFINED  
22 LOS ANGELES FOR GENERATIONS. INDUSTRY MERGERS AND CORPORATE  
23 RESTRUCTURING CREATE UNCERTAINTY FOR LOCAL WORKERS AND COULD  
24 SHIFT PRODUCTION OR HEADQUARTERS OUTSIDE THE REGION UNLESS THE  
25 JOBS ARE PROTECTED. ACTING NOW PREVENTS DEEPER ECONOMIC,



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1 DISRUPTION, HELPS RETAIN SKILLED WORKERS, AND MAINTAINS THE  
2 COUNTY'S POSITION AS THE GLOBAL CENTER OF SKILLED  
3 ENTERTAINMENT. PROTECTING AND PRESERVING FILM AND TELEVISION  
4 JOBS STRENGTHENS ECONOMIC RESILIENCE AND WILL KEEP THOUSANDS  
5 OF FAMILIES EMPLOYED IN HIGH-QUALITY UNION SUPPORTED ROLES.  
6 THAT IS WHY I AM ASKING FOR AN EYE ON THE AMENDMENT THAT I  
7 PROVIDED. AND, AGAIN, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR  
8 ACCEPTING THEM. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO  
13 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AND SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR THIS MOTION AND  
14 FOR YOUR AMENDMENT. AND, AGAIN, I DO FEEL LIKE, AS YOU SAID,  
15 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, WE HAVE A BETTER OPPORTUNITY RIGHT NOW AS  
16 THE JUDGE HAS GRANTED A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER TO PUT  
17 THIS TO FREEZE THIS DEAL, I THINK, FOR FOURTEEN DAYS TO MAKE  
18 SURE THAT ALL THOSE WHO ARE IN LAWSUITS, HAVE AMPLE TIME TO BE  
19 HEARD. YOU KNOW, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MIGHT THINK THAT  
20 THIS MERGER IS PRO COMPETITIVE, BUT 12 STATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL  
21 KNOW THAT YOU CAN'T BUILD A HEALTHY MARKET OUT OF A MONOPOLY.  
22 AND WE APPRECIATE OUR OWN CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL, ROB  
23 BONTA, LEADING THESE 12 STATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL. IN 2022,  
24 ENTERTAINMENT EMPLOYMENT IN L.A. COUNTY REACHED APPROXIMATELY  
25 142,000 JOBS, AND TODAY THAT NUMBER IS ALREADY, GOING DOWN,



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1 ROUGHLY 42,000 JOBS. IF THIS MERGER GOES THROUGH AS PLANNED,  
2 AS MANY AS 6,000 GLOBAL JOBS WILL BE ON THE CHOPPING BLOCK,  
3 INCLUDING 2,500 RIGHT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. YOU CAN'T CREATE  
4 THE FUTURE OF ENTERTAINMENT BY CANNIBALIZING THE VERY  
5 WORKFORCE THAT KEEPS THE LIGHTS AND CAMERAS ON. WHEN THE  
6 ENTIRE ENTERTAINMENT LANDSCAPE SHRINKS DOWN TO JUST FOUR  
7 STUDIOS, COMPETITION DIES. A MERGER LIKE THIS WILL CREATE A  
8 SINGLE CORPORATION THAT WILL CONTROL NEARLY ONE THIRD OF ALL  
9 THEATRICAL RELEASES AND ONE THIRD OF BASIC CABLE PROGRAMMING  
10 IN THE UNITED STATES. THAT MEANS YOU PAY MORE FOR YOUR  
11 STREAMING APPS, BUT THE QUALITY OF WHAT YOU WATCH GOES DOWN.  
12 IT'S CORPORATE GREED, AND FRANKLY, WE ARE GOING TO FIGHT IT.  
13 THESE ARE GOOD UNION PAYING JOBS THAT WE MUST CONTINUE TO  
14 FIGHT FOR HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS IS HOLLYWOOD WHERE  
15 PEOPLE COME TO MAKE THEIR DREAMS A REALITY, AND THIS MERGER  
16 NEEDS TO BE LEFT ON THE CUTTING ROOM FLOOR. LAST WEEK, FOR TWO  
17 WEEKS IN A ROW, I'VE HAD MY 15 YEAR OLD GRANDSON, LUKE,  
18 SITTING HERE. AND WHEN YOU READ THIS MOTION IN, SUPERVISOR  
19 HORVATH, LAST WEEK, HE PERKED UP BECAUSE HE'S BEEN FOLLOWING  
20 THAT. AND HE'S VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE HARRY  
21 POTTER FRANCHISE, WHICH IS WHICH IS IN JEOPARDY WITH THIS  
22 MERGER. SO FOR THAT REASON, I'M GOING TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION,  
23 TO SUPPORT OUR AG, IN CHALLENGING THIS MERGER.

24  
25 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I'M GLAD TO HEAR A HARRY POTTER MOVED



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1 YOU TO YES.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I ALSO WANT TO JOIN YOU AND THANK YOU  
4 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND BARGER FOR CONTINUING TO IDENTIFY WHAT  
5 WAYS THE MULTIPLE WAYS THAT WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR  
6 FILM PRODUCTION IN L.A. COUNTY. AND IT'S PERTINENT BECAUSE THE  
7 COUNTY SUPPORTS THE FILM INDUSTRY, WHICH FOR OVER A HUNDRED  
8 YEARS HAS FUNDAMENTALLY SHAPED THE COUNTY'S PHYSICAL,  
9 CULTURAL, AND ECONOMIC LANDSCAPE. JUST LOOK AT OUR OWN  
10 LANDMARKS THAT WE HAVE. GENERAL HOSPITAL, COME ON. THAT'S AN  
11 ICONIC BUILDING, BUT IT SIGNIFIES SO MUCH THAT HAS HAPPENED  
12 HERE AND IT PUTS US ON THE MAP EVEN THOUGH IT IS THE BUILDING  
13 IS NOW HOLLOWED OUT. BUT IT JUST SHOWS YOU THAT PEOPLE LOOK AT  
14 THINGS WHERE FILMING TAKES PLACE, AND THEY'RE ENCOURAGED TO  
15 COME. WE JUST WENT THROUGH FIFA, AND I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW  
16 INCREDIBLE IT WAS TO SEE THAT ECONOMIC INVESTMENT. PEOPLE  
17 WANTING TO COME TO OUR VENUES, TO OUR PARKS, TO OUR STADIUMS,  
18 AND TO COME AND MEET PEOPLE IN A DIFFERENT SPACE  
19 INTERNATIONALLY. I THINK ALL THESE THINGS ARE IMPORTANT, AND  
20 THOSE ARE JUST GOING TO BE THE START OF WHAT WE NEED TO  
21 PREPARE FOR LA 28. SO I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE MOTION AND  
22 WANT TO CONTINUE TO SEE OUR INVESTMENTS. AND I DO WANT TO GIVE  
23 A LOUD SHOUT OUT TO OUR ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR HAVING THE  
24 WHEREWITHAL AND THE COURAGE TO WORK WITH OTHERS ACROSS THE  
25 COUNTRY TO HELP PROMOTE THESE SAFEGUARDS AND THESE IMPORTANT





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1 JOBS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THANK  
2 YOU. NO OTHER QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS? LET'S GO TO PUBLIC  
3 COMMENT.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME  
6 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? CLAUDIA JEREZ, CALLER WITH  
7 PHONE NUMBER 818, LAST TWO DIGITS 43, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
8 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER  
9 818, LAST TWO DIGITS 43, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
10 UNMUTE YOURSELF. WE WILL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER 516,  
11 LAST TWO DIGITS, 84. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE PRESS \*6.

12

13 **ALYSSA PHILLIPS:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
14 ALYSSA PHILLIPS. I AM A LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENT, SOMETIMES  
15 WORKING AFTER A COMIC, AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE  
16 FOR THE FIRST AMENDMENT. I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF SUPER  
17 SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S MOTION TO SUPPORT ATTORNEY GENERAL ROB  
18 BONTA'S LAWSUIT CHALLENGING THIS MERGER. GUYS, IN IN ADDITION  
19 TO EVERYTHING THAT'S ALREADY BEEN SAID, WHICH SO ELOQUENTLY,  
20 THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT ONE COMPANY. IT'S ABOUT PROTECTING  
21 COMPETITION, PRESERVING INDEPENDENT JOURNALISM, AND PREVENTING  
22 POLITICAL PRESSURE FROM INFLUENCING WHAT AMERICA SEES, HEARS,  
23 AND REPORTS. MEDIA COMPANIES PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN OUR  
24 DEMOCRACY, AND DECISIONS THAT AFFECT THEIR INDEPENDENCE AFFECT  
25 ALL OF US. I RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND



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1 STAND FOR A FREE AND INDEPENDENT PRESS. THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT  
2 YOU'RE DOING. THANK YOU.

3  
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS  
5 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

6  
7 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** GOOD. I HATE TO IT SAYS I HAVE THIRTEEN SECONDS  
8 HERE. I THOUGHT I WAS OH, NOW I GOT A MINUTE. I HATE TO RAIN  
9 ON YOUR PARADE, BUT, SOMEBODY HAS TO COME PUT A LITTLE REALITY  
10 IN HERE. AND I HAVE MULTIPLE SOURCES OF COMMENT THAT, THE  
11 HOLLYWOOD AND THE ALL THIS INDUSTRY THAT FILM INDUSTRY AND SO  
12 FORTH THAT YOU YOU'VE KNOWN IN THE PAST IS GONE, AND IT'S GONE  
13 FOREVER. AND JUST GOING TO HAVE TO GET USED TO IT, AND YOU CAN  
14 GO DOWN KICKING AND SCREAMING LIKE THE CHILD THAT SAYS, WHAT  
15 HAPPENED TO THE TOOTH FAIRY? AND YOU AND THEN SANTA CLAUS IS  
16 NOT COMING DOWN THE CHIMNEY. WHAT'S WITH THIS? SO I HATE TO  
17 BRING A REALITY TO YOU, BUT THAT'S THE WAY IT IS, AND IT'S  
18 TIME, JUST LIKE THESE COLLEGE GRADUATES TODAY. THEY HEY, MAN.  
19 I GOT ME A FOUR-YEAR DEGREE FROM PRINCETON, AND I CAN'T GET A  
20 JOB. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

21  
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818, LAST TWO  
23 DIGITS 43. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE  
24 YOURSELF.



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1   **LAINA MAREZ:** HELLO? HELLO? MY NAME IS LAINA MAREZ. MY NAME IS  
2   LAINA MORRIS. I AM A CONSTITUENT FOR SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I  
3   SUPPORT HORVATH'S MOTION, AND I URGE THIS FOR A SUPERVISOR TO  
4   TAKE ACTION ON THIS, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO PROTECT OUR JOBS. WE  
5   HAVE TO ENSURE THAT CORPORATIONS DO NOT TAKE AWAY OUR JOBS,  
6   AND CAPITALISM IS NOT WORKING FOR EVERYBODY. SO WE NEED TO  
7   MAKE SURE WE HAVE GUARDRAIL TO ENSURE THAT WORKING CLASS,  
8   MIDDLE CLASS JOBS ARE PROTECTED FOR ALL AMERICANS AND THAT THE  
9   CORPORATIONS DO NOT KEEP GOBBLING UP OUR, JOBS AND AWAY OUR  
10   JOBS. PLEASE SUPPORT THIS MOTION. POWER TO THE PEOPLE. THANK  
11   YOU.

12  
13   **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER  
14   REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR  
15   THIS ITEM IS CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKER.  
16   PLEASE BEGIN.

17  
18   **ANTHONY ROBLES:** HELLO. ANTHONY ROBLES, RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1.  
19   I'M GLAD TO SEE THIS ON TODAY'S AGENDA. YEAH. ON TOP OF, WHEN  
20   MERGERS LIKE THIS HAPPEN, FINANCES JUST GOT GUT THE  
21   CORPORATIONS. THERE'S GOING TO BE LOST JOBS. YOU ALL ARE  
22   STATING. TOP OF THAT, THOUGH, ABOUT THE OLIGARCHY THAT WE LIVE  
23   IN, WE'RE JUST FAST TRACKING OURSELVES TO WE'RE ALREADY IN  
24   KIND OF A DYSTOPIA, AND WE'RE JUST FAST TRACKING OURSELVES  
25   EVEN TO A MORE DANGEROUS SITUATION IN THIS COUNTRY WITH THE



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1 OWNER OF PARAMOUNT BEING THE ALLISONS AND THEY ALSO BEING THE  
2 OWNERS OF TIKTOK AND THEM HAVING CONTROL OVER ALL AMERICAN  
3 MEDIA AND SOCIAL MEDIA. THEY'RE ALSO THE LARGEST FUNDERS OF  
4 THE ISRAELI MILITARY AND FUNDING THE GENOCIDE THAT IS STILL  
5 CURRENTLY HAPPENING. AND SO, I FULLY SUPPORT L.A. COUNTY  
6 SUPPORTING THIS LITIGATION AGAINST THIS, MERGING AND, LIKE,  
7 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE WE'RE NOT GOING TO WE DON'T HAVE FREE  
8 THOUGHT NO MORE IN AMERICA, AND WE'RE ONLY GETTING WE'RE JUST  
9 MAKING WE'RE JUST TRAPPING IT EVEN MORE AND MORE AND SO YEAH.  
10 SO THANK YOU.

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

13  
14 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS DWC. I HAVE  
15 TO SAY THAT IN TERMS OF THESE MERGERS, I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO  
16 MAKE A BIGGER CASE. WE HAVE TO COME WE HAVE TO DEMAND THAT WE  
17 ARE AT THE TABLE OF THESE MERGERS, THESE PARAMOUNT AND THESE  
18 WARNER BROTHERS PEOPLE, AND FIND OUT WHO ARE THE STAKEHOLDERS.  
19 WHO ARE THE PEOPLE BEHIND THESE GREAT, GREAT CORPORATIONS  
20 THAT, YOU KNOW DISSEMINATE ALL THE INFORMATION TO THE MEDIA,  
21 ALL THE INFORMATION TO ENTERTAINMENT, ALL THE INFORMATION TO  
22 THE YOUTH AND THEY ARE THE MAJOR PLAYERS TO DISSEMINATE THIS  
23 INFORMATION AND SO WE AS A COMMUNITY HAVE TO HOLD THEM  
24 ACCOUNTABLE TO WHAT IS IT THAT THEY DISSEMINATE, WHAT IS IT  
25 THAT THEY MONOPOLIZE, BECAUSE IT'S A VERY, VERY, TIGHT GRIP OF



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1 POWER THEY HAVE. AND WE AS A COMMUNITY AND WE AS A BOARD AND  
2 YOU AS A BOARD, --

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

5  
6 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS OUALA  
7 MORROW. HIM, HIS. I'M A PROUD, QUEER, LATINO, INDIGENOUS  
8 FILMMAKER. AND IF I MAY BRAG FOR A SECOND, AS OF COUPLE WEEKS  
9 AGO, AN EMMY NOMINATED FILMMAKER. THANK YOU. I WANT TO COMMEND  
10 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR TIRELESS WORK TO PROTECT  
11 GOOD PAYING HOLLYWOOD INDUSTRY JOBS. WE KNOW THE NUMBERS. IN  
12 THE LAST SIX YEARS ALONE, 30% OF PHYSICAL PRODUCTION HAS  
13 DECREASED. SOME OTHER CONCERNING NUMBERS FOR OUR ORGANIZATION,  
14 THE ORGANIZATION THAT I REPRESENT, WHICH IS FILM  
15 REPRESENTATION, IS A LACK OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN THE  
16 FILM AND TV INDUSTRY. TIME AND TIME AGAIN, YEAR AFTER YEAR, WE  
17 SEE THE LACK OF REPRESENTATION OF PEOPLE OF COLOR. WHILE WE'RE  
18 75% OF THE POPULATION IN THE COUNTY, WE'RE LESS THAN 20% OF  
19 MAINSTREAM HOLLYWOOD ACTORS AND DIRECTORS, AND WE SUPPORT, I  
20 SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR WORK.

21  
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR  
23 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

24  
25 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 7 AS AMENDED



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1 IS BEFORE YOU.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I WILL  
4 SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE  
5 ROLL.

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7 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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11 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE.  
12 SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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

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

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

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

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24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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1 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE.

2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

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6 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION  
7 CARRIES, 5 TO 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 14, REPORT BY THE  
8 CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER ON THE BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION ON  
9 CLIMATE ACTION AND FIRE SAFE RECOVERY, WHICH WAS HELD FOR  
10 REPORT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO  
11 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU  
12 ARE ONLINE OR PRESS \*3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE. RITA KAMPALATH,  
13 CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER, WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION. MARK  
14 PESTRELLA, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. ANTHONY MARRONE, FIRE  
15 CHIEF. RON DURBIN, CHIEF OF FORESTRY. THERESA BARRERA, CHIEF  
16 DEPUTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. KURT FLOREN, AGRICULTURAL  
17 COMMISSIONER, DIRECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. ANGELA OVALLE,  
18 ACTING BRANCH MANAGER, LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AND  
19 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS BRANCH. KEVIN MCGOWAN, DIRECTOR OF  
20 THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND MINH LE,  
21 ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL  
22 SERVICES, ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL  
23 SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN  
24 YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS OUR  
4 ESTEEMED PANEL GETS SEATED, I WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR  
5 TIRELESS WORK AND ESPECIALLY THANK THE MEMBERS OF OUR BLUE-  
6 RIBBON COMMISSION, WHICH LAST FEBRUARY CONVENED THROUGH OUR  
7 OFFICE ON CLIMATE ACTION AND FIRE SAFE RECOVERY TO GUIDE  
8 RECOVERY FROM THE PALISADES AND EATON FIRES. I'M GRATEFUL TO  
9 THE 20 VOLUNTEER COMMISSIONERS, DOZENS OF UCLA AND AREA  
10 UNIVERSITY EXPERTS, AND THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
11 FOR THEIR SUPPORT. LAST JUNE, THE COMMISSION COMPLETED ITS  
12 REPORT, WHICH INCLUDED 59 RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENSURE A  
13 RESILIENT SUSTAINABLE, AND EQUITABLE RECOVERY. THOSE  
14 RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE SHAPED OUR RECOVERY IN MANY WAYS, SUCH AS  
15 INSPIRING THE CREATION OF OUR REBUILD AUTHORITY, A  
16 SUPERCHARGED GOVERNMENT ENTITY FOCUSED ON ACCELERATING  
17 RECOVERY IN UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY. AS YOU'LL HEAR FROM  
18 OUR CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER, LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS MADE  
19 GREAT PROGRESS SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY'S RECOVERY, AND A  
20 MAJORITY OF THE COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN  
21 PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED. FOR EXAMPLE, IN MY DISTRICT, WE'VE  
22 LAUNCHED A DISASTER RESILIENCE FINANCING DISTRICT. I KNOW  
23 THERE'S ONE IN THE 5TH DISTRICT AS WELL, AS WELL AS AN  
24 AMBITIOUS CAPITAL RESILIENCY PLAN FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT 29.  
25 THIS IS ESPECIALLY REMARKABLE GIVEN THE UNPRECEDENTED





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1 ABANDONING OF THE COUNTY'S LONG-TERM RECOVERY BY THE FEDERAL  
2 GOVERNMENT. UNLIKE MOST MODERN DISASTERS, WE, HAVE RECEIVED  
3 ALMOST ZERO FEMA OR SUPPLEMENTAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE AID TO  
4 SUPPORT OUR RECOVERY. I JUST THINK IT'S CRUEL THAT THE TAX  
5 DOLLARS PAID BY ANGELENOS ARE NOT RETURNED TO US YET IN OUR  
6 TIME OF GREATEST NEED DESPITE THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION'S CLEAR  
7 AND UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT OF OUR REGION THAT CAME WITH DEDICATED  
8 SUPPORT AND INVESTMENT BEFORE THEY LEFT THE WHITE HOUSE. THAT  
9 SAID, I DO BELIEVE THERE IS STILL ROOM FOR US TO DO THE BEST  
10 WE CAN WITH THE RESOURCES WE HAVE TO GUIDE A RECOVERY THAT IS  
11 RESILIENT TO FUTURE DISASTERS. THERE'S MORE WE CAN DO TODAY.  
12 THERE WILL BE MUCH MORE THAT WE CAN DO IF FEDERAL AID BECOMES  
13 AVAILABLE IF WE PLAN EFFECTIVELY FOR IT NOW. THERE'S WORK THAT  
14 IS SQUARELY OUR RESPONSIBILITY, AND THERE'S MUCH THAT IS THE  
15 RESPONSIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL HOMEOWNERS AS WELL AS COMMUNITY  
16 MEMBERS WHO LOOK TO GOVERNMENT FOR DIRECTION WHERE APPROPRIATE  
17 AS WELL AS DIRECT ASSISTANCE. SO SIMPLY SAID, IT'S A TEAM  
18 EFFORT. I'M GRATEFUL FOR THE TEAM THAT'S HERE TODAY AND EVERY  
19 DAY BETWEEN L.A. COUNTY AND THE COMMUNITIES WE REPRESENT.  
20 BEFORE I TURN IT TO RITA, I WANT TO THANK OUR BLUE RIBBON  
21 COMMISSIONERS, OUR CHAIR, MATT PETERSON, OUR VICE CHAIR, THE  
22 HONORABLE FRAN PAVLI, MARTY ADAMS, MARISSA EJO, TED BARTOKI,  
23 CECILIA ESTOLANO, RON FRYERSON, MARK GOLD, RUSSELL GOLDSMITH,  
24 LAURIE JOHNSON, MARY LESLIE, RUDY ORTEGA JUNIOR, VERONICA  
25 PADILLA CAMPOS, JONATHAN PARFRI, TRACY QUINN, LAURIE SCHUMAN,



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1 DONNA SHENTRIP, BEN STAPLETON, DAVID WILSON, AND ROY WRIGHT.

2 THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. AND NOW I WILL TURN IT TO

3 RITA TO SHARE THE REPORT, AND I WILL HAVE JUST A FEW QUESTIONS

4 AFTER YOU PRESENT.

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6 **RITA KAMPALATH:** GREAT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND BOARD

7 OF SUPERVISORS. ONCE AGAIN, MY NAME IS RITA KAMPALATH, AND I

8 SERVE AS THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY. SO

9 TODAY, AGAIN, I WILL BE PROVIDING A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE

10 REPORT MY OFFICE SUBMITTED TO YOUR BOARD IN RESPONSE TO THE

11 FEBRUARY 2026 MOTION SUPPORTING A RESILIENT RECOVERY,

12 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION ON CLIMATE

13 ACTION AND FIRE SAFE RECOVERY. BEFORE I BEGIN, THOUGH, I'D

14 AGAIN LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE MANY DEPARTMENTS THAT SUPPORTED

15 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS REPORT, INCLUDING THE COMMISSIONER,

16 CEO, DO, DMH, DRP, PARKS, LACDA, FIRE, DPH, PUBLIC WORKS, ISD,

17 AND OEM. I KNOW MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES ARE HERE TODAY AS WELL.

18 SO IN ADDITION TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH OUR COUNTY COLLEAGUES,

19 WE ALSO MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM SOCAL EDISON, STAFF FROM

20 THE L.A. CLEANTECH INCUBATOR WHO SUPPORTED THE BLUE-RIBBON

21 COMMISSION AND WORKED ON ITS 2026 STATUS UPDATE, AND UCLA

22 STAFF WHOSE RESEARCH AND ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS INFORMED THE BRC'S

23 FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, JUST TO START

24 WITH A BRIEF RECAP AND BACKGROUND FOR THIS WORK, THE BLUE-

25 RIBBON COMMISSION WAS CONVENED IN THE WAKE OF THE JANUARY 2025



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1 L.A. FIRES. FUNDED BY A GRANT FROM THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY  
2 FOUNDATION, THE COMMISSION'S GOAL AGAIN WAS TO SERVE AS AN  
3 EXTERNAL EXPERT BODY TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS IN SUPPORT OF  
4 A RESILIENT RECOVERY AND CLIMATE ACTION AHEAD OF ANY NEXT  
5 DISASTER. AS SUPERVISOR HORVATH MENTIONED, THE COMMISSION WAS  
6 COMPOSED OF 20 LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEADERS FROM DIVERSE  
7 PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUNDS AND SUPPORTED BY A UCLA LED RESEARCH  
8 TEAM. AND IN JUNE 2025, THE BRC DELIVERED ITS FINAL  
9 RECOMMENDATIONS, WHICH INCLUDE 59 ACTIONS ACROSS 10 ACTION  
10 PLAN AREAS, AND THEY ALSO ISSUED A STATUS UPDATE REPORT IN  
11 JANUARY 2026. IN ADDITION AND RELATED TO THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS  
12 TOWARDS RESILIENT REBUILDING, IN JULY 2025, THE COUNTY  
13 RELEASED OUR BLUEPRINT FOR REBUILDING, WHICH INCLUDES 20  
14 ACTIONS ACROSS SIX PRIORITY AREAS. AND, OF COURSE, THE COUNTY  
15 HAS ALSO TAKEN RECENT ACTION TO ESTABLISH STRUCTURES THAT WILL  
16 BE CRITICAL TO ONGOING RECOVERY WORK, INCLUDING THE  
17 ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO DISASTER RECOVERY FINANCE DISTRICTS AND  
18 THE MORE RECENT ESTABLISHMENT OF A RECOVERY REBUILD AUTHORITY.  
19 TURNING TO THE FEBRUARY 2026 MOTION, WHICH DIRECTED THIS  
20 REPORT BACK JUST AS A HIGH-LEVEL SUMMARY, WE WERE ASKED TO DO  
21 THREE THINGS. ONE WAS SUMMARIZE PROGRESS TO DATE BY COUNTY  
22 DEPARTMENTS ON BRC RECOMMENDATIONS. NEXT, TO IDENTIFY FURTHER  
23 ACTION THAT COULD BE TAKEN BY DEPARTMENTS ON THE BRC'S  
24 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THEN FINALLY, TO RECOMMEND AREAS WHERE  
25 THE COUNTY COULD ENGAGE WITH EXTERNAL PARTNERS TO FORWARD BRC



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1 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WOULD REALLY NEED TO BE LED AND  
2 IMPLEMENTED BY OTHERS, FOR INSTANCE, STATE OR FEDERAL  
3 AGENCIES. SO OVER THE NEXT FEW SLIDES, I'M GOING TO PROVIDE AN  
4 OVERVIEW OF THE REPORT BACK SECTIONS, ON THESE DIRECTIVES. SO  
5 I THINK THAT IS THE CORRECT SLIDE. OKAY. STARTING WITH, AN  
6 OVERVIEW OF THE BRC REPORT, THEY INCLUDE 59 RECOMMENDATIONS OR  
7 ACTIONS ACROSS 10 ACTION PLAN AREAS, WHICH ARE LISTED HERE.  
8 CRITICAL TO THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS WERE SEVERAL THAT WERE  
9 IDENTIFIED AS URGENT. ONE OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS WAS  
10 ESTABLISHING A REGION-WIDE RESILIENT REBUILDING AUTHORITY FOR  
11 BOTH THE EATON AND PALISADES BURN AREAS, WHICH COULD BE A  
12 VEHICLE FOR PROGRESS ON MANY ACTIONS. A REGIONAL REBUILDING  
13 AUTHORITY IS ALSO ONE OF THE TWO RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN THE  
14 BRC'S ACTION PLAN AREA, AND THE OTHER IS ESTABLISHING A NEW  
15 REGIONAL FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT FOCUSED ON PREVENTION AND RISK  
16 AS NOTED IN THE MOTION, SIMILAR TO THE COUNTY'S REBUILDING  
17 BLUEPRINT, THE BRC DID NOT LIMIT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO  
18 ACTIONS JUST AT THE COUNTY LEVEL, BUT ALSO PROVIDED  
19 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTIONS BY THE FEDERAL, STATE, AND CITY  
20 GOVERNMENTS AS WELL AS UTILITIES AND THE PRIVATE AND  
21 PHILANTHROPIC SECTORS. THE REBUILDING BLUEPRINT AS WELL AS  
22 OTHER COUNTY REPORTING ALSO, OF COURSE, ACKNOWLEDGES THE  
23 NECESSITY OF SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FROM THE STATE AND FEDERAL  
24 GOVERNMENTS TO DELIVER ON THESE AND THE DRC'S ACTIONS. AS YOUR  
25 BOARD IS ACUTELY AWARE, SUCH SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING HAS NOT YET



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1 BEEN PROVIDED, AND, OF COURSE, FINANCIAL CAPACITY REMAINS A  
2 CONSTRAINT FOR BOTH COUNTY AND FIRE SURVIVORS IN FULLY  
3 IMPLEMENTING MANY OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS. SO NEXT SLIDE,  
4 PLEASE. ALRIGHT. THAT SAID, THE COUNTY DOES CONTINUE TO  
5 DELIVER ON THE PRIORITY ACTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IDENTIFIED  
6 BY THE BRC AS WELL AS THE REBUILDING BLUEPRINT AND  
7 COMMUNICATES AND REPORTS THOSE EFFORTS THROUGH MANY CHAHNNELS.  
8 ATTACHMENT OF THE REPORTS, ATTACHMENT ONE OF THE REPORT  
9 SUMMARIZES WORK LED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS RELATED TO THE BRC  
10 RECOMMENDATIONS. BUT TO BRIEFLY SUMMARIZE AND HIGHLIGHT SOME  
11 OF THAT WORK, COUNTY DEPARTMENTS REPORTED ONGOING ACTIVITIES  
12 ACROSS A RANGE OF CRITICAL AREAS, INCLUDING RESILIENT  
13 REBUILDING, PERMITTING STREAMLINING, WILDFIRE MITIGATION  
14 PLANNING, PARK AND OPEN SPACE RECOVERY, HOUSING RECOVERY,  
15 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, AND PUBLIC HEALTH COORDINATION. YOU CAN  
16 SEE HERE THREE OF THE MANY EXAMPLES OF PROGRESS BY DEPARTMENTS  
17 ON THE DIVERSE DRC ACTIONS, INCLUDING PARKS AND NATURAL  
18 RESTORATION, WORKER SUPPORT, AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, AND  
19 ESSENTIAL MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. IN GENERAL, THERE'S BEEN AT  
20 LEAST SOME PROGRESS ON THE VAST MAJORITY OF DRC  
21 RECOMMENDATIONS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. MOVING ON THOUGH TO THE  
22 NEXT TWO DIRECTIVES, I'LL PROVIDE FOR THE NEXT COUPLE OF  
23 SLIDES, I'LL PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF POTENTIAL AREAS FOR  
24 FUTURE, ACTION FURTHER ACTION BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND  
25 PARTNERS. ONCE AGAIN, A KEY DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL SUPPORT THIS



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1 WORK IS YOUR BOARD'S EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH THE COUNTY REBUILD  
2 AUTHORITY AND THE TWO DISASTER RECOVERY FINANCE DISTRICTS,  
3 WILL CREATE NECESSARY GOVERNANCE, FINANCING, AND  
4 IMPLEMENTATION STRUCTURES TO ACCELERATE PROGRESS. OUR REPORT  
5 IN PARTICULAR NOTES THE CLOSE ALIGNMENT BETWEEN THE REBUILD  
6 AUTHORITY'S MANDATE AND A SUBSET OF BRC RECOMMENDATIONS. FOR  
7 INSTANCE, ADVANCING THE USE OF FIRE-RESISTANT MATERIALS AND  
8 DEFENSIBLE SPACE DESIGN, RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS, WATER  
9 CONSERVATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS. ULTIMATELY, OUR  
10 REPORT RECOMMENDS EIGHT NEW EFFORTS, FIVE OF WHICH COULD FALL  
11 UNDER THE OBJECTIVE OF THE REBUILD AUTHORITY AND THE  
12 CONTINUATION OF PROGRESS ON FIVE OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THAT  
13 ARE CURRENTLY UNDERWAY. AGAIN, THERE ARE MANY DETAILS IN THE  
14 REPORT ON THESE RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT JUST TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW  
15 EXAMPLES, THERE'S IMPLEMENTATION OF A WILDFIRE PROTECTION  
16 RETROFIT PROGRAM, ADDRESSING WATER SYSTEM RESILIENCE RELATED  
17 TO THE RELIANCE ON SEPTIC SYSTEMS IN THE AREA, POST FIRE TREE  
18 ASSESSMENTS AND ADDRESSING INVASIVE PLANTS, AND CONTINUING  
19 BROADLY WITH RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY PLANNING EFFORTS.  
20 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. OH, YES. THANK YOU. OKAY. SO AS DISCUSSED,  
21 SEVERAL BRC RECOMMENDATIONS ARE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY'S DIRECT  
22 AUTHORITY OR ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT AND INSTEAD REQUIRE ACTION  
23 BY EITHER OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES OR PRIVATE OR  
24 PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS. THIS REPORT RECOMMENDS THE COUNTY  
25 FOCUS ITS ADVOCACY AND ENGAGEMENT ON FIVE SPECIFIC



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1 RECOMMENDATIONS AS WELL AS GENERALLY WITHIN TWO ACTION PLAN  
2 AREAS DEALING WITH INSURANCE REFORM AND FINANCE. THE FIVE  
3 SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDE ACTIONS LIKE STATEWIDE  
4 STANDARDS ON SMOKE REMEDIATION, LANDSCAPE RECOVERY, AND  
5 DEDICATED RESILIENT REBUILDING INCENTIVES. AGAIN, TO  
6 OPERATIONALIZE THIS, A KEY RECOMMENDATION FROM THE REPORT IS  
7 FOR THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO ENSURE THAT PRIORITIES FROM THE  
8 REBUILDING BLUEPRINT AND BRC RECOMMENDATIONS ARE CONSIDERED  
9 DURING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANNUAL BOARD LEGISLATIVE  
10 PLATFORM. AND THEN ADDITIONALLY, DEVELOPING THIS REPORT, CSO  
11 MET WITH SOCAL EDISON, AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, DISCUSSED  
12 ACTIONS THAT THE UTILITY IS LEADING ON AND WHERE THERE'S  
13 ALIGNMENT FOR PARTNERSHIP WITH COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND IN  
14 SUPPORT OF CUSTOMERS, INCLUDING PRIORITY ACTIVITIES, AGAIN,  
15 LIKE TREE ASSESSMENTS AND IDENTIFYING INCENTIVES TO SUPPORT  
16 RESILIENT REBUILDING. NEXT SLIDE. SO WITH THAT, THANK YOU  
17 AGAIN FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT ON THIS REPORT REFLECTING  
18 ON PROGRESS AND FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE  
19 AGAIN THE CHALLENGES AHEAD WITH MOVING FORWARD WITH THESE  
20 CRITICAL PRIORITIES ABSENT SUPPLEMENTAL STATE AND FEDERAL  
21 FUNDING, BUT ALSO RECOGNIZING THAT THE COUNTY REMAINS  
22 COMMITTED TO EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF CURRENT RESOURCES,  
23 MAINTENANCE AND CREATION OF PARTNERSHIPS TO SUPPORT RECOVERY,  
24 AND MAXIMIZING THE POTENTIAL OF THE FINANCING DISTRICTS AND  
25 THE REBUILD AUTHORITY TO MOVE THINGS FORWARD. SO WITH THAT,

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1 I'M HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH, RITA, FOR  
4 YOUR STRONG LEADERSHIP. I KNOW WE'VE LEANED HEAVILY ON YOU,  
5 AND I KNOW YOU IN TURN HAVE BEEN LEANING ON OUR DEPARTMENTS TO  
6 REALLY HELP US ALL DELIVER, AS IT RELATES TO THESE  
7 RECOMMENDATIONS AND WHICH I BELIEVE ARE IMPORTANT NOT ONLY FOR  
8 SOUND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP, BUT ALSO FOR FUTURE  
9 AFFORDABILITY AS WE HAVE HEARD FROM OUR INSURANCE PARTNERS,  
10 FOR EFFICIENCY IN OUR RECOVERY, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, FOR THE  
11 SAFETY OF OUR REGION. AND I KNOW OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN  
12 HARD AT WORK AT MAKING SURE THAT AS WE RECOVER, WE'RE REALLY  
13 THINKING ABOUT FIRE SAFETY FOR THESE REGIONS, WHICH WILL  
14 CONTINUE TO BE IMPACTED. SO TO THAT END, WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER  
15 TO BE THE KEY FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS THAT THE COUNTY SHOULD  
16 IMMEDIATELY PRIORITIZE?

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18 **RITA KAMPALATH:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO, YEAH, I WOULD NAME  
19 A FEW ACTIONS FIRST. AND AGAIN, THIS IS ONE WHERE YOUR BOARD  
20 HAS ALREADY TAKEN SOME ACTION IS SET UP SETTING UP AND  
21 ACTIVATING THOSE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES THAT CAN REALLY BE THE  
22 VEHICLE TO MOVE FORWARD ON SOME OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AND  
23 ALSO CAN BE SPACES FOR COLLABORATION AND THE COORDINATION  
24 THAT'S NECESSARY. GETTING INTO SOME MORE SPECIFIC ACTIONS, WE  
25 DO WANT TO SEE INVESTMENT OF TIME AND RESOURCES IN LONG TERM





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1 PREVENTION. ACTIONS LIKE THE WILDFIRE PROTECTION RETROFIT  
2 PROGRAM WOULD BE IMPORTANT, FOR THAT. YOU KNOW, PROGRAM LIKE  
3 THAT THAT'S WORKING WITH PROPERTY OWNERS CAN ALSO POSSIBLY BE  
4 EXPENDED TO EXPANDED TO INCLUDE OTHER ASSISTANCE OR OTHER  
5 TYPES OF RETROFITS THAT WE KNOW ARE IMPORTANT TO CREATE  
6 RESILIENT COMMUNITIES, WHETHER IT'S ABOUT WATER CAPTURE OR  
7 HEAT RESILIENCE. BUT THEN FINALLY, WE ALSO KNOW AND, AGAIN,  
8 THE REPORT HIGHLIGHTS KEY ACTIONS THAT CAN BE TAKEN BY THE  
9 STATE AND OTHER PARTNERS RELATED, AGAIN, LIKE YOU SAID, TO  
10 INSURANCE REFORM AND FINANCING OR, FOR INSTANCE, LIMITING  
11 EXEMPTIONS TO STANDARDS, ONLY TO OWNERS OF RECORD AND ADVOCACY  
12 ENGAGEMENT. AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY COULD MOVE  
13 FORWARD ON VERY QUICKLY.

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15 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND I KNOW THAT WHILE THINGS LIKE THE  
16 INSURANCE INDUSTRY ARE NOT DIRECTLY IN THE PURVIEW OF THE  
17 COUNTY, US USING OUR BULLY PULPIT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY,  
18 PLACE THAT DOES HAVE A SAY ON THAT ISSUE IS HEARING FROM US  
19 DIRECTLY WHAT THE IMPACTS HAVE BEEN, I THINK, IS OF UTMOST  
20 CONCERN TO ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
21 AND I ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT THERE MIGHT BE DIFFERENT PRIORITIES  
22 FOR DIFFERENT REGIONS, WHICH IS WHY WE WANTED TO BE THOUGHTFUL  
23 IN OUR APPLICATION. AND I KNOW THAT YOU'RE LOOKING COUNTYWIDE  
24 AT WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO WORK WITH COMMUNITIES, TO MAKE SURE  
25 THAT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS EMERGE IN COMMUNITIES IN INWAYS



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1 THAT ARE THOUGHTFUL AND RESPONSIVE TO COMMUNITY DIRECTED  
2 NEEDS. BUT TO YOUR OVERALL TOPIC OF WHERE THAT FUNDING COMES  
3 FROM, KEVIN, CAN YOU TELL US WHERE WE ARE, IN TERMS OF  
4 WILDFIRE RECOVERY FUNDING? IS THERE ANY PRECEDENT FOR THERE  
5 BEING SUCH A LARGE RECOVERY WITHOUT FEDERAL SUPPORT?

6  
7 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU,  
8 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR THE QUESTION. WE FACED, WE CONTINUE TO  
9 FACE, CHALLENGES WITHIN THE DISASTER RECOVERY FRONT. TO  
10 ADDRESS THE SECOND QUESTION FIRST, THERE THIS IS  
11 UNPRECEDENTED. WE HAVEN'T SEEN, IN A MAJOR DISASTER  
12 DECLARATION SUCH AS THIS, SECONDARY APPROPRIATIONS NOT  
13 APPLIED. SO, YOU KNOW, TRADITIONALLY, YOU GET THE DISASTER  
14 THEY CALL IT THE DRF, THE STAFFORD ACT FUNDING, WHICH FUNDS  
15 OUR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, WHICH HELPS REBUILD PUBLIC  
16 INFRASTRUCTURE. IT SUPPORTS, FOR EXAMPLE, DIRECTOR PESTRELLA'S  
17 DEBRIS REMOVAL OPERATIONS. THERE'S A BROAD VARIETY OF PUBLIC  
18 ASSISTANCE GRANTS. WE CONTINUE TO FACE CHALLENGES IN SECURING  
19 OBLIGATIONS FOR THAT FUNDING WELL INTO THE HUNDREDS OF  
20 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WE'RE AWAITING OBLIGATION ON. AND THERE'S  
21 BEEN SIGNIFICANT, AT THE OPERATIONAL LEVEL, THERE'S  
22 SIGNIFICANT COORDINATION THAT IS OCCURRING BETWEEN THE COUNTY,  
23 THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. SO I DO WANT TO  
24 EMPHASIZE AT THE FEMA OPERATIONAL LEVEL, WE WORK DAY IN AND  
25 DAY OUT WITH FEMA AND THE STATE TO WORK THROUGH THESE,



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1 PROCESSES FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE. BUT AT THE AT THE EXECUTIVE  
2 LEVEL WITH OBLIGATION, WE ARE WE ARE CONTINUING TO RUN INTO  
3 CHALLENGES TO GET, THOSE FUNDS OBLIGATED. AND THEN, AGAIN, TO  
4 CIRCLE BACK TO THE SECOND QUESTION, GENERALLY, UNDER A MAJOR  
5 DISASTER THAT WE EXPERIENCED IN 2025, YOU WOULD GET, SECONDARY  
6 APPROPRIATIONS THAT WOULD BE SPECIFIC FOR RECOVERY EFFORTS,  
7 AND WE HAVE YET TO SEE ANY MOVEMENT ON THAT.

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9 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND I KNOW PART OF THE CONVERSATION  
10 IS ACCOUNTABILITY ON THE DOLLARS, MAKING SURE THAT THE DOLLARS  
11 THAT WE INTEND TO SPEND IN RECOVERY THAT WE ARE REQUESTING  
12 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, ARE DIRECTLY RESPONSIVE TO WHAT  
13 THE DISASTER HAS BEEN. I THINK THIS BOARD HAS BEEN PRETTY  
14 CLEAR. I THINK ACCOUNTABILITY IS ONE OF THE WORDS THAT WE USE  
15 MOST OFTEN AS A BOARD AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, A PRACTICE THAT WE  
16 ALL TAKE TO HEART. SO, DIRECTOR --

17  
18 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** SUPERVISOR, CAN I ADD ONE DETAIL TO YOU? WITHIN  
19 WHAT'S UNIQUE ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR DISASTER, THE STATE ALSO  
20 PASSED ASSEMBLY BILL 100, AB 100, WHICH ADVANCED FUNDED COUNTY  
21 OPERATIONS FOR WHAT WOULD BE REIMBURSABLE ACTIVITY. SO WE'VE  
22 YIELDED ABOUT 200+ MILLION IN OUR AB 100 EFFORTS. AGAIN, THESE  
23 ARE ADVANCED FUNDING. SO IT'S NOT AN ADDITIONAL WORK STREAM.  
24 IT'S WHAT WE'RE ALREADY TRACKING IN WHAT WOULD BE FEDERAL  
25 REIMBURSEMENTS. IT'S JUST THAT THE STATE WOULD ADVANCE THAT



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1 FUNDING, IS DEFINITELY A BENEFIT TO US FROM A CASH FLOW  
2 STANDPOINT AND BEING ABLE TO PUT, THAT MONEY TO WORK RIGHT  
3 AWAY. SO I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE'VE MADE PROGRESS  
4 SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS FROM BACK WHEN WE DID OUR, LEGISLATIVE  
5 AFFAIRS TRIP IN SACRAMENTO ON THAT PARTICULAR EFFORT.

6  
7 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** YEAH. AND I THINK IT'S GOOD TO  
8 HIGHLIGHT THAT, THOUGH I WILL SAY, YOU KNOW, THE PROMISE THE  
9 COMMITMENT THAT WAS MADE WITH A B ONE ZERO ONE WAS A BILLION  
10 DOLLARS, AND WE'RE TODAY ONLY AT 200,000,000 FROM THE STATE AS  
11 WELL. SO WHILE IT'S SOMETHING, AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR IT, WE  
12 ALSO KNOW THAT ANY SORT OF, FRONT-LOADING OF OUR ABILITY TO  
13 START MOVING THINGS FASTER IS JUST GOING TO HELP OUR RESIDENTS  
14 FASTER. AND THAT'S, YOU KNOW, THAT'S REALLY THE GOAL HERE AT  
15 THE END OF THE DAY. TO DIRECTOR PESTRELLA, WHAT'S YOUR PROCESS  
16 GOING TO BE TO INCORPORATE THE BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION  
17 RECOMMENDATIONS INTO THE REBUILD AUTHORITY? AND HOW WILL YOU  
18 PRIORITIZE SOME OF THE FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS LIKE THE ECOSYSTEM  
19 HEALTH, WATERSHED RESTORATION, YOU KNOW, AS IT RELATES TO SOME  
20 OF OUR BROADER COUNTY SYSTEMS?

21  
22 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. AS WAS STATED, BY RITA,  
23 THE YOUR BOARD CREATED THE REBUILD AUTHORITY, AND IT BECAME  
24 OFFICIAL IN, I BELIEVE, JUNE OF THIS YEAR ONCE THE ORDINANCE  
25 WAS PASSED. UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD, THE MISSION OF



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1 THE REBUILD AUTHORITY IS TO RESTORE, COMMUNITY'S  
2 INFRASTRUCTURE AND ITS ECOSYSTEM, ECOSYSTEM, REBUILD LIVES,  
3 AND CREATE A SAFER AND STRONGER, MORE RESILIENT, LOS ANGELES  
4 COUNTY AND THE CORPORATE AREAS THAT ARE IMPACTED BY THESE  
5 DISASTERS. THE [INAUDIBLE] COMMISSION RECOGNIZED THAT  
6 REBUILDING AT THIS SCALE REQUIRES A COORDINATED RECOVERY  
7 EFFORT. AND ONE THING BRINGS, ONE THAT BRINGS THE COUNTY  
8 DEPARTMENTS AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT UTILITIES, COMMUNITY  
9 ORGANIZATIONS, AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO  
10 STREAMLINE RECOVERY AND SUPPORT THE RETURN OF RESIDENTS AND  
11 BUSINESSES, BUILD LONG TO AND BUILD LONG TERM RESILIENCE AND  
12 INCLUDED, AS YOU MENTIONED, WATERSHED HEALTH. THEY WERE THEY  
13 WERE FOCUSED ON THAT IN TERMS OF, FIRE SAFETY, BUT ALSO, THE  
14 OPPORTUNITY TO RESTORE NATIVE HABITAT AND THE GREEN  
15 NEIGHBORHOODS, WHILE WE HAVE THE WHILE WE HAVE THE  
16 OPPORTUNITY. AS A DIRECTOR OF, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE  
17 REBUILD AUTHORITY AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, I VIEW THE  
18 COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AN IMPORTANT FRAMEWORK FOR  
19 HELPING US COORDINATE RECOVERY, REMOVE BARRIERS, ACCELERATE  
20 REBUILDING, AND STRENGTHEN LONG TERM RESILIENCE. SO EVERYTHING  
21 WE'RE GOING TO DO IS GOING TO BE GUIDED BY THE MISSION AND  
22 BASICALLY THREE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES, ACCELERATING RECOVERY  
23 AND RECONSTRUCTION, RESTORING ECONOMIC VITALITY AND CATALYZE  
24 INVESTMENT, AND BUILD LONG TERM RESILIENCE. AS WE ESTABLISH  
25 THE PRIORITIES OF WHAT COMES FIRST AND WHAT WE ACTUALLY BUILD



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1 BACK FOR SECOND AND THIRD, WE WERE MOST DEFINITELY GOING TO,  
2 CONSIDER THE BLUE URBAN COMMISSION'S FEEDBACK, AND FOLD IT  
3 INTO OUR NOT ONLY OUR MASTER PLAN THAT WE'RE DEVELOPING FOR  
4 BOTH THE UNINCORPORATED INCIDENT DAMAGE, BUT ALSO THE PROGRAMS  
5 THAT ARE BEING DEVELOPED. SOME OF THE ONE INTERESTING PROGRAM  
6 THAT HAS EMERGED IS A VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AT THE, ON  
7 THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AS WELL AS ON PRIVATE RIGHT AWAY AS  
8 INVASIVE SPECIES ENTER IN INTO THE COMMUNITY AND START TO  
9 OVERTAKE VACANT LOTS. IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY TO  
10 COORDINATE NONPROFIT AND FOR PROFIT, AGENCIES AND OURSELVES TO  
11 ESTABLISH, AN ECOSYSTEM PLAN AND A PLANTING PLAN, IF YOU WILL,  
12 FOR, THESE COMMUNITIES SO THAT WE CAN MAINTAIN OR RESTORE THE  
13 ECOSYSTEM THAT, PREVIOUSLY EXISTED IN THESE AREAS. WE ALSO, OF  
14 COURSE, WOULD BE LOOKING AT FEASIBILITY, PROJECT READINESS, AS  
15 YOU MENTIONED, FUNDING, AND OPPORTUNITIES, AGAIN, LOW HANGING  
16 FRUIT TO CREATE LONG TERM RESILIENCE AS WE PRIORITIZE THE  
17 PROJECTS. SO THAT MEANS THAT LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO  
18 REBUILD SMARTER BY INCORPORATING ECOSYSTEM HEALTH, WATERSHED  
19 RESTORATION, SUSTAINABILITY, AND CLIMATE ADAPTATION INTO  
20 RECOVERY PROJECTS WHERE APPROPRIATE, WHILE REBUILDING FIRE  
21 DAMAGE AND INFRASTRUCTURE IN WAYS THAT PROVIDE LONG TERM  
22 COMMUNITY BENEFIT. NOW THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS, WE'LL CONTINUE  
23 COORDINATING ACROSS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WITH THE STATE AND  
24 FEDERAL PARTNERS BECAUSE RECOVERY AT THIS SCALE REQUIRES ALL  
25 OF US TO WORK TOGETHER. AGAIN, ULTIMATELY, THE GOAL IS TO



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1 REBUILD WHAT WAS LOST. IT IS TO RESTORE COMMUNITIES,  
2 STRENGTHEN RESILIENCE, AND BRING A SAFER, STRONGER, MORE  
3 RESILIENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE GENERATIONS TO COME IN  
4 THE TWO FIRE IMPACTED AREAS.

5  
6 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND, CHIEF, I  
7 KNOW THAT ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS IS THE FIRE CONTROL  
8 DISTRICT. SO HOW HAS THAT WORKED ELSEWHERE, AND HOW MIGHT IT  
9 WORK HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS THAT  
10 WE'VE OUTLINED?

11  
12 **ANTHONY MARRONE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.  
13 ANTHONY MARRONE, CHIEF, L.A. COUNTY FIRE. SO IN 02/2020, MARIN  
14 COUNTY PASSED MEASURE C, AND IT'S A TEN-YEAR MEASURE. IT  
15 GENERATES APPROXIMATELY \$19,000,000 A YEAR FOR MARIN COUNTY,  
16 AND THEY USE THAT MONEY WHEN IT COMES TO DEFENSIBLE SPACE,  
17 VEGETATION MANAGEMENT, EVACUATION PLANNING, HOME HARDENING,  
18 AND PUBLIC EDUCATION. IT HAS WORKED WELL FOR MARIN COUNTY. AS  
19 YOU KNOW, THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT IS A DEPENDENT  
20 SPECIAL DISTRICT. WE ALREADY GET A PERCENTAGE OF THE PROPERTY  
21 TAX THAT IS REMITTED ANNUALLY, AND THIS WOULD BE AN ADDITIONAL  
22 TAX. AND I'M NOT CERTAIN IF IT WOULD BE A COUNTYWIDE  
23 ADDITIONAL TAX OR AN ADDITIONAL TAX ONLY FOR THE FIRE HAZARD  
24 SEVERITY ZONES. BUT IT WOULD BE WELCOME. I BELIEVE THAT IT  
25 WOULD HAVE TO BE PASSED BY THE VOTERS, AND THEN WE COULD



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1 FUNNEL THAT MONEY INTO THE DIFFERENT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT  
2 ARE WORKING WITH THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER ON MAKING  
3 L.A. MORE RESILIENT.

4  
5 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I KNOW THAT ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT  
6 WE'VE TALKED ABOUT, AND DIRECTOR PESTRELLA MENTIONED IS THE  
7 INVASIVE SPECIES EARLY DETECTION RESPONSE RAPID RESPONSE  
8 PROGRAM. I KNOW MANAGING PRIVATE PROPERTIES ALSO AS WELL AS  
9 LANDSCAPES IN THE WILD, LAND URBAN INTERFACE, ALL OF THAT  
10 REMAINS A CHALLENGE. SO WHAT'S WORKED WELL TO REDUCE INVASIVE  
11 PLANTS, WHICH CAUSE GREATER FIRE RISK? WHAT CAN WE DO? I KNOW,  
12 SOMETIMES WHEN WE BRING THESE ITEMS FORWARD, WE GET QUESTIONS  
13 ABOUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT REALLY CAN YOU DO WHEN IT COMES TO AN  
14 INVASIVE SPECIES? AND, YOU KNOW, ARE WE JUST, YOU KNOW,  
15 WAITING OUT THE INEVITABLE, OR IS THERE SOMETHING MEANINGFUL  
16 THAT WE CAN DO? AND SO MANAGE OUR EXPECTATIONS AND TELL US  
17 WHAT IS ACTIONABLE AT THIS POINT IN TIME AND WHAT WE SHOULD BE  
18 AIMING FOR?

19  
20 **ANTHONY MARRONE:** CERTAINLY. THE DISTRICT DOES HAVE AUTHORITY  
21 FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION. WE HAVE FUEL MODIFICATION PLANS. I HAVE  
22 WITH ME, RON DURBIN, OUR CHIEF OF FORESTRY. WE DO HAVE A FUEL  
23 MODIFICATION UNIT. WHEN WE GET PLANS FOR A NEW STRUCTURE, THE  
24 L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT REVIEWS THOSE PLANS. WE DO NOT  
25 APPROVE NON-NATIVE INVASIVE PLANTS TO BE, PUT ON THAT





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1 PROPERTY. FOR EXISTING HOMES, THAT IS THE CHALLENGE BECAUSE  
2 EXISTING STRUCTURES, WE HAVE VERY LITTLE AUTHORITY TO GO IN  
3 AND TELL SOMEBODY THAT THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO CUT DOWN A  
4 EUCALYPTUS TREE OR AN ITALIAN CYPRESS OR A PALM TREE,  
5 SOMETHING THAT'S NON-NATIVE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE REALLY  
6 RELY ON EDUCATION FOR THE EXISTING NONCONFORMING PARCELS, AND  
7 THEN ALSO WE HAVE AGRICULTURE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES FOR THE  
8 UNIMPROVED PROPERTIES OVER WHICH THEY DO THE INSPECTIONS, BUT  
9 WE COULD HAVE CHIEF DURBIN GIVE A LITTLE BIT MORE ON THE FUEL  
10 MODIFICATION UNIT AND THE WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING TO MAKE SURE  
11 THAT WE HAVE A GOOD DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND GOOD FUEL  
12 MODIFICATION.

13  
14 **RON DURBIN:** GREAT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. RON DURBIN, FORESTRY  
15 DIVISION CHIEF, L.A. COUNTY FIRE. ONE OF THE KEY THINGS THAT  
16 WE LOOK AT FOR DEFENSIBLE SPACE IS MAKING SURE THAT WE DON'T  
17 ALLOW FIRE TO TRANSFER TO THE STRUCTURE. PART OF THAT PROCESS  
18 WHEN WE REVIEW PLANS IS WE LOOK AT KEY SPECIES THAT CAN DO  
19 THAT. SO PINE, EUCALYPTUS, JUNIPER, CEDAR, CYPRESS, ALL OF  
20 THOSE THINGS ARE HIGHLY RESTRICTED IN OUR PLANS AS WE REVIEW  
21 THEM. WE ARE DEFINITELY CAREFUL WITH, THINGS LIKE CALIFORNIA  
22 PEPPER, SPANISH BROOM. WE CERTAINLY LOOK FOR TREE OF HEAVEN IF  
23 IT'S ALREADY EXISTING ON THE SITE AND HAVE IT REMOVED FROM THE  
24 SITE AS PART OF THE PLAN PROCESS. RUSSIAN THISTLE, JUST THE  
25 COMMON WEED, TENDS TO SPREAD PRETTY HEAVILY, AND WE'RE VERY



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1 CAREFUL WITH THAT AS WELL. AND THEN, OF COURSE, THINGS LIKE  
2 MUSTARD, AND ROUTINE WEEDS THAT ARE PERVASIVE, THEY GET  
3 REVIEWED IN THE LANDSCAPE PLAN. AND SO WE'LL REVIEW OUT TO THE  
4 200 FEET FOR THE FIRE CODE AND MAKE SURE THAT THOSE KINDS OF  
5 THINGS ARE MANAGED. CERTAINLY, WHAT HAPPENS IN THE FINAL  
6 REVIEW WHEN WE DO THE OCCUPANCY INSPECTION, WE'RE LOOKING FOR  
7 ALL THOSE THINGS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE COMPLIANT.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** DIRECTOR FLOREN, DID YOU WANT TO ADD  
10 TO ANY OF THAT AS IT RELATES TO THE INVASIVE SPECIES?

11

12 **KURT FLOREN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO, YES. KURT FLORIN,  
13 AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER. I THINK THE QUESTION HAD TO DO WITH  
14 WHAT HAS WORKED WELL, WHAT HAVE WE DONE. THE HONEST ANSWER  
15 FROM ACWM, AG COMMISSIONER WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, IS WE REALLY  
16 HAVE NO HISTORICAL ROLE IN ADDRESSING THE PLANTING OF NATIVE  
17 SPECIES OR THE PROHIBITION OF INVASIVES. WE HAVE A LONG  
18 HISTORY OF BEING CONCERNED WITH AND ADDRESSING INVASIVE PLANTS  
19 WHEN THEY POSE AN AGRICULTURAL RISK. THEN WE CERTAINLY HAVE A  
20 REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PLANT MATERIAL THAT POSES A  
21 WILDFIRE RISK. IT WOULD BE A NEW ENDEAVOR TRYING TO GET INTO  
22 ADDRESSING REQUIREMENTS TO EITHER PROHIBITIONS AGAINST NON-  
23 NATIVE PLANTS OR REQUIREMENTS TO PLANT ONLY NATIVE PLANTS. WE  
24 DO HAVE EXPERTS ON STAFF. I HAVE A CERTIFIED ARBORIST. I HAVE  
25 A PLANT PATHOLOGIST. I HAVE BOTANISTS ON STAFF WHO CAN



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1 CERTAINLY PLAY INTO PROVIDING AND DEVELOPING OUTREACH AND  
2 EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL AND HELPING TO DISTRIBUTE THAT. MAYBE  
3 MORE IMPORTANTLY, THROUGH THEM AND THROUGH OUR WEED  
4 MANAGEMENT, AREA GROUP, WE HAVE CONTACTS TO VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE  
5 PEOPLE, WITHIN ACADEMIA, UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS, AND SUCH WHO  
6 ARE EXPERTS IN THESE THINGS. I KNOW SOME OF THE DISCUSSION WAS  
7 ABOUT, IN PROVIDING GUIDANCE TO THE PUBLIC, PUTTING TOGETHER A  
8 LIST OF INVASIVE PLANTS, FOR INSTANCE, TARGETED INVASIVE  
9 PLANTS. MUCH OF THAT ALREADY HAS BEEN DONE AND IS IN  
10 EXISTENCE. MELDING THAT WITH THE INTEREST IN PREVENTING  
11 WILDFIRES, THOSE CAN CERTAINLY BE EVALUATED TO IDENTIFY THE  
12 MOST FLAMMABLE THEREIN AND THEN INCLUDING THAT IN THE GUIDANCE  
13 OF WHAT TO AVOID OR WHAT TO ENCOURAGE TO REMOVE. THEN BEYOND  
14 THAT, ON THE BROADER SCOPE, A LOT OF THIS COMES DOWN TO THE  
15 OWNERSHIP OF THE PROPERTY AND WHO'S ACTUALLY IN CHARGE. SO, AS  
16 WE LOOK AT THE BIG PICTURE AND RECOGNIZING SOME OF THIS IS  
17 FEDERAL LAND, SOME OF THIS IS STATE LAND, CAN BE CITY, COUNTY,  
18 OR PRIVATE LAND, ALL OF THOSE HAVE DIFFERENT ISSUES ASSOCIATED  
19 WITH THEM IN TERMS OF JURISDICTION AND BEING ABLE TO GO ON  
20 THERE. BUT THE POTENTIAL FOR, YOU KNOW, REACHING OUT AND  
21 IMPROVING THE COORDINATION AMONG THOSE GROUPS, I THINK, IS  
22 WHAT WE WOULD FOCUS ON.

23  
24 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. I KNOW, WE DON'T OFTEN,  
25 DEFER TO, THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING OR ACKNOWLEDGE HOW MUCH



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1 YOU ARE HOLDING, BUT I APPRECIATE YOU, SORT OF JUMPING IN AND  
2 SHARING HOW YOUR DEPARTMENT PLAYS INTO ALL OF THIS.

3

4 **KURT FLOREN:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** FINALLY, I WANT TO TURN TO ISD. MIN,  
7 THANK YOU FOR YOUR GREAT LEADERSHIP. PLEASE, IF YOU COULD TALK  
8 ABOUT THE HOME HARDENING RETROFIT PROGRAM THAT YOU'VE PROPOSED  
9 AND HOW IT CAN SCALE UP WITH RESOURCES AS TO SUPPORT OUR  
10 RESIDENTS.

11

12 **MINH LE:** GOOD AFTERNOON AND THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. MY  
13 NAME IS MINH LE, GENERAL MANAGER FOR ENERGY FOR ISD. ISD  
14 WORKED CLOSELY WITH CAL OES AND OEM TO APPLY FOR FUNDING UNDER  
15 TWO SEPARATE GRANT PROGRAMS IN THE WAKE OF THE JANUARY 2025  
16 WILDFIRES. WE SUBMITTED THE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEMA  
17 HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM, HMGP, THAT FOCUS ON THE EATON  
18 AREA AS WELL AS A SEPARATE APPLICATION UNDER THE FEMA BUILDING  
19 RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM FOCUSED ON THE  
20 PALISADES AREA. THE RESIDENTIAL WILDFIRE HARDENING PROGRAM AND  
21 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS INFRASTRUCTURE WILDFIRE HARDENING  
22 WERE MODELED AFTER THE CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE MITIGATION PROGRAM  
23 AND ARE DESIGNED TO REDUCE WILDFIRE LOSSES AND STRENGTHEN  
24 RESIDENTIAL AND COMMUNITY FIRE RESILIENCE. THE PROGRAMS WILL  
25 IMPLEMENT DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND IGNITION RESISTANT HOME



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1 HARDENING MEASURES AT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN VERY HIGH FIRE  
2 HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES. PARTICIPATING PROPERTIES WILL BE  
3 REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT BOTH DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HOME HARDENING  
4 MEASURES. DEFENSIBLE SPACE TREATMENTS WILL INCLUDE VEGETATION  
5 REDUCTION EXTENDING OUT TO A 100 FEET FROM THE STRUCTURE OR TO  
6 THE PROPERTY BOUNDARY. ELIGIBLE HOME HARDENING ACTIVITIES MAY  
7 INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, REPLACING ROOF COVERINGS WITH  
8 CLASS A RATED MATERIALS, INSTALLING IGNITION RESISTANT ATTIC  
9 VENTS, AND REPLACING DOORS AND WINDOWS WITH FIRE-RESISTANT  
10 NON-COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS. THIS WORK IS EXPECTED TO COST ON  
11 AVERAGE APPROXIMATELY 40 TO \$50,000 PER PROPERTY. IF BOTH  
12 GRANTS WERE FULLY AWARDED, WE ESTIMATE BETWEEN EIGHT AND NINE  
13 HUNDRED PROPERTIES COULD BE SUPPORTED. SHOULD THERE BE FUTURE  
14 FUNDING AVAILABLE UNDER HUD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
15 DISASTER RELIEF PROGRAMS, WE WOULD BE WELL POSITIONED TO SCALE  
16 UP WITH THE EXPERIENCE UNDER THESE FEMA PROGRAMS. AND AS YOU  
17 KNOW, KNOW, EIGHT TO 900 PROPERTIES IS DROPPING THE BUCKET.  
18 AND SO YOU MIGHT ASK WHY ISD IS DOING THIS. WELL, ISD HAS  
19 EXPERIENCE IN ADMINISTERING PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT PROPERTY  
20 OWNERS TO IMPLEMENT ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS ON THEIR  
21 PROPERTIES THROUGH OUR SOCAL WREN EQUITABLE BUILDING  
22 DECARBONIZATION IN OTHER GRANT PROGRAMS, OUR CONTRACTORS WORK  
23 WITH PROPERTY OWNERS TO INSTALL ENERGY EFFICIENT WINDOWS,  
24 ROOFING, AND EVEN APPLIANCES AND EV CHARGING STATIONS. AS IT  
25 TURNS OUT, A COOL ROOF CAN ALSO BE A CLASS A FIRE RESISTANT



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1 ROOF, OR AN ENERGY EFFICIENT WINDOW CAN ALSO BE FIRE RESISTANT  
2 IF IT IS ALSO DOUBLE PANED AND MADE WITH TEMPERED GLASS. SO  
3 WHILE THE FOCUS OF THE WORK IS DIFFERENT, AT THE CORE, THE  
4 EXPERIENCE THAT WE HAVE GAINED FROM OUR ENERGY PORTFOLIO CAN  
5 BE APPLIED TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY FIRE RESILIENCE. THE GREAT  
6 DIFFERENCE IS THAT WHILE A PROPERTY OWNER TAKING ACTION FROM  
7 AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDPOINT CAN IMPROVE THEIR FAMILY'S  
8 COMFORT AND REDUCE THEIR ENERGY COSTS, TAKING ACTION ON HOME  
9 HARDENING AND DEFENSIBLE SPACE WILL NOT JUST REDUCE FIRE RISK  
10 TO THEIR FAMILY'S HOME, BUT ALSO REDUCE FIRE RISK TO THEIR  
11 NEIGHBOR'S PROPERTY. TO THAT END, ISD IN COLLABORATION WITH  
12 THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ALSO RECENTLY SUBMITTED A GRANT  
13 APPLICATION TO CAL FIRE TO SUPPORT THE DEMONSTRATION OF USING  
14 SOFTWARE TO ENCOURAGE COMMUNITIES TO TAKE ACTION TO REDUCE  
15 THAT FIRE RISK. THIS TYPE OF WORK BUILDS UPON OTHER INNOVATIVE  
16 WORK THAT WE'VE DONE IN OTHER FIELDS, SUCH AS USING THE  
17 SOFTWARE PLATFORM ELECTRIFYZE TO ENCOURAGE EV ADOPTION IN OUR  
18 COMMUNITY. THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT WHILE HISTORICALLY FIRE  
19 RESILIENCY MAY NOT HAVE BEEN OUR FOCUS AT ISD, THE HISTORIC  
20 FIRES LAST YEAR WERE A WAKE-UP CALL, AND OUR TEAMS SAW THAT  
21 OUR EXPERIENCE RUNNING LARGE PROGRAMS AND BRINGING INNOVATION  
22 TO THE ENERGY SPACE COULD ALSO BE LEVERAGED TO SUPPORT OUR  
23 COMMUNITIES FACING GREAT FIRE HAZARDS.

24  
25 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I APPRECIATE THAT. THINK, I GIVEN OUR



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1 PRESENTATION BEFORE THIS ON THE LINEAGE FIRE, WHERE IT'S LIKE,  
2 WE'RE GOING TO BE IN A CONSTANT STATE OF RECOVERY FROM ALL  
3 DIFFERENT KINDS OF THINGS THAT ARE COMING UP, AND I KNOW EACH  
4 OF OUR DEPARTMENTS TOUCHES THESE ISSUES. SO I APPRECIATE THE  
5 HIGH-LEVEL TOUCH IN ON WHERE WE'RE AT WITH THE BLUE REP BLUE  
6 RIBBON COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS, HOW WE'RE WORKING TO  
7 IMPLEMENT THEM. RITA, I KNOW YOU'RE THE TIP OF THE SPEAR IN  
8 THIS WORK, BUT ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS ARE REALLY TAKING  
9 OWNERSHIP. AND I APPRECIATE THAT, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, THOSE  
10 WHO ARE HOPING WE RECOVER STRONGER AND MORE SUSTAINABLY AND  
11 WITH SAFETY IN MIND ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE WORK THAT WE'RE DOING  
12 TOO. AND IT'S GREAT TO ALSO HIGHLIGHT THIS OPPORTUNITY AS WE  
13 KNOW CITIES CAN PARTICIPATE WITH THE COUNTY IN THIS WORK, AND  
14 WE CAN SHOW THEM WHERE WE'VE ALREADY STARTED TO LEAD THE WAY,  
15 AND WE WELCOME THEM INTO THE WORK WITH US, TO MAKE SURE THAT  
16 OUR WHOLE REGION IS REALLY, APPROACHING THIS, IN IN THAT WAY.  
17 I KNOW WE'VE HAD SOME RESIDENTS IN OUR DISTRICT WHO HAVE NOT  
18 TAKEN THE COUNTY'S NO, AND THEY'VE PUSHED FORWARD TO SEEK A  
19 YES ON, YOU KNOW, FIRE SAFE REBUILDING PRACTICES AND SO MUCH  
20 MORE. AND I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF LESSONS LEARNED AND  
21 OPPORTUNITY HERE FOR US TO SCALE. AND I KNOW MY COLLEAGUE,  
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER, HAS HER OWN EXPERIENCES IN THIS EFFORT AS  
23 WELL. BUT WE ALL BENEFIT FROM YOUR COLLABORATION AND MAKING  
24 SURE WE STAY TRUE TO THESE GOALS AND GET THEM DONE. SO THANK  
25 YOU.



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

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR  
5 PRESENTATION. JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY, IF I'M REBUILDING, AND IT  
6 PIQUED MY INTEREST WHEN YOU SAID EUCALYPTUS BECAUSE THAT'S  
7 HIGHLY FLAMMABLE AND PROBLEMATIC, BUT IF I AM REBUILDING IN  
8 ALTADENA, LET'S SAY, UP IN ON THE FOOTHILLS, DO I HAVE TO  
9 SUBMIT AS PART OF MY PLANS THE TREES THAT I'M GOING TO BE  
10 PLANTING? OR SO AND THEN IN A YEAR, IF I DECIDE TO PLANT A  
11 EUCALYPTUS TREE, HOW DO YOU MONITOR THIS?

12

13 **ANTHONY MARRONE:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. SO,  
14 YES, ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S GOING TO BE  
15 RESPONSIBLE FOR NOT ONLY WATER AND ACCESS AND FIRE SPRINKLERS,  
16 BUT ALSO FUEL MODIFICATION. WE DON'T CURRENTLY HAVE A  
17 MECHANISM IN PLACE THAT ONCE WE APPROVE THE FUEL MOD PLAN FOR  
18 THAT NEW CONSTRUCTED SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING, THAT THE OWNER OR  
19 THE OCCUPANT ISN'T GOING TO PLANT, HIGHLY FLAMMABLE VEGETATION  
20 THAT'S NON- NATIVE TO THE AREA. WE DON'T HAVE MECHANISM TO  
21 TRACK THAT OR TO ENFORCE THAT RIGHT NOW. THE ONE THING I DID  
22 WANT TO BRING UP AND IDENTIFY THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE  
23 PALISADES FIRE AND THE EATON FIRE, AND I APPRECIATE THE WORK  
24 THAT ISD AND OEM ARE DOING WITH THE HOME HARDENING RESIDENTIAL  
25 PROGRAM. ALL OF THE STRUCTURES THAT WERE LOCATED IN THE





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1 PALISADES FIRE WERE LOCATED WITHIN THE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY  
2 ZONE. SO THOSE HOMES SHOULD HAVE, DEPENDING ON THE YEAR BUILT,  
3 HAD SOME FIRE RESISTIVE CONSTRUCTION ELEMENTS. AT THE EATON  
4 FIRE, THE MAJORITY OF THE 9,000 STRUCTURES THAT WERE LOST IN  
5 ALTADENA, IN THE COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA, WERE OUTSIDE THE FIRE  
6 HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE. SO IT WAS REALLY ONLY THE PERIPHERY THAT  
7 WAS REQUIRED TO BE COMPLIANT WITH CHAPTER SEVEN A OF THE  
8 BUILDING CODE, WHICH IS FIRE RESISTIVE CONSTRUCTION. WE HAVE  
9 TO HAVE A METHOD TO IDENTIFY COMMUNITIES THAT ARE AT RISK THAT  
10 ARE THAT LIE OUTSIDE THE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE. I CAN  
11 THINK OF NUMEROUS COMMUNITIES ALONG THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAIN  
12 FOOTHILLS IN SD 5 AND SD 1 THAT ARE AT RISK. WE WEREN'T AWARE  
13 THAT THE INTERIOR OF ALTADENA WAS AT RISK TO WILDFIRE. WE KNEW  
14 ABOUT IT AT THE PALISADES FIRE, BUT THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS  
15 I BELIEVE THE WAY THE HOMES WERE CONSTRUCTED THAT WE HAD SUCH  
16 LARGE LOSSES IN SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.

17  
18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** WELL, I WILL NOT DISAGREE WITH PART OF  
19 THAT, BUT I WOULD ARGUE THAT THAT EVENING, IT WAS LITERALLY  
20 THE PERFECT STORM WITH THE WIND AND ALL, BECAUSE THAT AREA,  
21 ESPECIALLY ON THE WEST SIDE, FOR IT TO MOVE THAT QUICKLY YEAH.  
22 AND THEN TO HAVE THE FIRE HYDRANTS THAT YOU WERE DRAWING DOWN  
23 FROM NOT HAVING ENOUGH, WATER PRESSURE TO MEET THE NEED. SO  
24 THERE WAS A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON THERE, THAT THAT I WOULD  
25 ARGUE GO ABOVE AND BEYOND JUST THE STRUCTURE. AS IT RELATES TO



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1 THE FIRE.

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING, MARK?

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5 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, I JUST THINK TOO I WANT TO REMIND  
6 EVERYONE ABOUT THE BUILDING STOCK. CHIEF MARRONE MENTIONED IT.  
7 YOU KNOW, THE BUILDING STOCK WAS DEFINITELY DIFFERENT IN THE  
8 SUNSET MESA AREA THAN IN THE ALTADENA AREA. WE HAD MANY  
9 REBUILDS, BUT NOT SIGNIFICANT REBUILDS TO NEW CONSTRUCTION  
10 STANDARDS IN THE ALTADENA AREA, A LOT OF REMODELS AND MAYBE  
11 SOME ADDITIONS THROUGH THE YEARS. SO JUST BY THE VERY NATURE  
12 OF BUILDING UNDER THE CURRENT CODES DESPITE FIRE HIGH FIRE  
13 HAZARD OR NOT, THE RESISTIVITY THE RESILIENCE OF THEM AND  
14 THEIR FIRE RESISTIVITY, THOSE FACILITIES WILL BECOME GREATLY  
15 IMPROVED JUST BY COMPLYING WITH THE CURRENT CODES.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** A 100%.

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19 **MARK PESTRELLA:** I THINK WE CAN COUNT ON THAT.

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21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** YEAH. I THINK THE GOOD NEWS I KNOW THE  
22 GOOD NEWS IS THAT AS WE LOOK AT REBUILDING, WE DON'T HAVE TO  
23 MANDATE DOING THE RIGHT THING BECAUSE I WOULD SAY 99.9% ARE  
24 REBUILDING WITH HARDENING IN MIND. AND LOOKING AT, PREVENTING,  
25 FUTURE LOSS, IF, GOD FORBID, THERE'S ANOTHER CATASTROPHE LIKE



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1 THIS. SO THEY ARE DOING IT ON THEIR OWN WITHOUT BEING MANDATED  
2 ON SOMETHING. I MEAN, SOME THINGS ARE ALREADY BUILT INTO OUR  
3 CODE. RIGHT. BUT THERE ARE OTHER THINGS THAT THEY ARE CHOOSING  
4 TO DO, BASED ON, LESSONS LEARNED. AND EARLY ON, I THINK WE ALL  
5 TALKED ABOUT THE FEAR THAT IT WAS GOING TO COST A LOT MORE,  
6 AND WHAT WE FOUND IS THAT IT, IN FACT, DOES NOT COST A LOT  
7 MORE. AND FOR SOME INSURANCE COMPANIES, IF YOU DON'T HAVE IT,  
8 THEY WON'T COVER YOU. AND SO THAT'S SOMETHING TO ALSO GIVE AS  
9 AN INCENTIVE TO HOMEOWNERS. SO, RITA, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT,  
10 UNFUNDED RECOMMENDATIONS, WHAT ARE THE TOP ONES FOR ALTADENA?  
11 BECAUSE I KNOW THAT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT TREES, THE TREE  
12 CANOPIES THE LOSS OF THE TREE CANOPIES HAS BEEN SOMETHING THAT  
13 CONTINUES TO BE THE TALK OF THE TOWN AS IT RELATES TO THE  
14 DEVASTATION DONE NOT ONLY TO THE HOMES BUT ALSO TO THE TREE  
15 CANOPIES. SO WHAT ARE SOME OF THE TOP UNFUNDED RECOMMENDATIONS  
16 MOST IMPORTANT TO ALTADENA RECOVERY EFFORTS?

17  
18 **RITA KAMPALATH:** YEAH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE KNOW THAT THE  
19 TREE CANOPY LOSS WAS CONSIDERABLE BOTH IN PUBLIC SPACES, AND  
20 IT WAS ACTUALLY EVEN MORE SEVERE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. AND SO  
21 THAT'S CERTAINLY A BIG ISSUE AND, YOU KNOW, ADDITIONALLY, A  
22 HUGE UNFUNDED AREA. WE KNOW OUR COLLEAGUES AT PUBLIC WORKS DO  
23 A GREAT JOB OF, PLANTING AND MAINTAINING TREES IN THE PUBLIC  
24 RIGHT OF WAY, BUT THAT ALONE IS NOT GOING TO SOLVE THE ISSUE  
25 AND BRING ALTADENA BACK IN THE WAY THAT IT WAS, ESPECIALLY



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1 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, AS YOU WELL KNOW, ALTADENA USED TO HAVE  
2 SOME OF THE HIGHEST TREE CANOPY IN THE COUNTY. SO WE'VE HEARD  
3 A LOT FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO REALLY WANT TO SEE THAT  
4 RESTORATION AND MATURE TREES THAT WERE A HALLMARK OF THE  
5 COMMUNITY. I WON'T SPEAK IN-DEPTH TO THE MANY INFRASTRUCTURE  
6 NEEDS THAT ARE CURRENTLY UNFUNDED. I KNOW SOME OF MY  
7 COLLEAGUES COULD DO A MUCH BETTER JOB OF THAT, BUT, WE KNOW  
8 THE BRC REPORT CALLS OUT JUST THE TREMENDOUS IMPACTS TO THE  
9 WATER SYSTEM, THE NEED AND OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD BACK A MORE  
10 RESILIENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO THINGS  
11 LIKE WASTEWATER, THE IMPORTANCE OF UNDERGROUNDING UTILITIES,  
12 AGAIN FOR RESILIENCE AND, PROTECTING FROM FUTURE, INCIDENTS  
13 LIKE THIS. SO THOSE ARE THOSE ARE ALL, OF COURSE, THINGS THAT  
14 WE WOULD LOVE TO DO AND CURRENTLY DON'T HAVE ADEQUATE FUNDING.

15  
16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I JUST, TALKING  
17 ABOUT THE WHOLE PACKAGE, IN TERMS OF RECOVERY AND FEDERAL  
18 DOLLARS. SENATOR PADILLA JUST RELEASED A NEW PRESS RELEASE  
19 PARTNERING WITH NORTH CAROLINA TO PUT TOGETHER A PACKAGE THAT  
20 WOULD INCLUDE RELIEF, WHICH I THINK IS SIGNIFICANT WHEN YOU  
21 IT'S BIPARTISAN AND REPRESENTS TWO AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN HARD  
22 HIT. AND, AGAIN AND I KNOW, SUPERVISOR HORVATH KNOWS THIS,  
23 WE'RE NOT ASKING FOR ANYTHING ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT IS  
24 NECESSARY TO REBUILD THE INFRASTRUCTURE. BUT ONE OF MY LESSONS  
25 LEARNED, THIS WEEK OR LAST WEEK WHEN I WAS MEETING WITH, BOB



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1 BENTON AND THEY HAD A PANEL IS WE LOOK TO FEMA TO BE THE END  
2 ALL FOR EVERYTHING, AND FEMA ALONE IS NOT GOING TO PROVIDE THE  
3 RESOURCES NECESSARY TO REBUILD. WE NEED TO LOOK AT THE  
4 INSURANCE INDUSTRY, AND I STILL SAY, DAWYN, AND I APPRECIATE  
5 THE WORK Y'ALL ARE DOING. I THINK IT IS EMBARRASSING THAT OUR  
6 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE HAS NOT BEEN MORE IN THE FOREFRONT,  
7 AND THAT WE I FEEL LIKE WE HAVE BEEN THE INSURANCE  
8 COMMISSIONERS FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, THE FIVE OF US  
9 COLLECTIVELY WITH ALL THE MOTIONS WE'VE DONE. AND SO IF YOU  
10 DON'T HAVE SOMEONE HOLDING THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY ACCOUNTABLE,  
11 THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS. THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS. SO, YOU KNOW, FEMA  
12 IS BEING LOOKED AT TO FILL A VOID THAT'S BEEN CREATED BY  
13 INSURANCE, EVEN BY, YOU KNOW, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY. I MEAN,  
14 DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS AT THE FEDERAL AND STATE LEVEL HAVE A  
15 RESPONSIBILITY TO WORK WITH US TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE ISSUES  
16 THAT ARE GOING ON, INCLUDING WATER. AND SO I GIVE FEMA SOME  
17 GRACE BECAUSE EVERYONE, INCLUDING MYSELF, THINKS THAT THEY'RE  
18 GOING TO WRITE A CHECK TO MAKE US WHOLE, AND THAT'S NOT FEMA'S  
19 ROLE. AND SO I'M HOPING THAT WITH SENATOR PADILLA AND I THANK  
20 HIM AND SENATOR SCHIFF FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN WORKING, WITH  
21 NORTH CAROLINA TO TRY TO BRING THIS MONEY HOME. AND I KNOW,  
22 JOE, YOU ARE HAPPY TO HEAR THAT, BECAUSE WE DO NEED TO PROVIDE  
23 WE NEED TO BE PROVIDED WITH FUNDING TO REBUILD THE  
24 INFRASTRUCTURE BECAUSE THE EIFD THAT WE CREATED IS NOT GOING  
25 TO COVER THE ENTIRE COST, AND I RECOGNIZE THAT. SO WITH THAT,



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1    THANK YOU FOR THIS REPORT. THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOUR  
2    BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION DID. WE KNOW THAT EACH COMMIT EACH  
3    COMMUNITY IS DIFFERENT, AND I'VE TAKEN THE ROLE OR THE OPINION  
4    THAT I WANT TO BE ORGANIC FROM THE BOTTOM UP AS IT RELATES TO  
5    WHAT GOES THROUGH. I KNOW THAT WAS WHAT THE GOAL OF THE BLUE-  
6    RIBBON COMMISSION WAS AS WELL IS TO ALLOW IT NOT TO BE  
7    DICTATED BY GOVERNMENT, BUT USE PARAMETERS OR KIND OF PUT  
8    TOGETHER WHAT THE YESES AND NOES ARE, BUT THEN LET THEM FILL  
9    IN HOW YOU ACCOMPLISH WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. I WILL CONTINUE  
10    TO DO THAT AND ADVOCATE FOR MY CONSTITUENT IN ALTADENA BECAUSE  
11    I DO BELIEVE WE HIT THE 50% MARK, CORRECT, MARK, IN TERMS OF  
12    BUILDING PERMITS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED?

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14    **MARK PESTRELLA:** PERMITS ISSUED. YES.

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16    **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** PERMITS ISSUED?

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18    **MARK PESTRELLA:** PERMITS APPLIED FOR.

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20    **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** PERMITS APPLIED FOR. SO THAT'S  
21    SIGNIFICANT. NOW WE GOT TOGETHER THE OTHER 50%, WHICH I GUARANTEE  
22    ARE WAITING ON INSURANCE OR THE SBA WHO I TALKED TO AND  
23    EXPLAINED TO THEM THAT WITH SBA LOAN, YOU CAN'T DRAW DOWN THAT  
24    MONEY UNTIL THE INSURANCE IS COMPLETELY GONE, AND INSURANCE  
25    WILL NOT YOU HAVE TO WAIT TILL YOU GET YOUR CERTIFICATE OF



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1 OCCUPANCY TO GET THE LAST AMOUNT OF THE INSURANCE MONEY. SO AS  
2 USUAL, THE RIGHT HAND IS NOT TALKING TO THE LEFT HAND AS IT  
3 RELATES TO WHAT GOES ON. SO WHILE SBA LOANS ARE GREAT, IF YOU  
4 CAN'T USE IT, WHAT GOOD IS IT, EVEN IF YOU QUALIFY FOR IT. SO  
5 WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE SBA TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT  
6 THE IMPEDIMENTS IN PLACE AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL ON THAT ARE THAT  
7 CAN BE FIXED, HOPEFULLY, ADMINISTRATIVELY, MOVING FORWARD. SO  
8 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK THE PANEL  
11 TOO, AND QUESTIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN RAISED AND A LOT OF GOOD  
12 ANSWERS IN TERMS OF WHERE WE GO TO MOVE AHEAD TO MAKE OUR  
13 COUNTY RESILIENT. AND I REPRESENT FOOTHILLS AS WELL AS, SOME  
14 LARGE-OPEN SPACES, AND I ALWAYS WORRY ABOUT OUR PARKS, SANTA  
15 FE DAM, WHITTIER NARROWS, AND WHAT YOU KNOW, THE LOSS THAT  
16 THAT WE'RE INCURRING WHEN THESE FIRES HAPPEN. AND I'M NOT SURE  
17 WHAT THE NUMBER IS FOR EATON OR PALISADES, BUT COULD YOU TELL  
18 US, MARK PESTRELLA, HOW MANY COUNTY PROPERTIES WERE LOST IN  
19 THE FIRES, AND HOW MANY OF THEM WERE PARK PROPERTIES?

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21 **RITA KAMPALATH:** I'LL JUMP IN WITH THAT. I SAW THE QUESTION. SO  
22 THERE WERE OVER 80 STRUCTURES THAT WERE EITHER DAMAGED OR A  
23 TOTAL LOSS. I BELIEVE 30 TOTAL DESTROYED, AND ABOUT A FIFTH OF  
24 THOSE WERE PARKS PROPERTIES. AND THEN IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE  
25 UNDERSTAND THAT PARKS ALSO HAD A LOT OF DAMAGE TO TRAILS,



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1 NATURAL RESOURCES THAT MAY NOT BE REFLECTED IN THOSE NUMBERS.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO WHAT IS OUR WHAT IS OUR RECOURSE  
4 FOR PREPARING FOR THE NEXT BIG FIRE IN THESE AREAS? AND, YOU  
5 KNOW, WHAT ARE SOME SUGGESTIONS HERE?

6

7 **MARK PESTRELLA:** I THINK, SUPERVISOR, SUPERVISOR, FROM MY  
8 PERSPECTIVE, JUST RECOGNIZING THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE A  
9 CONTINUED INCIDENT THAT WE WILL BE DEALING WITH GOING IN THE  
10 FUTURE, THAT WE DO EXPECT THE WEATHER PATTERNS TO REMAIN OR TO  
11 GET EVEN MORE INTENSE. SO HIGHER INTENSITY FIRES, SHORTER  
12 DURATION RAIN EVENTS TO RELIEVE THAT. SO MAKING INVESTMENTS  
13 ACROSS COMMUNITY AND RESILIENCY. YOU APPROVED A COMMUNITY  
14 RESILIENCY COUNTY RESILIENCY, CRC, COMMUNITY READY COMMUNITY,  
15 CLIMATE READY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE. MANY OF THE PLAYERS AT  
16 THE TABLE HERE AND OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED  
17 IN DEVELOPING PRIORITIZATIONS FOR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES,  
18 INVESTMENTS IN RESILIENCY. I THINK INVESTING IN THAT, FOCUSING  
19 ON THAT PLAN IS A GOOD IS A VERY GOOD THING TO DO AS WE, AS I  
20 SAID, CONTINUE TO CUT COME TO GRIPS WITH THE REALITY THAT WE  
21 WILL SEE MORE WILDFIRES AND AT HIGHER SCALE THAN WE HAVE SEEN  
22 IN THE PAST.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH. THERE'S NO DOUBT IN MY MIND  
25 THAT INFRASTRUCTURE IS ON EVERYBODY'S MIND. YES. EVEN THE





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1 WATER BREAKS, EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENING, AND THE LACK OF  
2 PRECIOUS WATER. INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S REALLY SORE LY NEEDED.  
3 IT'S A 100 WHAT WAS IT? IN IN LINDSAY HORVATH DISTRICT HELD  
4 WAS THE PIPE, THE 36-INCH PIPE HELD. WAS THAT A 100 AND  
5 SOMETHING?

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OH, YEAH. OVER A 100 YEARS OLD. AND  
8 WE HAD YEARS PRIOR TALK TO LADWP ABOUT --

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE THAT. AND I'M  
11 SURE, DPW, YOU'RE WELL AWARE OF WHAT OUR --

12

13 **MARK PESTRELLA:** 20,000 GALLONS PER MINUTE CAME FROM THAT PIPE.  
14 IT DESTROYED THE NUMBER OF STRUCTURES

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

17

18 **MARK PESTRELLA:** UNHOUSED A BUNCH OF PEOPLE. YEAH. MASSIVE  
19 LOSSES IN TERMS OF EXCESS OR CONTENTS, CARS AND THEN JUST THE  
20 FIX ON THE STREET ITSELF. SO, I MEAN, OUR BOARD YOUR BOARD HAS  
21 DONE A REALLY GOOD JOB OF MAKING INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS  
22 EVEN THOUGH AS WE SAY MANY TIMES, THEY'RE NOT SEXY. THOSE ARE  
23 THE WAY YOU COMBAT RIGHT. INCIDENTS LIKE THIS AND CREATE MORE  
24 RESILIENCY IN THE INFRASTRUCTURE. SO I APPRECIATE THIS BOARD'S  
25 INVESTMENT. AND JUST GOING FORWARD, I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO



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1 MAKE THE SAME INVESTMENTS AS WE PREPARE COMMUNITY FOR THIS AND  
2 NOT REACT. HOPEFULLY, NOT REACT. YOU KNOW, WE'RE IN SUCH  
3 REACTION MODE MOST OF THE TIME.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT'S REALLY UNFORTUNATE THAT CAUGHT  
6 MY EYE DURING THAT PARTICULAR INCIDENT WAS THE UNDERGROUND  
7 GARAGES.

8

9 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IT OVERFLOWED TO, WHAT, 12 FEET IN  
12 SOME CASES AND EVERYTHING LOST. AND THEN ALL THE, DISASTER  
13 POTENTIAL DISASTERS WITH EV CARS PARKED IN THOSE GARAGES. AND  
14 I THINK WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS. WE'RE MAKING  
15 THINGS EASY FOR PEOPLE, BUT WHEN THINGS HIT, I'M NOT SURE THAT  
16 THAT WE'RE QUITE ALL PREPARED OR EVEN THE HOMEOWNER IS  
17 PREPARED OR THE LANDLORD IS PREPARED. AND IT AND IT REALLY  
18 BEGS US TO THINK ABOUT REZONING, HOW WE ZONE, WHAT CODES WE  
19 HAVE, ALL OF THAT. AND AS YOU SAID, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, THE  
20 DISCUSSION WE JUST HAD ON LINEAGE IS PRIME, ON MY MIND RIGHT  
21 NOW BECAUSE AS WAS SAID, 88 CITIES, THERE ARE CITIES, AND I  
22 KNOW FIRE DEPARTMENT SHARED WITH ME, SOME OF THE FACILITIES  
23 THAT ARE VERY SIMILAR IN NATURE TO LINEAGE THAT ARE  
24 NEIGHBORING TO THE COUNTY. THEY'RE IN THE COUNTY, BUT THEY'RE  
25 INDEPENDENT CITIES. SO I AM VERY CONCERNED, AND I THINK WE



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1 NEED TO HAVE A GOOD TASK FORCE THAT CAN ROPE GET US ALL  
2 TOGETHER TO START TO REALLY THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS IN A VERY  
3 MEANINGFUL WAY SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE DISASTERS THAT JUST  
4 OCCURRED IN IN BOYLE HEIGHTS AT THE LEVEL. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M  
5 ALL I CAN SAY IS, IT REALLY HURTS ME WHEN I KNOW THAT SOME  
6 PEOPLE CAN'T ECONOMICALLY GET OUT OF THEIR SITUATION. AND MANY  
7 OF THEM ARE FORCED TO EVEN GROW THEIR OWN GARDENS, AND WE SAW  
8 THIS DURING EXIDE. BUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT ARE TELLING OUR  
9 COMMUNITIES TOO? YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU'RE WE WANT THEM TO BE  
10 SUSTAINABLE. YOU WANT THEM TO USE GOOD ALTERNATIVE METHODS TO  
11 TAKE CARE OF THEIR FAMILIES AND ALL THAT, BUT HOW WHAT CAN WE  
12 DO, OR IS THAT ASKING TOO MUCH OF THE COUNTY TO HELP WITH  
13 THAT? YOU KNOW? BECAUSE PEOPLE WANT TO SPEND TIME OUTDOORS  
14 GARDENING. WE INCENTIVIZE THAT. WE EVEN FUND PROGRAMS TO DO  
15 MORE OF THAT, TO DO CANOPY. BUT IF WE'RE NOT THERE TO HELP  
16 UPKEEP IT OR GIVE THEM THE TOOLS AND INFORMATION, AND ALL THAT  
17 IS OUTREACH. SO IT REALLY DOES BEG THE QUESTION HOW WE'RE  
18 SPENDING OUR DOLLARS TOO AND HOW WE'RE COMMUNICATING TO THIS  
19 POPULATION THAT IS FINDING IT VERY DIFFICULT TO NAVIGATE IN  
20 OUR SYSTEMS, AND IT'S MORE CLEAR TO ME EVERY SINGLE DAY. SO I  
21 DON'T KNOW HOW WE REACT TO THAT. I KNOW, MARK, YOU WANTED TO  
22 --

23  
24 **MARK PESTRELLA:** I MEAN, OUR DEPARTMENT'S PHILOSOPHY ON, AND  
25 THE COUNTY'S PHILOSOPHY ON INCIDENTS IS THAT A DOLLAR IN



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1 PREPARING PEOPLE IS WORTH, YOU KNOW, HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF  
2 DOLLARS. SO PREPARATION, YOU KNOW, THE CYCLE OF IT. AND I  
3 THINK WE'VE DONE THE COUNTY HAVE DONE A BETTER JOB, BUT WE CAN  
4 CONTINUE TO DOUBLE DOWN ON PREPARING COMMUNITY IN THEIR ROLE  
5 AND THE GOVERNMENT ROLE BECAUSE THE COMMUNITY CANNOT WHOLLY  
6 COUNT ON COUNTY TO REMOVE ALL HAZARDS. THERE'S ACTUALLY  
7 LEFTOVER RISK. SINCE I HAVE THE MOMENT, I'LL BRING UP AN  
8 INCIDENT WE KNOW IS COMING, AND THAT'S THAT WE HAVE A  
9 PREDICTED STRONG EL NINO, THIS YEAR. AND YEAH. AND AS AN  
10 EXAMPLE OF PREPARING FOR KNOW I'VE BEEN WORKING VERY CLOSELY  
11 WITH KEVIN ON PREPARING COMMUNITY FOR THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF  
12 HEAVY RAINFALL IN THIS RAIN SEASON. IT'S AN EXAMPLE OF OUR  
13 PREPAREDNESS. AND CONTINUE TO APPLAUD THE BOARD FOR, INVESTING  
14 IN OEM, OFFICE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND THEN FOCUSING ON  
15 PREPARE PREPARATION. I THINK WE IN OUR FOCUS AT WORK, WE'LL  
16 SAY I'LL ASK MY STAFF, IS COMMUNITY PREPARED? A LOT OF TIMES  
17 YOU SAY, ARE WE PREPARED? BUT YOU IF YOU SAY, IS COMMUNITY  
18 PREPARED. IT'S PROBABLY THE BEST PHILOSOPHY IN TERMS OF, LIKE,  
19 DEALING WITH WHAT'S COMING.

20  
21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW, I LEARNED A VERY VALUABLE  
22 LESSON DURING FIFA, OUR PREPARATION, ESPECIALLY AT WHITTIER  
23 NARROWS BECAUSE THE RESOURCES THAT CAME TOGETHER, WHETHER IT  
24 WAS CALTRANS AND, I WANT TO SAY FEMA AND ARMY CORPS, AND YOUR  
25 OFFICE, ALSO, MARK. IT INCREDIBLE HOW THEY DID SOME REPAIR



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1 WORK THERE THAT HADN'T BEEN ADDRESSED FOR FIFTY YEARS. SO WE  
2 CAN DO THIS. IT'S WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE, BUT WE ALSO HAVE TO  
3 UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE TO EXTEND IT TO NEIGHBORHOODS. AND  
4 THAT'S WHAT I THINK SOMETIMES, GETS LOST. YOU KNOW? AND I AND  
5 I APPLAUD ALL THE WORK THAT WAS DONE FOR FIFA. I DO. AND I  
6 THINK WE CAN USE THAT AS KIND OF A BENCHMARK TO GO BACK TO THE  
7 FEDS AND SAY, LOOK, WE DID THIS, AND HERE'S PROOF OF WHAT WE  
8 CAN DO IN GETTING MORE RESOURCES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, FOR  
9 RESTORATION, FOR ALL OF THE THINGS THAT, MARK, YOU AND I TALK  
10 ABOUT ALL THE TIME, THAT'S NECESSARY. SO, YOU KNOW, I'M AS  
11 LONG AS I'M THERE, I'LL BE ONE OF THOSE VOICES. SO THANK YOU  
12 FOR THE REPORT AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND BARGER FOR  
13 BRINGING THIS TOGETHER. THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER MEMBERS  
14 WANTING TO BE RECOGNIZED, THEN LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

15  
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME  
17 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? CLAUDIA JEREZ, INGRID  
18 MARTINEZ. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE  
19 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 14, IF YOU HAVE  
20 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR  
21 DEVICE OR PRESS \*3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR  
22 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF TO BEGIN.

23  
24 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** OKAY. THANK YOU, ROY HUMPHRIES. ROWLAND HEIGHTS  
25 HERE. SUPERVISOR BARGER HIT THE NAIL ON THE FACE OF THERE. AS



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1 TO THE FED'S SLEEPY JOE'S TREATMENT IS CORRUPTION,  
2 COMPLEMENTED BY NEWSOM AND BECERRA'S, COMPLICITY TELLING THE  
3 FEDS TO GO TO HELL, YOU GET WHAT YOU DESERVE. WATER IS NO  
4 PROBLEM AS YOU BRING DATA CENTERS ONLINE WHILE TWO RESERVOIRS  
5 ARE EMPTY AND KAREN BASS CAN'T FILL A TOILET BOWL. THE SANTA  
6 INEZ RESERVOIR IS STILL EMPTY. STOP TALKING ABOUT THE  
7 CONSTITUENTS. EQUITY IS A PATHETIC PANDERING, DUMBING DOWN  
8 DELUSION. FIRE RESILIENCE, SHOW ME THE MONEY, AND THE  
9 INSURANCE COMPANY'S RAPID RESPONSE IS A CRUEL JOKE, AND WE'LL  
10 FIND ANYTHING TO, AVOID PAYING THE CONSUMERS AND THEIR LACK OF  
11 KNOWLEDGE AND SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

12  
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213,  
14 LAST TWO DIGITS, 78. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
15 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CALLER, PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE. CALLER  
16 WITH PHONE NUMBER 747, LAST TWO DIGITS 09. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
17 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CALLER, PRESS \*6  
18 TO UNMUTE. ALRIGHT. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER WITH  
19 PHONE NUMBER 323, LAST TWO DIGITS, 29. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
20 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF.

21  
22 **ENRIQUE HUERTA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF THE  
23 BOARD. I AM ENRIQUE HUERTA, SENIOR DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND  
24 LEGISLATION WITH CLIMATE RESOLVE. WELL, TODAY'S ACTION IS TO  
25 RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM NUMBER 14, THE WORSENING THREAT OF



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1 CLIMATE FUELED WILDFIRES MEANS WE CANNOT AFFORD DELAY. I  
2 STRONGLY SUPPORT THESE 59 RECOMMENDATIONS ACROSS 10 ACTION  
3 AREAS AND REQUEST THAT THE BOARD SET CLEAR TIMELINES FOR  
4 FUTURE BOARD ACTION TO BRING THESE PROTECTIONS TO FRUITION.  
5 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THAT CONCLUDES  
8 REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 14. WE WILL NOW GO TO IN PERSON  
9 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN. HELLO.

10

11 **INGRID MARTINEZ:** MY NAME IS INGRID MARTINEZ. JUST LEARNING  
12 ABOUT THIS ITEM NOW, BUT I JUST WANTED TO GIVE COMMENT AND SAY  
13 THAT I FULLY SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF REBUILDING L.A. COUNTY  
14 LANDSCAPES WITH NATIVE PLANTS. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT I'M VERY  
15 PASSIONATE ABOUT. I SPENT SOME OF MY WEEKENDS VOLUNTEERING  
16 WITH ORGANIZATIONS, IN PLANTING NATIVE PLANTS AND REMOVING  
17 INVASIVE SPECIES. NATIVE PLANTS ARE INCREDIBLY DROUGHT  
18 RESILIENT. SOME ARE EVEN FIRE RESILIENT, AND THEY'RE  
19 INCREDIBLY BENEFICIAL FOR OUR NATIVE WILDLIFE. THEY'RE LEFT TO  
20 COMPETE FOR RESOURCES WITH NON-NATIVE WILDLIFE. ONE SUGGESTION  
21 THAT I HAVE THAT COULD BE WORTH EXPLORING THAT I'M SURE  
22 PERHAPS HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED IS, THAT WOULD BE SUB  
23 SUPPLEMENTAL TO THESE EFFORTS IS PROHIBITING LOCAL NURSERIES  
24 FROM SELLING INVASIVE PLANTS OR JUST NON-NATIVE PLANTS IN  
25 GENERAL. MANY NURSERIES ARE CURRENTLY SELLING INVASIVE PLANTS,



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1 LANTANA BEING ONE OF THE MOST COMMON.

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

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5 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, DWC DPSS. IN TERMS OF FIRES, I  
6 HAVE A SUGGESTION. I BELIEVE YOU HAVE TO HAVE A DEFENSIVE  
7 PLAN. REVIEW YOUR ARSON LAWS. THEY SHOULD BE REVIEWED BECAUSE  
8 WHEN FIRE STARTS, IF SOMEBODY STARTS A FIRE SUCH AS THAT THAT  
9 WILL CREATE SUCH AN AGONY AND SUCH TROUBLE FOR FIREFIGHTERS  
10 AND FOR THE ENTIRE EMERGENCY COMMUNITY OF FIRST RESPONDERS AND  
11 EVERYTHING, THEY SHOULD BE LIABLE FOR CREATING SUCH A FIRE  
12 LIKE THAT. SO ARSON LAWS NEED TO BE REVIEWED TO INCLUDE THE  
13 FACT THAT THIS IS SOMETHING VERY NEW THAT IS OCCURRING IN OUR  
14 COMMUNITIES. THESE FIRES ARE SO RAPID, SO CONSISTENT. EVERY  
15 SINGLE YEAR WE HAVE FIRE AND SO HAVE A TASK FORCE, HAVE A  
16 DEFENSIVE PLAN FOR IT, IDENTIFY IT QUICKLY, AND I THINK THAT -

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR  
20 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM 14.

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22 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THIS REPORT WILL  
23 BE RECEIVED AND FILED.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE





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1 THE ORDER.

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3 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 15,  
4 REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL IN ITEM  
5 59 B, KEEP ON TRACK FUNDING YEAR ONE OF THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL  
6 CLOSURE PLAN, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR MEMBERS  
7 OF THE BOARD MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO  
8 COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAHND FEATURE IF  
9 YOU ARE ONLINE, OR PRESS \*3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. WILFORD PINKNEY  
10 JUNIOR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND CHIDINMA UME, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE  
11 OFFICER. JOE CLOACHER IMPLEMENTATION TEAM, CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
12 OFFICE WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS.  
13 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU  
14 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR  
17 HAHN, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I'M HAPPY TO  
20 HEAR THE PRESENTATION FIRST. I THINK IT WOULD BE EDIFYING TO  
21 ALL OF US, AND THEN WE'LL TALK I'LL HAVE SOME QUESTIONS AFTER  
22 THAT AND THEN TALK ABOUT THE FIRST-YEAR FUNDING. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** FLOOR IS YOURS.

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1 **WILFORD PINKNEY JR.:** GOOD AFTERNOON. GOOD AFTERNOON. SORRY. I  
2 DIDN'T TURN THE MIC. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS WILFORD  
3 PINKNEY. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE JAIL CLOSURE  
4 IMPLEMENTATION TEAM, AND I'M JOINED BY CHITINMA UME, OUR  
5 DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. TODAY, I'M HERE TO TALK ABOUT  
6 JCIT'S EIGHTH QUARTERLY REPORT. THE REPORT REFLECTS THE FACT  
7 THAT WE ARE TAKING A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH BASED ON  
8 CONTINUOUS ACTION. THE FRAMEWORK WE PROVIDED PUTS FORTH,  
9 EXCUSE ME. FOR THE FRAMEWORK WE PUT FORTH FOCUSES ON MULTIPLE  
10 STRATEGIC STRATEGIES AND POINTS IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
11 PROCESS. CRISIS AND DEFLECTION SERVICES PRIOR TO OR DURING AN  
12 INITIAL ENGAGEMENT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, PRETRIAL SERVICES  
13 DIVERSION AND EARLY RELEASES PRIOR TO AT OR SHORTLY AFTER  
14 ARRAIGNMENT, COURT ORDERED INVOLUNTARY RELEASES TO TREATMENT  
15 DURING THE PRETRIAL STAGE, POST RELEASE CONNECTIONS TO  
16 SERVICES, AND FACILITIES RELATED ACTIONS. OUR WORK IS GRAND  
17 GROUNDED IN THE GOAL OF ACHIEVING THE SMALLEST INCARCERATION  
18 FOOTPRINT POSSIBLE WHILE MAINTAINING PUBLIC SAFETY AND MEETING  
19 PEOPLE'S NEEDS. THAT REQUIRES CONTINUOUS CROSS DEPARTMENTAL  
20 COORDINATION AND REGULAR REVIEW AS CONDITIONS AND DATA EVOLVE.  
21 WE PLAN TO CONTINUALLY EVALUATE THE CURRENT REQUIRED ACTIONS  
22 AND ANY WORK RELATED TO OUR FOUR AREAS OF FOCUS. NEXT SLIDE,  
23 PLEASE. I WANTED TO START BY SHARING SOME KEY POINTS FROM THE  
24 REPORT. THE REPORT DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL REQUIRED  
25 ACTIONS. WE HAVE ANALYZED FIVE OF THE REQUIRED ACTIONS AND



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1 SOME ADDITIONAL JAIL DEPOPULATION OR JAIL CLOSURE STRATEGIES.  
2 THE RESULTS OF THE ANALYSIS, WHILE PROMISING, ARE CURRENTLY  
3 NOT ENOUGH TO GET US TO CLOSURE IN FIVE YEARS. HOWEVER, THE  
4 PROGRAMS RELATED TO THE SEVEN REQUIRED ACTIONS AND THE JAIL  
5 CLOSURE STRATEGIES WILL SERVE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE AND BUILD  
6 THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT CLOSURE DEPENDS ON. FINALLY, IT IS  
7 IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT OUR REPORT PRESENTS A FRAMEWORK,  
8 NOT AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN. THERE IS STILL WORK TO BE DONE TO  
9 PUT THESE PLANS INTO ACTION. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. WE PRESENTED  
10 A POPULATION PROJECTION IN OCTOBER 2025 THAT WAS BASED ON  
11 CONDITIONS AT THAT TIME, AND WE STATED THAT THOSE THAT NUMBER  
12 WILL STAY THAT WAY AS LONG AS CONDITIONS DON'T CHANGE.  
13 HOWEVER, THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ENVIRONMENT IS CONSTANTLY  
14 CHANGING, AND THOSE CHANGES IMPACT THAT PROJECTION, WHICH IS  
15 WHY WE WILL BE UPDATING THAT PROJECTION ANNUALLY.  
16 ADDITIONALLY, WE ARE MONITORING LEGISLATION AND COURT RULINGS  
17 THAT HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO BOTH POSITIVELY AND NEGATIVELY  
18 IMPACT ON THOSE IMPACT THOSE PROJECTIONS. ONE IS THE KOWALCZYK  
19 RULING IN APRIL WHERE THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT AFFIRMED  
20 THE RIGHT TO PRETRIAL RELEASE. THE OTHER IS AB 46, A BILL  
21 RECENTLY SIGNED BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM THAT MODIFIED THE PUBLIC  
22 SAFETY STANDARD COURT SUPPLY WHEN DETERMINING WHETHER  
23 DIVERSION IS APPROPRIATE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE  
24 IMPACT OF BOTH KOWALCZYK AND AP 46 FOR IMPACTS ON OUR WORK.  
25 THERE ARE OTHER MEASURES IN THE LEGISLATIVE PIPELINE THAT WE



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1 WILL ALSO MONITOR TO ENSURE OUR NEXT PROJECTION IS BASED ON  
2 THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION. INFORMATION. NEXT SLIDE,  
3 PLEASE. DATA IS IMPORTANT TO OUR WORK. AS OF JULY 15, THE JAIL  
4 POPULATION HAS DECREASED BY APPROXIMATELY 607 PEOPLE SINCE  
5 APRIL 7. YOU KNOW? AND WE'RE LOOKING INTO HOW WHETHER WE CAN  
6 DEFINE OR IDENTIFY WHY THAT'S THE CASE. WE HAVE CREATED THIS  
7 REFINED BREAKDOWN OF THE JAIL POPULATION THAT'S ON THE SLIDE  
8 TO UNDERSTAND CHANGES AND TO BETTER IDENTIFY TARGET GROUPS AND  
9 DEVELOP SPECIFIC STRATEGIES FOR THOSE GROUPS THAT SUPPORT JAIL  
10 CLOSURE. THE VISUAL BREAKS DOWN THE PRETRIAL AND SENTENCE  
11 POPULATION INTO SMALLER GROUPS BASED ON A PERSON'S TOP CHARGE.  
12 IN OUR REPORT, WE POINT OUT THAT WE CONTINUE TO ASSESS AREAS  
13 THAT MAY PROVIDE ADDITIONAL POPULATION REDUCTIONS. THIS  
14 REFINED BREAKDOWN AND THE INFORMATION ON THE NEXT TWO SLIDES  
15 WILL ILLUSTRATE HOW WE ARE USING DATA TO DRIVE ACTION. ONE  
16 SPECIFIC GROUP ON THE INDIVIDUAL ON THIS SLIDE IS RELATED TO  
17 PEOPLE IN PRETRIAL STATUS CHARGED WITH PROP 36 CHARGES AS  
18 THEIR HIGHEST CHARGE. THE NEXT SLIDE PROVIDES A DETAILED LOOK  
19 AT THOSE PROP THOSE CHARGED WITH PROP 36 CHARGES IN THE ENTIRE  
20 JAIL POPULATION. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THIS SLIDE PROVIDES  
21 INFORMATION, AS I SAID, ABOUT PEOPLE WITH PROP 36 CHARGES WHO  
22 ARE ADMITTED TO TREATMENT. THAT'S THE FIGURE ON THE LEFT SIDE,  
23 AND A BREAKDOWN OF PEOPLE GENERALLY WITH PROP 36 CHARGES IN  
24 THE ENTIRE JAIL POPULATION ON THE RIGHT SIDE. I KNOW PROP 36  
25 WAS SOMETHING WE WERE ALL FOCUSED ON BECAUSE IT WAS AN EXAMPLE



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1 OF CHANGES IN THE LAW IMPACTING THE JAIL POPULATION. THE  
2 ANALYSIS RELATED TO THE TREATMENT ADMISSIONS LOOKS AT PEOPLE  
3 WITH PROP 36 CHARGES RELEASED BETWEEN JANUARY 2024 AND JANUARY  
4 2026. AND YOU WILL SEE 17% OF THOSE PEOPLE WERE ADMITTED TO  
5 DPH SAPC SERVICES AND WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RELEASE. THE BOX ON  
6 THE RIGHT SIDE PROVIDES THREE WAYS TO BREAK DOWN A PROP 36  
7 CHARGE POPULATION. IT'S LOOKING AT PEOPLE ALL PEOPLE WITH ANY  
8 PROP 36 CHARGE. IT'S LOOKING AT PEOPLE WITH PROP 36 CHARGES AS  
9 THEIR MOST SERIOUS CHARGE. AND THE BOTTOM NUMBER, THE 241,  
10 WHICH IS 1.9% OF THAT GROUP, ARE INDIVIDUALS WITH PROP 36  
11 CHARGES AS THEIR ONLY CHARGE. OUR NEXT STEP WITH THIS  
12 INFORMATION AND LOOKING INTO THIS DATA IS TO INCLUDE BREAKING  
13 DOWN THE DATA FURTHER UNDERSTAND THE REBOOKING RATE AMONG  
14 THOSE ADMITTED TO TREATMENT VERSUS THOSE THAT WERE NOT TO SEE  
15 IF THERE ARE WAYS TO NOT ONLY INCREASE ADMISSIONS TO  
16 TREATMENT, BUT ALSO TO REDUCE REBOOKINGS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.  
17 THIS SLIDE LOOKS AT PEOPLE WITH SIX OR MORE PREVIOUS BOOKINGS  
18 INTO THE JAIL PRIOR TO THEIR CURRENT BOOKING. THE GROUP'S  
19 MEDIAN LENGTH OF STAY FOR THIS SIX THESE PEOPLE WITH SIX OR  
20 MORE BOOKINGS IS LOWER THAN PEOPLE WHO HAVE WERE BOOKED INTO  
21 JAIL FOR THE FIRST TIME. PEOPLE WITH SIX OR MORE BOOKINGS,  
22 THEIR MEDIAN LENGTH OF STAY WAS 83 DAYS VERSUS 214 DAYS FOR  
23 PEOPLE WHO WERE BOOKED INTO THE JAIL FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE  
24 SIX PLUS BOOKINGS GROUP REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 64% OF THE  
25 TOTAL JAIL POPULATION. TWENTY FIVE PERCENT OF THIS GROUP IS



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1 CHARGED WITH VIOLENT CHARGES VIOLENT FELONIES, EXCUSE ME, AND  
2 85% OF THIS GROUP WAS BOOKED INTO THE JAIL WITHIN THE LAST  
3 YEAR. SO THESE ARE PEOPLE CYCLING THROUGH THE JAIL NUMEROUS  
4 TIMES. SEVENTY TWO PERCENT OF THIS GROUP IS IN THE PRETRIAL  
5 STAGE. SO ONCE AGAIN, THIS IS ABOUT USING DATA AND TURNING  
6 DATA INTO ACTION. SO OUR NEXT STEPS HERE WILL BE TO LOOK INTO  
7 IDENTIFYING THE TIME FRAME OVER WHICH THOSE SIX BOOKINGS  
8 HAPPEN, THE SIX BOOKINGS PRIOR TO THEIR CURRENT BOOKING, AND  
9 THEN HOW THE CHARGES CHANGED OVER TIME FOR THIS GROUP. AND SO  
10 THIS YOU KNOW, THE MAIN TAKEAWAY I WOULD SAY FROM THIS SLIDE  
11 IS, LIKE, THIS IS POTENTIALLY A PLACE WHERE THERE ARE MORE  
12 OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE IN STRATEGIES THAT CAN HELP REDUCE THE  
13 JAIL POPULATION. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THIS SLIDE IDENTIFIES THE  
14 REQUIRED ACTIONS. I DO WANT TO SHARE A COUPLE OF IMPORTANT  
15 POINTS AROUND ABOUT EACH ACTION. THERE'S A LOT OF INFORMATION  
16 IN THE REPORT. BUT IN TERMS OF ODR LEAD, WHICH IS IN UNDER  
17 PREVENTING INFLOW, OUR FIRST AREA OF FOCUS REQUIRED ACTION  
18 ONE, SLOTS AT THE NEW AT NEW ODR LEAD SITES USUALLY FILL UP IN  
19 TWELVE TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS DUE TO HIGH DEMAND AND WORD-OF-MOUTH  
20 REFERRALS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT. SO IT SPEAKS TO THE, YOU KNOW,  
21 THE EFFECTIVENESS OR AT LEAST THE USE OF THE PROGRAM. PD-HEAL.  
22 PD-HEAL, WHEN WE LOOKED AT THIS, AND I'LL TALK ABOUT THIS  
23 LATER, YOU KNOW, WE REALIZED THAT THERE WAS PROGRAMS AND THERE  
24 ARE PEOPLE WHO NEED PROGRAMS, AND THE TIMING OF WHICH GETTING  
25 THEM TO THAT PROGRAMS WAS TAKING A LONG TIME. RIGHT? AND SO



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1 PD-HEAL IS REALLY FOCUSED ON, YOU KNOW, SHORTENING THAT TIME.  
2 SO IT HAS DRAMATICALLY ACCELERATED PROGRAM SCREENING TIMES.  
3 FOR RDP SCREENINGS, PD-HEAL HAS REDUCED THE TIME THAT THOSE  
4 SCREENINGS TAKE PLACE FROM 48 DAYS POST BOOKING TO TWENTY DAYS  
5 ON AVERAGE POST BOOKING. FOR ODR HOUSING, THE SCREENING TIMES  
6 HAVE REDUCED FROM 66 DAYS POST BOOKING TO NINETEEN DAYS POST  
7 BOOKING. I TALKED WHEN I FIRST PRESENTED ABOUT CHANGES IN  
8 OVERALL LENGTH OF STAY AND HOW, YOU KNOW, REDUCING THE LENGTH  
9 OF STAY CAN REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION. SO THAT'S WHY THIS IS  
10 IMPORTANT. SAPC CENS THE EXPANSION FOR SAPC CENS IS UNDERWAY.  
11 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE JCID HAS DECIDED TO ACTIVELY FUND THAT  
12 USING ONGOING CFCI FUNDS, SO WE ARE THAT THAT IS IN PROCESS.  
13 JCOD RDP. THIS PROGRAM SCREENED APPROXIMATELY 4,100 PEOPLE IN  
14 FISCAL YEAR 25/26 AT EIGHT CORE HOUSES WHERE IT OPERATES. SO  
15 AS WE THINK ABOUT EXPANSION, THAT DEFINITELY WILL INCREASE  
16 THAT NUMBER OF PEOPLE SCREENED AND, ULTIMATELY, THE NUMBER OF  
17 PEOPLE WHO MOVE INTO THE PROGRAM. JCOD STOP IS ANOTHER ONE  
18 THAT WOULD MAINTAIN 200 SLOTS THROUGH ONGOING FUNDING TO  
19 ENSURE CONTINUED ACCESS TO STRUCTURED SUD AND STABILIZATION  
20 PROGRAM FOR LOWER ACUITY PARTICIPANTS. WE TALKED A LOT ABOUT  
21 HOW P TWOS ARE THE LARGEST GROUP OF PEOPLE IN THE JAIL WITH A  
22 P DESIGNATION, AND SO THIS PROGRAM WOULD SERVE THAT  
23 POPULATION. ALSO ON THIS SLIDE IS INFORMATION ABOUT A FACILITY  
24 DRIVEN ACTION THAT WILL RELOCATE PEOPLE HOUSED AT MCJ TO OTHER  
25 FACILITIES AND CLOSE THE 900TH FLOOR OF MCJ IF THE APPROPRIATE



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1 CONDITIONS ARE MET. I DO WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK THE  
2 SHERIFF AND HIS TEAM FOR WORKING WITH US TO DEVELOP THIS PLAN.  
3 THERE'S CAVEATS, AND IT'S NOT A DONE DEAL, BUT, YOU KNOW, THIS  
4 IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE COLLABORATION THAT'S TAKING PLACE. THE  
5 FACILITY DRIVEN ACTION IS BEING INCLUDED WITH THE REQUIRED  
6 ACTIONS, ALTHOUGH IT HAS NOT YET BEEN FULLY SCOPED AND COSTED  
7 BECAUSE IT IS NECESSARY FOR MCJ CLOSURE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. I  
8 WANT TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HOW WE CONDUCTED OUR ANALYSIS.  
9 WE MEASURED THE IMPACT OF ACTIONS BY COMPARING PEOPLE WHO WENT  
10 THROUGH A PROGRAM AND THE AMOUNT OF TIME THEY WERE IN JAIL UP  
11 UNTIL THAT POINT OF RELEASE TO PEOPLE WHO WERE SCREENED BUT  
12 DIDN'T GO INTO THE PROGRAM AND LOOKING AT THE AMOUNT OF TIME  
13 THEY SPENT IN JAIL UP UNTIL THE TIME THEY WERE RELEASED. THE  
14 DIFFERENCE IN THE TIME OF INCARCERATION BETWEEN THOSE TWO  
15 GROUPS AND THE PROGRAMS THAT OUR REQUIRED ACTIONS GOT PEOPLE  
16 OUT SOONER IS THE INFORMATION THAT WE USE TO CALCULATE THE  
17 IMPACT ON THE AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION. SO WE CONDUCTED THIS  
18 ANALYSIS FOR ALL OF THE REQUIRED ACTIONS EXCEPT FOR ODR LEAD  
19 AND HEAL. ODR LEAD'S TARGET POPULATION CAN'T CURRENTLY BE  
20 RELIABLY IDENTIFIED IN THE JAIL DATA, SO WE CAN'T MEASURE ITS  
21 IMPACTS YET. HEAL ONLY LAUNCHED IN JANUARY, SO IT'S TOO EARLY  
22 TO SEE ITS EFFORTS ITS EFFECTS, EXCUSE ME, ON THE NUMBERS. THE  
23 ANALYSIS WAS CONDUCTED BASED ON THE BEST AVAILABLE DATA, AND  
24 WE ARE WORKING TO BUILD CAPACITY TO CONDUCT THIS ANALYSIS  
25 EVERY SIX TO 12 MONTHS BECAUSE OF, LIKE I SAID BEFORE, THE





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1 CHAHNGING NATURE OF THIS WORK. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT OUR  
2 ANALYSIS INCLUDES PEOPLE WHO WERE RELEASED INTO PROGRAMS, BUT  
3 THOSE RELEASE DECISIONS ARE MADE BY JUDGES ON A CASE TO CASE  
4 BY CASE BASIS. SO NEITHER JASON NOR THE COUNTY CAN GUARANTEE  
5 OUTCOMES FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL PERSON. I WILL POINT OUT, AS YOU  
6 SAW WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT THE REQUIRED ACTIONS, MUCH OF IT IS  
7 ABOUT EXPANDING EXPANSION OR MAINTAINING. AND SO THE OUR  
8 REQUIRED ACTIONS ARE FOCUSED ON PROVIDING MORE OPPORTUNITIES  
9 FOR JUDGES TO MAKE DECISIONS AND TO ALLOW PEOPLE WHO MAY NOT  
10 HAVE ACCESS TO A PROGRAM THAT ALLOWS FOR THAT DECISION TO BE  
11 MADE TO HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. TAKEN  
12 TOGETHER, THE REQUIRED ACTIONS ANALYZED IN THE ADDITIONAL JAIL  
13 DEPOPULATION STRATEGIES, ONCE FULLY IMPLEMENTED, WOULD RESULT  
14 IN APPROXIMATELY 836 PEOPLE FEWER IN THE JAIL ON ANY GIVEN  
15 DAY. WHILE THAT 836 NUMBER MIGHT SEEM LIKE A LOW IMPACT  
16 NUMBER, IT DOES REPRESENT THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE BEING SERVED,  
17 AND WE DIDN'T INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WOULD BE  
18 SERVED OVER THE FIVE YEARS IN OUR REPORT. THE EIGHT THIRTY SIX  
19 NUMBER INCLUDES A REDUCTION OF 462 PEOPLE ON AN AVERAGE DAY  
20 RELATED TO THE SEVEN REQUIRED ACTIONS OR FIVE OF THE REQUIRED  
21 ACTIONS THAT WE WERE ABLE TO ANALYZE, AND 374 PEOPLE FROM  
22 ADDITIONAL STRATEGIES, ONE OF WHICH IS CASE PROCESSING. SO WE  
23 CALCULATED WHAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE ON IMPACT OF, YOU KNOW,  
24 ELIMINATING A COUPLE OF COURT DATES. AND I THINK FOR THE CASE  
25 PROCESSING SIDE, WE CALCULATED 366 FEWER PEOPLE ON AN AVERAGE

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1 DAILY BASIS. AND THEN WE LOOKED AT, A DMH PROGRAM THAT'S  
2 CURRENTLY ACTIVE, AND IT WAS, LIKE, EIGHT LESS PEOPLE A DAY.  
3 THAT'S REAL PROGRESS, BUT ONCE AGAIN, IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO GET  
4 US TO JAIL CLOSURE IN FIVE YEARS. DESPITE THAT FACT, THE  
5 COUNTY SHOULD STILL FUND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE ACTIONS  
6 BECAUSE THEY WILL POSITIVELY IMPACT PEOPLE'S LIVES AND ARE  
7 FOUNDATIONAL TO JUSTICE SYSTEM REFORM AND ANY VIABLE PATHWAY  
8 TO CLOSURE. THE CURRENT MEASURABLE IMPACTS DON'T CAPTURE THE  
9 FULL EFFECT OF THE CURRENT EFFORTS, THOUGH. I MENTIONED HEAL  
10 AND ITS IMPACT EARLIER. EARLY SCREENINGS HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO  
11 INCREASE THAT 836 NUMBER THAT WE PROVIDED. THE FACILITY DRIVEN  
12 ACTION DEVELOPED BY LASD WILL RELOCATE APPROXIMATELY 1,050  
13 PEOPLE OUT OF MCJ INTO OTHER FACILITIES. WHILE THIS REDUCES  
14 RELIANCE ON MCJ, IT DOESN'T REDUCE THE TOTAL JAIL POPULATION.  
15 THE PLAN HAS TWO PARTS. ABOUT 600 PEOPLE WOULD MOVE INTO PDC  
16 SOUTH, WHICH IS ALREADY UNDERWAY. THE RENOVATIONS THERE ARE  
17 ALREADY UNDERWAY AND ON TRACK FOR COMPLETION BY 2029 OR  
18 EARLIER, AND ABOUT 450 PEOPLE WOULD MOVE TO NCCF, THOUGH THAT  
19 DEPENDS ON A BUILDING AND ON A NEW ON-SITE URGENT CARE FIRST.  
20 WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING TO IDENTIFY THE COST TO CONSTRUCT THE  
21 URGENT CARE. YOU DO SEE A TBD ON THIS SLIDE UNDER ADDITIONAL  
22 JAIL CLOSURE STRATEGIES. WE WILL ABOUT THAT LATER IN THE  
23 PRESENTATION. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AS OF JULY 9, THE POPULATION  
24 AT MCJ WAS APPROXIMATELY 4,020 PEOPLE. APPROXIMATELY 887  
25 PEOPLE CURRENTLY HOUSED AT MCJ CANNOT BE MOVED TO OTHER



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1 FACILITIES DUE TO THEIR SPECIALTY HOUSING NEEDS, SECURITY  
2 LEVEL, OR A REQUIREMENT TO BE HOUSED IN A SINGLE CELL. EXCUSE  
3 ME. 1887. THANK YOU. TEAMWORK. IN OUR APRIL 2026 REPORT, WE  
4 PRESENTED \$1,500,000,000 IN PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF KEY COST  
5 AND FUNCTIONS THAT NEED TO BE CONSIDERED IN PLANNING THE  
6 CLOSURE AND OR DEMOLITION OF MCJ. PART OF THESE COSTS ARE  
7 RELATED TO REBUILDING HOUSING TO SERVE THE SPECIAL POPULATIONS  
8 THAT ARE REFERENCED SOME OF THE POPULATIONS THAT ARE  
9 REFERENCED HERE, AND THAT ONLY EXIST AT MCJ. NEXT SLIDE,  
10 PLEASE. THIS SLIDE IS JUST A VISIBLE ILLUSTRATION OF THAT  
11 BREAKDOWN OF THE MCJ POPULATION BETWEEN THOSE WHO CAN AND  
12 CAN'T BE MOVED. AND ON THE RIGHT SIDE, YOU WILL SEE THAT  
13 FACILITIES RELOCATION PLAN AND THE FACT THAT THAT 1,050 PEOPLE  
14 WOULD COME OUT OF THE GROUP, THE 2,133 THAT CAN BE RELOCATED.  
15 NEXT SLIDE. PART OF THE FACILITY DRIVEN ACTION IS THE  
16 ESTABLISHMENT OF AN URGENT CARE ON THE PITCHES DETENTION  
17 CENTER CAMPUS. A 2014 STUDY PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL OF  
18 CORRECTIONAL HEALTH EXAMINED THE IMPACT OF IMPLEMENTING FULL  
19 SERVICE ON-SITE URGENT CARE SERVICES AT THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL.  
20 THE STUDY FOUND THAT IMPLEMENTING AN ON-SITE URGENT CARE  
21 STAFFED BY EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS LED TO REDUCTIONS IN THE  
22 AVERAGE NUMBER OF PATIENTS TRANSFERRED TO LAC AND USC  
23 HOSPITALS AND A COST SAVINGS OF SOME \$2,000,000, PRIMARILY  
24 PERSONNEL COSTS. A FULL ANALYSIS AND DETAILED SCOPING ARE  
25 STILL REQUIRED TO ESTIMATE THE FULL COST AND BENEFITS OF THE



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1 NEW URGENT CARE COMPONENT. THIS SLIDE ALSO PRESENTS THE  
2 RESULTS OF A JCIT ANALYSIS THAT FOUND ROUGHLY \$9,000,000 IN  
3 ANNUAL EXPENDITURES WENT TO LASD STAFF STAFFING COSTS FOCUSED  
4 ON TRANSPORTING INDIVIDUALS TO AND FROM VARIOUS FACILITIES  
5 FROM THE PITCHESS CAMPUS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. ACROSS ALL SEVEN  
6 REQUIRED ACTIONS, WE CURRENTLY HAVE 1,160,000,000 IN FUNDING,  
7 AND WE'VE IDENTIFIED 1,550,000,000 IN NEW FUNDING NEEDED,  
8 WHICH BRINGS THE TOTAL FIVE-YEAR TOTAL TO \$2,710,000,000. THE  
9 MULTIYEAR BREAKDOWN OF COSTS SHOULD BE VIEWED AS SINGLE  
10 INVESTMENT, NOT A SERIES OF YEAR-BY-YEAR DECISIONS. ALSO, THE  
11 ACTIONS ARE NOT JUST ABOUT EXPANDING, BUT ALSO MAINTAINING  
12 PROGRAMMING THAT ALREADY EXISTS IN SUPPORT JAIL CLOSURE. OUR  
13 SEVENTH QUARTERLY REPORT, I ALREADY MENTIONED JUST HIGHLIGHTED  
14 THAT \$1,500,000,000 IN PRELIMINARY COST. IT'S JUST NOTED HERE  
15 THAT THAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN THIS \$2,700,000,000 TOTAL. JCID IS  
16 FUNDING THE EXPANSION DDPH, SAPC CENS PROGRAMMING, AS I  
17 MENTIONED EARLIER. AND ALSO WORTH FLAGGING ON THIS SLIDE IS  
18 THAT IN OUR APRIL REPORT, WE INADVERTENTLY INCLUDED THE FISCAL  
19 YEAR 25/26 FUNDING IN THE FIVE-YEAR TOTAL, AND THIS REPORT  
20 CORRECTS THAT. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THE WORK DOESN'T STOP WITH  
21 THE SEVEN REQUIRED ACTIONS. WE ARE ACTIVELY EVALUATING  
22 ADDITIONAL STRATEGIES SUCH JCOD'S INDEPENDENT PRETRIAL  
23 SERVICES WHERE WE'RE LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO PROMOTE MORE  
24 RELEASES AS ARRAIGNMENT. DMH'S ALTERNATE CRISIS RESPONSE,  
25 WE'RE TRACKING THEIR EFFORTS TO ADD 30 TEAMS OVER THE NEXT



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1 THREE YEARS. THE EXPERT APPOINTMENT PROCESS, JSON IS WORKING  
2 TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT. DMH'S  
3 COURT LIAISON PROGRAM, WE'RE WORKING ON STRATEGIES TO  
4 ACCELERATE REFERRALS AND ASSESS CAPACITY NEEDS. THE SAN  
5 FERNANDO PILOT THAT WE TALKED ABOUT, WE'RE EXPLORING EXPANSION  
6 TO ADDITIONAL SITES. THE HEAL PILOT, WE'RE AT WORKING WITH THE  
7 PUBLIC DEFENDER TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL CLINICIAN AT THE CURRENT  
8 PILOT SITE. THE CHART REVIEWS, WHICH ARE A COLLABORATION WITH  
9 DMH AND DPH SAPC, ARE BEING CONDUCTED TO FORECAST CAPACITY  
10 NEEDS. AND THEN THE CASE PROCESSING WORK IN THE CASE  
11 PROCESSING WORK GROUP, WE HAVE THE COURTS, PUBLIC DEFENDER,  
12 ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, IDCO, AND CIO, AS WELL AS CEO.  
13 WE'RE WORKING TO ALIGN AROUND CASE PROCESSING STANDARDS FOR  
14 FELONY CASES. WE EXPECT OH, BY THE WAY, THE ACTIONS WITH BLUE  
15 STARS OR THE BOXES WITH BLUE STARS ARE ACTIONS THAT DO NOT  
16 REQUIRE NEW FUNDING. WE EXPECT ALL OF THESE TO HAVE MATERIAL  
17 IMPACTS ON OUR JAIL CLOSURE EFFORTS. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST,  
18 WE WILL CONTINUE TO ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY OVER THE NEXT COUPLE  
19 OF MONTHS TO LISTEN AND SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR WORK. WE  
20 HAVE REACHED OUT TO AND HAVE MEETINGS SCHEDULED WITH VARIOUS  
21 REGIONAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS, NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS, YOUTH  
22 ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS, CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE,  
23 AND HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS. SO I'LL STOP THERE, AND WE'LL  
24 TAKE QUESTIONS. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THAT  
4 PRESENTATION. OBVIOUSLY, IT'S DISAPPOINTING TO HEAR IT OUT  
5 LOUD THAT NOTHING WE'RE GOING TO DO WILL GET US TO JAIL  
6 CLOSURE IN FIVE YEARS. KIND OF THE FIRST TIME, YOU KNOW,  
7 THAT'S ACTUALLY BEEN TOLD TO US. SO, HOPEFULLY, AS WE MOVE  
8 FORWARD AND I REALIZE THERE'S SO MANY THINGS THAT WE CAN DO,  
9 AND THERE'S SO MANY THINGS THAT, WE DON'T HAVE CONTROL OVER.  
10 BUT, HOPEFULLY, IN IN THE NEXT PRESENTATION, YOU CAN KEEP  
11 GIVING IT. BECAUSE I THINK WHAT WE WANT IS A TIMELINE, AND I  
12 THINK THAT'S WHAT PUBLIC WANTS IS A TIMELINE. WE'VE BEEN  
13 TALKING ABOUT JAIL CLOSURE FOR FIVE YEARS. AND SO IT WAS MY  
14 MOTION THAT SAID, YOU KNOW, LET LET'S GET A TIMELINE GOING  
15 TILL AT LEAST WE HAVE SOMETHING TO WORK OFF OF AND WE CAN MOVE  
16 FORWARD. AND WHEN WE TALK ABOUT, YOU KNOW, THE FUNDING AS  
17 WELL, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A GOOD TIMELINE THAT  
18 WE CAN WORK ON. SO ONE OF THE THINGS I DID LIKE IN THE REPORT  
19 IS BECAUSE WE TALKED ABOUT, DO WE HAVE TO CLOSE THE JAIL AT  
20 ONCE, OR CAN WE START TALKING ABOUT MODULES OR FLOORS THAT  
21 MIGHT KEEP MOVING THIS FORWARD? SO I DID LIKE THE FACT THAT  
22 YOU OUTLINED HOW TO CLOSE 9,000 FLOOR AT MCJ BY TRANSFERRING  
23 SOME OF THE ELIGIBLE POPULATION TO OTHER FACILITIES. AND,  
24 AGAIN, I KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF OUR FOLKS WHO CANNOT BE  
25 TRANSFERRED OR RELEASED FOR VARIOUS REASONS, BUT HAVING A



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1 FRAMEWORK TO CLOSE THIS FLOOR AT LEAST IS A START AND I THINK  
2 THAT THAT IS APPRECIATED. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT WE'RE  
3 WAITING FOR SOME ADDITIONAL REPORTS TO OUTLINE HOW WE CAN  
4 ADDRESS THE PEOPLE THAT YOU REPORTED THAT ARE NOT ABLE TO BE  
5 RELEASED OR TRANSFERRED. SO WE'LL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT.  
6 AND I HOPE IN THE NEXT REPORT ALSO THAT JCIT WILL DISCUSS THE  
7 WORK THEY'RE DOING TO ADDRESS THAT POPULATION BY COLLABORATING  
8 WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY AND BETTER A BETTER  
9 CLASSIFICATION TOOL, TO ADDRESS THOSE WHO ARE IN HIGH SECURITY  
10 HOUSING TO MAKE SURE WE'RE NOT OVERCLASSIFYING CERTAIN  
11 POPULATIONS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO SEE I'M GLAD TO SEE, DR. WONG  
12 HERE TODAY. I WANT TO SEE A DEEPER EXPLORATION OF EXPANDING  
13 OUR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND TREATMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY,  
14 BOTH TO SUPPORT PEOPLE WHO WOULD OTHERWISE END UP IN OUR JAILS  
15 AND TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ENTERING A MCJ WITH  
16 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS. I ALSO THINK THERE'S MORE WORK THAT  
17 WE NEED TO DO WITH JCOD, PROBATION, AND OUR CEO TO STAND UP  
18 THE COUNTY'S INDEPENDENT PRETRIAL SERVICE AGENCY, AND I'M  
19 GOING TO ASK YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT LATER. BUT, YEAH, I  
20 THINK IT'S ALWAYS SHOCKING. ALTHOUGH, WE KNOW THAT, OBVIOUSLY,  
21 THE LARGE MAJORITY OF FOLKS WHO ARE IN OUR JAIL ARE PRETRIAL.  
22 SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT, YOU SAY IN YOUR REPORT OF OUR JAIL  
23 POPULATION IS PRETRIAL. AND I THINK THERE'S A FEELING THAT  
24 MANY OF THEM CAN BE AND SHOULD BE SAFELY RELEASED. AND WITH  
25 JCIT'S FRAMEWORK, AND THE FINDINGS WE EXPECT IN SEPTEMBER, I



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1 HOPE WE WILL HAVE A CLEAR PATHWAY FORWARD. AND I WANT THE  
2 PUBLIC TO KNOW, AND THAT'S WHY I THINK ALL THESE REPORTS ARE  
3 IMPORTANT. WE WANT THE PUBLIC TO KNOW THAT WE REMAIN COMMITTED  
4 TO CLOSING MCJ, YOU KNOW, WITHOUT UNNECESSARY DELAY. WE ALL  
5 RECEIVED A LETTER FROM CONTRACT CITIES, EXPRESSING SOME  
6 CONCERN, AND YOU MENTIONED SOME OF THE GROUPS THAT YOU'RE  
7 WORKING WITH. I HOPE YOU CONTINUE TO WORK WITH CONTRACT CITIES  
8 AS WELL. AND I JUST I'M NOT GOING TO SPEAK FOR MY COLLEAGUES,  
9 BUT I WANTED TO RECOMMIT THAT I WANT TO CLOSE THE JAIL, BUT I  
10 CERTAINLY DON'T WANT TO COMPROMISE PUBLIC SAFETY. AND THEY  
11 EXPRESSED A COUPLE THINGS, AND I'M ACCORDING TO YOUR REPORT,  
12 YOU WILL BE EXPLORING PHASED APPROACHES TO JAIL CLOSURE AND  
13 THE CONTINUED OPERATIONS OF EXISTING FACILITIES AS NEEDED,  
14 WHICH IS TWO ITEMS THAT THEY BROUGHT UP TO US. AGAIN,  
15 DISCUSSING THE FRAMEWORK, AND, AGAIN, THESE SEVEN ACTIONS THAT  
16 YOU LAID OUT LAST TIME WILL NOT CLOSE MCJ, BUT EXPANDING THEM  
17 IS, I THINK, THE FOCUS OF WHAT WE'RE DOING, AND THAT'S THE  
18 FOCUS OF THE FIRST-YEAR FUNDING. EXPANDING THEM WILL KEEP US  
19 ON TRACK WHILE WE STILL HAVE TO WORK WITH OUR EXTERNAL  
20 PARTNERS TO IDENTIFY OTHER WAYS TO REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION,  
21 STOP THE INFLOW AND ADOPT BEST PRACTICES THAT REDUCE  
22 RECIDIVISM. THAT'S WHY I INTRODUCED THE MOTION THAT WE'RE  
23 HOLDING, WITH THIS ITEM TO DIRECTING THE CEO TO IDENTIFY THE  
24 \$28,000,000 NEEDED TO FUND THE FIRST YEAR OF JCIT'S FRAMEWORK  
25 AND TO KEEP US ON TRACK, TO CLOSE MCJ. AND, YOU KNOW, AGAIN, I





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1 THINK I SAID LAST TIME, LET'S MAKE SURE THESE NUMBERS IF WE'RE  
2 GOING TO ALL BE LEANING INTO YOUR FRAMEWORK AND THE FUNDING  
3 THAT IT'S GOING TO TAKE TO KEEP US ON TRACK, WE GOT TOMAKE  
4 SURE YOUR NUMBERS ARE ACCURATE. I THINK I SAID THAT LAST TIME.  
5 I WAS HOPING THAT \$24,000,000 HAD BEEN VETTED. WELL,  
6 APPARENTLY, IT HADN'T BEEN BECAUSE NOW IT'S \$28,000,000. BUT  
7 WHEN WE ASKED WHAT THE DIFFERENCE WAS, IT WAS BECAUSE, THE  
8 JCODS RAPID DIVERSION PROGRAM DID NOT INCLUDE THE COST OF  
9 STAFFING FROM OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER, OUR ALTERNATE PUBLIC  
10 DEFENDER, AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND ALL THE PARTNERS  
11 NEEDED TO CARRY OUT THIS PROGRAM. SO THE \$28,000,000, THAT,  
12 I'M ASKING FOR THE FIRST YEAR INCLUDES ALL THOSE COSTS. AND  
13 JUST ON THAT, AND THEN I HAVE A AND, AGAIN, THESE SEVEN  
14 ACTIONS, OUR FRAMEWORK, IS TO LESSEN OUR JAIL POPULATION. AND  
15 THERE ARE PROGRAMS THAT ARE REALLY WORTH INVESTING IN ANYWAY,  
16 BECAUSE THESE ARE THE THINGS THAT WE ACTUALLY BELIEVE CARE  
17 FIRST JAIL LASTS THAT WILL IMPROVE PEOPLE'S LIVES, PROVIDE  
18 THEM WITH THE SERVICES THEY NEED, FOR ALTERNATIVES TO  
19 INCARCERATION. THAT'S REALLY THE FOCUS. SO I KNOW IT'S  
20 SUPPOSED TO GET US TO JAIL CLOSURE, BUT EVEN SO, IT'S PROGRAMS  
21 WE REALLY SHOULD BE INVESTING IN, IN OUR SOCIETY. AND I'M  
22 GOING TO START WITH YOU, MISTER PUBLIC DEFENDER. WHAT DO YOU  
23 HAVE TO SAVE YOURSELF ON THAT? NO. WHAT BUT I THINK THAT WOULD  
24 BE INTERESTING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT THAT EXTRA AND IT  
25 DOESN'T ALL GO TO YOU, BUT THAT EXTRA \$4,000,000 THAT WE'RE



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1 NOW ASKING FOR THE FIRST YEAR, CAN YOU DESCRIBE SOME OF THE,  
2 WHAT YOU DO AND WHY IT'S IMPORTANT, FOR US TO CONTINUE TO  
3 FUND, YOU KNOW, YOUR MISSION AS WELL?

4  
5 **RICARDO GARCIA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU TO THE  
6 BOARD FOR ALLOWING US TO BRING THIS FORTH. IT'S AN IMPORTANT  
7 ISSUE. AND BEFORE I START, I WOULD NOT SAY IT WAS A BOLD STEP  
8 AND CONTINUES TO BE A BOLD STATEMENT WHEN LOS ANGELES SAYS  
9 CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST. AND THE ISSUE FOR US IS THAT ALTERNATE  
10 PUBLIC DEFENDER AND MYSELF, WE'RE THE ONLY AGENCIES IN THIS  
11 COUNTY THAT ACTIVELY REMOVE PEOPLE FROM COUNTY JAIL.  
12 EVERYTHING ELSE THAT WE TALK ABOUT ARE THE PROGRAMS THAT  
13 SURROUND THAT REALITY, WHETHER IT IS RDP OR AN ADDITIONAL  
14 COUNSELING PROGRAM. WHATEVER MAY EXIST, THE PEOPLE ONLY GET  
15 OUT WHEN THEY HAVE AN ATTORNEY. SO WHEN WE HAVE AN ADDITIONAL  
16 PROGRAM OR EXPANSION OF SOMETHING LIKE JCOD'S RDP, THAT  
17 REQUIRES ATTORNEYS TO BE IN COURT TO ADVOCATE FOR THE RELEASE  
18 OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS. BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE IDENTIFIED  
19 BY A SOCIAL WORKER OR BY A PROGRAM AS SOMEONE WHO IS ELIGIBLE  
20 FOR DIVERSION AND NEEDS DIVERSION AND CAN DO DIVERSION, THE  
21 ONLY WAY THE COURT WILL AGREE WITH THAT IS THROUGH THE  
22 ADVERSARIAL PROCESS, A DISCUSSION IN COURT. AND THE ONLY  
23 INDIVIDUALS WHO CAN DO THAT ARE ATTORNEYS. AND SO THAT'S WHAT  
24 THE ADDITIONAL STAFFING NEEDS. IT'S IMPORTANT TO ADD THOSE  
25 STAFFS BECAUSE WE CAN'T HAVE OUR LAWYERS RUNNING AROUND THE



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1 COUNTY TO DECENTRALIZED LOCATIONS BECAUSE THEN WE HAVE THE  
2 WORKLOAD CHALLENGES THAT WE'VE DISCUSSED MANY TIMES. TO GET  
3 MORE PEOPLE OUT OF CUSTODY, WE NEED THOSE ADDITIONAL STAFF  
4 MEMBERS TO ARGUE FOR THE RELEASE. I WILL ADD THOUGH THAT'S  
5 IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE HEAL PROGRAM DOES SOMETHING UNIQUE  
6 TO EXPEDITE THIS PROCESS. AND WHAT THE HEAL PROGRAM ADDS IS  
7 SOCIAL WORKERS WHICH ASSESS THE INDIVIDUALS SO THAT THE  
8 LAWYERS HAVE THE INFORMATION IN A MUCH QUICKER FASHION. AND IN  
9 OUR LATEST REPORT JUST FOR THIS BOARD'S INFORMATION SO YOU  
10 KNOW IT'S WORKING AND YOUR GOAL OF JAILS LAST CARE FIRST  
11 FUNCTIONS, DIVERSION PROGRAMS IN LOS ANGELES HAVE GROWN  
12 EXPONENTIALLY. MORE PEOPLE ARE GETTING DIVERSION TODAY THAN  
13 THEY WERE GETTING TEN YEARS AGO BY EXPONENTIAL NUMBERS. AND SO  
14 IT WORKS WHEN WE HAVE THE RESOURCES TO DO IT, AND THAT'S WHAT  
15 WE NEED.

16  
17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. WILL, CAN YOU EXPAND ON SOMETHING  
18 IN YOUR REPORT, TALKED ABOUT THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK  
19 AND WHAT THEY'RE LOOKING AT AND WHAT INSIGHTS YOU HOPE TO GAIN  
20 FROM THAT THAT MAYBE WE'LL HEAR IN THE SEPTEMBER REPORT?

21  
22 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** SURE. SURE. SO THEY'VE BEEN SUPPORTING  
23 US IN COLLECTING ALL THE INFORMATION THAT WE'VE SHARED OVER  
24 VARIOUS REPORTS, RIGHT, TO WRITE A SOLE HOLISTIC REPORT.  
25 RIGHT? SO ONE OF THE CHALLENGES IN WRITING THESE REPORTS OR IN



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1 PRESENTING THEM IS THAT WE'RE REPORTING ON PROGRESS SINCE THE  
2 LAST REPORT, AND WE'RE TRYING TO PICK THINGS TO HIGHLIGHT. AND  
3 VERY GOOD QUESTIONS COME UP BECAUSE OF THAT, BUT NOW WE CAN  
4 PUT ALL THAT INFORMATION TOGETHER. THEY ARE HELPING US IN  
5 IDENTIFYING BEST PRACTICES. THEY DID COME HERE AND VISIT, THE  
6 JAIL AND WITH MANY OTHER PROGRAMS AND WITH SOME WITH SOME OF  
7 THE PARTNERS LIKE THE COURT. AND SO THEY'RE ALSO ABLE TO SPEAK  
8 TO, YOU KNOW, WHAT THOSE BEST PRACTICES ARE. I'D SAY THE  
9 JURISDICTION THAT IS MOST RELEVANT FOR US TO LOOK AT AS A  
10 COMPARISON IS NEW YORK BECAUSE OF SIZE. RIGHT? AND THEY ALSO  
11 ARE GOING THROUGH JAIL CLOSURE. AND SO THEY CAN BRING THOSE  
12 THAT LENS, AND AS THEY PUT TOGETHER THIS HOLISTIC REPORT  
13 THAT'S GOING TO BRING TOGETHER EVERYTHING WE'VE TALKED ABOUT,  
14 WE CAN PAINT A BETTER PICTURE OF THE FRAMEWORK AND WHAT THE  
15 ELEMENTS ARE THAT ARE NEEDED TO ACHIEVE OUR GOAL.

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** PARTNERING WITH THEM THROUGHOUT THIS WHOLE  
18 PROCESS?

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20 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** I MEAN, WE ARE A PARTNER RIGHT NOW. WE  
21 OBVIOUSLY INCLUDE IN OUR REPORT OUR CONTRACTS. WE HAVE A  
22 CONTRACT WITH THEM NOW. I CAN'T REMEMBER WHEN IT ENDS. WE CAN  
23 LET YOU KNOW. BUT IF THEY'RE INTERESTED, WE WOULD WE WERE  
24 INTERESTED IN CONTINUING. THEY WORK AND SUPPORT THE RIKERS  
25 CLOSED RIKERS EFFORTS. SO, YOU KNOW, THEY BRING THAT



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1 EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE IN THAT LENS.

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3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO YOU THINK SOME OF WHAT THEY'VE FOUND WILL  
4 BE IN YOUR NEXT REPORT? SO WE COULD ALL BE KEPT APPRISED OF  
5 WHAT THEY ARE LOOKING AT, WHAT THEY'RE FINDING, WHAT BEST  
6 PRACTICES ARE.

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8 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** YES.

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10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AGAIN, ABOUT THE 75% OF THE PEOPLE IN THE  
11 JAILS WHO ARE PRETRIAL MHMM. WHAT CAN YOU TELL ME ABOUT THE  
12 COUNTY'S INDEPENDENT PRETRIAL SERVICES AGENCY?

13

14 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** YEAH. AND JCOD IS GOING TO OBVIOUSLY BE  
15 ABLE TO SPEAK TO BETTER ME, BUT JCOD HAS A MODEL THAT THEY PUT  
16 TOGETHER BASED ON YOUR BOARD'S REQUEST, TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO  
17 PEOPLE, THROUGH THEIR JUSTICE CONNECT, RIGHT, FOR PEOPLE WHO  
18 ARE JUSTICE INVOLVED THROUGH THEIR PRETRIAL ARRAIGNMENT  
19 PROGRAM, THEIR JSRP PRETRIAL ARRAIGNMENT. I KNOW THEY'RE ALSO  
20 TRYING TO GET A COURT PROGRAM OFF THE GROUND. WE'VE BEEN  
21 SUPPORTING THEM, AND I'VE HAD SOME CONVERSATIONS WITH THE  
22 PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE, THE D.A. SO THERE'S A LOT OF THE  
23 ELEMENTS THAT ARE BEST PRACTICES IN THEIR MODEL. SOME OF THE  
24 CHALLENGES ARE RELATED TO, YOU KNOW, THE GEOGRAPHICAL NATURE  
25 OF THE COUNTY AND THE BROAD GEOGRAPHICAL NATURE. SO WHERE CAN



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1 WE BE AND HOW MUCH CAN WE BE IN ALL OF THE COURTHOUSES. BUT  
2 THEY ARE PROVIDING SOME SUPPORT. THERE ARE SOME CHALLENGES TO  
3 THEIR WORK. THEY AREN'T ABLE THEY'RE NOT PROBATION, SO THEY'RE  
4 NOT ABLE TO ABLE TO DO SOME OF THE THINGS THAT PROBATION CAN  
5 DO. WE'VE BEEN TALKING WITH THEM AND SOME OTHER PLACES, TO  
6 FIGURE OUT HOW WE CAN --

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8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** ARE THEY AS ROBUST AS THEY SHOULD BE? IT'S  
9 MY UNDERSTANDING THAT AND WAS I GOING TO THROW THIS TO JOE TOO  
10 THAT WHEN WE CREATED JCOD IN THE ORDINANCE, WE WERE GOING TO  
11 BUILD OUT THIS INDEPENDENT PRETRIAL SERVICES AGENCY WITH THE  
12 SUPPORT OF PROBATION FUNDS. WHERE ARE WE WITH THAT? BECAUSE MY  
13 STAFF KIND OF FEELS LIKE IT'S NOT AS ROBUST AS IT SHOULD BE BY  
14 NOW AND THAT THEY'RE YOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM AREN'T  
15 ACTUALLY AS FRUITFUL AS STAGNANT. THAT'S A GOOD WORD.

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17 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** I'LL SPEAK TO THAT PART, THEN,  
18 OBVIOUSLY, THE CEO WILL SPEAK TO THE OTHER PART. BUT I  
19 WOULDN'T SAY THEY'RE NOT FRUITFUL AND

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21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, I JUST MEAN IN TERMS OF THEIR ABILITY  
22 TO DO MORE.

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24 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** YEAH. I THINK THAT IT'S ABOUT CAPACITY,  
25 AND I THINK THEY'RE BUILDING THAT CAPACITY. THEY'VE BEEN



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1 WORKING WITH PARTNERS TO TRY AND DO THAT. SO IT'S A WORK IN  
2 PROGRESS, BUT I DEFINITELY, WE CAN GET THERE. I THINK WE'LL  
3 HAVE TO DEAL WITH, YOU KNOW

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** JOE, WHERE DO YOU WHERE WHAT'S YOUR TAKE ON  
6 THAT? YOU KNOW, THEY YEAH.

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8 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YOU KNOW, CURRENTLY, SUPERVISOR, THE, THE  
9 FOOTPRINT IS FAIRLY LIMITED. SO THEY'RE AT THREE COURTHOUSES.  
10 THEY'RE AT AIRPORT, LANCASTER, AND COMPTON. PART OF THE REASON  
11 IT'S LIMITED IS BECAUSE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY. THEY'VE  
12 RELIED ON WHAT WAS SET ASIDE SPECIFICALLY FOR ALTERNATIVES TO  
13 INCARCERATION, BUT THEY'VE BEEN UNABLE TO EXPAND BEYOND THESE  
14 SITES DUE TO THE LIMITATIONS OF FUNDING. THERE'S ANOTHER  
15 ELEMENT OF IT TOO, WHICH IS, THE INTERPLAY BETWEEN WHAT  
16 PROBATION IS DOING NOW AND WHAT JCOD IS INTENDED TO DO. I HAVE  
17 MET WITH THE PROBATION CHIEF. I'VE MET WITH, JUDGE SONGHAI  
18 ARMSTEAD TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT, GETTING SOME OF THE  
19 DISCUSSIONS THAT THEY'VE BEEN HAVING AROUND TRANSITIONING FROM  
20 MODEL TO A MODEL UNSTUCK. THERE ARE SOME BARRIERS THERE, BUT I  
21 SEE THOSE, AS INSURMOUNTABLE. SO, WITH MAGGIE CARTER HERE  
22 WHO'S SITTING TO MY RIGHT, I THINK WE'RE, THE LAST MONTH OR  
23 SO, WE'VE STARTED TO DIG IN ON HOW WE GET THOSE --

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25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I MEAN, WITH THIS BEING THE LARGEST



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1 POPULATION IN OUR JAILS, IT SHOULDN'T THIS BE, REALLY --

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3 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** WE HAVE A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES.

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I AGREE WITH WE HAVE A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES.  
6 AND, AGAIN, ACCORDING TO MY STAFF, IT JUST FEELS STUCK. IT'S  
7 JUST NOT AS ROBUST AS IT SHOULD BE IF WE'RE EVER GOING TO MEET  
8 THIS FRAMEWORK, THIS TIMELINE.

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10 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** RIGHT. AND I THINK THERE'S TWO I MEAN,  
11 THERE'S TWO THINGS AGAIN. ONE IS FUNDING. THAT'S ALWAYS A  
12 CHALLENGE, BUT IT'S A CHALLENGE THAT WE FACE WHENEVER WE TRY  
13 TO DO ANYTHING NEW. AND TWO IS THE TRANSITION OF SERVICES FROM  
14 PROBATION TO JCOD, AND I THINK THAT'S WHERE THE CURRENT  
15 OPPORTUNITIES ARE. THAT'S WHERE WE'RE DIGGING IN. AND SO WE  
16 AGREE WITH THE BOARD. WE GOT TO GET THAT MOVING. AND SO WE'RE  
17 COMMITTED TO DOING THAT IN THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS.

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** HAS THE HAS THE MONEY CURRENTLY BEEN MOVED  
20 FROM PROBATION TO JCOD?

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22 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** NO. CURRENTLY, THE FUNCTION STILL EXISTS  
23 AT PROBATION. I THINK ONE OF THE ISSUES IS THAT --

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25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY. THAT'S A PROBLEM.





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2 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** RIGHT. I THINK ONE OF THE ISSUES IS TO  
3 FIND OUT WHAT FUNDING IS APPROPRIATE TO MOVE AND WHAT PEOPLE  
4 ARE APPROPRIATE TO MOVE WITH THE FUNDING. THERE'S A LOT OF  
5 DISCUSSIONS BACK AND FORTH ABOUT, THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS  
6 HAVING DIFFERENT VIEWS ON THAT. THAT'S WHY WE'RE STEPPING IN  
7 TO GET THAT DONE.

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, AGAIN, JCIT LIVES IN YOUR WORLD.  
10 REALLY NEEDS YOU TO SEE IF YOU COULD FIGURE OUT HOW TO UN  
11 UNSTICK THIS PIECE OF IT BECAUSE IT'S A PRETTY BIG PIECE, IN  
12 MY OPINION, OF JAIL CLOSURE IS PRETRIAL.

13

14 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** RIGHT. WE'RE AND WE'RE COMMITTED TO DOING  
15 THAT, SUPERVISOR.

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** ALRIGHT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, WILL, AND YOUR  
22 ENTIRE TEAM, AND ACTUALLY ALL THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. I SEE  
23 YOU ALL BEHIND. I SEE THE SHERIFF STANDING BACK THERE,  
24 REPRESENTATIVE STANDING BACK THERE. AND I AM GOING TO HAVE A  
25 QUESTION FOR YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE ONE OF THE SUBJECT MATTER



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1 EXPERTS ON THIS, SO I THINK IT'D BE HELPFUL FOR YOU TO ALSO BE  
2 INCLUDED IN THIS DISCUSSION. I KNOW THE SHERIFF LUNA WAS HERE  
3 EARLIER AND WANTED TO BE A PART OF IT AS WELL. TODAY'S  
4 PRESENTATION CONTINUES TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF  
5 INVESTMENT IN DIVERSION. THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT IT. WE'VE  
6 HAD THIS TALK SINCE I WAS ELECTED IN 2016. ALL ROADS LEAD BACK  
7 TO DIVERSION, BUT THEN THE QUESTION REMAINS, WHO CAN BE PLACED  
8 IN DIVERSION, AND DO WE HAVE TOOK THE ACTION TO ADDRESS  
9 CAPACITY BY WORKING WITH LISA WONG AND HER TEAM, WORKING WITH,  
10 PUBLIC HEALTH, WORKING TO COME UP WITH, BEDS SO THAT WE HAD  
11 SOME PLACE SAFE FOR BOTH THE COMMUNITY BUT ALSO THE INDIVIDUAL  
12 TO BE DIVERTED TO. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE DOWN THAT  
13 PATH, STRENGTH STRENGTHENING OUR CARE SYSTEM. HOWEVER, AT THE  
14 SAME TIME, THIS REPORT'S SIMPLE MATH SHOWS US THESE SEVEN  
15 REQUIRED ACTIONS ALONE ARE NOT ENOUGH TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL  
16 JAIL. THAT IS AND I'M GLAD, WILL, IT CAME FROM YOU BECAUSE I  
17 THINK NOW IT'S BEEN LOOKED AT THROUGH SO MANY EYES THAT IT'S  
18 HARD TO DISPUTE THAT DEPENDING UPON THE NUMBER YOU'RE TALKING  
19 ABOUT, ALL ROADS LEAD BACK TO YOU CAN'T CLOSE FACILITY WITHOUT  
20 SOME SORT OF REPLACEMENT. OR IN THAT'S THOSE ARE MY WORDS, BUT  
21 YOU CAN'T CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AT THIS POINT. I THINK IT'S  
22 FRUSTRATING WHEN YOU LOOK BACK AT THE TIMELINE AND SEE HOW  
23 MANY STUDIES, HOW MANY BOARD LETTERS, HOW MANY MOTIONS HAVE  
24 BEEN PRODUCED ABOUT CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. IT HAS BEEN  
25 STUDIED AND STUDIED AND STUDIED. AND AT SOME POINT, I THINK



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1 THAT STUDIES ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BE POLITICAL WILL TO DO  
2 WHATEVER THIS BOARD CONCLUDES. BUT THAT'S REALLY WHAT IT'S  
3 GOING TO COME DOWN TO BECAUSE YOU CAN PROVIDE US WITH ALL THE  
4 INFORMATION YOU WANT. BUT AS THE ULTIMATE LEADERS AND I LOOK  
5 TO SHERIFF LUNA AS WELL. IF WE'RE NOT WILLING TO PULL THAT  
6 SWITCH, IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. AND, FOR ALL THAT EFFORT,  
7 WE'RE STILL CONFRONTING THE SAME REALITY. MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL  
8 REMAINS OPEN, UNSAFE FOR BOTH THOSE THAT ARE INMATES, BUT ALSO  
9 FOR THE STAFF AND EVEN FOR FAMILIES THAT ARE VISITING, QUITE  
10 FRANKLY. IT IS NOT A SAFE PLACE TO BE. AND SO WE ALL KNOW  
11 THAT. WE ALL AGREE ON THAT, AND WE HAVE YET TO IMPLEMENT A  
12 COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTION THAT ACTUALLY GETS US TO CLOSURE. THIS  
13 IS BY NO MEANS A CRITICISM OF YOU, WILL, AT ALL NOR YOUR TEAM  
14 BECAUSE IT IS, FOR ME, A REFLECTION OF HOW COMPLEX THIS  
15 DISCUSSION HAS BECOME. AND I WOULD EVEN ARGUE HAS BECOME BUT  
16 HAS ALWAYS BEEN, BUT IT'S SIMPLER TO SAY CLOSE IT AND MAKE IT  
17 GO AWAY WITHOUT REALLY DISSECTING ALL THE COMPLEXITIES THAT GO  
18 INTO WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. I LOOKED TO DR. BELAVICH, OVER  
19 THERE STANDING AGAINST THE WALL. HE'S ALSO A SUBJECT EXPERT  
20 BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, HE'S SEEING THE PATIENTS THAT  
21 OR THE INMATES THAT ARE COMING IN PATIENTS THAT ARE COMING IN  
22 A LOT SICKER, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, OLDER, AND WE'RE PLACING THEM  
23 IN A SITUATION THAT I WOULD IF IT WAS MY LOVED ONE, I WOULD  
24 SAY ACCELERATED. WHAT MAY HAVE BEEN AN INEVITABLE, BUT  
25 ACCELERATED, EITHER ILLNESS OR DEATH. SO WE KNOW WHAT NEEDS TO



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1 BE DONE. AND, TO ME, IT HAS NEVER BEEN AN EITHER OR. NEVER.  
2 AGAIN, BEFORE I WAS ELECTED, AND I REMEMBER D.A. LACEY  
3 BRINGING FORWARD DIVERSION, A BOOK FOCUSED ON THIS, AND THERE  
4 WERE SOME THAT THAT WERE SAYING, OH MY GOD. YOU CAN'T DIVERT.  
5 YOU CAN'T. HOW CAN YOU DO THAT? WELL, YOU CAN, AND WE HAVE.  
6 BUT WHAT I'VE LEARNED IS NOT EVERYBODY IS GOING TO BE DIVERTED  
7 INTO THE COMMUNITY. AND ANOTHER TRUSTED PARTNER THAT SHOULD BE  
8 HERE ARE THE COURTS BECAUSE I HEAR WHAT YOU'RE SAYING ABOUT PD  
9 AND APD, AND YOU CAN ADVOCATE IN THE COURT. BUT IF THE JUDGE  
10 IS NOT WILLING TO SIGN OFF ON THAT DIVERSION, IT'S NOT GOING  
11 TO HAPPEN. AND IF WE DON'T FIND OUT WHAT EXACTLY ARE THE  
12 IMPEDIMENTS FOR THE COURTS TO FEEL COMFORTABLE DIVERTING MANY  
13 OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT I'VE EVEN HEARD SAID THAT THIS PERSON  
14 SHOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR DIVERSION, AND THEN WHEN THEY GO INTO  
15 COURT, THE JUDGE DENIES IT FOR REASONS WHICH ONE COULD ARGUE,  
16 UPON WHICH WHETHER YOU'RE ON THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR THE D.A.  
17 SIDE, ARE VALID REASONS. SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO  
18 EMPHASIZE THE COURT'S ROLE. THE COURT HAS ITS OWN FINANCIAL  
19 CHALLENGES AS WE KNOW, AND I KNOW THAT IT'S NOW UNDER THE  
20 STATE, BUT IT SEEMS TO BE OUR BECOME OUR PROBLEM, AND  
21 THEREFORE, MAY NOT BE ABLE TO MEET THE TIMELINE THIS FRAMEWORK  
22 REQUIRES, WHICH IS UNFORTUNATE. MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE CANNOT  
23 FORGET THE JUDGES MAINTAIN THEIR JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE WHEN IT  
24 COMES TO PUBLIC SAFETY. WE CANNOT LET THAT GET LOST IN THIS  
25 DISCUSSION. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT AS MUCH AS THIS EFFORT IS



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1 LED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, THE IMPACT OF CLOSURE IS FELT  
2 BEYOND THE COUNTY FAMILY. YOU KNOW, THE CONTRACT CITIES THAT  
3 SUPERVISOR HAHN HIGHLIGHTED THEIR LETTER ISN'T CONTAIN AN  
4 IMPORTANT POINT. LOCAL CITIES AND OTHER NON-COUNTY AGENCIES  
5 ARE ALSO PARTNERS IN THIS DIALOGUE. I HOPE THEIR VOICES ALSO  
6 ARE BEING RECOGNIZED AND INCLUDED BECAUSE AGAIN, SOMETIMES IT  
7 HELPS TO HEAR FROM A LOT OF DIFFERENT PEOPLE AND, WELL, I KNOW  
8 IT CAN BE OVERWHELMING, BUT THEN YOU CAN ENCAPSULATE. AND  
9 THERE'S USUALLY COMMON GROUND SOMEWHERE. AND SO TO THE TO THE  
10 SHERIFF, I ASK YOU THIS AS REPRESENTATIVE OF SHERIFF LUNA  
11 TODAY. YOU KNOW, I'VE TALKED TO HIM ABOUT HIS CONCERNS ABOUT  
12 MEN CENTRAL FOR EVERY DAY THAT IT'S OPEN. IT'S LIKE A TIME  
13 BOMB TICKING. DID HE LEAVE YOU WITH ANY WORDS FOR THIS BOARD  
14 TODAY? BECAUSE I KNOW HE WANTED TO BE HERE TO TALK ABOUT IT,  
15 BUT HE HAD TO TAKE OFF. IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT TO ADD  
16 BASED ON WHAT WE'RE HEARING TODAY IN THIS REPORT?

17  
18 **HUGO MACIAS:** SO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY, SUPERVISOR.  
19 AND, YES, THE SHERIFF IS IN FULL SUPPORT OF SAFE DIVERSION.  
20 HE'S ALWAYS MADE IT VERY CLEAR, EVEN TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S  
21 COMMENTS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO ADVOCATE. WE ARE CONTINUOUSLY  
22 TO BE A PARTNER WITH THEM. THE SHERIFF HAS DIRECTED US TO WORK  
23 WITH JCID AND ALL THE OTHER PARTNERS TO IDENTIFY SOLUTIONS TO  
24 SAFELY DIVERT PEOPLE INTO THE COMMUNITY. BUT HE'S ALSO  
25 ELEVATED THE FACT THAT HE HAS A LEGAL AND A MORAL OBLIGATION



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1 TO PROVIDE A CONSTITUTIONAL LEVEL OF CARE FOR THOSE  
2 INDIVIDUALS, TO YOUR POINT, THAT ARE REMANDED TO OUR CARE. NOT  
3 ONLY TO MEET SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS, BUT TO ALSO SERVE THE  
4 POPULATION THAT IS MORE FRAGILE TODAY THAN IT'S EVER BEEN. SO  
5 WE SIMPLY WANT TO PROVIDE A FACILITY THAT'S CONDUCIVE TO BEST  
6 CARES AT BEST STANDARDS.

7  
8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND SO I THINK MOVING FORWARD AGAIN,  
9 WILL, YOU KNOW, ACTUALLY HAVING THIS DISCUSSION, UNDER YOUR  
10 LEADERSHIP IS A STEP FORWARD. FOR A WHILE, WE WERE FLOUNDERING  
11 IN TERMS OF WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO. SO I THINK THIS  
12 DISCUSSION IS VERY GOOD, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO  
13 RECOGNIZE IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN OVERNIGHT. SUPERVISOR HAHN  
14 SAID IT ABSOLUTELY CORRECT. IT'S DISAPPOINTING THAT, YOU KNOW,  
15 EIGHT, NINE WHEN DID WE VOTE TO CLOSE IT? IT WAS NO MORE THAN  
16 FIVE. BUT WE VOTED TO CLOSE IT IN FIVE YEARS OVER FIVE YEARS  
17 AGO. AND WE'RE NOW FIVE YEARS OUT, PROBABLY SIX, MAYBE SEVEN.  
18 WHICH TELLS YOU HOW COMPLEX THE ISSUE IS. JOE, THIS QUESTION  
19 IS FOR YOU, BECAUSE IT HAS TO DO WITH MONEY. WE HAVE THE  
20 FRAMEWORK BEFORE US ALONG WITH THE MOTION REQUESTING YOU  
21 IDENTIFY \$28,000,000 WITHIN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. WHERE DO  
22 YOU BELIEVE THAT MONEY SHOULD COME FROM, OR WHERE WILL IT COME  
23 FROM?

24  
25 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YOU KNOW, LET ME TAKE A STEP BACK BEFORE



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1 I ANSWER THAT THAT SPECIFIC QUESTION. SORT OF LAYOUT

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** CHICKEN.

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5 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** THE PARDON ME?

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7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** I SAID CHICKEN.

8

9 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** CHICKEN. I MEAN, A PART OF THIS IS JUST  
10 UNDERSTANDING WHAT WILL HAS PUT BEFORE THE BOARD. HE'S PUT  
11 BEFORE THE BOARD TWO MAJOR COMPONENTS. ONE IS A ONE IS A  
12 DEPOPULATION COMPONENT. THIS IS THE FIVE-YEAR RAMP UP THAT HE  
13 HAS IN HIS REPORT, WHICH INCLUDES THE 28,000,000 IN YEAR ONE.  
14 AND ONE IS A FACILITIES COMPONENT, WHICH IS STILL UNDERGOING  
15 ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS, BUT HE'S IDENTIFIED TWO PARTS THAT RELATE  
16 TO FACILITIES. ONE IS, GETTING PEOPLE OUT OF MCJ AND MOVING  
17 THEM TO OTHER PARTS OF THE JAIL FACILITY TO OTHER APPROPRIATE  
18 PLACES THAT WE CAN HOUSE THOSE FOLKS. THAT'S THE PDC PROJECT.  
19 THAT WOULD BE 600 BEDS THAT WE CAN MOVE AND THE NORTH-COUNTY  
20 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY PROJECT THAT WOULD ADD ANOTHER 450.  
21 BEYOND THAT, HE'S ALSO IDENTIFIED IN THE FIRST REPORT THE NEED  
22 TO LOOK AT THE REPLACEMENT OF SOME BEDS THAT ARE EXCLUSIVE TO  
23 MCJ. THESE ARE FOR HIGH SECURITY FOLKS. CURRENTLY, THERE'S A  
24 THOUSAND BEDS. I THINK THE NUMBER IS NEEDS FURTHER ANALYSIS  
25 FOR REPLACEMENT. BUT ALL OF THESE COMPONENTS AND THERE'S SOME



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1 OTHER FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE FIRST REPORT, AND I'LL JUST  
2 SAY IT TOTALS UP TO ANOTHER 1,500,000,000. ALL OF THESE  
3 COMPONENTS TOGETHER ARE THE PUZZLE PIECES OF A PLAN, AND I  
4 DON'T KNOW THAT WE HAVE ALL OF THE PUZZLE PIECES ON THE TABLE  
5 YET. I THINK WE'LL GET WE MIGHT GET THERE BY SEPTEMBER. SO  
6 WHEN I THINK ABOUT FUNDING SUPERVISOR, I THINK WHAT I WOULD  
7 LIKE TO SEE IS I'D LIKE TO KNOW ALL THE PUZZLE PIECES BECAUSE  
8 I WANT TO KNOW HOW THEY FIT TOGETHER, AND I WANT TO COME TO  
9 THE BOARD OF THE TRANSPARENT FUNDING PLAN FOR HOW WE GET  
10 THERE. I THINK WILL HAS EMPHASIZED A NUMBER OF TIMES. THIS  
11 ISN'T A SINGLE INVESTMENT. IF THE BOARD PASSES THE MOTION  
12 TODAY AND I COME BACK TO YOU ALL WITH SOLUTIONS FOR, FINDING  
13 THE 28,000,000 IN SUPPLEMENTAL, PROBABLY WILL BE A COMBINATION  
14 OF FUNDING SOURCES. I'M GOING TO LOOK AT NCC. I'M GOING TO  
15 LOOK AT CFCI. I'M GOING TO LOOK AT AB 109. I'M GOING TO LOOK  
16 AT OTHER PLAY YOU KNOW, THE VARIOUS FUNDING SOURCES WE USE FOR  
17 OUR SAFETY. FOR THESE TYPES OF PROGRAMS AND FOR PUBLIC SAFETY.  
18 I WILL BE FOCUSED ON ONGOING MONEY. WE HAVE DONE SO MUCH WITH  
19 ONE TIME MONEY OVER THE LAST FOUR OR FIVE YEARS OUT OF  
20 NECESSITY JUST TO KEEP THINGS MOVING, BUT THAT IS NOT  
21 SUSTAINABLE WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT A LONG-TERM PLAN. SO I'LL BE  
22 LOOKING AT, YOU KNOW, WHAT ONGOING MONEY IS AVAILABLE TO  
23 SUSTAIN THAT INVESTMENT, UNDERSTANDING THAT IT IS WHAT I  
24 REALLY WOULD LIKE TO SEE IS ALL OF THE PUZZLE PIECES, A PLAN  
25 TO CLOSE THE JAIL REGARDLESS OF IF IT'S FIVE YEARS, SIX YEARS,





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1 SEVEN YEARS. AND THEN A TRANSPARENT FUNDING STRATEGY FOR YOU  
2 ALL, WHICH MIGHT INCLUDE, YOU KNOW, WHAT WE ALLOCATE IN FUTURE  
3 YEARS. IT MIGHT INCLUDE DEBT SERVICE. IT MIGHT INCLUDE VARIOUS  
4 DIFFERENT FUNDING STRATEGIES THAT WE'D HAVE TO PUT ON THE  
5 TABLE.

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7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. BECAUSE, I MEAN, I THINK TO  
8 MYSELF, AND I'LL JUST CLOSE WITH THIS. I THINK OF HOW MUCH  
9 MONEY WE'RE SPENDING AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL JUST TO MAINTAIN IT  
10 AT SLUMLORD STANDARDS, AND THE COST IS FAR GREATER THAN IT  
11 WOULD BE IN A STATE OF THE ART WHATEVER, WHICH I DON'T SEE  
12 HAPPENING IN FIVE YEARS. SO I HAVE TO WONDER EVEN BY THE  
13 CLOSURES THAT YOU TALK ABOUT, THERE'S GOING TO BE COST SAVINGS  
14 BY ELIMINATING SOME OF THE NEEDS IN THOSE AREAS THAT I'M SURE  
15 ARE COSTING MORE THAN WOULD BE NECESSARY IF IT WAS A STATE-OF-  
16 THE-ART FACILITY. THAT'S NOT TO SAY THAT THAT IT'S GOING TO BE  
17 ENOUGH TO PATCH TOGETHER WHAT'S NECESSARY, BUT THERE'S NO  
18 QUESTION IN MY MIND. AND, AGAIN, I ALWAYS LOOK TO DR. BELAVICH  
19 BECAUSE I GET HIS REPORTS WHENEVER SOMEONE'S HURT OR DIES. AND  
20 YOU FEEL THE COMPASSION, BUT ALSO THE FRUSTRATION. AND I'M  
21 PUTTING WORDS IN YOUR ON YOUR WELL, I'M READING IN BETWEEN THE  
22 LINES WHEN YOU WRITE WHEN YOU WRITE THESE TO US. WE CAN DO  
23 BETTER, AND WE HAVE TO DO BETTER. IT IS MORALLY AND ETHICALLY  
24 THE RIGHT THING TO DO. AND TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION AND MAKE  
25 TOUGH DECISIONS MOVING FORWARD IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IF, GOD



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1 FORBID, WE DON'T REPLACE OR WE DON'T LOOK AT ALTERNATIVES FOR  
2 THOSE THAT NEED CRITICAL CARE, LISA WONG, IN THE IN MENTAL  
3 HEALTH, THEN WE'RE GOING TO BE PUTTING THE INDIVIDUAL IN A  
4 SITUATION WHERE THEY MAY END UP BACK IN OUR SYSTEM FOR  
5 COMMITTING A CRIME THAT IF NOT ON THE STREET, WE WOULDN'T BE  
6 ABLE TO TREAT THEM AND POSSIBLY STABILIZE AND GET THEM INTO A  
7 STABLE ENVIRONMENT WHERE THEY WOULDN'T. BUT THAT'S WHAT IF  
8 THAT COULD HAPPEN. AND, SO WITH THAT, I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS  
9 DISCUSSION MOVING FORWARD, BUT I ALSO WITH ACTION, WITH A  
10 SENSE OF URGENCY, WITH THE RECOGNITION THAT YOU'RE NOT GOING  
11 TO MAKE EVERYONE HAPPY. KNOW THERE'S ADVOCATES HERE WHO WANT  
12 THE JAIL CLOSED DOWN TOMORROW. WE ALL VOTED TO DO THAT. I  
13 ACTUALLY PUSHED IT A COUPLE YEARS AGO AND SAID, CLOSE IT,  
14 KNOWING THAT YOU COULDN'T CLOSE WITHOUT SOME PLACE TO PUT THE  
15 INDIVIDUALS. SO WITH THE WITH THE ADVOCATES, I DO AGREE WE  
16 NEED TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. ABSOLUTELY. THE QUESTION IS  
17 WHAT NEXT? THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

18  
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

20  
21 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I TOO WANT TO  
22 ACKNOWLEDGE, THERE NOW APPEARS TO BE AT LEAST A POTENTIAL  
23 AVENUE FOR CLOSING ONE FLOOR WITHIN MCJ SOONER THAN THE  
24 TIMELINES THAT WERE REFERENCED EARLIER WHEN WE WERE ALL  
25 TOGETHER LAST FALL TALKING ABOUT THE PROPOSED PDC SOUTH



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1 RENOVATION. I HAD ASKED WHETHER THERE COULD BE A COMMITMENT TO  
2 CLOSING UNITS OF FOUR FLOORS ON MCJ. THE ANSWER WAS NO AT THAT  
3 TIME. SO I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT THAT ANSWER HAS CHANGED NOT ONLY  
4 BECAUSE OF THE WORK OF JCID AND THE PUSHING, BUT ALSO THE  
5 WILLINGNESS OF SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO GET THERE. SO I JUST  
6 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE WHAT IT WHAT IT TOOK TO WRITE THAT IN THIS  
7 REPORT. SO WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO TO TURN IT FROM A LIE  
8 SOMETHING IN A REPORT TO AN ACTION ITEM TO ACTUALLY GETTING IT  
9 DONE?

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11 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** IS THAT FOR ME OR FOR --

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I'LL START WITH THE SHERIFF'S  
14 DEPARTMENT.

15

16 **HUGO MACIAS:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. AND JUST  
17 TO BE CLEAR, AS WILL INDICATED, WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH  
18 SCENARIOS AS TO BEST, REALLOCATE PERSONNEL PERHAPS, OR DIVERSE  
19 AND DISPERSE THEM WITHIN THE SAME FACILITY TO MINIMIZE  
20 OVERTIME. BUT EVEN THESE CLOSURES, AS WILL HAS INDICATED,  
21 THEY'RE NOT GUARANTEED, RIGHT? WE HAVE SO MANY OBSTACLES THAT  
22 WE ARE WILLING TO CLOSE DOWN A SECTOR OF THE FACILITY, BUT IF  
23 POPULATION INCREASES OR THE NEEDS ARE THERE, THOSE PLACES WILL  
24 BE REOCCUPIED. AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH OUR JUSTICE  
25 PARTNERS AND ALL THE PARTNERS INVOLVED WITHIN THE COUNTY



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1 SOLUTIONS FOR DIVERSION WHILE AT THE SAME TIME ADDRESSING THE  
2 NEEDS FOR THOSE THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN OUR SYSTEM.

3  
4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY. SO WHAT I READ IN THE REPORT IS  
5 THAT IT'S POSSIBLE TO CLOSE THE FLOOR, BUT WHAT I THINK I JUST  
6 HEARD YOU SAY IS IT'S NOT LIKELY TO --

7  
8 **HUGO MACIAS:** I THINK THAT'S REFLECTED ON WILL, BUT I DON'T  
9 WANT TO SPEAK FOR YOU, SIR.

10  
11 **DR. WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** OKAY. YEAH. I MEAN, I THINK GOING  
12 BACK TO JUST THE GENERAL CONVERSATION. RIGHT? THE JAIL NEEDS  
13 TO BE CLOSED. EVERYBODY AGREES. AND WE AS SUPERVISOR HAHN  
14 MENTIONED, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FOR A PLAN. IT'S HARD  
15 TO WE CAN GIVE YOU THE ELEMENTS OF IT, BUT IT'S HARD TO SPEAK  
16 TO WHAT WILL HAPPEN. SO TO THE TO ASSISTANT SHERIFF MACIAS'  
17 POINT, WHEN THEY CAME UP WITH A PLAN, IT'S LIKE WE'RE WILLING  
18 TO DO THIS, BUT WE WANT TO BE CLEAR. WE CAN DO THIS WITH THESE  
19 CAVEATS. BUT IF SOMETHING HAPPENS IN A YEAR OR TWO YEAR FROM  
20 NOW, WE MAY HAVE TO FILL THOSE FLOORS. SO IT ISN'T THAT THERE  
21 ISN'T A COMMITMENT. IT'S JUST THAT SOMEBODY'S SAYING WE CAN'T  
22 SAY WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IN IN TWO YEARS OR A YEAR.

23  
24 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** BUT I'M ASKING YOU TO TRY. SO IF YOU  
25 TRY, WHAT IS THE TIMELINE?



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2 **DR. WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** SO SHE'S SAYING IT --

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4 **HUGO MACIAS:** YES. I MEAN, WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE TIMELINE. I  
5 CAN'T SPEAK OF THAT AS WELL AS INDICATED. THERE'S MANY  
6 ENTITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY SYSTEM THAT NEED TO BE BUILT OUT  
7 AND ROBUST IN ORDER TO PRODUCE THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS NOT  
8 BEING REMANDED TO OUR CARE TO A LEVEL THAT DOESN'T REQUIRE  
9 THAT HOUSING. SO AS WILL INDICATED, THE PROPOSAL IS TO DIVERT  
10 WITHIN THE SYSTEM A THOUSAND INDIVIDUALS TO OUR NORTHERN  
11 CAMPUS. HOWEVER, SHOULD ALL THE POSITIONS THAT HE'S ELEVATED  
12 TODAY NOT COME TO FRUITION, THEN IF THE POPULATION CONTINUES  
13 TO INCREASE, THEN WE'LL HAVE TO REOCCUPY THOSE AREAS.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO CAN WE START DOING THAT PROCESS  
16 TODAY?

17

18 **HUGO MACIAS:** NO. BECAUSE AS WILL INDICATED, IT REQUIRES A  
19 BUILT OUT OF THE FACILITIES AT SOUTH FACILITY. IT REQUIRES AN  
20 URGENT CARE, AND IT REQUIRES STAFFING FROM DR. BELOVICH'S  
21 SIDE, WHICH I'D RATHER HAVE HIM SPEAK ON THAT. AND, WE ALSO  
22 HAVE TO INCREASE OUR STAFFING TO PRODUCE STAFFING TO ADDRESS  
23 THE AREAS THAT WILL IS PROPOSING TO OPEN AT SOUTH FACILITY AND  
24 PORTION A AT NCCF THAT CURRENTLY DOES NOT HAVE ANY INDIVIDUALS  
25 HOUSED AT THOSE FACILITIES.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** UNDERSTOOD. SO I GUESS WHAT WE HAVE  
3 EXPERIENCED OVER THE NUMBER OF YEARS THAT WE'VE BEEN TAUGHT  
4 AND I'M NEWEST TO THE CONVERSATION, BUT STILL YEARS FOR ME TOO  
5 IS WHEN WE ASK THAT QUESTION, OKAY. AND THEN WHAT? THEN IT'S  
6 WELL, WE CAN DO THIS, BUT SOMEBODY ELSE HAS TO DO THAT. AND  
7 WHAT ULTIMATELY HAPPENS IS SORT OF A, YOU KNOW, IT WELL, IT'S  
8 SOMEBODY ELSE'S THING AND IT'S SOMEBODY ELSE'S THING AND IT'S  
9 SOMEBODY ELSE'S THING AND NOW WE HAVE A REPORT.

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11 **DR. WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** I CAN SPEAK TO THAT. SO --

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY.

14

15 **DR. WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** WE HAVE TO THE POINT ABOUT THE  
16 URGENT CARE. WE WENT UP WE MET WITH DR. STANLEY FROM CHS,  
17 SPOKE WITH DR. BELAVICH AND DR. HENDERSON, SPOKE WITH THE  
18 RELEVANT SHERIFF'S PEOPLE. WE WENT AND WALKED THE ACTUAL  
19 URGENT CARE AT TWIN TOWERS TO GET A FEEL FOR WHAT IT WOULD BE  
20 BECAUSE WE WERE TOLD WE NEED TO HAVE THE SIMILAR FACILITY ON  
21 THE PITCHERS CAMPUS. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING AT A  
22 POTENTIAL SITE FOR THE URGENT CARE. OBVIOUSLY, THE PDC STAFF,  
23 I'M GOING TO LEAVE TO MAGGIE BECAUSE SHE CAN SPEAK TO THAT. SO  
24 THERE ARE THINGS IN PROGRESS AROUND THIS, SO IT'S NOT LIKE IT  
25 HASN'T STARTED. AND I'LL LET THE SHERIFF SPEAK TO STAFFING AND



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1 THE CHALLENGES THERE. BUT SO IT ISN'T THAT NO ONE'S SAYING  
2 EVERYBODY'S JUST SAYING, OH, SOMEBODY ELSE WILL DO IT. WE'RE  
3 TALKING TOGETHER. WE'RE LOOKING AT WHAT THE URGENT CARE WOULD  
4 LOOK LIKE IN TERMS OF COST, OPTIONS, HIGHER COST, LOWER COST.  
5 SO WE ARE DOING THINGS. I WANT TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THAT. AND  
6 OKAY. I'LL LET MAGGIE SPEAK TO IT.

7

8 **MAGGIE CARTER:** IF I MAY JUST TO THIS IS MAGGIE CARTER. IF I  
9 CAN JUST TIE A COUPLE OF THINGS TOGETHER. I DO THINK YOUR  
10 BOARD HAS ALREADY STARTED ON THIS CONCEPT OF CLOSING THE 9000  
11 FLOOR WITH THE PDC SOUTH RENOVATION. AND I THINK THE ROUGH  
12 SEQUENCING WOULD SORT OF GO AS FOLLOWS. PDC SOUTH IS CURRENTLY  
13 IN THE DESIGN PHASE. WE'RE HOPING FOR 2028. IT COULD GO TO  
14 2029. YOUR BOARD WILL HAVE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THAT WHEN  
15 THE PROJECT COMES BACK TO YOU TO MOVE FROM THE DESIGN AND  
16 PRECONSTRUCTION PHASE TO CONSTRUCTION, AND THERE'LL BE SOME  
17 DECISION POINTS AT THAT POINT FOR YOUR BOARD. SO THAT PROJECT  
18 HAS ALREADY STARTED AND IS IN THE DESIGN PHASE, AND IT IS SORT  
19 OF RELIANT ON SOME MODULES THAT ARE CURRENTLY NOT FULLY  
20 UTILIZED AT NCCF, WHICH IS ALSO IN IN CASTAIC. SO THE IDEA  
21 WOULD BE THAT, YOU KNOW, AS THAT PROJECT GOES FORWARD, SOME  
22 PEOPLE WOULD FLOW FROM NCCF TO OR FROM PDC SOUTH TO NCCF SO  
23 THAT THE CONSTRUCTION COULD HAPPEN AT PDC SOUTH. AND THEN WHEN  
24 IT'S ALL FINISHED IN 2028, 2029, THE GOAL WOULD BE TO VACATE  
25 THE 9000 FLOOR AT THAT POINT BY MOVING FOLKS, INTO PDC SOUTH.



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1 PDC SOUTH WOULD NOW BE APPROPRIATE FOR 600 MOH MEN AND 600 LOW  
2 SECURITY GP MEN, AND THEN THAT RENOVATION BEING FULLY COMPLETE  
3 WOULD ALLOW ABOUT ENOUGH PEOPLE TO VACATE MCJ TO CLOSE THE  
4 9000 FLOOR.

5  
6 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** BY 2028.

7  
8 **MAGGIE CARTER:** BUT TO MAKE IT WORK, THERE'S THIS OTHER  
9 COMPONENT OF THE URGENT CARE THAT IT THAT WAS IN JC'S REPORT,  
10 AND THAT IS STILL BEING FULLY FLESHED OUT THE WAY THAT WILL  
11 JUST DESCRIBED. AND THE REASON THAT'S AN IMPORTANT PIECE IS  
12 BECAUSE WE'RE NOW GOING TO HAVE MORE POPULATION IN CASTAIC  
13 THAT NEEDS CARE AND THAT NEEDS RESPONSES. AND CURRENTLY, WE  
14 DON'T HAVE A COUNTY HOSPITAL IN THAT AREA, AND WE DON'T HAVE  
15 AN URGENT CARE IN THE JAIL FACILITIES UP THERE. SO THE IDEA  
16 THAT LASD AND CHS HAS COME UP WITH JCIT THAT EVERYBODY IS  
17 STILL FIGURING OUT IS WHAT EXACTLY WOULD THAT PART LOOK LIKE.  
18 AND I THINK THAT THAT'S STILL A LITTLE BIT TBD, BUT THE GOAL  
19 WOULD BE TO DO BOTH PIECES SO THAT WE CAN NOT JUST DO THE  
20 RENOVATION FOR PDC SOUTH FOR THE MOH MEN, BUT VACATE A WHOLE  
21 FLOOR OF MCJ. AND I THINK THAT'S THE HOPE AND THE PLAN AND THE  
22 COMMITMENT. I THINK THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES REALLY  
23 WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE CAVEATS THAT BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO BE  
24 THEY WILL ALWAYS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO HOUSE PEOPLE AS  
25 BEST THEY CAN IF THEIR POPULATION GOES UP, BUT I THINK THAT'S





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1 THE OVERARCHING IDEA. AND THE PDC SOUTH PACE IS ALREADY IN  
2 UNDERWAY IN THE DESIGN PHASE. THE URGENT CARE PIECE NEEDS A  
3 LITTLE BIT MORE FLESHING OUT, BUT, AGAIN, I THINK THE HOPE IS  
4 IT HAPPENS IN PARALLEL.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** UNDERSTOOD. SO 2028?

7

8 **MAGGIE CARTER:** I'M PUSHING FOR 2028. OUR COLLEAGUES AT DPW,  
9 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, CHS, AND OUR ARCHITECTURAL  
10 ENGINEERING, VENDORS ALL KNOW I'M PUSHING HARD FOR 2028, BUT  
11 THEY ARE TELLING ME IT COULD GO TO 2029.

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OK. I'M JUST TRYING TO GET US TO SOME  
14 CONCRETE BENCHMARKS.

15

16 **MAGGIE CARTER:** 100%.

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18 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I DON'T KNOW THAT I LOVE THAT ANSWER,  
19 BUT IT'S CLEARER THAN A HOPE AND A PRAYER AND A YOU KNOW,  
20 WE'RE I THINK WE'RE WHAT YOU'RE HEARING IS WE'RE ALL TRYING TO  
21 GET TO SOMETHING THAT'S MORE CONCRETE. AND I UNDERSTAND. I  
22 DON'T MEAN TO SUGGEST THAT PEOPLE AREN'T TAKING IT SERIOUSLY.  
23 I THINK IT'S JUST DIFFICULT FOR US WHEN WE GET TO A PLACE  
24 WHERE, YOU KNOW, I CAN DO THIS PART, BUT I CAN'T DO THAT PART.  
25 AND, YOU KNOW, WE UNDERSTAND THAT. THAT'S WHY ALL OF YOU ARE



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1 HERE. AND SO WE I WANT US ALL TO FIGURE OUT, YOU KNOW WHAT  
2 THAT ACTION PLAN IS SO WE CAN PUT OURSELVES ON THAT TIMELINE.  
3 I UNDERSTAND THAT NOT EVERYTHING MIGHT HAPPEN PERFECTLY AS,  
4 YOU KNOW, AS WE ROLL IT OUT, BUT WE HAVE TO MAKE PROGRESS. AND  
5 I, YOU KNOW, I HEARD A DESIRE FROM MY COLLEAGUES, YOU KNOW,  
6 GETTING THE PRETRIAL MOVEMENT, OF DEPARTMENTS UNSTUCK. I HEARD  
7 THE CEO'S RESPONSE A BIT TO THAT. BUT I ALSO KNOW THAT WITH  
8 THE KOWALCZYK DECISION, THERE'S GOING TO BE A PERIOD OF TIME  
9 WHERE, WE'RE GOING TO BE EXPECTED TO BE IN COMPLIANCE. AND SO  
10 WHAT IS OUR PLAN TO BE IN COMPLIANCE FOR PRETRIAL?

11  
12 **MAGGIE CARTER:** I THINK I UNDERSTOOD YOUR QUESTION AS WHAT  
13 WHAT'S OUR PLAN TO BE IN COMPLIANCE SOONER THAN CLOSING MCJ?  
14 BUT, PLEASE

15  
16 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** WELL, THE KOWALCZYK DECISION IS IN  
17 EFFECT AS OF NOW, AS I UNDERSTAND IT. AND SO THERE'S A PERIOD  
18 OF TIME WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE EXPECTED TO BE IN COMPLIANCE  
19 WITH THAT COURT DECISION. SO WE HAVE TO BE BUILDING OUT OUR  
20 PRETRIAL SYSTEM. SO I GUESS I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT ARE  
21 WE ACTIVELY DOING TODAY BECAUSE IT IS INEVITABLE THAT AT SOME  
22 POINT, WE'RE GOING TO, AS A COUNTY, BE LOOKED AT TO BE ABLE TO  
23 IMPLEMENT THAT.

24  
25 **MAGGIE CARTER:** THANKS SO MUCH FOR THAT CLARIFICATION,

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1 SUPERVISOR. I THINK I UNDERSTAND THAT A LITTLE BIT BETTER. MY  
2 UNDERSTANDING OF THE KOWALCZYK DECISION IS THAT IT IS ACTIVELY  
3 PLAYING OUT NOW IN OUR COURTS BECAUSE IT REQUIRES COURTS TO  
4 RELEASE PEOPLE PRETRIAL, IF THE BAIL AMOUNT THAT THEY WOULD  
5 PAY, IS MORE THAN THEY CAN AFFORD TO PAY. SO BAIL CAN'T BE SET  
6 MORE THAN SOMEONE CAN AFFORD TO PAY IT. SO OUR JUSTICE PARTNER  
7 COLLEAGUES IN APD, PD, AND D.A. ARE LITIGATING THAT NOW EVERY  
8 DAY IN THEIR CASES, AND IT MAY BE THAT WE'RE SEEING MORE  
9 RELEASES. WE'RE NOT SURE YET, AND THAT'S SORT OF THE  
10 UNCERTAINTY THAT WILL WAS TALKING ABOUT IN HIS ANALYSIS,  
11 RIGHT, THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE REFRESHING PERIODICALLY WHY  
12 THE PRETRIAL POPULATION HAS GONE DOWN RECENTLY. I THINK WE  
13 HOPE IT'S PARTLY DUE TO KOWALCZYK AND THAT WE'LL THEREFORE SEE  
14 MORE OF THOSE RELEASES. BUT I THINK WHAT YOU'RE SPEAKING TO IS  
15 THEN DON'T WE NEED THE PRETRIAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS TO CATCH  
16 PEOPLE SO THAT THEY APPEAR IN COURT AND DON'T, AND ALSO DON'T,  
17 COMMIT ANY OTHER CRIMINAL ACTIVITY WHEN THEY ARE OUT ON  
18 RELEASE. AND I THINK THAT'S A GREAT POINT, AND THAT IS PART OF  
19 WHAT JCOT IS TRYING TO DO WITH SEVERAL DIFFERENT OF THEIR  
20 PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO CATCH PEOPLE AT VARIOUS PHASES. BUT THOSE  
21 PROGRAMS CURRENTLY ARE SMALL, AND THEY'RE ACTIVELY WORKING TO  
22 REALLY TROUBLESHOOT ALL OF THE WORKFLOWS TO GET THEM REALLY  
23 OPERATING AT SCALE.

24  
25 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** RIGHT.



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2 **MAGGIE CARTER:** I THINK IT'S A SIGN. WORK IN PROGRESS.

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4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** WHICH IS WHY WE HAVE AN ITEM TO LOOK  
5 AT PROBATION'S BUDGET BECAUSE I THINK THAT THAT BUDGET  
6 TRANSFER HAS TO HAPPEN. WE HAVE TO GET THOSE INVESTMENTS MADE.  
7 WE NOW WILL HAVE ANOTHER STATE DIRECTIVE THAT WE HAVE TO BE IN  
8 COMPLIANCE WITH. AND IF WE AREN'T IN COMPLIANCE, THAT WILL BE  
9 INEVITABLY ANOTHER THING ON OUR LIST OF THINGS THAT WE GET,  
10 YOU KNOW THAT WE'RE, YOU KNOW, FIGHTING TO BE IN COMPLIANCE  
11 WITH. SO AND RATHER THAN BEING BEHIND THE EIGHT BALL, LET'S  
12 TAKE THIS DIRECTIVE AS INCENTIVE FOR US TO MOVE THE MONEY  
13 FASTER, BUILD OUT THESE PROGRAMS BECAUSE IT ALSO HELPS US TO  
14 ACHIEVE WHAT'S OUTLINED IN THE PLAN THAT'S BEEN PRESENTED TO  
15 US. SO I JUST ACKNOWLEDGE THE INTERPLAY OF ALL THESE THINGS  
16 COMING TOGETHER. AND RATHER THAN WAITING FOR SOMEBODY TO COME  
17 AND SAY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING ABOUT THIS? WE SHOULD BE TAKING  
18 THE INITIATIVE TO BE MOVING PROACTIVELY BECAUSE IT HELPS US  
19 ACHIEVE GOALS THAT WE'RE OUTLINING FOR OURSELVES. I WOULD SAY,  
20 YOU KNOW, YOU HIGHLIGHT, ALSO, YOU KNOW THAT AN URGENT CARE  
21 WOULD BE NEEDED BECAUSE FACILITIES AREN'T AVAILABLE. I KNOW  
22 THAT WE HAVE REFERENCED THE LETTER FROM CONTRACT CITIES, WHICH  
23 IS IMPORTANT TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT. I WILL ALSO SAY THE CITIES  
24 WHO MOST STRONGLY ADVOCATE FOR A NEW JAIL SPECIFICALLY ARE THE  
25 CITIES WHO DON'T WANT IT ANYWHERE NEAR THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD. AND



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1 SO, I THINK WE ALSO HAVE TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT, YOU KNOW, THE  
2 KINDS OF FACILITIES THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AND WHERE THESE  
3 THINGS WOULD GO, WHAT WE'RE ACTUALLY TALKING ABOUT. AND TO THE  
4 EXTENT THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT FACILITIES. I KNOW THAT THERE  
5 WAS A RECENT DIRECTIVE TO THE BOARD TO CONSIDER, AT ONE OF THE  
6 TABLES, THAT WE CONSIDER NEW FACILITIES, BEING PART OF, BEING  
7 CONSIDERED ALONGSIDE, THE JCIT PLAN. I KNOW THE CEO AND OUR  
8 DIRECTOR FROM MENTAL HEALTH BOTH VOTED TO CREATE A NEW  
9 FACILITY AND EXPLORE CREATING A NEW FACILITY. SO I'D LIKE TO  
10 UNDERSTAND BETTER, SINCE I WASN'T AT THAT MEETING, WHAT THOSE  
11 VOTES MEANT TO EACH OF YOU AND WHAT YOU ARE ASKING THIS BOARD  
12 TO CONSIDER CREATING.

13  
14 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO  
15 THAT SUPERVISOR. SO THE MOTION THAT WAS PASSED, AND I DON'T  
16 HAVE THE EXACT WORDING IN FRONT OF ME, BUT IT WAS TO ASK THE  
17 BOARD TO EMPHASIZE THE NEED FOR A MULTIAGENCY, MEANING MULTI  
18 DEPARTMENTAL ANALYSIS FOR FACILITY OPTIONS FOR THE JAIL  
19 CLOSURE. NOW THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY WANTED THE WANTED THIS  
20 BOARD TO FOCUS ON A REPLACEMENT FACILITY, REPLACEMENT JAIL. I  
21 HAD ADDED A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THAT ASKED THAT THAT EXPANDED  
22 IT TO THE FACILITIES THAT CHASE HAD IDENTIFIED IN THE REPORT.  
23 AND I'LL JUST SAY, JUST EVERYBODY NEEDS TO HEAR IT SAID. THERE  
24 IS NO CLOSING THIS JAIL WITHOUT SOME FACILITY WORK OF SOME  
25 KIND. WE NEED AND WE NEED ALL THE DEPARTMENTS TO LEAN IN ON



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1 LOOKING AT THAT. THAT WAS FOUNDATIONAL TO THE FIRST REPORT  
2 QUARTERLY REPORT THAT JCIT FILED, AND IT'S FOUNDATIONAL TO THE  
3 SECOND QUARTERLY REPORT. WE JUST TALKED ABOUT PDC. THAT'S  
4 FACILITY WORK. SO FOR ME, WHEN WE LOOK AT I TALKED ABOUT THE  
5 PUZZLE PIECES A LITTLE WHILE AGO. I LOOK AT THE FIVE-YEAR RAMP  
6 UP. IT'S NOT FEASIBLE IN TERMS OF COST. I WANT TO KNOW WHAT  
7 ALL THE OPTIONS ARE. I WANT TO BE ABLE TO DELIVER THIS BOARD  
8 TO THIS BOARD A FUNDABLE, ACHIEVABLE CLOSURE PLAN. AND WITHOUT  
9 ALL THE OPTIONS, WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT THEY ARE, YOU KNOW, I'M  
10 NOT CLEAR THAT I CAN GET THE BOARD THAT. AND SO WE CAN GO YEAR  
11 BY YEAR AND TRY TO IDENTIFY FUNDING IN ONE OFFS. BUT WILL HAS  
12 EMPHASIZED AGAIN MULTIPLE TIMES THAT THIS IS NOT SOMETHING YOU  
13 DO YEAR BY YEAR BY YEAR. YOU NEED AN OVERALL STRATEGY. AND SO  
14 TO ME, THAT MOTION WAS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT EMPHASIZES THE  
15 NEED FOR ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS TO LEAN IN ON THE FACILITIES  
16 WORK. THE FACILITIES WORK ARE ABSOLUTELY FUNDAMENTAL. I'M NOT  
17 SO --

18  
19 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** WHAT DO YOU THINK IS NOT HAPPENING  
20 NOW THAT YOUR MOTION DIRECTS TO HAPPEN SO I GET REALLY CLEAR  
21 ABOUT WHAT'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT? WHAT YOU WANT TO BE  
22 DIFFERENT?

23  
24 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** I THINK WE'VE HAD SOME ISSUES WITH  
25 DEPARTMENTS WHO NEED TO PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION TO THE



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1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR SOME OF THE OPTIONS THEY'RE LOOKING  
2 AT, TO SOME OF THE FACILITY WORK THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT. WE  
3 JUST NEED EVERYBODY ROWING IN THE SAME DIRECTION. I'M NOT  
4 TRYING TO CALL ANYBODY OUT, BUT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR ME, AND  
5 I'VE AND I EMPHASIZED IT IN CCJCC IN A NUMBER OF MEETINGS, SO  
6 IT'S NOT SOMETHING I HAVEN'T SET OUT IN THE PUBLIC SPACE  
7 BEFORE. BUT WE NEED THAT. WE NEED EVERYBODY FOCUSED ON THIS  
8 PROJECT. IT'S NOT AS IT'S NOT LIKE SOMETHING YOU DO ON THE  
9 SIDE. IT'S SOMETHING YOU NEED TO HAVE YOUR BEST PEOPLE LOOKING  
10 AT IN EVERY DEPARTMENT SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO MOVE THE  
11 NEEDLE ON IT. AND LIKE I SAID, THAT MOTION DIDN'T DICTATE TO  
12 THE BOARD, YOU NEED TO HAVE A REPLACEMENT FACILITY WITH THE  
13 AMENDMENTS

14  
15 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I'M CLEAR ABOUT THAT.

16  
17 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** WITH THE AMENDMENTS THAT I HAD IN THERE.  
18 BUT WE DO NEED FACILITIES WORK. WE ABSOLUTELY NEED THEM.

19  
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH? WE HAVE CAN I JUST TO  
21 YOUR POINT, THERE ARE DEPARTMENTS DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS  
22 BOARD TOLD THEM TO PROVIDE INFORMATION? AND SO I MY  
23 UNDERSTANDING AND I'LL LOOK TO YOU, PUBLIC DEFENDER AND APD.  
24 YOU DON'T FEEL THAT THE BOARD WANTS YOU TO BE A PART OF THAT  
25 DISCUSSION, OR I'M PUTTING I'M PUTTING WORDS IN YOUR MOUTH.



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1 BUT TO YOUR POINT, THEY'RE NOT LISTENING TO JOE. THEY'RE THEY  
2 THINK THE BOARD TOLD THEM NOT TO.

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4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** WELL, PUBLIC DEFENDER DOESN'T BUILD  
5 FACILITIES, BUT THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH ALSO VOTED TO  
6 MOVE IN A DIRECTION OF CREATING SOMETHING. SO CAN I UNDERSTAND  
7 WHAT IT IS YOU THINK WE NEED TO BUILD?

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9 **DR. LISA WONG:** HELLO? OKAY, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO I THINK  
10 THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT REALLY MADE THE DIFFERENCE FOR ME IN  
11 TERMS OF EXPLORING OTHER STRATEGIES. RIGHT? SO THIS ISN'T  
12 ABOUT NECESSARILY CREATING ANOTHER JAIL. THIS IS ABOUT LOOKING  
13 AT WHAT NEEDS TO BE IN PLACE TO TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE AT THE  
14 LEVEL THEY NEED TO BE CARED FOR. BECAUSE I AM FOR CLOSING  
15 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, BUT I ALSO AM FOR CARING APPROPRIATELY FOR  
16 THE, YOU KNOW, HUNDREDS OR MORE THAN HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE IN  
17 THERE NOW WHO HAVE VERY SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND NEED  
18 TO BE ADEQUATELY TREATED, NEED ADEQUATE FACILITIES, ADEQUATE  
19 SPACES, ALL OF THAT SO THEY CAN HAVE A BETTER OUTCOME AND NOT  
20 KEEP COMING BACK TO THE JAILS. SO I THINK THAT IT WOULD  
21 BEHOOVE US TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT ALTERNATIVES ARE. LIKE ONE  
22 VERY SERIOUS, YOU KNOW, CURRENT FACTOR IN OUR ENVIRONMENT NOW  
23 IS, LIKE, OUR STATE HOSPITAL BEDS OUR ACCESS TO STATE HOSPITAL  
24 BEDS HAS BEEN CUT IN HALF. AND THIS IS A VERY NECESSARY LEVEL  
25 OF CARE, AND I THINK IT ADDRESSES PART OF THE JAIL





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1 DEPOPULATION PUZZLE. RIGHT? SO WE NEED TO TREAT FACILITY.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE US CREATE  
4 BEDS THAT ARE SIMILAR TO STATE HOSPITAL BEDS.

5

6 **DR. LISA WONG:** YEAH. WHERE PEOPLE CAN GET APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF  
7 CARE IN A SAFE AND, IF NECESSARY, RESTRICTED SETTING?

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY. IT'S HELPFUL TO GET MORE  
10 CONCRETE FOR ME BECAUSE, LIKE I SAID, I KNOW PUBLIC DEFENDER  
11 APD DON'T BUILD FACILITIES, BUT AND THE SHERIFF HAS INDICATED  
12 IN CONVERSATIONS THAT, YOU KNOW, HE'S OPEN TO CLOSURE, BUT HE  
13 ALSO DOESN'T BUILD MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES. THAT IS A HEALTH  
14 DRIVEN INITIATIVE. SO IF THAT'S WHAT WE NEED, THEN I THINK  
15 THAT NEEDS TO COME FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT TO SAY THIS IS WHAT WE  
16 NEED. BUT I THINK BECAUSE I THINK IF WE RELY ENTIRELY ON THE  
17 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THEY'RE IN CHARGE OF JAILS. WE'RE GOING  
18 TO GET ANOTHER JAIL. AND I THINK THIS BOARD HAS AT LEAST FOR  
19 THIS POINT IN TIME, SAID THAT'S NOT DIRECTION WE'RE READY TO  
20 GO. AND SO IF WE NEED OTHER KINDS OF FACILITIES, WE NEED YOUR  
21 DEPARTMENT TO STEP UP AND SAY, THIS IS WHAT WE NEED TO BUILD.  
22 AND SO IF IT'S GOING TO BE MENTAL HEALTH FOCUSED. SO I JUST  
23 THERE ARE LOT THERE'S LOTS OF CONCEPTS SWIRLING OUT THERE, AND  
24 THEN IT LEADS TO FRUSTRATION IN THE COMMUNITY. I THINK IT  
25 LEADS TO FRUSTRATION AMONG, ALL OF US WHO ARE TRYING TO



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1 ACTUALLY MOVE A PLAN FORWARD AND ACTUALLY ACCOMPLISH THE GOALS  
2 THAT WE'VE SET OUT. SO I JUST I'M NOT TRYING TO CALL PEOPLE  
3 OUT. I'M JUST TRYING TO BE DIRECT ABOUT WHAT IS IT GOING TO  
4 TAKE FOR US TO MOVE THINGS FORWARD AND ACKNOWLEDGE WHAT PEOPLE  
5 ARE SAYING ON THE RECORD, SO WE MOVE FROM STATEMENTS TO  
6 ACTION.

7

8 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** YEAH. I JUST WANT TO ON THAT POINT, THE  
9 HEALTH DEPARTMENT DMH AND SAPC ARE DOING THAT IN THOSE CHART  
10 REVIEWS IN TERMS OF SAYING, WHAT DO WE NEED? RIGHT? I THINK A  
11 QUESTION IS, DO WE NEED SUBACUTE BEDS AND THINGS LIKE THAT, OR  
12 DO WE NEED JUST SERVICES? DO WE NEED RESIDENTIAL OUTPATIENT?  
13 SO THE WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING, AND DR. WONG CAN SPEAK TO IT  
14 IF SHE WANTS TO, IS THE ACTION IS HAPPENING. I THINK PART OF  
15 THE DISCONNECT IS THAT WE PUT THINGS IN THESE REPORTS. WE'RE  
16 PUTTING THEM IN MULTIPLE REPORTS, AND SO THERE'S NOT A  
17 CONNECTION. BUT THERE IS WORK TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THAT MEANS,  
18 AT LEAST IN TERMS OF WHAT DR. WONG'S SAYING ABOUT PEOPLE'S  
19 NEEDS AND WHAT MAY WE NEED TO CREATE.

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21 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AGREED. AND THAT'S WHERE I SAY, YOU  
22 KNOW, TO OUR CITIES WHO ARE ASKING US TO HAVE ALTERNATIVES,  
23 THE ALTERNATIVE MIGHT NEED TO BE IN YOUR CITY, BECAUSE IT  
24 SOUNDS LIKE WE'RE NOT MAYBE JUST CREATING ONE FACILITY. WE'RE  
25 CREATING MAYBE ADDITIONAL HEALTH BEDS. MAYBE WE'RE CREATING



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1 SOME SORT OF SOME OTHER TYPE OF FACILITY. SO IT'S NOT LIKE  
2 THERE'S THIS MAGIC PLOT OF LAND THAT THE COUNTY HAS SOMEWHERE  
3 THAT WE ONLY WE CAN ACCESS. IT TAKES EVERYBODY BEING ALL IN ON  
4 AND US BEING SPECIFIC ABOUT WHAT IT IS WE WANT TO BUILD AND  
5 WHERE IT WILL GO, SO THAT WAY WE CAN MOVE A PLAN FORWARD. AND  
6 I THINK, I'M GLAD THAT WE HAVE TODAY'S REPORT TO BE MORE  
7 CONCRETE ABOUT WHAT THE OPTIONS ARE AND WHAT NUMBERS WE'RE  
8 TALKING ABOUT, I ALSO KNOW THAT WE WE'VE STILL GOT A WAYS TO  
9 GO IN TURNING IT INTO SOMETHING THAT TURNS INTO THE ACTION  
10 THAT I THINK WE'RE ALL WE'RE ALL WANTING TO ACHIEVE. SO I'LL  
11 LEAVE IT THERE FOR NOW. THANKS.

12  
13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I KNOW WE'VE BEEN JOINED  
14 BY OUR SHERIFF. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON ANYTHING  
15 RIGHT NOW OR JUST COMMENT OR I STILL HAVE QUESTIONS ASKED BUT  
16 GO AHEAD.

17  
18 **ROBERT LUNA:** YOU ASK AN ELECTED OFFICIAL IF THEY WANT TO  
19 SPEAK. LISTENING TO THE VERY SPIRITED DISCUSSION, WHICH I  
20 THINK IS EXTREMELY, ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, EVERYBODY'S MAKING  
21 OUTSTANDING POINTS, AND I THINK ASSISTANT SHERIFF MACIAS SPOKE  
22 ON MY BEHALF EARLIER. SO I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THAT FROM  
23 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WE DO SUPPORT OUR PARTNERS AT JCIT  
24 IN A LOT OF THE WORK THEY'RE DOING BECAUSE WE DO WANT TO CLOSE  
25 DOWN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. WHERE WE DIFFER A LITTLE BIT IS THAT,



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1 BASED ON THE MATH AND THE NUMBERS THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH,  
2 THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME TYPE OF A FACILITY. AND WHAT I'M DOING,  
3 AND I THINK I'M NOT GOING TO SPEAK FOR THE CEO, IN OUR  
4 CONVERSATIONS, IS WE JUST WANT TO ADD THAT BACK INTO THE  
5 CONVERSATION. AND WHAT I'VE HEARD IN THE PAST IS THIS IS A  
6 DECISION THAT WAS MADE MANY YEARS AGO. CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST.  
7 THE SPIRIT OF THAT IS AMAZING. BUT HERE'S MY REALITY. OUR  
8 MENTAL HEALTH POPULATION IS AT 50%. IT WASN'T LIKE THAT EVEN  
9 10 YEARS AGO. IT'S GROWING. THE POPULATION THAT I SERVE AND  
10 CARE FOR HAS COMPLETELY CHAHNGED. WE HAVE TO PAY ATTENTION TO  
11 THE DATA AND MAKE SURE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD COLLECTIVELY  
12 TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE CARING FOR THE PEOPLE IN OUR  
13 CUSTODY. I WANT TO JUST EMPHASIZE A COUPLE OF POINTS HERE  
14 BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW IF I'VE HEARD THIS EARLIER TODAY, IS THAT  
15 WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE MENTAL HEALTH POPULATION IN MY  
16 CARE, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE BEEN REMANDED  
17 INTO MY CUSTODY BY COURT ORDER, BY A JUDGE'S ORDER. WE'RE NOT  
18 TALKING ABOUT SOMEBODY WHO'S MENTALLY ILL, WHO NEEDS OUR  
19 ASSISTANCE OR OUR CARE. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A JUDGE SAID, YOU  
20 ARE GOING INTO CUSTODY, AND WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE TO SAY, YOU  
21 KNOW WHAT, SIR OR MA'AM? WE'RE NOT TAKING THIS INDIVIDUAL. WE  
22 HAVE TO CARE FOR THEM THE BEST TO OUR ABILITY WITH OUR  
23 PARTNERS AT CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES. AND I THINK WE'RE  
24 DOING A HECK OF A JOB. AND SOMETHING I DON'T HEAR ABOUT OFTEN  
25 IS HOW GREAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS DOING WITH CUSTODY.



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1 IS IT PERFECT? FAR FROM IT. BUT WHERE WE WERE AND WHERE WE'RE  
2 AT TODAY AND WHERE WE'RE GOING IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT. I HAVE  
3 A 16% REDUCTION IN USES OF FORCE, AND IT'S STILL CONTINUING TO  
4 GO DOWN 40% OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS. BODY WORN CAMERAS FOR  
5 THE FIRST TIME IN CUSTODY. AND SOMETHING THAT'S NOT SPOKEN  
6 ABOUT OFTEN IS THAT WE'VE GAINED MORE COMPLIANCE ON ALL OF OUR  
7 CUSTODY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS THAN WE EVER HAVE BEFORE. AGAIN,  
8 IS IT PERFECT? DO WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO? WE DON'T. BUT  
9 WE HAVE TO REALIZE THAT IF WE START REDUCING THE BED SIZE, WE  
10 HAVE TO REALLY LOOK SERIOUSLY AT THE COMPLIANCE THE PATH THAT  
11 WE'RE ON WITH COMPLIANCE. I DON'T WANT THAT TO REVERSE. THAT  
12 WOULD NOT BE A GOOD THING FOR US. AND THEN I ALSO WANTED TO  
13 CORRECT THE RECORD EARLIER. SUPERVISOR HAHN TALKED ABOUT OUR  
14 PRETRIAL PERCENTAGE OF FOLKS. IT IS 46%. IT'S NOT IN THE 70-  
15 PERCENTILE RANGE. SO I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY THAT RECORD THAT  
16 IT'S NOT IN THE 70-PERCENTILE RANGE. I WISH IT WAS AT ZERO,  
17 BUT I'M JUST LAYING OUT THE FACTS, AS WE HAVE THEM, AND THEY  
18 ARE IN OUR CARE AND CUSTODY. SO, AGAIN, I'M HERE. I'VE AND  
19 CAME IN A LITTLE BIT LATE ON THIS DISCUSSION, BUT I'M OPEN TO  
20 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. JUST ACTUALLY ONE OTHER  
21 THING IS AS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT MONIES AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT  
22 A SHIFTING OF PEOPLE IN OUR CARE FROM ONE LOCATION TO, SAY,  
23 FOR EXAMPLE, NORTH, WE HAVE NOT SUBMITTED THE REQUEST FOR WHAT  
24 THAT WOULD COST THE COUNTY AN ADDITIONAL DEPUTY STAFFING, TO  
25 DO THAT. AND WE LOST ABOUT 1,200, I'M SORRY. A LITTLE OVER A



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1 THOUSAND POSITIONS, ABOUT FIVE YEARS AGO ISH THAT WE'D HAVE TO  
2 ASK FOR THAT TO BE RECOVERED SOMEHOW, SOMEWAY IF WE'RE GOING  
3 TO MAKE SOME OF THESE SHIFTS. SO SORRY TO THROW THAT OUT AT  
4 YOU, BUT IT JUST, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I KNOW, SUPERVISOR HAHN IS  
7 HERE, BUT MAYBE SHE'LL COME BACK IN AFTER. BUT I DO WANT TO  
8 ASK SOME QUESTIONS. IN FACT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAD TO LEAVE  
9 EARLY AND SHE WANTED ME TO ASK A QUESTION OF OUR CEO. AND THE  
10 QUESTION IS AS FOLLOWS. HOW ARE WE ENSURING THAT EFFORTS THE  
11 COUNTY, INCLUDING PRETRIAL, REENTRY, HOUSING, BEHAVIORAL  
12 HEALTH, DOJ COMPLIANCE, AND OTHERS HAVE A CLEAR NEXUS TO JAIL  
13 CLOSURE, INFORM ONE ANOTHER, AND CONTRIBUTE TO A UNIFIED  
14 COUNTY STRATEGY?

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16 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** IT'S FOR OUR CEO. I THINK I'M GOING TO  
17 PUNT THAT OVER TO OUR, JCET DIRECTOR, WILL PINKNEY, AND WITH  
18 JUST THE COMMENT THAT, YOU KNOW, THE REQUIRED ACTIONS ARE  
19 PICKING UP ON A LOT OF THAT ALREADY. I THINK THAT WHAT THE  
20 QUESTION WOULD KIND OF HAVE US GO ONE CIRCLE OUT AND KIND OF  
21 CAPTURE SOME OTHER PROGRAMS TO SEE IF THERE'S AN INTEGRATION  
22 WE CAN MAKE WITH THOSE PROGRAMS AND THEREBY REDUCE THE JAIL  
23 POPULATION AS WELL. I DON'T KNOW IF, WILL, YOU WANT TO ADD TO  
24 THAT.

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1 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** SORRY ABOUT THAT. CAN YOU READ IT ONE  
2 MORE TIME?

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SURE. HOW ARE WE ENSURING THAT THE  
5 EFFORTS ACROSS THE COUNTY, INCLUDING PRETRIAL, REENTRY  
6 HOUSING, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DOJ COMPLIANCE, AND OTHERS HAVE  
7 CLEAR NEXUS TO JAIL CLOSURE AND INFORM ONE ANOTHER AND  
8 CONTRIBUTE TO A UNIFIED COUNTY STRATEGY.

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10 **WILFORD PINKNEY, JR.:** SO, YOU KNOW, I'LL START WITH DOJ  
11 COMPLIANCE BECAUSE PEOPLE, FROM THE DOJ WE USED TO SHARE  
12 STAFF, BUT NOW THEIR STAFF COMES TO OUR MEETINGS. OUR STAFF GO  
13 TO THEIR MEETINGS, SO THEY'RE INVOLVED STEP BY STEP IN THE  
14 WORK THAT WE'RE DOING. IN TERMS OF REENTRY, YOU KNOW, WE  
15 WORKED WITH JCOD. WE WORKED WITH OTHER PARTNERS WHO WORK WITH  
16 CBOS THAT DO THAT WORK. SO ALL OF THAT STUFF JUST GENERALLY IS  
17 HAPPENING THROUGHOUT JUST OUR GENERAL ENGAGEMENT. WE HAVE A,  
18 WHAT WE CALL, A DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING, BUT IT'S NOT JUST  
19 DEPARTMENT HEADS. YOU KNOW, D.A. HAS STAFF THERE. THE COURT  
20 HAS STAFF THERE. SO WE'RE ALL TALKING TOGETHER AND SHARING AND  
21 THINKING ABOUT IDEAS. MY STAFF IS CONSTANTLY, YOU KNOW WE WORK  
22 WITH THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SAFETY IN IN THE CITY OF  
23 L.A. THAT HAS STAFF THAT'S DOING REENTRY. SO WE MEET I MET UP  
24 WITH I FORGET THE ORGANIZATION THAT DOES REENTRY HERE. NO. NO.  
25 THE TROY, THE GENTLEMAN. LARP. WE SO WE MET WITH PEOPLE FROM



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1 LARP. SO WE'RE CONSTANTLY MEETING WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS  
2 IDENTIFYING PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING THIS WORK. THE OFFICE OF  
3 VIOLENCE PREVENTION FOR THE COUNTY, YOU KNOW, DOES A LOT OF  
4 THAT AND WORKS WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. I DO WANT TO SAY  
5 THIS TO THE POINT ABOUT COORDINATION, AND I'LL GO BACK TO THE  
6 COMPARISON OF NEW YORK. NEW YORK'S CLOSED RIKERS PROCESS  
7 DEPENDS HEAVILY ON A SUSTAINABLY FUNDED, WELL COORDINATED  
8 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS COMMUNITY THAT ARE PROVIDING ALL OF  
9 THE THINGS THAT MY PARTNERS BEHIND ME ARE DOING. RIGHT? AND  
10 THAT WORK, EVEN WHEN THEY STARTED TO CLOSE RIKERS' PROCESS,  
11 WHICH IS DIFFERENT THAN OURS IN THE SENSE OF THEY WERE  
12 REBUILDING THEIR JAIL SYSTEM. RIGHT? THEY'RE CLOSING NOW ALL  
13 OF RIKERS AND BUILDING THESE FIVE NEW JAILS THAT HAVE A LOWER  
14 CAPACITY, AND THEY NEEDED TO GET DOWN TO THAT. BUT ALL OF THE  
15 WORK THAT WE ARE DOING WAS REALLY DONE OVER THE FIRST SEVEN  
16 YEARS OF THAT PROCESS, AND IN FACT, THEY GOT THE JAIL  
17 POPULATION DOWN TO ABOUT 4,800 PEOPLE FROM OVER 10,000. RIGHT?  
18 THE NUMBERS AREN'T AS IMPORTANT AS YOU KNOW, IT IS IMPORTANT  
19 TO CREATE AN ESTABLISHED NETWORK HERE THAT'S WELL FUNDED AND  
20 COORDINATED. AND THAT IS WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO THROUGH OUR  
21 WORK. THAT IS WHAT I THINK MANY PEOPLE WHO WERE HERE BEFORE I  
22 CAME WERE TRYING TO DO. SO THAT IS AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT TO  
23 SHERIFF'S POINT. HE DOES ONLY CONTROL WHO HE DOESN'T CONTROL  
24 WHO COMES INTO HIS HOUSE. RIGHT? SO IT'S ON US TO MAKE SURE  
25 THAT WE ARE MAKING SURE THAT THERE AREN'T AS MANY PEOPLE GOING





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1 INTO HIS HOUSE. SO THAT IS WHAT'S NEEDED. SO TO ANSWER YOUR  
2 QUESTION, WE'RE DOING THOSE THINGS AND WE'RE MEETING.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO. AND I UNDERSTAND THE POINT. I  
5 MEAN, SHE WE ALL WANT TO HEAR, ARE THE EFFORTS WORTHY OF  
6 MOVING FORWARD ON A COORDINATED BASIS AND THEN FINDING OUT IF  
7 WE DO HAVE STABILITY WITH THE FUNDING STREAM. THAT'S THE  
8 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NEW YORK AND US. RIGHT. THE FUNDING STREAM  
9 ISN'T GUARANTEED AUTOMATICALLY, I WOULD THINK, AND I GET THAT.  
10 BUT I DO WANT TO I DO WANT TO COMMENT ON YOUR REPORT. I THINK  
11 THIS, HAS GIVEN ME MORE CLARITY IN TERMS OF HOW YOU  
12 DISTINGUISH THE POPULATIONS AND AT WHAT LEVEL OF CARE AND ALL  
13 OF THAT, AND THEN WHAT WE'RE DOING TO OFFSET SOME OF THAT OR  
14 WHAT THE OTHER GROUPS, DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS CBO, JCOD, AND  
15 OTHERS ARE DOING. I THINK THAT HAS NEVER REALLY BEEN PRESENTED  
16 TO US IN THIS MANNER. I DON'T RECALL SEEING IT SO CRISP, AND I  
17 THINK IT'S WORTH CONTINUING TO LOOK AT THAT. AND, YOU KNOW,  
18 THE PRETRIAL ISSUE THAT YEAH.

19

20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** COULD WE, I UNDERSTAND THAT WHILE I WAS  
21 STEPPING OUT, THE SHERIFF CORRECTED ME IN PUBLIC, PUBLIC.  
22 CALLED ME OUT WITH THE 75%, WHICH WAS JCIT'S REPORT. RIGHT?  
23 THAT'S WHAT YOU SAID, WILL. I DIDN'T MAKE THAT NUMBER UP.  
24 THAT'S IN YOUR REPORT, AND 75% IS PRETRIAL. SHERIFF SEEMS TO  
25 THINK IT'S CLOSER TO 46%. SO COULD WE AT LEAST CLARIFY THAT



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1 BEFORE WE MOVE ON?

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3 **CHIDINMA UME:** YES.

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I CAN CLEAR MY NAME.

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7 **CHIDINMA UME:** THE ANSWER IS BOTH ARE TRUE.

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9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, THE ANSWER IS BOTH? OKAY. WE'RE BOTH  
10 RIGHT.

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12 **CHIDINMA UME:** WHICH IS PART OF THE REASON WHY WE SLICED THE  
13 NUMBERS IN DIFFERENT WAYS AS WE DID ON SOME OF THOSE SLIDES.  
14 SO THE FIRST THING TO KNOW IS THOSE WHO ARE FULLY PRETRIAL,  
15 THAT IS UNDER 50%. MEANING, THE ONLY CASES THAT ARE HOLDING  
16 THEM IN JAIL ARE THOSE THAT ARE STILL PENDING IN COURT, FULLY  
17 PRETRIAL. THAT'S CLOSER TO 46, 50%. WE ALSO HAVE ANOTHER  
18 TRANCHE OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE TWO TYPES OF CASES. THEY HAVE ONE  
19 THAT'S OPEN AND MAYBE ANOTHER ONE THAT'S CLOSED, SO PARTIALLY  
20 SENTENCED. IF YOU TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION EVERYBODY WHO'S IN  
21 CUSTODY WITH AT LEAST SOME OPEN CASE THAT'S STILL HOLDING THEM  
22 THERE, THAT'S HOW WE GET THE 75%. AND FOR US, THAT'S IMPORTANT  
23 BECAUSE I MEAN, IT'S IMPORTANT TO, OF COURSE, YOU KNOW, KNOW  
24 WHY PEOPLE ARE IN CUSTODY. BUT FOR JCIT TO LOOK AT  
25 OPPORTUNITIES TO GET PEOPLE OUT OF CUSTODY, WE HAVE TO BE



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1 FOCUSED ON WHO IS THERE WITH A MATTER THAT STILL NEEDS TO BE  
2 RESOLVED. SO THAT'S WHY WE BROADEN OUR VIEW TO THAT 75%.

3  
4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SHERIFF, DO YOU WANT TO RESPOND?

5  
6 **ROBERT LUNA:** WHAT YOU JUST STATED IS ACCURATE. SO MEANING THAT  
7 THE FULL PRETRIAL IS 46%. IF YOU COMBINE BOTH, BUT ON THE  
8 OTHER HALF, IT'S PEOPLE WHO HAVE ONE OR MORE CHARGES. SO IN A  
9 SENSE, THEY'VE BEEN PARTIALLY SENTENCED, BUT NOT FULLY  
10 SENTENCED.

11  
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. YEAH.

13  
14 **ROBERT LUNA:** BUT I DON'T WANT TO GET LOST IN THE NUMBERS.

15  
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH. YEAH.

17  
18 **ROBERT LUNA:** AND I APOLOGIZE, MA'AM, IF I OFFENDED YOU,

19  
20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I KNOW I WAS OUT OF THE ROOM. YOU TOOK THAT  
21 OPORTUNITY --

22  
23 **ROBERT LUNA:** BUT I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT  
24 PUTTING THE WRONG NUMBERS.



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1   **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WHEN I WASN'T EVEN HERE.

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3   **ROBERT LUNA:** OH, OKAY. WELL, AGAIN, I APOLOGIZE IF I OFFENDED,  
4   BUT IT IS 46%. IT'S NOT IN THE 70% TILE RANGE BECAUSE SHE'S  
5   THEY'RE COMBINING BOTH NUMBERS. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THE  
6   COMMUNITY --

7

8   **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT'S FINE. I JUST YEAH. I WAS JUST READING  
9   OFF OF THEIR REPORT. I DIDN'T MAKE THAT NUMBER UP.

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11   **ROBERT LUNA:** GOTCHA.

12

13   **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I THINK IT CAUSES US TO THINK ABOUT  
14   HOW WE USE DEFINITIONS THEN. OF COURSE. I MEAN, THAT SO I  
15   GUESS AS WE MOVE ALONG, LET'S BE CLEAR ON THAT SO THAT WE  
16   DON'T HAVE CONFUSION. AND, YOU KNOW, THERE IS SOME BETTER  
17   CLARITY. I THINK THAT'S HELPFUL. I MEAN, THIS IS GOOD TO HAVE  
18   THIS DISCUSSION. AND YOU GUYS ARE TALKING TO EACH OTHER.

19

20   **ROBERT LUNA:** AND FACTS ARE TALKING TO EACH OTHER. AND FACTS DO  
21   MATTER. WE ARREST 60,000 PEOPLE A YEAR. ONLY ONE THIRD OF  
22   THOSE ARE IN OUR CUSTODY. SO I JUST WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT  
23   THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WHO ARE BEING ARRESTED, THERE ARE OTHER  
24   THINGS THAT ARE WORKING, WHETHER IT'S JCOD, A LOT OF THE  
25   THINGS OUR PARTNERS, JCIT'S WORKING, OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER



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1 ALTERNATIVE, THEY'RE EVERYBODY'S WORKING TO GET A LOT OF  
2 PEOPLE OUT OF JAIL, AND IT IS WORKING. THE ARGUMENT IS, CAN WE  
3 DO MORE? AND I THINK WE ALWAYS NEED TO ASK OURSELVES THAT VERY  
4 IMPORTANT QUESTION.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S GOOD. THAT'S GOOD. I WANTED TO  
7 ASK, GOING BACK TO, FIGURES OR THE LACK OF FIGURES FOR THE  
8 URGENT CARE, CAN DO WE HAVE A COST ESTIMATE OF WHAT THAT WOULD  
9 COST? I MEAN, WE BUILT URGENT CARES BEFORE. SO.

10

11 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** WE DON'T HAVE A COST ESTIMATE YET. IT  
12 DEPENDS ON IF IT'S A PHYSICAL BUILD OR, YOU KNOW, WE'VE TALKED  
13 ABOUT USING TRAILERS, WHICH ARE GOING TO BE A LOWER COST. SO,  
14 I MEAN, WE ARE INVESTIGATING THOSE THINGS, AND WE DON'T WANT  
15 TO COME TO YOU WITH COST UNTIL WE FIGURE OUT WHAT IS THE  
16 APPROACH.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT YOU BUT YOU TALKED ABOUT A  
19 POPULATION WHICH IS PRETTY SIZABLE. I DON'T KNOW THAT OR AT  
20 LEAST I DON'T THINK I WOULD BE CONVINCED THAT TRAILERS ARE THE  
21 BEST ROUTE.

22

23 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** WELL, IT'S NOT ABOUT THE POPULATION WHEN  
24 THINKING THE TRAIL. I MEAN, IT'S ABOUT THE SQUARE FOOTAGE OF  
25 THE FACILITY AND HAVE AND DR. BELAVICH IS HERE, IF HE WANTS TO



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1 SPEAK TO IT. BUT SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT. AND WE'VE  
2 ALREADY WE KNOW WHAT THE SIZE OF THE FACILITY NEEDS TO BE  
3 BASED ON HIS COUNSEL AND HIS TEAM. THEY'RE GOING TO TELL US  
4 WHAT NEEDS TO BE CONTAINED WITHIN. BUT THE SHERIFF'S  
5 DEPARTMENT AND THE CHS STAFF HAVE SAID THIS CAN BE DONE USING  
6 TRAILERS. NOW DON'T THINK JUST ONE TRAILER BUT USING TRAILERS.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND.

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10 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** AND TEMPORARY.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND. UNDERSTAND THE CONCEPT.  
13 YEAH. BECAUSE I'M INTERESTED IN KNOWING THAT.

14

15 **DR. TIMOTHY BELAVICH:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR. YES. WE  
16 WERE, IN TERMS OF THE URGENT CARE, WE HAVE ONE CURRENTLY THAT  
17 SERVES MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND TWIN TOWERS. WE'RE LOOKING TO  
18 BUILD ONE APPROXIMATELY 75% THIS OF THE SIZE OF THAT CURRENT  
19 URGENT CARE TO SERVE THE POPULATION THAT WOULD BE UP AT  
20 PITCHESS.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

23

24 **DR. TIMOTHY BELAVICH:** AND, AGAIN, I THINK THE SPECTRUM OF COST  
25 ESTIMATES, IS NOT NECESSARILY HAVING TO WE KNOW HOW MUCH THE



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1 STAFF WILL COST. WE KNOW HOW MUCH THE, YOU KNOW, THE RESOURCES  
2 WILL COST THE TABLES AND THE EQUIPMENT. WHAT WE DON'T KNOW IS  
3 WILL WE CONVERT SOMETHING THAT'S ALREADY UP THERE, WILL WE  
4 BUILD NEW, OR WILL WE BRING IN MODULARS TO DO SOMETHING LIKE  
5 THAT? THAT WOULD ALL BE, YOU KNOW, SOMETHING TO CONSIDER, AND  
6 WE'D HAVE TO WE WOULD HAVE TO CITE THAT. BUT WE DO KNOW HOW TO  
7 BUILD URGENT CARES. AND, AGAIN, WE THINK THE COST SAVINGS  
8 WOULD BE IMMENSE BASED ON THE SLIDE THAT WILL SHOWED. ABOUT  
9 \$2,000,000 A YEAR IS JUST SAVED IN TRANSPORT COSTS ALONE,  
10 WHICH ALSO KEEPS OUR PATIENTS' SAFER, KEEPS OUR STAFF SAFER  
11 RIGHT. BY KEEPING THEM IN THE FACILITY.

12  
13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO HOW SOON DO YOU THINK WE CAN GET  
14 THE BALL ROLLING ON THAT? HOW SOON? WHAT'S IT GOING TO TAKE?

15  
16 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** BALL IS ALREADY ROLLING. LIKE I SAID,  
17 WE'VE MET YOU.

18  
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HOW FAST IS IT ROLLING. I DON'T MAYBE  
20 I HAVE TO ASK THE CEO. CEO? JUST TO GET AN IDEA.

21  
22 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** CAN YOU REPEAT

23  
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BECAUSE I KNOW THAT'S NOT BUDGETED OR  
25 MAYBE IT IS.



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2 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH. COULD YOU REPEAT THAT QUESTION?  
3 SORRY, SUPERVISOR.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IT WOULD BE WHAT?

6

7 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** DO YOU MIND REPEATING THE QUESTION?

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OH, I WANTED TO KNOW IF, IN FACT,  
10 THERE IS MONEY TO BUILD THE URGENT CARE GIVEN WHAT WE JUST  
11 HEARD, THAT THERE HAVE BEEN DISCUSSIONS AND THERE ARE IDEAS  
12 ABOUT HOW TO PLACE IT, WHETHER IT'S TRAILERS OR HOW IT'S GOING  
13 TO HOW IT'S GOING TO BE OPERATED AND MAINTAINED.

14

15 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH. AND I THINK THIS GOES BACK TO MY  
16 EARLIER COMMENT ABOUT THE PUZZLE PIECES, WHICH I KNOW I'VE  
17 REPEATED IT SEVERAL TIMES NOW AT THIS POINT, BUT WE'RE THAT IS  
18 A PRELIMINARY CONVERSATION. WE DON'T HAVE A GOOD ESTIMATE ON  
19 THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE OPERATING COSTS  
20 WILL BE. WE HAVE SOME SENSE OF POTENTIAL COST SAVINGS, BUT ARE  
21 THOSE GOING TO BE EATEN UP BY NEW STAFFING COSTS? SO THIS IS  
22 PART OF THE UNRAVELING OF ALL OF THESE ELEMENTS THAT WILL GET  
23 US CLOSER TO JAIL CLOSURE THAT I THINK SOME ARE STILL, YOU  
24 KNOW, NASCENT AND NOT QUITE, READY FOR A FUNDING STRATEGY AT  
25 THIS POINT.





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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT IF WE DO THIS AND WE MOVE PEOPLE  
3 OUT OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, THE NUMBER THAT YOU SAID THAT IS  
4 GOING TO HELP US IN THE LONG RUN. KEEP COSTS DOWN, BETTER  
5 MEDICAL ATTENTION, AND THEN ALL THE OTHER TREATMENT THAT GOES  
6 INTO THAT URGENT CARE FACILITY THERE AND WILL SAVE MONEY  
7 OVERALL.

8

9 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** SO WELL, WE DON'T KNOW THAT YET. I MEAN,  
10 THERE WILL BE SOME COST SAVINGS, BUT WE DON'T HAVE A FULL COST  
11 ANALYSIS YET ON THE STAFFING FOR EXAMPLE. SO, I MEAN, I THINK  
12 IT'S SOMETHING THAT WILL HELP US CLOSE MCJ FOR SURE. THE COST  
13 IMPACTS OF THAT ARE TO BE DETERMINED.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO THAT'S THE NEXT, WHAT'S THE NEXT  
16 STEP.

17

18 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** RIGHT.

19

20 **MAGGIE CARTER:** WILL AND THE JCIT TEAM MAY BE ABLE TO ADD A  
21 LITTLE BIT MORE TO THIS. I DON'T THINK WE HAVE A FIRM TIMELINE  
22 YET, BUT I THINK IT'S A TOP PRIORITY. BECAUSE, AGAIN, WHAT  
23 WE'RE HOPING WITH THE STRATEGY IS TO TRY TO GET THIS DONE  
24 CONTEMPORANEOUSLY WITH PDC SOUTH SO THAT IT'S ALL FINISHED AND  
25 READY TO GO AT THE SAME TIME. SO IT'S DEFINITELY ON A FAST



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1 TRACK AND WE YOU KNOW, BUT LIKE EVERYTHING IN THE SPACE,  
2 THERE'S A LOT OF COMPLEXITY TO IT.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

5

6 **MAGGIE CARTER:** SO I THINK IT'S A TOP PRIORITY FOR THE TEAM TO  
7 KEEP FLESHING IT OUT AND THAT'S PART OF WHY THEY'RE INCLUDING  
8 IT AS A REQUIRED ACTION EVEN WITH THAT CAVEAT THAT IT'S NOT  
9 FULLY COSTED, BECAUSE IT IS CRITICAL.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH. AND EVERY YEAR THAT WE DON'T DO  
12 SOMETHING, THE COSTS GO UP BY HOW MUCH? WHAT PERCENTAGE? YEAH.  
13 RIGHT?

14

15 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** I MEAN, I THINK THE BIG CHALLENGE AND  
16 THE CEO SPOKE TO THIS, AS WELL. WE NEED TO DO A COMPREHENSIVE,  
17 NOT ONLY, FISCAL UNDERSTANDING, BUT THE PLAN, RIGHT, THE  
18 PIECES. SO WE'RE GIVING YOU ALL THE PIECES. I DO WANT TO  
19 CLARIFY. WE TALK ABOUT THE SEVEN ACTIONS. THE SEVEN ACTIONS  
20 AREN'T, LIKE THE THING. LIKE, THAT'S IT. IT'S JUST SEVEN  
21 ACTIONS. I'VE SAID THIS BEFORE. SO WHAT WE WANT TO BE I WANT  
22 TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THAT, BUT I THINK THE CHALLENGE IS TWO  
23 THINGS THAT ARE SORT OF COMPETING HERE, THE NEED TO GET  
24 INFORMATION AROUND A TIMELINE AND THEN THE ABILITY FOR US TO  
25 GO INVESTIGATE ENOUGH TO COME BACK WITH A CONCRETE TIMELINE.



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1 SO I UNDERSTAND THE QUESTIONS, BUT YEAH. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND  
2 HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE CHS TO HIRE PEOPLE. WE NEED TO  
3 UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, ALL THE ISSUES THAT THE SHERIFF TALKED  
4 ABOUT THE STAFF. THEN I THINK WHAT HAPPENS IN THESE  
5 CONVERSATIONS, WE SAY THOSE THINGS, AND IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE  
6 NOT MOVING FORWARD. YEP. BUT WE'RE SAYING THOSE THINGS BECAUSE  
7 WE DON'T KNOW THEM NOW. THAT'S REQUIRED ACTIONS. I DON'T HAVE  
8 TO SAY THOSE THINGS BECAUSE WE DID ALL THE THINGS I SAID. WE  
9 TALKED TO ALL THE DEPARTMENTS, WHAT'S FEASIBLE, AND THEN WE  
10 CAME TO YOU WITH INFORMATION. AND THAT'S WHY WE DON'T HAVE  
11 OTHER REQUIRED ACTIONS BECAUSE WE HAVE TO STILL INVESTIGATE  
12 THOSE THINGS. SO WHAT WE WHAT WE TRIED TO GIVE YOU IN THIS  
13 FRAMEWORK IS THE PARAMETERS. THERE NEEDS TO BE FACILITIES WORK  
14 THAT HAS TO HAPPEN. WE TALKED ABOUT REPLACEMENT OR NOT. THERE  
15 NEEDS TO BE SOME COMPONENT OF, YOU KNOW, RELEASES PRIOR TO  
16 ARRAIGNMENT. SO WE NEED THAT PRETRIAL SERVICES PIECE. WE NEED  
17 THE CRISIS STABILIZATION PIECE. MHMM. WE THEN NEED SOMETHING  
18 THAT, YOU KNOW, JUST AROUND COURT ORDER RELEASES. WE NEED  
19 SOMETHING AROUND PEOPLE WHO ARE POST RELEASE CONNECTIONS TO  
20 CARE. SO WE'RE GIVING YOU THE COMPONENTS. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT  
21 SOME OF THE THINGS IN THOSE COMPONENTS, BUT WE HAVE TO  
22 CONTINUE TO DEVELOP IT, WHICH IS WHY I GO BACK TO THE NEW YORK  
23 EXAMPLE OF ALL THOSE THINGS WERE STRUCTURES. THEY WEREN'T ALL  
24 DONE AND COMPLETE WHEN THEY STARTED TO CLOSE RIKERS PLAN. AND  
25 THAT PLAN THOSE FACILITIES WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN BUILT IN



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1 SEVEN YEARS. THEY'RE NOT. THEY'RE STILL GOING TO BE FIVE YEARS  
2 OUT. BUT ALL OF THIS WORK THAT WE'RE DOING NOW HAS BEEN TURNED  
3 INTO JUST THE, EVERYDAY PROCESS OF THE SYSTEM. RIGHT NOW,  
4 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT PILOT PROGRAMS AND ALL THESE THINGS. THESE  
5 THINGS HAVE TO BE INSTITUTIONALIZED. LIKE, THIS IS HOW THE  
6 COUNTY WORKS, AND THIS IS WHERE YOU GET THE REFORM PIECE. SO  
7 WE NEED THAT TO HAPPEN. WE NEED THAT TO TAKE ROOT, AND WE NEED  
8 THAT TO HAPPEN OVER TIME SO THAT WE THEN CAN SEE THE REAL  
9 IMPACT. BUT I JUST WANTED TO SAY THIS TO SORT OF CAUTION.  
10 LIKE, SOMETIMES IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE MAKING EXCUSES. I'LL SPEAK  
11 FOR MYSELF, BUT WE'RE NOT. WE'RE TRYING TO GET ALL THE  
12 INFORMATION BEFORE WE COME WITH THIS HOLISTIC --

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND YOU'RE NOT PRIORITIZING THOSE  
15 SEVEN. RIGHT? I MEAN, YOU'RE JUST YOU'RE GIVING THEM TO US.

16

17 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** THOSE ARE THE THINGS WE HAVE NOW BECAUSE  
18 WE KNOW THEY WORK. THEY'RE NOT THEORETICAL. THEY'RE NOT YEAH.  
19 WHAT'S PROBABLE. THEY ARE ACTUALLY HAPPENING.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. BUT THEY'RE BUT I'M WHAT I'M  
22 TRYING TO SAY IS YOU'RE NOT MAKING A RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHAT  
23 GOES FIRST, WHAT GOES SECOND.

24

25 **WILFRED PINKNEY, JR.:** NO.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THAT'S SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD  
3 AND THE CEO AND THE BUDGET WILL DETERMINE, I WOULD IMAGINE.  
4 RIGHT? OKAY. I DON'T WANT TO ASK ANY MORE QUESTIONS. I HAVE A  
5 LOT, BUT I WON'T. AND YES. YEAH. KATHRYN, I'M SORRY.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. JUST FOR POINT OF  
8 CLARIFICATION, MAYBE I MISUNDERSTOOD SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S  
9 QUESTION, BUT I KNOW IT WAS NOT A BOARD LETTER. THE BOARD  
10 LETTER THAT YOU DID, SUPERVISOR HORVATH WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS  
11 EMPOWERING THE JAIL CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM INCLUDED ALL  
12 DEPARTMENTS. BUT SHERIFF LUNA, DIDN'T YOU APPROACH THIS BOARD  
13 TO LOOK AT A CARE CAMPUS AND WERE ASKING FOR INFORMATION FROM  
14 DEPARTMENTS MOVING FORWARD, OR DID I MISUNDERSTAND THAT? I,  
15 FOR SOME REASON, THOUGHT THAT YOU WERE TRYING TO PUT SOMETHING  
16 TOGETHER AND COULDN'T GET INFORMATION FROM DEPARTMENTS, AND SO  
17 THIS BOARD CLARIFIED TO DEPARTMENTS THAT THEY WOULD PROVIDE  
18 YOU WITH ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION, AS YOU MOVE FORWARD.

19

20 **ROBERT LUNA:** SO AS ALL OF YOU ARE AWARE, BECAUSE I'VE SPOKEN  
21 TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS,  
22 ABOUT THIS VISION OF A CORRECTIONAL CARE CENTER, THAT WOULD,  
23 CARE FOR THE MENTALLY AND EVERYONE THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH  
24 THAT'S SO FRAGILE. AS I HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH MY PARTNERS,  
25 EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU HAVE ASKED ME EXTREMELY LEGITIMATE



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1 QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
2 RUNNING CORRECTIONAL FACILITY ON OUR OWN. THE VISION  
3 INCORPORATES EVERY DEPARTMENT YOU SEE SEATED HERE. THAT'S THE  
4 ONLY WAY THIS WILL WORK. IT'S SUCH A COMPLEX PROBLEM. SO AS  
5 WE'VE BEEN REACHING OUT, I'VE NEVER GOTTEN EVERYBODY'S WANTED  
6 TO HELP, BUT THERE IS AN OVERRIDING FEELING FROM A LOT OF OUR  
7 DEPARTMENT HEADS BECAUSE OF YEARS PAST AND POLICY DECISIONS  
8 THAT THIS BOARD HAS MADE THAT THEY DON'T FEEL THAT THEY CAN  
9 FULLY ENGAGE IN A CONVERSATION REGARDING AN ADDITIONAL  
10 FACILITY IF WE GO THAT WAY AS A COUNTY FAMILY.

11  
12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY, THAT WAS WHAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT.  
13 AND SO TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S POINT, THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT  
14 PD DOES NOT OPERATE, BUT THE IMPACT ON THE PUBLIC DEFENDER  
15 CLIENTS IS RELEVANT. AT LEAST IT'S BEEN RELEVANT UP UNTIL THIS  
16 POINT, WHEN CONSIDERING ANYTHING, IN IN PLACE OF OR WHILE  
17 ELIMINATING THE JAIL. SO THAT IS WHY I BROUGHT IT UP BECAUSE I  
18 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT WHILE DEFENDER IS NOT PART OF, CHARGED  
19 WITH, THE OPERATION OF, I'M SURE YOU WANT TO SIT AT THE TABLE  
20 WITH WHATEVER THIS BOARD DOES, BOTH YOU AND ERICA, AS IT  
21 RELATES TO THE IMPACT IT WILL HAVE ON YOUR CLIENTS. CORRECT?

22  
23 **RICARDO GARCIA:** ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR. I THINK TO CLARIFY THE  
24 POINT, AND I LIKE WHAT DR. WONG SAID, IS THAT FROM MY  
25 PERSPECTIVE, I DON'T BELIEVE A NEW JAIL FACILITY IS NECESSARY.



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1 I DON'T BELIEVE A NEW CARCERAL SETTING IS NECESSARY. SO IF A  
2 DISCUSSION IS ASKED OF ME, DO YOU WANT TO ENGAGE IN A  
3 CONVERSATION ABOUT BUILDING SOME SORT OF NEW CARCERAL  
4 STRUCTURE? AND THE ANSWER TO THAT IS, I DON'T THINK IT'S  
5 NECESSARY. BUT AS DR. WONG MENTIONED, AND WE'VE TALKED ABOUT  
6 BEFORE, HERE IN OTHER LOCATIONS, IF WE WANT TO LOOK AT OTHER  
7 FACILITIES THAT ARE COMMUNITY BASED CARE FACILITIES TO ADDRESS  
8 THE NEEDS OF THE MENTALLY CHALLENGED OR PEOPLE WITH OTHER  
9 NEEDS THAT ARE IN THE CARCERAL PROCESS THAT IS NOT A JAIL,  
10 THEN I AM 100% INVOLVED IN THAT CONVERSATION.

11  
12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY.

13  
14 **RICARDO GARCIA:** AND I WILL SAY THAT I DON'T HAVE DR. WONG IS  
15 THE EXPERT ON WHAT CARE LEVEL PEOPLE NEED. THE COURT WILL MAKE  
16 THE DECISION AS TO WHO IS ALLOWED TO GO INTO ANY FACILITY. AND  
17 MY TEAM, MYSELF, WE WILL ARGUE THAT OUR CLIENTS NEED THE LEAST  
18 RESTRICTIVE, IF NOT NONRESTRICTIVE, MEANS OF, RECOVERY.

19  
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M GOING TO  
21 COUNT TO A 100. I'M GOING TO COUNT TO 100, BECAUSE, IF WE WERE  
22 DOING A BETTER JOB ON MENTAL HEALTH, DR. WONG, SOME PEOPLE  
23 THAT ARE IN OUR JAIL WOULD NOT BE IN OUR JAIL. SO I WOULD  
24 SUGGEST WHILE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE FACT WE DON'T NEED  
25 INCARCERAL AND WE DON'T YOU KNOW, WHAT WE NEED WHAT WE NEED IS



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1 A FULL SYSTEM OF CARE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL. AND WHEN I HEARD  
2 YOUR RESPONSE EARLIER, I DON'T GET A SENSE OF URGENCY IN WHAT  
3 I'M HEARING FROM THIS TEAM IN TERMS OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE IN  
4 THERE. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT REPLACEMENT, REPLACEMENT,  
5 REPLACEMENT. GO OVER AND SPEND A DAY SEEING THE PEOPLE THAT  
6 YOUR DEPARTMENT PROVIDES SERVICES FOR AND TELL ME YOU FEEL  
7 GOOD ABOUT THE JOB THAT WE ARE ALL DOING BECAUSE WE HIRED YOU.  
8 YOU REPRESENT THIS COUNTY. SO I COUNT TO 100 BECAUSE I THINK  
9 IT'S ALL GREAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY,  
10 THERE ARE PEOPLE THAT ARE ENDING UP IN OUR JAILS BECAUSE THEY  
11 CAN'T BE DIVERTED BECAUSE, OH, BY THE WAY, WE DON'T EVEN HAVE  
12 BEDS FOR THEM BECAUSE WE DON'T EVEN HAVE BEDS FOR THE PEOPLE  
13 THAT ARE LANGUISHING ON THE STREET THAT HAVEN'T BEEN ARRESTED,  
14 THAT ARE SITTING OUT THERE RIGHT NOW, THAT NEED A BED AND  
15 CAN'T GET IT, LISA. SO IF WE WANT TO REALLY TALK ABOUT A  
16 SYSTEM, A SYSTEM OF CARE, WE CAN TALK ABOUT THE JAIL, BUT  
17 LET'S TALK ABOUT THE SYSTEM THAT IS FAILING THEM THAT ENDED UP  
18 GETTING THEM INTO OUR SYSTEM. BECAUSE I'M SURE EVEN THE D.A.  
19 WOULD AGREE WITH THIS, AND I'M SURE YOU WOULD, AND THEN I'LL  
20 LET YOU SPEAK, ERICA. YOU ALL WOULD AGREE. IT'S A CHICKEN OR  
21 THE EGG. WHICH CAME FIRST? DID THEIR MENTAL ILLNESS CAUSE THEM  
22 TO BREAK THE LAW THAT ENDED UP PUTTING THEM IN JAIL? I WOULD  
23 GUESS THAT FOR A MAJORITY THAT THAT IS YES. SO YOU KNOW, I'M  
24 SORRY TO BE SO FRUSTRATED OR SO ANGRY, BUT THE BUCK IS GOING  
25 TO STOP WITH THIS BOARD. AND UNTIL I SEE REAL MOVEMENT WITH





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1 COMMUNITY PLACEMENT AND, QUITE FRANKLY, WITH THE PEOPLE THAT  
2 ARE ON THE STREET RIGHT NOW, WITH THE DEFINITION OF GRAVELY  
3 DISABLED BEING CHANGED, LISA, THEY JUST UPPED THE ANTE FOR US  
4 TO DO OUR JOB. SO I HOPE THAT HAPPENS SO THAT NEXT TIME  
5 SHERIFF LUNA COMES HERE, HE DOESN'T SAY THAT OVER 50% AND  
6 GROWING OF THE POPULATION ARE MENTALLY ILL. THAT IS A  
7 REFLECTION ON THE SYSTEM AND A REFLECTION ON A FAILURE FOR US  
8 TO DO OUR PART.

9

10 **DR. LISA WONG:** I APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THAT, SUPERVISOR,  
11 AND I FEEL I DO FEEL THE URGENCY, AND WE TAKE THAT VERY  
12 SERIOUSLY. AND THAT'S WHY WE'VE ADDED 750 STAFF SPECIFICALLY  
13 TO WORK WITH PEOPLE ON THE STREETS. THAT'S ALSO WHY WE HAVE AN  
14 ENTIRE BED PLAN, AND WE ARE ACTUALLY AHEAD OF SCHEDULE ON  
15 MEETING THE NUMBER OF BEDS THAT WE HAD TO REDUCE FOR DOJ AS  
16 WELL AS FOR THE ALLIANCE. WE TAKE THIS VERY SERIOUSLY, AND WE  
17 THINK THAT A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF JAIL DEPOPULATION IS  
18 PREVENTING PEOPLE COMING IN IN THE FIRST PLACE. IN FACT, YOU  
19 KNOW, I LOOK ALL THE TIME AT THAT COLUMN THAT JCIT HAS ABOUT  
20 PEOPLE WITH SIX OR MORE INCARCERATIONS. AND I'VE TOLD, MR.  
21 PINKNEY, I THINK THAT'S WHERE A LOT OF OUR PEOPLE ARE. I THINK  
22 THAT THEY ARE CYCLING IN AND OUT. THERE ARE MANY PARTS OF THIS  
23 EQUATION. ONE OF THEM IS TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE CHAHNCE TO  
24 HAVE ADEQUATE TREATMENT, ADEQUATE FACILITIES WHILE IN THE  
25 JAIL. IT'S ABOUT CONNECTING WITH APPROPRIATE SERVICE WHEN THEY



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1 COME OUT OF THE JAIL, AND IT'S ABOUT HAVING A ROBUST SYSTEM OF  
2 CARE SO THEY DON'T GO IN IN THE FIRST PLACE. AND I THINK THAT  
3 WE HAVE TO BUILD OUT THAT ENTIRE SYSTEM, BUT I DO ASSURE YOU  
4 THAT WE TAKE IT VERY SERIOUSLY AND THAT WE DO HAVE A SENSE OF  
5 URGENCY, AND THAT IS, I THINK, SEEN IN THE WAY WE HAVE  
6 ALLOCATED OUR RESOURCES.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ERICA, YOU WERE CALLED OUT. DO YOU  
9 WANT TO RESPOND?

10

11 **ERIKA ANZOATEGUI:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE DISCUSSION. WHAT  
12 I JUST WANTED TO ADD IS IT IS IT IS, WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON  
13 THIS FOR A LONG TIME, SUPERVISORS, AND I KNOW WITH SUPERVISOR  
14 BARGER, WE'VE HAD CONVERSATIONS. BUT YOU'RE RIGHT. YOU'RE  
15 RIGHT. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT. BUT WHAT I WANTED TO EMPHASIZE IS  
16 THAT I DO BELIEVE ALSO CARE FIRST, JUST LAST. WE ALL DO. AND  
17 WHAT THAT MEANS IS THAT IT'S COMPLICATED. SO THANK YOU FOR  
18 GIVING ME A MOMENT TO SAY THAT THE INFRASTRUCTURE HAS TO BE  
19 BUILT OUT. AND I DO BELIEVE THAT WHEN THE MOTION CAME THROUGH,  
20 TEAR DOWN MEN'S COUNTY JAIL WITHOUT A JAIL REPLACEMENT, WE  
21 THOUGHT IT WAS JAIL. SO THAT'S WHY IN MANY DISCUSSIONS, WHEN  
22 WE TALK ABOUT BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE, WE DO, FOR OUR CLIENTS,  
23 WANT SOMETHING OUT IN THE COMMUNITY OR A FACILITY THAT PERHAPS  
24 DR. WONG CAN HELP BUILD, BUT WE ARE LOOKING FOR HELP BECAUSE  
25 PEOPLE WE DON'T WANT THEM TO CYCLE THROUGH. WE DO THINK THAT



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1 THEN IS NOT GOOD FOR THE COMMUNITY, AND PUBLIC SAFETY IS WHEN  
2 WE HELP THEM. SO I THINK WE'RE ALL SAYING THE SAME THINGS, AND  
3 WE'RE REALLY GOING TO KEEP WORKING AT IT. SO I WANTED TO JUST  
4 MENTION, WE DO WORK WITH EVERY ENTITY THAT COMES THROUGH WHEN  
5 IT COMES TO TRYING TO FIND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. SO  
6 THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THAT BEING SAID, NO  
9 OTHER QUESTIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS OR NO. OKAY. SO WE'LL GO  
10 TO, PUBLIC COMMENT, EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME  
13 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? PEGGY LEE KENNEDY, CLAUDIA  
14 JEREZ, HELEN JONES, JASMINE JONES, JANET ASANTE, JAMES NELSON,  
15 INGRID MARTINEZ, ANTHONY ROBLES, MARCELLA ROSEN, NICOLETTE  
16 NODINE, BERKLEE DONOVAN, JOSE GARCIA, LAUREN KUO, MELISSA  
17 CAMACHO, AND OCTAVIO ORTIZ. MARCEL RODARTE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
18 PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR LINE AND BEGIN. MARCEL RODARTE, PLEASE  
19 UNMUTE YOURSELF TO SPEAK.

20

21 **MARCEL RODARTE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
22 BOARD. MARCEL RODARTE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA  
23 CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING 84 CITIES AND NEARLY  
24 7,000,000 RESIDENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE SHARE YOUR GOALS  
25 OF MODERNIZING OUR JAILS AND EXPANDING TREATMENT, BUT YOUR OWN



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1 REPORT TELLS THE STORY. THE SEVEN REQUIRED ACTIONS TO REDUCE  
2 THE JAIL POPULATION WILL REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION BY ONLY  
3 ABOUT 836 PEOPLE AGAINST THE BASELINE OF 14,500. THE COST IS  
4 \$2,700,000,000, INCLUDING 1,500,000,000 IN NEW UNFUNDED  
5 INVESTMENTS, AND THE REPORT CONCEDES CLOSURE WITHIN FIVE YEARS  
6 IS NOT ACHIEVABLE WITHOUT REPLACEMENT FACILITY. PUBLIC SAFETY  
7 IS THE PRIORITY OUR CITY'S PLACE ABOVE ALL OTHERS. WE ASK YOU  
8 TO KEEP EVERY OPTION ON THE TABLE, INCLUDING REPLACEMENT  
9 CAPACITY AND TO MAKE NO FINAL DECISION UNTIL ADEQUATE  
10 CAPACITY, SERVICES AND FUNDING ARE IN PLACE. THANK YOU.

11  
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AS A REMINDER FOR REMOTE  
13 PARTICIPANTS, IF CALLING ON A TELEPHONE, PRESS \*6 WHEN THE  
14 AREA CODE AND THE LAST TWO DIGITS OF YOUR NUMBERS ARE CALLED.  
15 CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 747, LAST TWO DIGITS 09, YOUR LINE IS  
16 OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6. STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER,  
17 PLEASE BEGIN.

18  
19 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** I AM CALLING IN REGARDS TO THIS JAIL  
20 CLOSING REPORT WHILE LISA WONG IS THERE, WHILE HOLLY MITCHELL  
21 IS THERE, AND MRS. HAHN IS THERE ALL SPEAKING ON MENTAL  
22 ISSUES. WHEN I REPORTED IN 2024 THAT JAIL STAFF LABELS MANY  
23 AFRICAN AMERICANS AS SCHIZOPHRENIC AND THE DOC THAT JAIL  
24 DOCUMENTS FROM THEIR OWN STAFF SHOWED THAT THEY DID IT TO ME.  
25 MRS. MITCHELL NEVER RESPONDED. LISA WONG NEVER RESPONDED, AND



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1 MRS. HAHN'S OFFICE WAS CC'D ON IT, AND MRS. DULIF'S OFFICE  
2 STILL TODAY HASN'T RESPONDED. AND, ALSO, MRS. SOLIS'S OFFICE  
3 DOES NOT ANSWER THE PHONE. AND AS THE CHAIR, I THINK THAT'S  
4 JUST CRAZY THAT HER OFFICE NEVER ANSWERED THE PHONE. SO IN  
5 ORDER TO WHEN SPEAKING ABOUT CLOSING FACILITIES, STAFF MEMBERS  
6 SHOULD ALSO BE DOING THEIR JOB BECAUSE JUST TO OPEN A NEW  
7 FACILITY, YOU'RE GOING TO JUST BE TRANSFERRING STAFF MEMBERS  
8 THAT ARE DOING THE SAME THING, VIOLATING PEOPLE'S RIGHTS. AND  
9 I THINK IT'S A DISGRACE THAT MISS MITCHELL TO THE STATE'S  
10 OFFICE OR COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR WAS ALSO EMAILED. STILL  
11 HAVEN'T RESPONDED AND NO RESPONSE FROM THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT.  
12 BUT MISS MITCHELL'S OFFICE WOULD TELL PEOPLE THAT SHE'S  
13 ASSISTED PEOPLE WHEN THE DOCUMENTS AND EMAIL SHOW THAT NO ONE  
14 HAS RESPONDED. SO THE THING WHEN SHE'S SPEAKING ABOUT CLOSING  
15 FACILITIES --

16  
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818,  
18 LAST TWO DIGITS 37. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
19 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER WITH  
20 PHONE NUMBER 818, LAST TWO DIGITS 37. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
21 UNMUTE. OKAY. SAMANTHA BERG, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE  
22 TO SPEAK. SAMANTHA?

23  
24 **SAMANTHA BERG:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SAMANTHA BERG, A  
25 COMMUNITY ORGANIZER IN RESIDENCE OF SUPERVISOR HOLLY J



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1 MITCHELL'S OFFICE. AND, YES, I'M THE NUMBER ONE VIEWER OF  
2 SIPPING MY TEA. MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL IS OUTDATED AND HARMFUL TO  
3 PEOPLE INCARCERATED THERE AND TO STAFF, AND IT SHOULD  
4 ULTIMATELY BE CLOSED. I BELIEVE IN OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM AND IN  
5 DUE PROCESS. WHEN PEOPLE ARE SENTENCED, THEY SHOULD DO THEIR  
6 TIME AND RECEIVE THE SUPPORT THEY NEED TO RETURN SAFELY TO OUR  
7 COMMUNITIES. RIGHT NOW, THE PLAN IS NOT READY. CLOSING THIS  
8 JAIL BEFORE REAL TREATMENT, HOUSING, AND DIVERSION OPTIONS  
9 EXIST, RISK OVERCROWDING IN OTHER FACILITIES, OR PUSHING MORE  
10 PEOPLE ONTO OUR STREETS. I DO NOT SUPPORT CLOSING JAILS  
11 WITHOUT REAL ALTERNATIVES. PEOPLE WHO COMMIT CRIME SHOULD  
12 SERVE THEIR TIME. BUT WHILE IN CUSTODY, THEY DESERVE MENTAL  
13 HEALTH SERVICES, OPPORTUNITIES TO EARN THEIR DIPLOMAS, AND  
14 REAL PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT. PLEASE KNOW THAT PROVIDING THESE  
15 SUPPORTS IS NOT SOLELY ON THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S  
16 RESPONSIBILITY. IT DEPENDS ON OUR MENTAL HEALTH AGENCIES,  
17 EDUCATION SYSTEMS, WORKFORCE PROGRAMS, AND HOUSING PARTNERS TO  
18 STEP UP, TAKE ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ADVOCATE FOR MORE RESOURCES.  
19 I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR INVITE --

20  
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS  
22 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE TO SPEAK. THIS, DISCUSSION IS AN ABJECT  
23 OBSCENITY AND CONTINUUM BY THE BOARD OF DEMOCRATS WHO CANCELED  
24 THE \$1,700,000,000 MEN'S JAIL BOND 2019 AND HAVE DONE NOTHING  
25 TO BETTER THE SYSTEM, CONTINUED DEFUNDING THIS CRIMINAL



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1 JUSTICE SYSTEM AS THE STATE, CHANGED FELONS FELONIES TO  
2 MISDEMEANORS AND PASSED THE PERSONS ON TO THE COUNTY JAILS  
3 2011 JURY, BROWN, DEMOCRAT, AB 109. AB 47 TWO THOUSAND  
4 FOURTEEN, ANOTHER EXERCISE IN STUPID LED BY GASCON, DEMOCRAT.  
5 75% PRETRIAL IS SELF FULFILLING PROPHECY IN FAILURE TO FUND  
6 IT, BUT THE DEMOCRATS HAVE PLENTY OF MONEY FOR BIDEN ILLEGAL.  
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER IS A QUEEN FOR THE DAY AND THE ONLY ADULT IN  
8 THE ROOM. THE SHERIFF MUST BE REMOVED FROM JAIL'S LEROY BACA.  
9 HOW DID WE GET 75 TO 45%? DON'T CALL HIM OUT. NO GUTS. NO  
10 GLORY. 75 45.

11  
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MIA COLEMAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
13 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF TO SPEAK.

14  
15 **MIA COLEMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MIA COLEMAN, AND I'M A  
16 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3, A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A.  
17 COALITION HERE IN SUPPORT OF JUSTICE L.A. IT'S TIME FOR JCIT  
18 TO RETURN TO THE FIVE-YEAR TIMELINE TO YOUR PRESENTATION AND  
19 PLAN. YOU HAVE RECEIVED THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE BOARD AND  
20 COUNTY DEPARTMENT, SO THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR BEING UNABLE TO  
21 FOCUS ON WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE, CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AS  
22 QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THE BOARD HAS TENTATIVELY ALLOCATED  
23 FUNDING, AND COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ARE WAITING ON YOU TO TAKE THE  
24 REINS AND MOVE IMPLEMENTATION WITH THE URGENCY IT DESERVES.  
25 EVERY DELAY RISKS MORE LIVES LOST. STOP LISTENING TO THE



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1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHEN THEY TELL YOU WHO CAN AND CANNOT BE  
2 MOVED FROM MCJ. BEFORE PROP 1, WE WERE TOLD IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE  
3 TO DRAMATICALLY EXPAND FSP PROGRAMS. BUT ONCE COUNTY  
4 DEPARTMENTS WERE TOLD THEY HAD TO, THEY FOUND A WAY TO WORK  
5 OUT A COMPLEX PROCESS THAT WILL BENEFIT THOUSANDS DIRECTLY AND  
6 MILLIONS INDIRECTLY. AS WE SAW TODAY WHEN WE TALKED TO THE  
7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THIS CONVERSATION GOES BACK TO BUILDING  
8 A NEW JAIL. WE'RE PAST THAT JUDGE --

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,  
11 LAST TWO DIGITS, 18. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
12 UNMUTE AND BEGIN YOUR STATEMENT.

13

14 **JOHNNY ANDRADE:** YEAH. YEAH. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME JOHNNY  
15 ANDRADE. I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHERN CHAMBER OF  
16 COMMERCE COUNCIL HERE IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. BEFORE WE TALK  
17 ABOUT CLOSING THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, I ENCOURAGE SUPERVISORS  
18 TO FIRST ASK WHETHER THE COUNTY HAS THE INFRASTRUCTURE IN  
19 PLACE TO SAFELY SUPPORT THAT DECISION. WHAT IS THE PLAN FOR  
20 HOUSING THE THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE CURRENTLY  
21 INCARCERATED? HOW WILL WE'RE CROWDING AT OTHER FACILITIES BE  
22 PREVENTED? ARE OUR MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEMS, SPORTS, TRANSITIONAL  
23 HOUSING, AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES TRULY PREPARED TO ABSORB  
24 THAT RESPONSIBILITY, NOT JUST TODAY, BUT FIVE YEARS FROM NOW.  
25 WE ALSO NEED TO CONSIDER PUBLIC SAFETY. IF HIGHER RISK





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1 INDIVIDUALS ARE RELEASED INTO NEIGHBORHOODS WITHOUT SUFFICIENT  
2 SUPPORT, THE BURDEN WILL FALL ON COMMUNITIES THAT ARE ALREADY  
3 UNDERSERVED AND ON SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES WHO ARE ALREADY  
4 STRETCHED THIN. MANY OF OUR LONG-TERM COMMUNITIES AND  
5 COMMUNITIES OF COLOR CONTINUE TO FACE STAFFING SHORTAGES AND  
6 LIMITED PUBLIC SAFETY RESOURCES. WE CANNOT IGNORE THOSE  
7 REALITIES. MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL ALSO HOUSES MANY INDIVIDUALS  
8 WITH SIGNIFICANT MENTAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL NEEDS. HOLDING THE  
9 FACILITY WITHOUT HAVING ADEQUATE TREATMENT --

10  
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213,  
12 LAST TWO DIGITS, 88. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
13 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. PLEASE BEGIN. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS  
14 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. CALLER WITH  
15 PHONE NUMBER 213, LAST TWO DIGITS, 56. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
16 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

17  
18 **JULIE BERG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JULIE BERG. I THANK  
19 SUPERVISOR BARGERS AND SHERIFF LUNA'S COMMENTS FOR POINTING  
20 OUT THE MANY COMPLEX ISSUES REGARDING THE CLOSURE AND ACTIONS  
21 NEEDED. WE HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT AS SHERIFF LUNA POINTED OUT,  
22 HE DOES NOT ELECT TO GET FILES AT THE JAIL FACILITY OVERSEAS.  
23 SHERIFF LUNA SHOULD COMMANDED ON ITS WORK TOWARDS THE LOWERING  
24 OF YOUTH OF FORCE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF FIELD EQUIPMENT AND  
25 TRAINING WITHIN THIS DEPARTMENT. THEREFORE, I ASK THAT YOU



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1 ALLOW THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO MAINTAIN MCJ  
2 UNTIL A FULLY OPERATIONAL PLAN CAN BE PUT IN PLACE. THE  
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INPUT AND MAINTENANCE IS VERY VITAL TO  
4 ENSURE THE SAFETY OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS HELD THERE. WE  
5 NEED TO ENSURE THAT EVERY PERSON WHO IS CURRENTLY HELD AT MCJ  
6 HAS PROPER HOUSING TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION THAT NEED THAT  
7 THEY NEED TO GET BACK ON THE FEET TO ENSURE THAT NOT ONLY  
8 THEIR SAFETY, BUT THE SAFETY OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND  
9 STAKEHOLDERS IS ENSURED. ANY CLOSURE WITHOUT A PROVEN  
10 ALTERNATIVE PUTS THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY AT RISK. I THANK THE  
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISOR FOR PRIORITIZING THE SAFE AND REASONABLE  
12 TRANSITION.

13  
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. IAN KENNEDY, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
15 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF TO SPEAK. IAN KENNEDY, PLEASE UNMUTE  
16 AND BEGIN YOUR STATEMENT.

17  
18 **IAN KENNEDY:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS IAN KENNEDY, AND  
19 I'M A CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVOCATE WITH NAMI GREATER LOS ANGELES  
20 COUNTY. I SPEAK BEFORE YOU AS THE FATHER OF A MENTALLY ILL SON  
21 WHO WAS RECENTLY IN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. MY SON NEEDED  
22 SUPPORTIVE CARE AND TREATMENT AND WAS UNABLE TO GET IT DURING  
23 HIS TIME IN JAIL. I DON'T WANT OTHER FAMILIES TO EXPERIENCE  
24 THE PAIN AND HARDSHIP THAT MY FAMILY EXPERIENCED. I  
25 DESPERATELY WANT TO SEE THE COUNTY MOVE FORWARD TOWARDS A



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1 SYSTEM THAT IS BETTER EQUIPPED TO SUPPORT THOSE WHO ARE  
2 MENTALLY ILL AND JUSTICE INVOLVED, WHETHER IN THE JAILS OR IN  
3 THE COMMUNITY. I THANK JCIT FOR THEIR DILIGENT REPORTS AND  
4 TIRELESS WORK. PEOPLE LIKE MY SON NEED CARE AND TREATMENT. IT  
5 IMPROVES THEIR WELL-BEING, SUPPORTS THEIR FAMILIES, AND  
6 ENHAHNCES COMMUNITY SAFETY. I URGE THIS BOARD TO FULLY  
7 CONSIDER ANY OPTION TO PROVIDE TREATMENT AND CARE TO THE  
8 MENTALLY ILL, WHETHER CARCERAL OR COMMUNITY BASED. THANK YOU.

9  
10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MARK GALE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
11 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. MARK GALE, PLEASE UNMUTE  
12 YOUR STATE AND BEGIN YOUR STATEMENT.

13  
14 **MARK GALE:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

15  
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES. GO AHEAD.

17  
18 **MARK GALE:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS MARK GALE, AND I AM THE  
19 CRIMINAL JUSTICE CHAIR FOR NAMI GLAC. WE DO SUPPORT ITEM 59B,  
20 AND THE BOARD SHOULD AUTHORIZE THE INITIAL FUNDING OF OVER  
21 \$28,000,000,000. THE MESSAGE FROM THE REPORT IS CLEAR. IT'S  
22 TIME FOR STRAIGHT TALK. OUR DISAPPOINTMENT IN THE REPORT IS  
23 THE LACK OF SPECIFICITY REGARDING THE SEVERITY AND CLINICAL  
24 ACUITY OF THE P THREE INMATES CURRENTLY DETAINED IN TWIN  
25 TOWERS. IN FACT, THERE IS NO CLARITY ON WHAT LEVEL OF CARE



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1 THESE INDIVIDUALS REQUIRE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE HIGH-QUALITY  
2 MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND RECOVER. IN FACT, THERE'S ALMOST NO  
3 INFORMATION ON INMATE MENTAL HEALTH IN THE REPORT AND YOU KNOW  
4 OUR POSITION. WE WANT INMATES WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS IN  
5 TWIN TOWERS RELOCATED TO NEW TREATMENT FACILITIES, THEREBY  
6 OPENING UP THOSE BEDS FOR THE MEN IN SMITH CENTRAL JAIL. IT IS  
7 BEYOND TIME TO PLAN FOR MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT OF PEOPLE WHO  
8 ARE NONDIVERTABLE AND WILL COMPLETE THEIR SENTENCES IN THE  
9 JAIL. WE NEVER TALK ABOUT THEM. THEY ARE NOT COLLATERAL  
10 DAMAGE. THEY NEED MENTAL HEALTH CARE.

11  
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818,  
13 LAST TWO DIGITS, 73. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO  
14 UNMUTE AND BEGIN YOUR STATEMENT.

15  
16 **MOSES GAZAZIAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME  
17 IS MOSES GAZAZIAN. I'M IN A LEADERSHIP POSITION WITH SEVERAL  
18 NONPROFIT COMMUNITY SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS WITH OVER 2,000  
19 MEMBERS. I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE CLOSURE OF THE CENTRAL  
20 JAIL. CLOSING THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL WITHOUT PROPER  
21 INFRASTRUCTURE RISKS RELEASING HIGH SECURITY INDIVIDUALS INTO  
22 NEIGHBORHOODS, INCREASING LOCAL CRIME, AND FURTHER  
23 STRAIGHTENING SHERIFF DEPARTMENT RESOURCES. SHERIFF'S  
24 DEPARTMENT MUST MAINTAIN THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL UNTIL A  
25 LEGITIMATE PLAN IS FULLY OPERATIONAL. I ALWAYS SUPPORTED LAW



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1 ENFORCEMENT AND THE JOB THEY DO TO PROTECT US. I LIVE IN THE  
2 SAME COMMUNITY AS YOU DO AND HAVE CHILDREN AS YOU DO. THEIR  
3 SAFETY IN OUR HOMES AND COMMUNITIES IS RESPONSIBILITY AS IT IS  
4 YOURS AS PARENTS. PLEASE KEEP THEM SAFE NOW BEFORE IT IS TOO  
5 LATE. THANK YOU.

6

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

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. WE CAN HEAR YOU. HOLD ON. YOUR  
11 MIC?

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** CAN WE TURN ON HER MICROPHONE,  
14 PLEASE?

15

16 **PEGGY LEE KENNEDY:** OH, CAN YOU RESET MY TIME NOW? PEGGY LEE  
17 KENNEDY, VENICE JUSTICE. I HELP RUN A FREE LEGAL CLINIC FOR  
18 UNHOUSED PEOPLE WHO GET INFRACTIONS. THIS CLINIC HAS BEEN  
19 GOING ON SINCE SEPTEMBER 2014 AND L.A. CITY MOSTLY ISSUES  
20 INFRACTIONS AND WHEN SOMEBODY DOESN'T APPEAR, A FAILURE TO  
21 APPEAR, GENERALLY GOES TO COLLECTIONS. RIGHT NEXT DOOR IS THE  
22 CITY OF SANTA MONICA. I REALLY UNDERSTAND WHY THESE CITIES  
23 DON'T WANT YOU TO CLOSE THE JAIL BECAUSE THEY REALLY WANT TO  
24 POPULATE THEM WITH THEIR MISDEMEANOR IN TICKETS THAT ARE VERY  
25 SIMILAR TO THE INFRACTIONS, QUALITY OF LIFE TICKETS FOR RIDING



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1 A BIKE ON A SIDEWALK OR SOMETHING RIDICULOUS LIKE THAT. YOU'RE  
2 GOING TO GET ARREST WARRANT. AND IF YOU'RE UNHOUSED, THEN YOU  
3 CAN GET MORE AND MORE BECAUSE GUESS WHAT? YOU CAN'T EASILY  
4 SHOW UP TO THE COURT OVER ON LA CIENEGA AND IMPERIAL WITH YOUR  
5 CART AND YOUR DOG. AND THEN WHEN THEY FINALLY ARREST YOU,  
6 GUESS WHAT?

7

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

9

10 **HELEN JONES:** HI. MY NAME IS HELEN JONES. I'M THE MOTHER OF  
11 JOHN HORTON WHO WAS MURDERED BY THE 3,000 DEPUTY SHERIFF GANG  
12 IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT, 03/30/2009. I'D LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU  
13 TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS CRITICAL MOTION, BECAUSE  
14 IT IS A CRITICAL MOTION. WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS IF YOU'RE  
15 SAYING THAT YOU CAN'T CLOSE THE JAIL, WHY IS THE DOOR TO BRING  
16 PEOPLE IN STILL OPEN? IF YOU CAN'T TAKE CARE OF WHAT'S INSIDE  
17 NOW, WHY IS PEOPLE STILL COMING IN? SHUT THAT DOOR AND TAKE  
18 CARE OF WHAT'S INSIDE BECAUSE YOU CAN'T KEEP THE PEOPLE COMING  
19 IN AND YOU CAN'T BRING THEM OUT THE RIGHT WAY WHICH YOU WANT  
20 TO DO IT. YOU CAN'T KEEP IT YOU CAN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS.  
21 EITHER YOU'RE GOING TO CLOSE THAT DOOR AND TAKE CARE OF WHAT'S  
22 INSIDE AND PUT THOSE PEOPLE WHERE THEY NEED TO BE AND DO IT DO  
23 THE JOB THE RIGHT WAY BECAUSE YOU CAN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS. YOU  
24 CAN'T KEEP IT GOING BACK AND FORTH. EITHER YOU'RE GOING TO  
25 CLOSE THE JAIL AND DO WHAT'S RIGHT OR YOU'RE GOING TO KEEP



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1 LETTING PEOPLE DIE.

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

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5 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS DWC. IT SOUNDS A LITTLE BIT  
6 COMPLICATED BUT HAVE SOME TAKE HERE. THERE IS PEOPLE THAT WE  
7 MUST RESPOND TO, PEOPLE THAT COMMIT CRIMES, THERE ARE  
8 CRIMINALS THAT ACTUALLY DO CRIMES, THERE'S PEOPLE THAT ARE  
9 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE MENTALLY ILL THAT REQUIRE SERVICES AND  
10 THERE'S PEOPLE THAT ARE FRACTURED. THE PEOPLE THAT ARE  
11 FRACTURED ARE PEOPLE THAT CAN NO LONGER BE ATTAINABLE. SO THEY  
12 REQUIRE A LONG-TERM CARE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM THAT WE DON'T  
13 HAVE MONEY FOR. WE DON'T HAVE MONEY FOR IT. WE PASSED THE BIG,  
14 BEAUTIFUL BILL IN 2026, 2025, I BELIEVE. MR. TRUMP PASSED IT  
15 AND ALL THE RESOURCES WERE GONE HERE IN L.A. SO WE DON'T HAVE  
16 THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO HAVE A SYSTEM OF CARE THAT WILL ADDRESS  
17 A FRACTURED INDIVIDUAL THAT CAN NO LONGER BE ATTAINABLE  
18 BECAUSE OF HIS UPBRINGING, BECAUSE HE DOESN'T HAVE HIS MOM AND  
19 DAD THAT GIVES HIM THE FAMILY SUPPORT SYSTEM THAT HE SHOULD  
20 HAVE. SO THAT IS SOMETHING VERY CRITICAL THAT YOU --

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

23

24 **JAMES NELSON:** YEAH. HELLO. MY NAME IS JAMES NELSON. I'M WITH  
25 DIGNITY EMPOWER NOW AND JUSTICE L.A. I'M FORMERLY



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1 INCARCERATED. I WAS IN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL BACK IN '84.  
2 WRONGFULLY CONVICTED. SPENT 29 YEARS IN PRISON, BEEN HOME  
3 TWELVE YEARS NOW, GOT CONNECTED WITH THIS WORK WITH MY  
4 COWORKERS. AND I HEARD SOMEBODY SAY THAT THINGS IS ON THE FAST  
5 TRACK. THEY HAVEN'T NOTHING BEEN ON NO FAST TRACK SINCE SIX  
6 YEARS AGO THAT IT WAS RULED THAT THE JAIL WAS BEING CLOSED  
7 DOWN. RIGHT? THINK ABOUT TWIN TOWERS WHEN IT WAS BUILT. IT WAS  
8 BUILT ON THE SAME CONCEPT AS WHAT THEY WANT TO CALL IT NOW, A  
9 CARE CAMPUS. RIGHT? THAT'S OFFENSIVE IN ITSELF. RIGHT? CALLING  
10 A JAIL A CAMPUS. RIGHT NOW, TWIN TOWERS IS ONE OF THE WORST  
11 JAILS IN THE COUNTY. YOU KNOW? SO EVERYBODY IS AGAIN, TODAY  
12 BEEN JUST PASSING THE BUCK PASSING THE BUCK. IT'S THEIR FAULT.  
13 IT'S THEIR FAULT WITHOUT THEM SAYING THAT, YOU KNOW, WITH NO  
14 REAL RESOLUTIONS TO WHAT WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR. I THANK YOU  
15 GUYS FOR KEEPING THE PRESSURE ON THIS WHOLE THING --

16  
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

18  
19 **JAMES NELSON:** TO GET IT DONE.

20  
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22  
23 **JASMIN JONES:** HI. MY NAME IS JASMIN JONES, AND I'M STRONGLY IN  
24 FAVOR OF ITEM 59B, WHICH FUNDS YEAR ONE OF THE JCIT PLAN. THE  
25 ACTION ITEMS PROPOSED BY THE JAIL CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM





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1 SET AN IMPORTANT PRECEDENT IN L.A. COUNTY TO CLOSE THE MOST  
2 DEADLY JAIL IN THE COUNTRY WITHOUT A REPLACEMENT. EMPHASIS ON  
3 NO REPLACEMENT. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR LISTENING TO  
4 THE COMMUNITY AND AUTHORIZING A MOTION THAT RECOGNIZES HOW  
5 CRITICAL IT IS THAT THERE ARE NO MORE DELAYS IN CLOSING MCJ.  
6 THANK YOU TO THE OTHER SUPERVISORS WHO ARE ALSO IN SUPPORT  
7 THIS MOTION. IN THE LONG RUN, NON-CARCERAL SOLUTIONS TO THESE  
8 PROBLEMS ARE MORE EFFECTIVE THAN HISTORICAL PUNITIVE  
9 APPROACHES THAT DO NOT KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE. EVERY YEAR,  
10 MCJ STAYS OPEN, MORE LIVES ARE LOST. AND EVEN THOUGH VOTING  
11 YES TODAY DOES NOT GIVE US BACK THE LOSSES, THIS MOTION SHOWS  
12 THAT FROM STARTING TODAY, THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE  
13 IN LOS ANGELES THAT ARE IMPACTED BY INCARCERATION, MENTAL  
14 HEALTH NEEDS, AND HOUSING INSTABILITY WILL RECEIVE CARE, NOT  
15 CAGES. THANK YOU.

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

18  
19 **INGRID MARTINEZ:** HELLO. MY NAME IS INGRID MARTINEZ. I'M FROM  
20 DISTRICT 3. FIRST, I JUST WANTED TO SAY I THINK IT'S EXTREMELY  
21 DISRESPECTFUL THAT MANY MEMBERS IN HERE ARE HAVING FULL ON  
22 CONVERSATIONS AND SPEAKING OVER COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO ARE  
23 LEAVING VIRTUAL COMMENTS. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT ITEM 59 B AND  
24 15. THE ACTIONS PROPOSED BY JCIT ARE EVIDENCE BASED EFFORTS  
25 THAT WILL NOT ONLY CLOSE MCJ BUT WILL ALSO SAVE LIVES AND SAVE



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1 FAMILIES FROM THE HEARTBREAK OF GRIEVING OVER THEIR LOVED ONES  
2 WHO DIE IN CUSTODY. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR LISTENING  
3 TO THE CRIES OF THE COMMUNITY AND AUTHORIZING A MOTION THAT  
4 RECOGNIZES THE URGENCY OF CLOSING MCJ. THANK YOU TO OTHER  
5 BOARD MEMBERS WHO ARE ALSO IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. IN  
6 REGARDS TO THE CONCERNS SPECIFICALLY RAISED BY CONTRACT CITIES  
7 ASSOCIATION THAT THEY HAVE PUBLIC SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL  
8 CONCERNS OVER CLOSING MCJ OR EVEN BUDGET CONCERNS HIGHLIGHTED  
9 BY THE C CEO, LET'S NOT FORGET ABOUT THE HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES  
10 THAT CURRENTLY OCCUR IN THE HANDS OF THE CHAIR --

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

13  
14 **JANET ASANTE:** HI. MY NAME IS JANET ASANTE, COALITION LEAD FOR  
15 JUSTICE L.A. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR LISTENING TO THE  
16 COMMUNITY AND AUTHORIZING A MOTION THAT RECOGNIZES HOW CRITICAL  
17 IT IS THAT THERE ARE NO DELAYS IN CLOSING MTJ. THE FACT THAT  
18 THIS FUNDING MOTION ACTUALLY BYPASSED THE CLUSTER PROCESS  
19 REALLY REFLECTS THE URGENCY OF THIS CRISIS, AND I REALLY HOPE  
20 THAT PRACTICE CONTINUES. JCIT NEEDS TO RETURN THE FIVE-YEAR  
21 TIMELINE TO THEIR PRESENTATION AND PLAN. STOP LISTENING TO THE  
22 SHERIFF ABOUT WHO CAN BE RELOCATED. STOP LISTENING TO THEM  
23 WHEN THEY TELL YOU THAT SOME PEOPLE JUST HAVE TO STAY IN MCJ.  
24 IF THEY ARE ARRESTING 60,000 PEOPLE A YEAR, THAT MEANS THAT  
25 THEY ARE ARRESTING LEGALLY INNOCENT PEOPLE AT MASSIVE RATES



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1 BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE 60,000 PEOPLE IN OUR JAIL RIGHT NOW. SO  
2 THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE POPULATIONS IN THERE. THEY ARE  
3 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MOUNTING LAWSUITS. THEY'RE NOT IN  
4 COMPLIANCE WITH ANY OF THESE LAWSUITS. WE HAVE ONE FROM  
5 ATTORNEY GENERAL BONTA RIGHT NOW. I THINK WE'VE HEARD A LOT  
6 ABOUT THE FIRES TODAY, AND MAGGIE CARTER AND LAC ARE TELLING  
7 YOU ABOUT A PITCHESS EXPANSION PROJECT THAT WILL TAKE TILL  
8 2029 AND COST \$60,000,000. THEY WOULDN'T EVEN EVACUE --

9

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

11

12 **MARCELLA ROSEN:** HI. MY NAME IS MARCELLA ROSEN. I WANT TO START  
13 OFF BY FINISHING THE THOUGHT FROM MY COLLEAGUE, JANET ASANTE.  
14 THE FIRES ALMOST BURNED DOWN THE PITCHESS FACILITY. THEY'RE  
15 TALKING ABOUT EXPANDING A FACILITY THAT IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS  
16 FOR EVERYONE WHO IS INSIDE. THAT'S THE INVESTMENTS THAT THEY  
17 WANT TO MAKE. I WANT TO START OFF OR GO BACK TO THANKING  
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION. AND I THINK THAT  
19 FOR OTHERS HERE, IT'S REALLY RIDICULOUS TO PRETEND THAT  
20 PHYSICALLY EXPANDING DOWN PITCHESS WOULD BE A MORE COST-  
21 EFFECTIVE SOLUTION OR A FASTER SOLUTION THAN BUILDING OUT  
22 DIVERSION PROGRAMS AND REAL INDEPENDENT PRETRIAL SERVICES. WE  
23 NEED RELIEF FOR OUR JAIL SYSTEM NOW. IF ONE PENNY OF THE  
24 \$28,000,000 FOR THE JAIL CLOSURE PLAN THE FIRST YEAR GOES  
25 TOWARDS RESEARCHING, PLANNING, OR EXPANDING PITCHESS, IT WILL



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1 BE SUCH A MASSIVE FAILURE ON THE PART OF JCIT AND THE OTHERS  
2 WHO ARE TASKED WITH CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL.

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

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6 **NICOLETTE NODINE:** HI. MY NAME IS NICOLETTE NODINE. I'M WITH  
7 JUSTICE L.A. I'D LIKE TO GO BACK TO EMPHASIZE SOME OF THE  
8 THINGS MY PEERS SAID. JCIT NEEDS TO DO MORE THAN JUST CRUNCH  
9 THE NUMBERS. WE NEED YOU ALL TO BE CORRECTING MISINFORMATION,  
10 FINDING SOLUTIONS, AND ADVOCATING, PROVIDING ACTUAL DIRECTION.  
11 I APPRECIATE THE THOROUGH INVESTIGATION, BUT WE NEED YOU GUYS  
12 TO DIRECT AND GUIDE THE BOARD AND COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ON WHAT  
13 NEEDS TO BE DONE IN ORDER TO CLOSE THE JAIL. THIS IS WHAT THE  
14 DEPARTMENT WAS TASKED WITH FIGURING OUT AND WITH NO  
15 REPLACEMENT JAIL. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR PUTTING  
16 FORTH A MOTION TO EMPHASIZE THIS. JAILS DO NOT TREAT MENTAL  
17 HEALTH ISSUES, THEY NEVER HAVE AND THEY NEVER WILL. THEY HAVE  
18 ONLY EVER EXACERBATED TRAUMA, HARM, PHYSICAL AND MENTAL  
19 HEALTH. THANK YOU TO THE PD OFFICE ALSO FOR STANDING UP FOR  
20 NON-CARCERAL SOLUTIONS TO MENTAL HEALTH. PEOPLE SEEM TO FORGET  
21 WE HAVE ALREADY ESTABLISHED THAT ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION  
22 AND COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAM IS THE WAY FORWARD. YOU WILL BUILD  
23 ANOTHER JAIL AND SHERIFFS WILL FILL IT UP AND CON --

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

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2 **ANTHONY ROBLES:** MY NAME IS ANTHONY ROBLES, DISTRICT 1. FIRST  
3 STEP COULD BE, SHOULD BE RELEASING PEOPLE ON MISDEMEANOR AND  
4 FELONY PRETRIAL, THROUGH OR. NOW I KNOW THAT'S IN THE COURT'S  
5 HANDS, BUT THERE'S MANY PEOPLE IN JAIL RIGHT NOW WHO DON'T  
6 NEED ANY SERVICES. I'VE BEEN ONE OF THEM, AND THAT'S AN THAT'S  
7 AN ENORMOUS COST SAVINGS. THERE'S PEOPLE IN JAIL THAT WILL  
8 COME TO COURT, AND THEY SHOULDN'T BE IN JAIL. I COULD SHARE MY  
9 STORY. I WAS TAKEN IN FOR WEED POSSESSION AND HAD TO SERVE  
10 MANDATORY PROBATION VIOLATION SENTENCE WHILE ALSO I HAD TO  
11 COMPLETE THE NEW COURT CASE ON A NEW CHARGE WHILE SITTING IN  
12 SUPERMAX AND WAYSIDE. I WAS WORKING AND GOING TO I WAS WORKING  
13 AND GOING TO CAL STATE ALRIGHT. I WAS ABOUT TO ATTEND CAL  
14 STATE L.A. I WAS TRANSFERRING FROM RIO HONDO, AND I WAS  
15 SUPPOSED TO BE DROPPED BECAUSE I MISSED MY FIRST DAY  
16 ORIENTATION AT CAL STATE L.A. BUT LUCKILY WAS ABLE TO CONTINUE  
17 WITH PROGRAMS LIKE PROJECT REBOUND, WHICH HELPED FORMERLY  
18 INCARCERATED PEOPLE ACHIEVE ACADEMIC SUCCESS. ONE EXAMPLE OF A  
19 PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM THAT WE COULD BE FUNDING. ON ANOTHER  
20 TOPIC, FUND INDEPENDENT PRETRIAL. TAKE EXAMPLE FROM SAN  
21 FRANCISCO WHO JUST ISSUED THEIR Q1 SAVINGS OF 30 --

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO REMOTE  
24 CALLERS. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213, LAST TWO DIGITS FOR  
25 ONE. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND



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1 BEGIN. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213, LAST TWO DIGITS 41,  
2 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE.

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4 **JULIANNE BURKE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
5 JULIANNE BURKE, AND I AM A LIFELONG ANGELENO. THANK YOU FOR  
6 THE PRESENTATION OF YOUR REPORTING COLLABORATION EFFORTS WITH  
7 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF LUNA AND HIS TEAM. THERE'S  
8 STILL MORE WORK TO BE HAD BEFORE STATING THE CLOSURE OF THE  
9 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND URGE YOU TO RECONSIDER YOUR TIMELINE. I  
10 WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT IN HAVING THE LOS ANGELES  
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THE MEN'S CENTRAL  
12 JAIL UNTIL A LEGITIMATE PLAN IS FULLY OPERATIONAL EMBEDDED.  
13 THE REPORT FINDINGS ARE STILL FAIRLY NEW AND WITH OPEN-ENDED  
14 QUESTIONS. THE PROPOSAL TO REPORT WRITINGS DOES NOT GUARANTEE  
15 NOR ENSURE THAT EVERY INMATE IS HEALTH TREATED AND  
16 REHABILITATED IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY. THE CLOSURE OF THIS  
17 FACILITY WILL NOT ONLY IMPACT THE INMATES, FACILITY, AND  
18 SUPPORT STAFF, BUT THE AT LARGE COMMUNITY AS WELL. PLEASE KNOW  
19 THAT THAT PROVIDING THE SUPPORT IS NOT SOLELY THE SHERIFF'S  
20 DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY. IT DEPENDS ON OUR MENTAL HEALTH  
21 AGENCIES, EDUCATION SYSTEMS, WORKFORCE PROGRAMS, AND HOUSING  
22 PARTNERS STEPPING UP, TAKING ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ADVOCATING  
23 FOR OUR MORE RESOURCES. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR  
24 INVITING ME TO YOU --

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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** TRAUTE WINTERS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE  
2 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,

3  
4 **TRAUTE WINTERS:** MY NAME IS TRAUTE WINTERS, AND I AM THE CEO OF  
5 THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS GREATER L.A. COUNTY.  
6 I'M PROUD TO SPEAK HERE REPRESENTING THOUSANDS OF OUR MEMBERS,  
7 ANGELENOS AFFECTED BY MENTAL ILLNESS. MEMBERS KNOW FIRSTHAND  
8 THE PRONOUNCED CONNECTION BETWEEN MENTAL ILLNESS AND THE  
9 CARCERAL SYSTEM. MANY OF OUR MEMBERS HAVE BEEN IN THE JAIL  
10 SYSTEM, AND MANY OF OUR FAMILIES HAVE HAD TO NAVIGATE THEIR  
11 LOVED ONES IN THE JAIL. THE SYSTEM IS BROKEN, AND WE  
12 APPRECIATE STEPS TAKEN TOWARDS IMPROVEMENT. I COMMEND JCIT ON  
13 ITS IMPORTANT WORK. AS THE BOARD CONSIDERS OPTIONS TO CLOSE  
14 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, NAMI GLAC ENCOURAGES CONSIDERATION OF ALL  
15 OPTIONS TO ENHAHNCE TREATMENT AND CARE FOR THOSE WHO ARE  
16 MENTALLY ILL, INCLUDING FOR THOSE WHO ARE DIVERTIBLE AND FOR  
17 THOSE WHO ARE NOT. THE STATUS QUO MUST BE CHANGED. THOSE WITH  
18 MENTAL ILLNESS DESERVE TREATMENT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO FUTURE  
19 JCIT REPORTS AND REQUEST YOUR CONTINUED URGENCY, DILIGENCE,  
20 LEADER.

21  
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANTHONY ARENAS, YOUR LINE IS  
23 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

24  
25 **ANTHONY ARENAS:** HI. MY NAME IS ANTHONY ARENAS, LIFELONG



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1 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3 WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW IN THE  
2 COALITION, SPEAKING ALONGSIDE 92 OTHERS THAT WROTE TO YOUR  
3 OFFICES SINCE YESTERDAY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR  
4 STANDING WITH YOUR CONSTITUENTS AND FINDING YEAR ONE FUNDING,  
5 TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR YOUR MOTION ON MEASURE J, AND TO  
6 SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR FINALLY REDIRECTING FUNDS AWAY FROM  
7 PROBATION AND INTO DECARCERATING GIRLS AND GENDER EXPANSIVE  
8 YOUTH. THE ONLY CHICKEN HERE IS YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. YOU  
9 ABSTAINED FROM THE MEASURE J VOTE. YOU ARE THE LEAST SERIOUS  
10 HERE ABOUT PROVIDING CARE. YOU DON'T WANT ACTION, AND YOU  
11 DON'T WANT URGENCY BECAUSE YOU'RE A CHICKEN. AND HOW WELL IS  
12 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CARING FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS WHEN  
13 WE'VE HAD THE HIGHEST RATE OF IN CUSTODY DEATHS IN THE LAST  
14 TWENTY YEARS. SOMEONE DIED IN YOUR CUSTODY JUST LAST WEEK.  
15 TWENTY-THREE PEOPLE THIS YEAR. YOU DESERVE NO PRAISE.

16  
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JAMES TAKAMATSU, YOUR LINE IS  
18 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

19  
20 **JAMES TAKAMATSU:** HI. MY NAME IS JAMES TAKAMATSU WITH THE MEDIA  
21 AND POWER NOW AND THE JUSTICE DELANEY COALITION. I WANT TO  
22 THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR HER AND HER OFFICE FOR PUTTING THIS  
23 MOTION FORWARD. BEFORE I GET TO WHAT I WANT TO SAY INITIALLY,  
24 I CAN'T LET IT GO WITH LUNA TRYING TO PAT HIMSELF AND HIS  
25 DEPARTMENT ON THE BACK FOR THE JOB THEY DO IN CUSTODY. YOU'RE





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1 CURRENTLY BEING SUED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA FOR  
2 UNCONSTITUTIONAL CONDITIONS. YOUR DEPARTMENT IS PLAGUED WITH  
3 DEPUTY GANGS. YEAH. YOU SHOULD BE IN CHARGE OF FINDING THE  
4 SOLUTIONS TO YOUR PROBLEMS. ABSOLUTELY NOT. THE COUNTY CANNOT  
5 AFFORD TO CONTINUE WITH THE STATUS QUO. WELL, ACTUALLY,  
6 ANOTHER THING I WANT TO POINT OUT IS, LIKE, IN WHEN COVID HIT,  
7 WE DECARCERATED OUR JAIL SYSTEM BY OVER 3,000 PEOPLE. SINCE  
8 THEN, WE'VE STAYED AT 12 TO 14,000 PEOPLE, AND WE HAVE NOT  
9 SEEN AN INCREASE IN CRIME. PUBLIC SAFETY HAS STILL BEEN HIGH,  
10 YET WE ACT LIKE THAT'S SOMETHING WE CAN NOW NO LONGER DO. LIKE  
11 ANTHONY SAID EARLIER, THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE IN THE JAIL  
12 CURRENTLY WHO NEED TO BE RELEASED AND DON'T NEED ANY SERVICES.  
13 THEY JUST NEED TO BE RELEASED AND BE BACK IN THE PUBLIC. THIS  
14 IS BS THAT EVERYONE'S PASSED --

15  
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213,  
17 LAST TWO DIGITS, 88. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 AND  
18 BEGIN YOUR STATEMENT. CALLER, PLEASE BEGIN.

19  
20 **WENDY RUIZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS WENDY RUIZ. HELLO. CAN  
21 YOU HEAR ME?

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23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES. CALLER, PLEASE CONTINUE. YES. WE CAN  
24 HEAR YOU. PLEASE CONTINUE.



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1 **WENDY RUIZ:** MY NAME IS WENDY RUIZ, A PROUD MEMBER A PROUD  
2 MEMBER OF IBEW LOCAL 18, A BOARD MEMBER OF FEDERALLY QUALIFIED  
3 HEALTH CENTERS SERVING THE MOST UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES IN LOS  
4 ANGELES, A MOTHER OF DAUGHTERS ATTENDING SCHOOLS ACROSS L.A.  
5 COUNTY, INCLUDING UNIVERSITY IN SANTA MONICA, AND I'M A  
6 RESIDENT OF SOUTH-CENTRAL LOS ANGELES. CLOSING THE JAIL BEFORE  
7 DEVELOPING A FULLY OPERATIONAL, ADEQUATELY FUNDED ALTERNATIVE  
8 IS NOT REFORM. IT'S A GAMBLE WITH PUBLIC SAFETY AND WITH THE  
9 LIVES OF THOSE IN CUSTODY. THE REPORT AND THE CONVERSATION OF  
10 THE BOARD TODAY INCLUDED TOO MANY TBDS, PENDING ANALYSES, AND  
11 ITEMS QUOTED FOR PRESENTATION ON A FUTURE DATE, WHICH CLEARLY  
12 EXEMPLIFIES ONGOING COMMUNITY CONCERN. OUR COUNTY IS SIMPLY  
13 NOT PREPARED TO MEET THE IMMEDIATE DEMAND FOR SERVICES --

14  
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626,  
16 LAST TWO DIGITS, 80. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 AND  
17 BEGIN.

18  
19 **KEVIN BOYAJIAN:** HI. MY NAME IS KEVIN BOYAJIAN. I'M CALLING  
20 FROM THE ANCA NORTH SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'M VERY CONCERNED.  
21 I'M AGAINST THIS MEASURE AS WELL. DEFINITELY, DO NOT CLOSE THE  
22 JAIL DOWN UNLESS WE HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE. MY NUMBER ONE  
23 PRIORITY IS PUBLIC SAFETY, AND THIS IS ONLY GOING TO IMPACT  
24 PUBLIC SAFETY. WE'VE HAD CRIME, BURGLARY GO UP HERE IN THE  
25 NORTH SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, AND IT'S ONLY GOING TO DECREASE



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1 THAT. SO I'M AGAINST THAT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR  
2 YOUR WORK ON THIS. APPRECIATE, THE PUBLIC SAFETY BEING NUMBER  
3 ONE FOCUS. AND I THINK EVERYBODY SHOULD BE TALKING ABOUT THAT  
4 MORE VERSUS THE PEOPLE THAT ARE INCARCERATED. THANK YOU.

5  
6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,  
7 LAST TWO DIGITS, 00. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE PRESS \*6 AND  
8 BEGIN YOUR STATEMENT. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323, LAST TWO  
9 DIGITS 00, PLEASE BEGIN. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. ALRIGHT.  
10 MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE  
11 BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEMS 15 AND 59B IS NOW  
12 CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO BACK TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE  
13 BEGIN.

14  
15 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** IT'S NOT WORKING. SO ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS  
16 THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX. I'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS SINCE  
17 2014, 15, TEN YEARS. THE PEOPLE THE OWNER OF WILDWOOD MOBILE  
18 PARK HIRED A MANAGER WHO'S A CONVICTED FELON. AND NOW IT'S  
19 GOTTEN WORSE BECAUSE THERE'S A WHOLE BUNCH OF TON OF DRUGS  
20 GOING BY. NOW HE'S A POLITICIAN, AND HE'S GOT THE MONEY. WHO  
21 FUNDS IT? HE'S GOT TOMAKE SOME SERIOUS MONEY TO COVER ALL THIS  
22 UP. HE'S GOT THE LEVERAGE TO MOVE PEOPLE AROUND. WHEN I TRIED  
23 TO COMPLAIN OVER THE SUPERIOR COURT, THEY DIDN'T TAKE MY  
24 PAPERWORK. THEY THREW IT AWAY. SO IF WE STOP FUNDING, WE GET  
25 THE PEOPLE THAT FUND THE BANKS AND EVERYTHING ELSE, IT'S GOING



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1 TO STOP. IT'S GOT TO STOP ALL THE POPULATION. WHO --

2

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

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5 **LAUREN KUO:** HI. MY NAME IS LAUREN KUO AND I AM STRONGLY IN

6 FAVOR OF ITEM 59B TO FUND THE FIRST YEAR OF THE JCIT PLAN.

7 THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION AND TO

8 ALL SUPERVISORS WHO SUPPORT IT. I WANT TO URGE JCIT TO RETURN

9 TO THE FIVE-YEAR TIMELINE TO HIS PRESENTATION AND PLAN. FOUR

10 DAYS AGO, THE 23 PERSON DIED IN L.A. COUNTY JAIL CUSTODY THIS

11 YEAR. THAT'S TEN MCJ RESIDENTS DEAD IN EIGHT MONTHS.

12 UNSURPRISINGLY, PEOPLE GROW SICKER INSIDE A DECREPIT,

13 OUTDATED, AND OVERCROWDED FACILITY. WITH EVERY YEAR, MCJ CLOSE

14 THE MCJ CLOSURE PLAN IS EXTENDED, MORE LIVES ARE LOST TO IT.

15 IF YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT A REPLACEMENT, TAKE TWIN TOWERS AS

16 AN EXAMPLE OF A JAIL FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. IT

17 CLAIMED EIGHT OF THE TWENTY-THREE LIVES THIS YEAR. IT IS

18 PLAGUED WITH ISSUES THAT MIRROR MCJ IN MANY WAYS DESPITE BEING

19 BUILT 34 YEARS LATER. A NEW JAIL WON'T FIX THE SYSTEMIC

20 FAILURES THAT KILL. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

24 **JOSE GARCIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOSE GARCIA, AND I'M A

25 RESIDENT OF SD3 AND A LAW STUDENT WORKING WITH THE ACLU. I



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1 URGE YOU ALL TO TAKE THE LIFE SAVING STEP OF APPROVING THE  
2 FIRST YEAR OF JCIT'S PLAN FOR MCJ'S CLOSURE AND, IMPORTANTLY,  
3 TO ACHIEVE JAIL CLOSURE WITHOUT THE REPLACEMENT OF A NEW JAIL  
4 FACILITY. I CAN UNDERSTAND THE SUPERVISOR'S TREPIDATION ABOUT  
5 BUDGETING TO FUND JCIT YEAR ONE'S \$28,000,000 AND ALSO THE  
6 QUESTIONS ABOUT WHERE IT SHOULD COME FROM THE CEO'S COMMENTS  
7 THOUGH ABOUT NOT HAVING ENOUGH PIECES OF THE PUZZLE SUGGEST  
8 THAT EVERY TIME THIS GROUP CONVENES, WE KEEP FORGETTING THE  
9 PART WHERE MAINTAINING MCJ IS NEVER GOING TO BE A FREE  
10 ENTERPRISE. IN 2025 ALONE, A 117,000,000 TAXPAYER DOLLARS WERE  
11 SPENT ON CARCERAL LITIGATION COSTS FROM WRONGFUL DEATH CLAIMS  
12 FROM THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S NEGLIGENCE TO CONDITIONS THAT  
13 THEY STILL HAVE NOT BECOME IN COMPLIANCE WITH FOR OVER FIFTY  
14 YEARS. PEOPLE'S NEEDS CANNOT BE MET IN JAIL, AND PEOPLE IN  
15 CUSTODY CANNOT WAIT ANY LONGER. THANK YOU.

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

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19 **BERKLEE DONAVAN:** HI. MY NAME IS BERKLEE DONOVAN. I'M WITH ACLU  
20 SOCAL JUSTICE L.A., AND I'M AND I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 4.  
21 I'M STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF SUPERVISOR HAHN'S MOTION TO FUND THE  
22 FIRST YEAR OF THE PLAN. WE ALL KNEW THAT COMMITTING TO CARE,  
23 NOT CAGES, WOULD COST MONEY, AND IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THE  
24 COUNTY ACTS NOW AND NOT LATER TO FUND THE BEGINNINGS OF THIS  
25 PLAN. THOUGH HEARING THAT CLEARING THE 9,000 FLOOR CAN'T



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1 HAPPEN FOR AT LEAST THREE YEARS IS DISCOURAGING, SO I EXPECT  
2 THE CEO TO THINK BOLDLY ABOUT WHAT FUNDING JCIT'S FRAMEWORK  
3 AND TRANSFORMED PRETRIAL SERVICES CAN LOOK LIKE WITHOUT JUST  
4 ACCEPTING THE CURRENT STATUS QUO OF THE SYSTEM. THE SHERIFF'S  
5 DEPARTMENT LIKES TO TELL YOU THAT THEY THAT FOLKS ARE COMING  
6 IN SICKER AND OLDER AND THAT THEY'RE DOING A GREAT JOB EVEN  
7 THOUGH THIS BOARD HAS BEEN PRESENTED WITH RESEARCH TO  
8 CONTRADICT THIS AND THEY'RE BEING SUED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
9 IN ADDITION TO OTHERS WITHOUT COMING INTO COMPLIANCE. WHAT  
10 THEY WON'T MENTION IS HOW THEIR FACILITIES AND LACK OF  
11 TREATMENT CONTRIBUTE TO PEOPLE GETTING SICKER AND OLDER IN  
12 THEIR SO-CALLED CARE. GIVING THEM ANY KIND OF ROLE IN ANY NEW  
13 FACILITIES WILL ONLY MAKE PEOPLE WORSE, NOT BETTER. THIS IS  
14 THE MOMENT FOR CREATIVE EVIDENCE BASED SOLUTIONS PROVEN TO BE  
15 MORE EFFECTIVE AND AFFORDABLE THAN ANY NEW CORRECTIONAL  
16 FACILITY COULD ATTEMPT TO BE.

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

20  
21 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 15 IS A  
22 REPORT AND WILL BE RECEIVED AND FILED.

23  
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE  
25 THE ORDER.



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2 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** AND NEXT, WE HAVE ITEM 59B,  
3 WHICH IS BEFORE YOU.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY  
6 SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
7 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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9 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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11 **SUP. LINSEY P. HORVATH:** AYE.

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13 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE.  
14 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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

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

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23 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE.  
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

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3    **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION  
4    CARRIES. MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, BEFORE WE MOVE ON  
5    TO THE NEXT ITEM, IN THE INTEREST OF TIME, THERE IS A REQUEST  
6    TO CONTINUE ITEMS 37, CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS6, ONE CASE, CS7,  
7    CS8, AND CS9, CONTINUANCE TO ONE WEEK TO JULY 28, WHICH ARE  
8    BEFORE YOU. WE WOULD NEED A MOTION TO CONTINUE THOSE ITEMS.

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10   **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SECOND.

11

12   **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** LET'S CALL THE ROLL.

13

14   **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

15

16   **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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

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21   **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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23   **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE.  
24   SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

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3 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION  
4 CARRIES. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 16, WHICH IS A VERBAL  
5 REPORT ON STREAMLINING HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SERVICES,  
6 INCLUDING FOR FIRE IMPACTED COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY, WHICH  
7 WAS HELD FOR REPORT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US  
8 REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND  
9 FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS \*3 IF ON A TELEPHONE.

10 ANDREW VEIS, ACTING DIRECTOR, COUNTYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS CARRIE  
11 MILLER, BRANCH MANAGER, POLICY IMPLEMENTATION AND ALIGNMENT  
12 BRANCH CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR, HOMELESS  
13 SERVICES AND HOUSING RAFAEL CARBAJAL, DIRECTOR, CONSUMER AND  
14 BUSINESS AFFAIRS EMILIO SALAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LOS  
15 ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY SEYRON FOO, CHIEF  
16 ENGAGEMENT AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS OFFICER, LOS  
17 ANGELES COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOLUTIONS AGENCY, WILL MAKE  
18 A PRESENTATION. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE  
19 YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. VERY GOOD. I KNOW, SUPERVISOR  
22 HORVATH JUST STEPPED OUT A MINUTE, BUT WHY DON'T WE GO AHEAD  
23 AND START WITH THE PRESENTATION? AND WE'LL START WITH THE CEO  
24 TEAM.

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1 **CARRIE MILLER:** THANK YOU. I'M CARRIE MILLER, BRANCH MANAGER  
2 FOR THE POLICY IMPLEMENTATION AND ALIGNMENT BRANCH. WE WANT TO  
3 THANK SUPERVISORS BARGER AND HORVATH AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF  
4 THE BOARD FOR KEEPING A REAL FOCUS ON THOSE WHO'VE BEEN  
5 IMPACTED BY THE FIRES AND MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE RESOURCES  
6 THAT ADDRESS THEIR NEEDS. IN RESPONSE TO THIS MOTION IN ON  
7 JULY 13, WE SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPORT TO YOUR BOARD THAT  
8 HIGHLIGHTED EFFORTS TO PUT FORTH CONSOLIDATED HOMELESS  
9 PREVENTION, WEBSITE AS WELL AS AN OUTREACH PLAN, AND WE WILL  
10 WALK THROUGH THOSE ITEMS TODAY. THEY WERE DONE IN PARTNERSHIP  
11 WITH THE PARTNERS THAT YOU SEE HERE TODAY. WE HAVE THE  
12 DEPARTMENT HEADS OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, HOMELESS  
13 SERVICES AND HOUSING, AS WELL AS THE L.A. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT  
14 AUTHORITY AND THE L.A. COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOLUTIONS  
15 AGENCY TO TALK ABOUT THEIR CURRENT EFFORTS ON PREVENTION  
16 COORDINATION AND WHAT STEPS THEY'RE GOING TO TAKE MOVING  
17 FORWARD. WE WILL TURN IT OVER TO COUNTYWIDE COMMS TO WALK US  
18 THROUGH THE PRESENTATION.

19  
20 **ANDREW VEIS:** THANK YOU, CARRIE. GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR,  
21 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ANDREW VEIS,  
22 AND I'M THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF COUNTYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS. I'D  
23 LIKE TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE HOMELESS PREVENTION RESOURCE  
24 WEBPAGE AND A HIGH-LEVEL OVERVIEW OF OUR OUTREACH STRATEGY AS  
25 DIRECTED BY YOUR BOARD TO ENSURE THAT THESE RESOURCES REACH



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1 RESIDENTS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE. I'LL TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE.  
2 COUNTYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS WORKED WITH DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY  
3 PARTNERS TO QUICKLY DEVELOP A LANDING PAGE TO HELP RESIDENTS  
4 AND STAKEHOLDERS FIND RESOURCES AND INFORMATION THEY NEED TO  
5 STAY HOUSED. THE PAGE WILL OFFER GUIDANCE ON RENTAL  
6 ASSISTANCE, TENANT PROTECTION POLICIES, MORTGAGE RELIEF,  
7 UTILITY ASSISTANCE, LEGAL AID, AND HOUSING NAVIGATION, AND IT  
8 WILL INCLUDE LINKS TO SIGN UP FOR BENEFITS SUCH AS CALFRESH,  
9 MEDI-CAL, AND CALWORKS. EACH PROGRAM LISTED ON THE PAGE WILL  
10 INCLUDE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, A POINT OF CONTACT AND  
11 INFORMATION ON HOW TO APPLY OR BE REFERRED. THE PAGE WILL BE  
12 FULLY ADA COMPLIANT, ACCESSIBLE, WRITTEN IN PLAIN LANGUAGE,  
13 AND AVAILABLE IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES. WE EXPECT THE PAGE TO  
14 LAUNCH BY JULY 31 AND IT WILL BE UPDATED NO LATER THAN  
15 QUARTERLY BY COUNTY WIDE COMMUNICATIONS WEB TEAM. I'LL TAKE  
16 THE NEXT SLIDE. HERE'S A CLOSER LOOK AT THE LANDING PAGE. AS  
17 YOU CAN SEE, WE HAVE BUILT IT TO BE SIMPLE AND EASY TO USE AND  
18 NAVIGATE. SPECIFICALLY FOR FIRE SURVIVORS, WE INCLUDED LINKS  
19 TO FEMA HOUSING AND DISASTER CASE MANAGEMENT RESOURCES AS WELL  
20 AS LINKS TO THE LONG-TERM RECOVERY SUPPORT RESOURCES CAN BE  
21 EASILY FILTERED BASED ON A RESIDENT'S NEEDS, HELPING THEM  
22 CONNECT WITH SUPPORT FASTER. I'LL TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE.  
23 COUNTYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS UNDERSTANDS THE URGENCY OF THE  
24 MOMENT. INSURANCE FUNDS ARE DWINDLING, MORTGAGES AND RENT ARE  
25 DUE, TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS ARE ENDING, AND POTENTIAL



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1 HOMELESSNESS IS LOOMING. THE CLOCK IS TICKING FOR RESIDENTS,  
2 AND THAT IS WHY WE WILL MOVE WITHOUT DELAY. THIS COORDINATED  
3 OUTREACH IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COLLEAGUES HERE TODAY WILL  
4 INCLUDE SHARING RESOURCES WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,  
5 DISASTER CASE MANAGERS, NONPROFITS, FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS,  
6 SURVIVOR AND NETWORKS, INCLUDING THE EATON FIRE SURVIVORS  
7 NETWORK, PALISADES LONG TERM RECOVERY GROUP, THE MALIBU  
8 COMMUNITY LONG TERM RECOVERY GROUP, AND THEIR VARIOUS  
9 SUBGROUPS. WE WILL LINK THE PAGE TO KEY DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY  
10 WEBSITES SUCH AS THE HSH, DCBA, AND L.A. COUNTY RECOVER'S  
11 WEBSITE. WE WILL BE CREATING AND SHARING MULTILINGUAL SOCIAL  
12 MEDIA MESSAGING AND PSAS. WE WILL BE DISTRIBUTING CONTENT  
13 THROUGH COUNTY NEWSLETTERS, INCLUDING THE WEEKLY FIRE RECOVERY  
14 NEWSLETTER SENT TO EATON AND PALISADES SURVIVORS. WE WILL BE  
15 POSTING FLYERS AT THE ONCE UP PERMANENT CENTERS IN ALTADENA  
16 AND CALABASAS AS WELL AS OTHER COMMUNITY TOUCH POINTS, AND  
17 WE'LL BE USING THE COUNTY'S NEXTDOOR ACCOUNT TO TARGET  
18 IMPACTED COMMUNITIES. OUR OFFICE WILL WORK WITH GENERAL MEDIA  
19 AND HYPER LOCAL MEDIA PARTNERS TO AMPLIFY OUTREACH IN AND  
20 AROUND ALTADENA, PACIFIC PALISADES, SUNSET MESA, MALIBU, AND  
21 TOPANGA. WE WILL ALSO CONVENE IN LANGUAGE OUTLETS TO HEAR  
22 DIRECTLY FROM THE SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS SEATED WITH ME TODAY  
23 TO LEARN MORE ABOUT AVAILABLE HOMELESS PREVENTION RESOURCES  
24 AND THEN REPORT OUT TO THEIR AUDIENCES. IT'S PAINFUL TO HEAR  
25 THAT ANYONE IS EXPERIENCING HOUSING INSTABILITY AND POTENTIAL



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1 HOMELESSNESS, ESPECIALLY FIRE SURVIVORS, FIXED INCOME  
2 HOMEOWNERS, AND SENIORS. COUNTYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS HAS  
3 EXPERIENCED RESPONDING AT SPEED TO GET THE WORD OUT TO  
4 RESIDENTS. FROM FREE FOOD RESOURCES DURING THE FEDERAL  
5 SHUTDOWN TO FLAGGING TEMPORARY SHELTERS OR RESOURCES AVAILABLE  
6 DURING WILDFIRES AND OTHER DISASTERS. WE WILL BE MOVING  
7 QUICKLY TO MEET THE MOMENT FOR THESE RESIDENTS WITH URGENCY.  
8 I'LL HAND BACK THINGS TO CARRIE FOR THE NEXT STEPS. THANK YOU.

9

10 **CARRIE MILLER:** NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND SO NEXT STOPS, WE ARE  
11 GOING TO LAUNCH THE WEBSITE ON JULY 31 AND THE OUTREACH  
12 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN. AND THEN IN OUR NEXT BOARD REPORT, IS DUE  
13 ON JULY 31, WE WILL ALSO INCLUDE WITH THAT DEVELOPMENT OF AN  
14 ASSISTED NAVIGATION PATHWAY, LAUNCHING LACAHSAs RENNERADE  
15 PORT PORTAL AND PROGRAM INFORMATION, ESTABLISHING CLEAR POINTS  
16 OF CONTACTS FOR BOTH, TO SUPPORT INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
17 COORDINATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF A SHARED FRAMEWORK FOR  
18 IMPLEMENTING A COHESIVE HOMELESS PREVENTION SYSTEM. WITH THAT,  
19 WE WILL OPEN UP TO QUESTIONS AND WE HAVE ALL OF OUR PARTNERS  
20 AVAILABLE FOR WHATEVER QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ALRIGHT. ALRIGHT. I'LL MAKE THIS SHORT.  
25 FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE, AND THANK YOU,



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1 CHAIR SOLIS FOR ALLOWING US TO DISCUSS THIS OR HOLD THIS ITEM.  
2 I'D LIKE TO BEGIN BY ACKNOWLEDGING AND THANKING THE CEO.  
3 CARRIE, I'VE WORKED WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, AND YOU  
4 ALWAYS CONTINUE TO IMPRESS ME. AND ALL THE LEAD DEPARTMENTS ON  
5 THIS EFFORT. YOU KNOW, IT REALLY IS AN ALL-HANDS ON DECK, AND  
6 IT TAKES ALL OF US COORDINATING, WORKING TOGETHER, WHETHER IT  
7 BE, OUR NEW HOMELESS SERVICES, SERVICES OR THE DCVA, LACDA, OR  
8 LACAHSA, IS COMING TOGETHER AND REALLY LEVERAGING ALL THE  
9 RESOURCES AND KNOWLEDGE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. MY OFFICE HAS  
10 ALSO RECEIVED A NUMBER OF CALLS FROM PEOPLE WHO WERE IMPACTED  
11 BY THE EATON FIRE WHO ARE SEEKING PREVENTION RESOURCES, WHICH  
12 IS WHY SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND I AUTHORED THIS MOTION.  
13 PREVENTION IS CRITICAL IN ADDRESSING AND TACKLING HOMELESSNESS  
14 ACROSS THE BOARD. SO THE WORK BEING DONE TO IMPLEMENT AND  
15 STREAMLINE PREVENTION RESOURCE, THE RECEIVE RESOURCE PAGE BY  
16 THE COUNTY IS NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER. AND IT'S REALLY AN  
17 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO SHOW THAT, IN FACT, WE ARE RECOGNIZING  
18 WHERE WE NEED TO IMPROVE TO ADDRESS THOSE THAT ARE REALLY  
19 IN DESPERATE NEED OF SERVICES. WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO DIRECT  
20 OUR CONSTITUENTS TO THE RIGHT DEPARTMENTS AND THE RIGHT  
21 COMMUNITY RESOURCES THAT MEET THEIR SPECIFIC CASE NEEDS, AND  
22 IT'S NOT A ONE SIZE FITS ALL. BUT IN THIS COUNTY, WE'VE GOT  
23 SOMETHING THAT IS GOING TO ADDRESS I'M CONFIDENT ANYBODY THAT  
24 NEEDS HELP IS JUST KNOWING HOW TO NAVIGATE WHERE TO GO TO GET  
25 IT. THAT IS WHY I DO APPRECIATE THIS UPDATE ON OUTREACH AND



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1 THE ROLLOUT OF THE COUNTY'S CONSOLIDATED PREVENTION RESOURCE  
2 PAGE. ONE THING I WANT TO MAKE SURE IS THAT YOU ALL INCLUDE  
3 THE ALTADENA GROUP, EATON FIRE RESIDENTS UNITED IN ADDITION TO  
4 THE EATON FIRE COLLABORATIVE DURING OUTREACH, AND I'M SURE  
5 SUPERVISOR HORPATH HAS THE SAME ISSUES IN HER IN HER PART OF  
6 THE DISTRICT WHERE YOU'VE GOT DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS THAT  
7 WANT TO BE A PART OF IT AND FEEL LEFT OUT. THE COLLABORATORY  
8 AND THE EATON FIRE RESIDENCE UNITED ARE BOTH IMPORTANT, IN  
9 PROVIDING, INPUT. SO I'D LIKE TO ASK A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS  
10 REALLY QUICKLY, SARAH. ONCE THE OUTREACH PLAN HAS BEEN  
11 EXECUTED, I FULLY EXPECT MORE CONSTITUENTS TO CONNECT WITH THE  
12 OFFICE. SO PLEASE TELL ME WHERE, SHOULD WE SEND WHEN THEY CALL  
13 OUR OFFICE, WHERE SHOULD WE SEND THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO COME TO  
14 ASK ASKING ABOUT THESE HOMELESS PREVENTION RESOURCES?

15  
16 **SARAH MAHIN:** SO, WHERE WE'VE LANDED AND WE'RE GETTING READY TO  
17 FILE A REPORT BACK WITH US, THIS THE PLACE TO BE DIRECTING  
18 PEOPLE TO IS TO DCBA AND THE DCBA HOTLINE. THAT WILL BE THE  
19 PLACE FOR EVERYONE TO GET DIRECTED TO WHILE LACAHSa IS  
20 STANDING UP RENTER AID. AND AS LACAHSa STANDS UP RENTER AID,  
21 THEN WE'LL REWORK THE WORKFLOWS, IN UNDERSTANDING THAT THE  
22 REQUEST IS, CLEAR THAT THERE'D BE, LIKE, A SINGLE PLACE FOR  
23 PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE TO GO TO. AND WE REALLY  
24 APPRECIATE DCBA, OFFERING TO EXTEND THE HOTLINE FOR THIS  
25 PURPOSE.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY. I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE  
3 I'VE HEARD PEOPLE SAY WE REFER THEM TO 211, OR 311 OR IT'S  
4 211. AND THAT SOMETIMES THE HELP THEY GET IS NOT THERE BECAUSE  
5 THEY DON'T KNOW WHERE TO REFER THEM. SO I'M REALLY APPRECIATE  
6 YOU BEING A TEAM PARTNER, WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN RUNNING OUR  
7 COMMUNITY CENTER OUT IN ALTADENA. THANK YOU AND YOUR TEAM.

8

9 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR.

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** DO YOU WANT TO ADD ANYTHING TO THAT?

12

13 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** NO. NO. NO. I'M JUST HAPPY TO BE HERE AND  
14 SUPPORTING OUR PARTNERS IN ACHIEVING THIS. IT'S A LONG-TERM  
15 JOURNEY. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS HAVE  
16 ACCESS TO THE RIGHT RESOURCES AT THE RIGHT TIME, WHEN THEY  
17 MOST NEED THEM.

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO AND THEN JUST ONE LAST QUESTION. I  
20 WANT TO ENSURE THAT BOTH SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM VISIONS FOR  
21 PREVENTION ARE EQUALLY CONSIDERED. I UNDERSTAND RIGHT NOW THAT  
22 WE ARE FOCUSING ON OUR SHORT-TERM GOALS, BUT IN THE LONG TERM,  
23 WHO WILL BE STEPPING UP TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF ACTING AS A  
24 HOMELESS PREVENTION NAVIGATOR MOVING FORWARD?

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1   **SARAH MAHIN:** I CAN TALK A LITTLE BIT MAYBE ABOUT A FRAMEWORK.  
2   WHAT I DISCUSSED IS THE TRANSITION OF THE NAVIGATOR PIECE.  
3   RIGHT NOW, IT WILL BE DCBA AND THE VISION IS THAT WE'LL BE  
4   TRANSITIONING OVER TO LACAHS, AND I'LL LET LACAHS SPEAK TO  
5   THAT. I DO WANT TO NOTE THOUGH THAT HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION IS  
6   REALLY AN ECOSYSTEM, AND THIS WILL BE PART OF WHAT WE'LL  
7   INCLUDE IN OUR REPORT BACK. THE EFFORTS THAT, LIKE, DCBA DOES  
8   IS FOCUSED AROUND PEOPLE WHO ARE AT RISK AND HOUSING UNSTABLE,  
9   BUT WE KNOW THAT WHEN WE LOOK AT THE INFLOW INTO HOMELESSNESS,  
10  PEOPLE ARE COMING 20% OF PEOPLE BECOME HOMELESS STRAIGHT OUT  
11  OF INSTITUTIONS. WHEN WE LOOK AT HAVING A COMPREHENSIVE  
12  HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION STRATEGY FOR THE COUNTY, WE HAVE TO BE  
13  LOOKING AT THE DATA AND UNDERSTANDING WHERE PEOPLE ARE WORKING  
14  WITH, AND THIS IS WHY THIS IS ONE IMPORTANT VITAL PIECE OF THE  
15  COUNTY'S HOMELESS PREVENTION STRATEGY, BUT IT'S ALSO THE WORK  
16  THAT WE DO WITH CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM, WITH JCOD, OFFICE OF  
17  DIVERSION AND REENTRY AROUND THE JAILS, WITH DPSS AND THE WORK  
18  THAT WE DO WITH THEM, LOOKING AT THESE SORT OF UPSTREAM  
19  SYSTEMS THAT ARE ENGAGING WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE UNSTABLE AND  
20  REALLY TRYING TO PREVENT THEM ENTERING INTO THE HOMELESS  
21  SYSTEM TO BEGIN WITH.

22  
23  **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THEN IN CLOSING, I'LL JUST  
24  SAY, RAFAEL, THANK YOU. I KNOW THAT YOU'VE HELPED US STAND UP  
25  THE FLEXIBLE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM USING OUR UA MONEY,



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1 LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDING TO PROVIDE, THOSE MOST IN NEED IN  
2 ALTADENA. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN, YOU AND YOUR  
3 TEAM, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE, ADEQUATELY  
4 EQUIPPED TO HANDLE THESE EFFORTS, BECAUSE THE GOOD NEWS IS YOU  
5 DO IT SO WELL THAT WE KEEP TELLING YOU TO DO MORE. AND I JUST  
6 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PROVIDING YOU WITH THE  
7 RESOURCES. AND THEN I WOULD SAY TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS WHO IS NOW  
8 IN THE SAME SITUATION, DIFFERENT ALBEIT, BUT SIMILAR WITH  
9 CONSTITUENTS THAT ARE DISPLACED OR POTENTIALLY GOING TO BE  
10 DISPLACED. I THINK NOW IS REALLY THE TIME FOR US TO DO  
11 OUTREACH IN THAT AREA TOO. I MEAN, WE'RE GOING TO DO IT, BUT I  
12 KNOW THAT'S SOMETHING THAT THAT THAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS IS VERY  
13 COGNIZANT OF. BUT, AGAIN, IF YOU NEED MORE, PLEASE LET US KNOW  
14 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT YOU ALL ARE DOING INCREDIBLE WORK, AND  
15 GETTING IT DONE.

16  
17 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** SO THANK YOU. APPRECIATE THAT, SUPERVISOR.  
18 AND RECOGNIZE THAT IN THIS ECOSYSTEM, NOW ONE AGENCY HAS ALL  
19 THE SOLUTIONS TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS FROM EVEN HAPPENING. AND  
20 THAT'S THE ROLE THE ROLE AND THE APPROACH THAT WE'RE TAKING  
21 HERE AS A COLLECTIVE KNOWING THAT WE ALL NEED TO WORK IN A  
22 COORDINATED FASHION TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE SUPPORTING FOLKS.  
23 SO AS FAR AS US BEING ABLE TO DO THIS, I THINK THIS IS A  
24 NATURAL EVOLUTION OF THE WORK THAT WE'RE ALREADY DOING. AND  
25 WHAT WE'RE REALLY TRYING TO DO IS WHAT YOU'VE ASKED US TO DO



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1 IS TO LOOK AT THE EXISTING SYSTEMS THAT THIS BOARD HAS ALREADY  
2 INVESTED IN, THAT OUR PARTNERS ARE INVESTING IN INVESTING IN,  
3 AND MAKING THEM WORK MORE EFFECTIVELY NOW. OBVIOUSLY, AS WE GO  
4 THROUGH THIS PROCESS, WE'VE IDENTIFIED GAPS OR AREAS WE NEED  
5 TO STRENGTHEN TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR RESIDENTS ARE RECEIVING  
6 THE RIGHT RESOURCES AT THE RIGHT TIME. WE'LL DEFINITELY BRING  
7 THEM BACK TO THIS BOARD, IN IN HOPES OF TRYING TO ADDRESS  
8 THAT.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR  
11 HORVATH FOR COAUTHORING THE MOTION WITH ME.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

14

15 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** YEAH. THANK YOU FOR INCLUDING ME ON  
16 THE MOTION AND ALLOWING ME TO JOIN AS COAUTHOR. THE MOTION  
17 HIGHLIGHTED NOT ONLY THE CHALLENGES THAT OUR WILDFIRE  
18 SURVIVORS HAVE FACED IN ACCESSING INFORMATION AND RESOURCES AT  
19 THE COUNTY, BUT FOR ALL ANGELENOS FACING HOUSING INSTABILITY  
20 WHO ARE TRYING TO ACCESS HELP. AND WE KNOW FOR YEARS, WE'VE,  
21 SEEN THAT EVERY PERSON WE REHOUSED IN OUR HOMELESS RESPONSE  
22 SYSTEM, MORE PEOPLE FALL INTO HOMELESSNESS. WITH THE HOMELESS  
23 COUNT NUMBERS EXPECTED TO BE RELEASED THIS WEEK, IT'S  
24 IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER WE'LL NEVER SOLVE HOMELESSNESS UNLESS WE  
25 STOP THE INFLOW. SO WE NEED TO BE SOLVING FOR AND BETTER



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1 SERVING THOSE WHO ARE AT RISK OF LOSING THEIR CURRENT HOUSING,  
2 THOSE WHO ARE IMMEDIATELY AT HOMELESSNESS' DOOR. AND WE ALSO  
3 KNOW THAT IT'S THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE WAY TO PREVENT TO  
4 PREVENT HOMELESSNESS RATHER THAN ASKING PEOPLE TO FALL INTO  
5 HOMELESSNESS IN ORDER TO ACCESS SERVICES AND CARE. AS WE  
6 IDENTIFY THE SPECTRUM OF NEEDS AND RESOURCES, THE GOAL IS TO  
7 BETTER LEVERAGE THESE PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES, TO COORDINATE  
8 BETWEEN SYSTEMS AND DEPARTMENTS. AND HOW DO WE GET PEOPLE THE  
9 HELP THEY NEED WITHOUT SENDING THEM IN 12 DIFFERENT  
10 DIRECTIONS? I LOOK FORWARD TO FUTURE REPORTS AND THE CONTINUED  
11 COORDINATION THAT THIS REFLECTS, AND IT'S A GREAT START, WITH  
12 ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS, AND PARTNERS BEING HERE TODAY. I LOOK  
13 FORWARD TO BETTER INTEGRATING ALL OF OUR COUNTY RESOURCES FOR  
14 HOUSING STABILITY AT DPSS, DCFS, AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS AS WELL  
15 BECAUSE I CAN'T EMPHASIZE ENOUGH THAT THIS CHALLENGE IS MUCH  
16 BIGGER THAN WHAT MEASURE A CAN SOLVE FOR ALONE, WHETHER THAT'S  
17 THE COUNTY OR LACAHSAs PORTIONS. WE MUST BE ACCESSING  
18 ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES ACROSS ALL DEPARTMENTS AND  
19 FUNDING SOURCES TO ADDRESS THIS CRISIS. I KNOW THE MALIBU  
20 COMMUNITY LONG TERM RECOVERY GROUP, THE PACIFIC PALISADES  
21 COMMUNITY COUNCIL, AND THE PALI LONG TERM RECOVERY GROUP HAVE  
22 ALREADY DONE IMPORTANT WORK CONNECTING MANY VICTIMS TO  
23 RESOURCES. SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE ORGANIZATIONS ARE  
24 FULLY BRIEFED, THAT THEY UNDERSTAND THIS NEW CENTRALIZED  
25 EFFORT. IT WILL BE CRITICAL TO DEFINE YOUR RESPECTIVE ROLES IN



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1 THE POPULATIONS YOU SERVE WITH YOUR PROGRAMS. SO MY FIRST  
2 QUESTION IS HOW WILL YOU BE COORDINATING WARM HANDOFFS BETWEEN  
3 THE WORK OF YOUR PROGRAMS? FOR EXAMPLE, SOMEONE WHO CALLS STAY  
4 HOUSED OR THE TENANT PROTECTION LINE, BUT MAY NEED MORE  
5 SIGNIFICANT RESOURCES THAN BACK RENT OR LEGAL REPRESENTATION?

6  
7 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** I COULD START WITH THAT QUESTION. I THINK  
8 THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO ACHIEVE HERE IS TRYING TO LOOK AT  
9 ALL OF OUR INFRASTRUCTURE AND ALL THE SERVICES THAT WE ALL,  
10 SEPARATELY PUT TOGETHER, MANAGE SO WE COULD IDENTIFY THE BEST  
11 WAY TO MAKE THESE CONNECTIONS. THAT'S WHY WE SET UP THIS  
12 WORKING GROUP, AND IT'S GOING TO BE AN ONGOING WORKING GROUP  
13 SO THAT WE HAVE THESE REGULAR CONNECTIONS. SO MY TEAM AND THE  
14 LACAHSa TEAM, WE'VE BEEN MEETING EVERY OTHER FRIDAY ON A  
15 REGULAR BASIS WITH OTHER MEETINGS IN BETWEEN. I KNOW THE HSH  
16 TEAM ALSO MEETS WITH THE LACAHSa TEAM ON A REGULAR BASIS SO WE  
17 COULD COORDINATE, ALL OF THESE EFFORTS. SO THIS IS THE  
18 TEMPORARY SOLUTION RIGHT NOW THAT WE'RE PUTTING IN PLACE  
19 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THERE'S PEOPLE IN NEED THAT NEED THESE  
20 RESOURCES LIKE WE WERE TALKING ABOUT, THE BOYLE HEIGHTS  
21 RESPONSE. WE KNOW THAT THOSE FOLKS ARE FACING SOME OF THE SAME  
22 ISSUES THAT THE FOLKS IN EATON FIRE AND IN THE FUTURE WILL  
23 FACE. WHEN YOU ARE FACING A CRISIS THAT DESTABILIZES YOUR  
24 HOME, YOU'RE NOT THINKING ABOUT WHERE DO I GO TO GET HOMELESS  
25 SERVICES? YOU THINK ABOUT WHERE DO I GO TO GET SERVICES TO



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1 KEEP MY HOUSE? WHETHER YOU HAVE A LEASE, A RENTAL AGREEMENT,  
2 OR A MORTGAGE, AND SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ALL  
3 COORDINATED AMONGST OURSELVES, AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT  
4 WE'RE GOING TO WORK OUT, BOTH IN THE SHORT TERM, MIDTERM, AND  
5 THE LONG TERM TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A SOLID CONNECTION FOR  
6 THOSE PROGRAMS.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY. SO THERE WILL BE A WAY FOR YOU  
9 TO WORK CROSS DEPARTMENTALLY. NOBODY'S GOING TO FALL THROUGH  
10 THE CRACKS.

11

12 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** THAT'S THE INTENT. AND TO BE HONEST WITH YOU,  
13 I'VE BEEN WITH THIS COUNTY NOW 28 YEARS, AND IT'S BEEN A DREAM  
14 OF MINE TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT HAPPENS WITH ALL OF OUR  
15 PROGRAMS. SO I TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN BEING ABLE TO WORK WITH  
16 THESE FOLKS AT THIS TABLE TO HELP ACHIEVE THAT THROUGH THIS.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY. AND HOW WILL THE RENTER AID  
19 TRIAGE TEAMS HELP HOUSEHOLDS ACCESS PROGRAMS AT THE COUNTY  
20 THAT THEY MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR.

21

22 **LORI ANN FARRELL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I AM, LAURIE  
23 ANN FARRELL. JUST TO INTRODUCE MYSELF TO YOU, THIS IS MY FIRST  
24 TIME COMING BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. VERY EXCITED TO  
25 BE HERE, NEW CEO OF LACAHS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR INVITING US



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1 TO BE AT THE TABLE ON THIS REALLY IMPORTANT TOPIC. THIS IS MY  
2 SECOND WEEK AND A HALF ON THE JOB, AND SO I BROUGHT JULIE  
3 LEDBETTER, OUR CHIEF PROGRAM OFFICER FOR RENTER PROTECTION AND  
4 HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION HERE, ALSO SEYRON FOO WHO WORKS VERY  
5 CLOSELY WITH ALL OF YOUR STAFF TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE  
6 COORDINATING. AND I'VE ALSO MET WITH ALREADY HAVE RECEIVED A  
7 VERY WARM WELCOME FROM RAFAEL AND SARAH AND EMILIO HERE AT THE  
8 TABLE, JUST SO THAT WE CAN GET TOGETHER ON A MORE FREQUENT  
9 BASIS. I KNOW THAT OUR TEAMS HAVE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER AND  
10 JUST ON BEHALF OF LACAHS, FULLY COMMITTED TO MAKING SURE THAT  
11 ALL RESIDENTS ARE AWARE OF THE SERVICES THAT ARE BEING  
12 PROVIDED BY OUR MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTS AND THAT THERE'S AN  
13 INTEGRATED, CONNECTED FRAMEWORK TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE DO  
14 HAVE THAT CONNECTION, A WARM HANDOFF AND THEY DON'T FALL  
15 THROUGH THE CRACKS. SPECIFICALLY, TO YOUR QUESTION ON RENTER  
16 AID, WE WILL HAVE A PILOT PROGRAM THAT'S GOING TO BE LAUNCHED  
17 IN THE FALL. THAT WILL BE WITH LONG BEACH, GATEWAY COG, SOUTH  
18 BAY COG IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PROGRAM AS WE'RE  
19 DESIGNING IT IS WORKING BEFORE WE LAUNCH IT COUNTYWIDE IN  
20 JANUARY. BUT THE GOAL IS TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE THE  
21 EVICTION DEFENSE AND THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE THAT THEY  
22 NEED TO BRIDGE THE GAP, BE BEFORE THEY CAN ACTUALLY STABILIZE  
23 THEIR HOUSING SITUATION.

24  
25 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND HOW LONG WILL THAT PILOT LAST



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1 BEFORE YOU SCALE IT COUNTYWIDE?

2

3 **LORI ANN FARRELL:** SO RIGHT NOW, IT'S ANTICIPATED ABOUT THREE  
4 TO FOUR MONTHS. YOU KNOW, ASSUMING THAT THERE ARE NO MAJOR  
5 HICCUPS OR NO MAJOR PROGRAMMING OR CHANGES THAT WE NEED TO  
6 MAKE TO THE TO THE SYSTEM. SO THE GOAL IS JANUARY COUNTYWIDE,  
7 BUT WE'LL BEGIN IN THE FALL WITH THE TEST PILOT.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION,  
12 CARRIE AND EVERYONE HERE AT THE PANEL. I WANT TO THANK  
13 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND HORVATH FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. IT'S  
14 REFRESHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A CENTRALIZED WEBSITE TO  
15 BE ABLE TO SHARE AND HAVE OUR CONSTITUENTS AND, FOLKS THAT ARE  
16 GOING TO SEEK ASSISTANCE. AND I WANT TO THANK, YOU, SUPERVISOR  
17 BARGER, FOR RAISING LINEAGE FIRE BECAUSE WHILE IT'S NOT OUT IN  
18 THE WOODS, IT'S HERE IN OUR CITY, AND IT'S EVEN MORE  
19 DEVASTATING. AND WHILE, THE CLEANUP WE HOPE WILL MAYBE END IN,  
20 WHAT, 45 DAYS IT WERE CALLED, I DOUBT THAT PEOPLE ARE GOING TO  
21 FIND A SAFETY NET. AND SO THEY WILL BE LOOKING FOR AID AND  
22 ASSISTANCE. SO I HOPE YOU CAN YOU CAN WORK ON THIS AND  
23 HOPEFULLY BRING THEM INTO, THIS PROGRAM AND ASSIST THEM  
24 BECAUSE I COULD SEE THIS HAPPENING IN DIFFERENT WAYS AS WELL.  
25 AND ONE THING THAT HAS KIND OF BOTHERED ME IS I KNOW HUD HAS





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1 THEIR DIFFERENT DEFINITION ABOUT WHAT HOMELESSNESS IS. AND IN  
2 EAST L.A., WE HAVE A LOT OF RESIDENTS IN UNINCORPORATED WHERE  
3 WE HAVE FAMILIES THAT ACTUALLY LIVE IN RVs. THEY WORK. THEY'RE  
4 WORKING POOR, BUT THEY CONSIDER THAT THAT THEIR HOME. SO I'M  
5 WONDERING, WHAT WE MIGHT DO TO HELP THOSE INDIVIDUALS AS WELL.  
6 BECAUSE WHILE THERE'S A DEFINITION AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL, WE  
7 HAVE OUR DEFINITION. AND NONETHELESS, THESE FAMILIES ARE  
8 SUFFERING. AND THEIR CHILDREN, ESPECIALLY, I THINK, WARRANT US  
9 TO PAY CLOSER ATTENTION, ESPECIALLY THIS POPULATION. AND, YOU  
10 KNOW, FOR THE LIFE OF ME, IT'S YOU KNOW, I GUESS WE GET CAUGHT  
11 UP IN DEFINITIONS AND WE DON'T GO BACK AND CHAHNGE THEM.  
12 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WORKS LOW, SO DO WE, BUT, YOU KNOW, I'M  
13 VERY INTERESTED IN SEEING WHAT WE CAN DO HERE.

14  
15 **SARAH MAHIN:** ABSOLUTELY. WE WOULD CONSIDER FAMILIES THAT ARE  
16 LIVING IN RVs THAT ARE NOT FIXED ADDRESSES, THOSE WOULD BE  
17 CONSIDERED HOMELESS AND WOULD BE AVAILABLE, ELIGIBLE FOR  
18 HOMELESS RESOURCES. BUT IF THEY'RE WORKING, WE OBVIOUSLY WANT  
19 TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU KNOW, THERE ARE OTHER RESOURCES THAT ARE  
20 IN THE HOUSING LOSS PREVENTION

21  
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

23  
24 **SARAH MAHIN:** SYSTEM THAT MIGHT BE, AVAILABLE TO THEM THAT WE  
25 CERTAINLY WOULD WANT TO WORK ON.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND ONE OF THE CONCERNS TOO IS THAT  
3 YOU HAVE PEOPLE, UNFORTUNATELY, WORKING IN THE UNDERGROUND  
4 ECONOMY, MANY ARE NOT THEY DON'T HAVE LEGITIMATE RESIDENCY  
5 HERE, SO THAT'S AN ISSUE. BUT THEIR CHILDREN MAY BE HERE OR  
6 MAYBE JUST SOMETHING HAPPENED TO THEM. BUT I'M JUST HOPING  
7 THAT WE CAN TRY TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING THAT'S CREATIVE  
8 BECAUSE I THINK IT WILL HELP US THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND  
9 ESPECIALLY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SO I WOULD JUST ASK  
10 THAT YOU INCLUDE THAT IN YOUR REPORT IN YOUR NEXT IN YOUR NEXT  
11 UPDATE AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE PRESENTATION. I'M EXCITED  
12 THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE DOING THIS IN SO MANY MULTIPLE  
13 LANGUAGES AND ALL OF THAT BECAUSE IT REALLY DOES MATTER, AND I  
14 APPRECIATE THAT. SO THANK YOU. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY.  
15 SEEING NONE, EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WE GO TO THE PUBLIC.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME  
18 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CLAUDIA JEREZ. AS A  
19 REMINDER FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS, IF CALLING ON THE TELEPHONE,  
20 PRESS \*6 WHEN THE AREA CODE AND YOUR LAST TWO DIGITS OF YOUR  
21 NUMBER ARE CALLED. RITA MUFASA, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE  
22 UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

23

24 **RITESH:** HELLO. IS EVERYONE ABLE TO HEAR ME OKAY? BECAUSE IT IS  
25 NOT I DON'T KNOW IF TECHNICAL. YOU GUYS CALLED ME OFF LAST



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1 TIME.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES. PLEASE BEGIN.

4

5 **RITESH:** OKAY. WELL, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RITESH. I AM  
6 CURRENTLY L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEE AND TUNE IN TO THESE MEETINGS  
7 TO EDUCATE MY COMMUNITY EVEN AFTER LEAVING MY DEPARTMENT. LAST  
8 WEEK, I HEARD A GENTLEMAN ON AUDIT COMMITTEE CLAIM THAT THE  
9 LANCASTER DEPUTY MAYOR HEATHER VARDEN --

10

11 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** SIR, THIS IS ON AGENDA ITEM 16. YOU NEED TO  
12 KEEP YOUR COMMENTS TO THIS ITEM OR YOU CAN GET BACK IN QUEUE  
13 FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT CALLER, PLEASE.

14

15 **RITESH:** YOU'LL LET ME --

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY, DENISE BOWMAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
18 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. DENISE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
19 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. DENISE BOWMAN, YOUR LINE IS  
20 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. OKAY. MADAM CHAIR,  
21 THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.  
22 REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 16 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE'LL GO TO  
23 IN PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN. OKAY. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE  
24 NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. THAT WILL CONCLUDE PUBLIC COMMENT ON  
25 THIS ITEM.



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1  
2 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THIS REPORT WILL  
3 BE RECEIVED AND FILED.

4  
5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU ALL FOR WAITING TOO. IT'S BEEN  
6 A LONG DAY. APPRECIATE YOU.

7  
8 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO GENERAL  
9 PUBLIC COMMENT. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE  
10 PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.  
11 THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON  
12 SUBJECT MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION, BUT NOT ON  
13 ITEMS ON THE MEETING AGENDA. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING  
14 US REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE  
15 ONLINE, OR PRESS \*3 IF ON A TELEPHONE.

16  
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN PERSON SPEAKERS. AND  
18 WHILE THEY'RE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS.  
19 BENNY MOORE, DESIREE ALFARO, ANDY ALFARO, ELISE HERNANDEZ,  
20 JANET ASANTE, HARRIET ELLIOTT, PEGGY LEE KENNEDY, ANT ROBLES,  
21 OCTAVIA ARTIS, PEGGY LEE AND CLAUDIA JEREZ. AS A REMINDER FOR  
22 MORE PARTICIPANTS OF CALLING ON THE TELEPHONE, PRESS \*6 WHEN  
23 THE AREA CODE AND THE LAST TWO DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER ARE  
24 CALLED. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 747209, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
25 PLEASE PRESS \*6 TO UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN. CALLER, PHONE



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1 NUMBER IS 7472. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

2

3 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI. I'M CALLING REGARDS TO HOLLY MITCHELL'S  
4 OFFICE AND THE CHAIR OFFICE NOT RESPONDING TO A MATTER  
5 REGARDING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY WHERE I'M A VICTIM OF A CRIME.  
6 AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE, THEY WILL LABEL BLACK  
7 AMERICANS IF THEY'RE A VICTIM OF CRIME. THEY WILL LABEL THEIR  
8 PAIN AS A MISDEMEANOR. AND I HAVE BODILY INJURY. I HAVE HEAD  
9 INJURIES, SKULL INJURIES. I SENT DOCUMENTATION TO HOLLY  
10 MITCHELL AND TO THE CHAIR OFFICE. THEY HAVEN'T RESPONDED. I  
11 ALSO DROPPED OFF DOCUMENTATION AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S  
12 OFFICE, AND THEY SAID THEY DELIVERED IT TO THEM. SO I GUESS  
13 I'M ALSO GOING TO TELL OTHER CITIZENS THAT JUST FILED  
14 COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR CLAIMS FOR  
15 DAMAGES BECAUSE THEY AREN'T RESPONDING TO PEOPLE. I FOLLOW ALL  
16 PROCEDURES, BUT MISS MITCHELL WOULD TELL PEOPLE SHE'S ALREADY  
17 ASSISTED ME WHEN SHE NOT CORRESPONDED SINCE APRIL, MAY, AND  
18 JUNE HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND NO  
19 ONE HAS RESPONDED. SO THE SAME WAY THEY WANT OTHER DIVISIONS  
20 TO DO THEIR JOB, THEIR OWN BOARD ISN'T PROPERLY RESPONDING TO  
21 PEOPLE. AND I DROPPED IT OFF AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, AND IT'S  
22 JUST IT'S JUST UNPROFESSIONAL FOR THEM JUST NOT TO RESPOND  
23 WHEN I'M REQUESTING FOR THE D.A. TO REVIEW MY MATTER AGAIN  
24 BECAUSE I HAVE BODILY INJURY IN THERE.

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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. RITESH MUFASA, YOUR LINE IS  
2 OPEN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF AND BEGIN.

3  
4 **RITESH MUFASA:** THAT IS UNBELIEVABLE. YOU EVERY TIME, YOU CUT  
5 ME OFF. OKAY. SO HERE I GO. I SO LAST WEEK, I HEARD A  
6 GENTLEMAN ON AUDIT COMMITTEE CLAIM THE LANCASTER DEPUTY MAYOR,  
7 HEATHER VARDEN, WAS SOMEHOW ALSO WORKING A FULL TIME JOB AT  
8 THE HOMELESS AGENCY AT EXACTLY THE SAME TIME. SO I  
9 INVESTIGATED. I SPOKE TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THEY ALL SAY,  
10 HEATHER IS ALWAYS OUT AND ABOUT IN LANCASTER DOING DEPUTY  
11 MAYOR WORK. SO THEN HOW COME I ALSO SEE HER SPEAKING ON BEHALF  
12 OF THE UNION STAFF FOR THE HOMELESS AGENCY DURING THOSE SAME  
13 WORK HOURS? I TALKED TO THE UNION BOARD. THEY CONFIRMED. THEY  
14 SAY VERBATIM. HEATHER VARDEN 2028. THAT'S THE FACEBOOK PAGE  
15 THAT SAYS THAT. IS SHE NOW RUNNING FOR OFFICE ON TOP OF ALL OF  
16 THIS? DOES THIS PERSON ACTUALLY HOUSE THE HOMELESS? AT FIRST,  
17 I THOUGHT, WOW. THAT'S AN IMPRESSIVE WORK ETHIC. THEN I  
18 THOUGHT, WAIT A MINUTE. ARE WE DEALING WITH A PUBLIC SERVANT  
19 OR SOMEONE SCAMMING THE SYSTEM? I YIELD MY TIME.

20  
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER  
22 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR  
23 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN  
24 PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.



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1 **SUSAN FRIEND LATURNER:** HI. MY NAME IS SUSAN FRIEND LATURNER,  
2 AND I'M OUT HERE TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN HELPING ME SAVE  
3 SENIOR DOGS. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF CAGLE CANYON FOR 27  
4 YEARS. I HAVE A HORSE BOARDING AND TRAINING FACILITY. IN 2017,  
5 I RECEIVED AN EXCESSIVE ANIMAL PERMIT TO HAVE 18 DOGS ON MY  
6 PROPERTY. IN 2018, I STARTED A NONPROFIT FOR WHICH I GOT  
7 ACCOMMODATION FROM KATHRYN BARGER'S OFFICE FOR MY HELP WITH  
8 THE COMMUNITY. THERE ARE SO MANY HOMELESS DOGS OUT THERE, AND  
9 I WANT TO DO MORE. SO IN MAY, I SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION TO  
10 HAVE A SECOND EXCESSIVE ANIMAL PERMIT FOR 12 DOGS, AND  
11 REGIONAL PLANNING HAS BEEN LAGGING. THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO  
12 WITH ME. THEY KEEP SAYING THAT I'M A SHELTER, BUT I'M NOT.  
13 THEY DON'T KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS A NONPROFIT  
14 AND ALSO IS A PRIVATE PERSON WITH DOGS. SO I'M ASKING YOU TO  
15 PLEASE DIRECT THE STAFF REGIONAL PLANNING TO PLEASE ACCEPT MY  
16 APPLICATION, PUT AN PUT AN OFFER FOR APPROVAL TO REGIONAL  
17 PLANNING, AND LET ME SPEAK WITH REGIONAL PLANNING ABOUT  
18 WHETHER OR NOT WHAT I'M DOING IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE CODE. THANK  
19 YOU.

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

22  
23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE GO OUT AND TALK TO  
24 YOU.



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1 **BENNIE MOORE:** YEP. THIS IS FOR THE 5TH DISTRICT. MY NAME IS  
2 BENNY MOORE. I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
3 WATERMASTER THAT I AM A THREAT TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE  
4 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BECAUSE MY PROPERTY HAS RIGHTS HAHNDED DOWN  
5 TO IT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. BLACK PEOPLE WERE NOT  
6 ALLOWED TO OWN THIS TYPE OF PROPERTY IN THE EIGHTEEN HUNDREDS  
7 ALONG WITH THE RIGHTS ALONG WITH THE RIGHTS. I WAS TOLD BY THE  
8 WATER BOARD AND ITS CHAIRMAN, ROBERT PARIS, AND ITS ATTORNEYS,  
9 CRAIG PARTON, THIS PROPERTY IS RECORDED AND DOCUMENTED WITH A  
10 WITH BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. THIS MATTER IS LIKE THE  
11 BRUCE'S BEACH PROPERTY THAT WAS IN MANHATTAN BEACH,  
12 CALIFORNIA. THEY ARE TRYING TO TAKE MY PROPERTY AND ITS  
13 RIGHTS. BLACK PEOPLE WERE NOT ALLOWED TO OWN THIS TYPE OF  
14 PROPERTY. THEY SAID THEY CANNOT LET ME SET A PRESIDENT IN THE  
15 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH THESE RIGHTS CALLED PRE 1914 RIGHTS.

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

18  
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SIR, CAN YOU CAN YOU  
20 LEAVE YOUR INFORMATION? WE WILL WE WILL GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU.  
21 YOU THEN GO TALK TO CHUCK, AND I'LL TALK TO CHUCK. HOW'S THAT?  
22 AWESOME. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

23  
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.





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

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

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5 **DESERY ALFARO:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DESERY. I'M A  
6 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FROM LOS ANGELES. I AM HERE TODAY TO  
7 EXPRESS MY CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY OF THE MANY LGBTQ+ YOUTH  
8 IMPACTED BY HOUSING AND FINANCIAL INSTABILITY, MENTAL HEALTH  
9 STRUGGLES, AND LACK OF COMMUNITY. I HAVE WITNESSED HOW  
10 SUPPORTIVE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES IMPROVE THE SAFETY, MENTAL  
11 HEALTH OPPORTUNITIES, AND SENSE OF BELONGING FOR LGBTQ+ YOUTH  
12 SUCH AS MYSELF. SO THESE SERVICES SERVE AS A NECESSITY FOR THE  
13 LGBTQ+ YOUTH WHO NEED THEM AND ESPECIALLY TO THOSE WHO HAVE TO  
14 SUFFER INTENSE CONDITIONS. I ASKED THE BOARD SUPERVISORS TO  
15 PLEASE PROVIDE RESTORATION OF FUNDING FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO  
16 THESE YOUTH, INCLUDING FUNDING FOR HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH  
17 SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS. ADEQUATE FUNDING FOR LGBTQ+  
18 YOUTH SAVES LIVES AND RESTORES HOPE WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES.  
19 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

20

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

22

23 **HARRIET ELLIOT:** MY NAME IS HARRIET ELLIOTT. I WANT TO GET  
24 AROUND TO THE ENGLISH PART, WHICH IS A WAR AT THE SPEED OF  
25 LIGHT. I HOPE PEOPLE LOOK AT THE BOOK BY HIS HAS A HISPANIC



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1 NAME, BUT I'M READING IN SPANISH NOW. THIS IS THE WORDS OF OUR  
2 SITTING SENATOR. IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE. RON JOHNSON IN  
3 WISCONSIN.

4

5 **HARRIET ELLIOT:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

6

7 **INTERPRETER:** THE FUTURE WILL BE BAD IF YOU DO NOT PREPARE. YOU  
8 HAVE EXPECTATIONS THAT PEOPLE AROUND YOU WILL DECEIVE YOU.  
9 PAGE 268. BOTH HOTELS AND AIRBNB BASED ON THEIR ENGLISH  
10 INITIALS ARE NOT SAFE. IN REGARDS TO ATTACKS FROM LAF.

11

12 **HARRIET ELLIOT:** EXTREMELY LOW FREQUENCY.

13

14 **HARRIET ELLIOT:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

15

16 **INTERPRETER:** SO HAVE A BIG A BIG VEHICLE TO SLEEP IN IF YOU  
17 DON'T ARE NOT AT HOME. DO NOT SLEEP IN THE CITY OR YOU WILL  
18 DIE OR BE DISAPPEAR.

19

20 **HARRIET ELLIOT:** THANK YOU. DON'T FORGET TO READ THE BOOK  
21 CALLED --

22

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

24

25 **ANDY ALFARO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ANDY, AND I



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1 AM A COLLEGE STUDENT FROM LOS ANGELES. I AM HERE TODAY TO  
2 SUPPORT RESTORING AND EXPANDING FUNDING FOR LGBTQ+ YOUTH  
3 SERVICE. LGBTQ+ YOUNG PEOPLE EXPERIENCE HIGHER RATES OF  
4 HOUSING INSTABILITY AND HOMELESSNESS THAN THE PEERS AND MANY  
5 RELY ON THE COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR SUPPORT, SAFETY, AND  
6 CONNECTION. THESE SERVICES PROVIDE MORE THAN HOUSING  
7 ASSISTANCE. THEY HELP YOUNG PEOPLE ACCESS MENTAL HEALTH CARE,  
8 BUILD STABILITY, AND CREATE BRIGHTER FUTURES WHEN FUNDING IS  
9 REDUCED. YOUTH LOST ACCESS TO CRITICAL RESOURCES THAT CAN MAKE  
10 A LIFE CHANGING DIFFERENCE. I URGE THE BOARD TO RESTORE AND  
11 EXPAND FUNDING FOR LGBTQ+ YOUTH HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS  
12 PREVENTION, AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES INVESTING IN L.A. I MEAN,  
13 LGBTQ+ YOUTH IS AN INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE OF LOS ANGELES  
14 COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

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18 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS DWC. A FRACTURED INDIVIDUAL  
19 REQUIRES A LONG-TERM SYSTEM OF CARE THAT IS UNATTAINABLE DUE  
20 TO THE BUDGET CONSTRAINTS. THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE LOST THEIR  
21 FAMILY SUPPORT NETWORK SYSTEM. MOM AND DAD ARE EITHER NOT  
22 THERE OR CAN'T ASSIST THEM DUE TO THE HARDSHIP IT REPRESENTS  
23 TO A SYSTEM. THE RESPONSE TO CRIME REQUIRES OUT OF THE BOX  
24 THINKING AND STRATEGIES. PEOPLE HAVE TO AND THEY MUST BE  
25 MOTIVATED TO REHABILITATE THEMSELVES AND WANT TO BE A WORKING



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1 MEMBER OF A SOCIETY. EXAMPLE, GET A JOB, GO TO SCHOOL, AND BE  
2 A CITIZEN THAT WORKS FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT. AND THAT IS A  
3 RESPONSE TO THE ITEM I BELIEVE 14 THAT I HAVE TO SAY BUT I  
4 HAVE TO SAY THAT THERE ARE FRACTURED PEOPLE IN OUR SOCIETY  
5 THAT DO REQUIRE ASSISTANCE AND, UNFORTUNATELY, WE CANNOT REACH  
6 THEM ANYMORE. SO WHAT DO WE DO?

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

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10 **OCTAVIO ORTIZ:** YES. MY NAME IS OCTAVIO ORTIZ. JANET HAHNS,  
11 THIS GOES DIRECTLY FOR YOU. YOU KNOW, THIS OWNER OF WILDWOOD  
12 PARK, HE'S A MULTIMILLIONAIRE. HE LIVES IN YOUR DISTRICT, AND  
13 HE'S BIG BANKER, AND HE'S ABLE TO MOVE MONEY AND LAUNDER  
14 MONEY. AND I'M, YOU KNOW, HE'S CRUSHING ME. YOU CAN CALL ALL  
15 THE AGENCY, IRS, SOCIAL SECURITY, AND, YOU KNOW, HE, MY SON  
16 GOT HIT YESTERDAY. OKAY? SIDESWIPE BY A SEMI. AND HE CAN DO  
17 ALL THIS FROM DRUG LORDS? THIS IS INSANE. IS THIS THE UNITED  
18 STATES? I MEAN, I DON'T CARE IF THEY HE TAKES IT OUT ON ME,  
19 BUT ON MY SON. THAT'S ANOTHER STORY. HACIENDA HEIGHTS, AND  
20 HE'S PUSHING IT TOO MUCH. THANK YOU.

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

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24 **ILSE HERNANDEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ILSE  
25 HERNANDEZ, AND I'M A YOUNG QUEER PERSON FROM LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY. I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE THE BOARD TO EXPAND FUNDING FOR  
2 LGBTQ+ HOMELESSNESS SERVICES AS WELL AS SERVICES THAT COULD BE  
3 LIFE SAVING FOR YOUNG QUEER PEOPLE THAT NEED IT. FOR A GOOD  
4 MAJORITY OF MY LIFE, I HAVE MET AND BEFRIENDED QUEER PEOPLE  
5 FROM BROKEN, UNACCEPTING HOMES. IF THEY HAD HAD THE SUPPORT  
6 THEY NEEDED FROM THESE SERVICES, THEY MIGHT HAVE HAD THE  
7 COURAGE TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES AND LIVE THEIR AUTHENTIC LIVES.  
8 THESE SERVICES HAVE THE ABILITY TO CHANGE THE LIVES OF YOUNGER  
9 QUEER PEOPLE. THEY DESERVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE TRUTHFULLY  
10 WITHOUT THE WORRIES OF BEING SAFE AND UNHOUSED. THANK YOU FOR  
11 LISTENING.

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

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15 **PEGGY LEE KENNEDY:** HI, PEGGY LEE KENNEDY AGAIN. I HEARD A  
16 COMMENT ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS AND WE'RE JUST NOT GOING TO 5150  
17 OURSELVES OUT OF THAT ISSUE UNLESS WE HAVE THE HOUSING  
18 SOLUTIONS FOR THOSE PEOPLE. YOU KNOW, THERE WAS A COLLAPSE, A  
19 WIDESPREAD COLLAPSE OF ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOUSING AND  
20 WE'VE DONE REALLY LIMITED ISSUES TO REPLACE IT AND THESE ARE  
21 PEOPLE THAT NEED MORE CARE. IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING ABOUT  
22 THAT TO PROVIDE THAT IN OUR COMMUNITIES, THEN WHY ARE WE EVEN  
23 DOING ANYTHING? WE CAN'T CRIMINALIZE THEM AND EXPECT ANYTHING  
24 BETTER. LOOK WHAT L.A. COUNTY JAILS. HORRIBLE. AND YOU SHOULD  
25 BE ASHAMED TO SAY IT'S THE BIGGEST MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY IN



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1 THE COUNTRY. WE REALLY SHOULD ALL BE ASHAMED. WE HAVE TO  
2 CREATE COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS AND STOP SENDING COPS TO MAKE THEM  
3 GO TO JAIL.

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
6 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

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8 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE HAVE ADJOURNMENTS NEXT.

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT WE ONLY  
11 HAVE TWO BOARD MEMBERS THAT WANT TO ADJOURN, IN MEMORIES OF  
12 THEIR CONSTITUENT SUPERVISOR HAHN AND BARGER. SO WE'LL START  
13 IN THAT ORDER.

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15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
16 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF REGINA KURZAWA, WHO WAS A  
17 LONGTIME SAN PEDRO RESIDENT WHOSE LIFE WAS MARKED BY  
18 EXTRAORDINARY RESILIENCE, FAITH, AND DEVOTION TO HER FAMILY.  
19 BORN IN POLAND IN 1933, REGINA'S CHILDHOOD WAS FOREVER CHANGED  
20 BY WORLD WAR TWO. HER FAMILY WAS FORCED TO FLEE FROM POLAND TO  
21 SIBERIA WHERE SHE LOST BOTH OF HER PARENTS. SOON AFTER THAT,  
22 SHE SPENT SEVEN YEARS IN REFUGEE CAMP IN AFRICA BEFORE FINALLY  
23 BEING REUNITED WITH HER SIBLINGS IN ENGLAND AS A TEENAGER. IT  
24 WAS IN ENGLAND THAT SHE MET HER HUSBAND, VINCE, AND TOGETHER  
25 THEY BEGAN BUILDING A LIFE AND RAISING THEIR FAMILY. IN 1968,



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1 REGINA AND HER FAMILY IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES,  
2 SETTLING IN SAN PEDRO TO PURSUE NEW OPPORTUNITIES. SHE WORKED  
3 FOR 26 YEARS AT THE LOCAL IHOP, WHERE SHE WAS KNOWN FOR HER  
4 HARD WORK AND WARM SPIRIT. AT HOME, SHE FOUND JOY IN PREPARING  
5 TRADITIONAL POLISH MEALS, TENDING HER GARDEN, AND SPENDING  
6 TIME WITH HER FAMILY. THOUGH THROUGH EVERY HARDSHIP SHE FACED,  
7 REGINA REMAINED STEADFAST IN HER FAITH AND GRATEFUL FOR THE  
8 LIFE SHE WAS ABLE TO BUILD IN AMERICA. REGINA WAS PRECEDED IN  
9 DEATH BY HER HUSBAND, VINCE, AND SON, EDWARD. SHE WAS SURVIVED  
10 BY HER SISTER, POLA, HER DAUGHTERS, SOFIA, AND CHRISTINA. AND  
11 I UNDERSTAND CHRISTINA WAS A SECRETARY FOR MANY OF THE  
12 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS IN THE SAN PEDRO AREA. SHE'S ALSO  
13 SURVIVED BY FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND FIVE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN.  
14 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
19 TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF MARY FALLIS, A BELOVED MEMBER OF  
20 THE BURBANK COMMUNITY WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 30 AT THE AGE OF  
21 59. BORN IN POMONA IN 1966 TO HAROLD AND MARY TERESA JUEDEN,  
22 SHE GREW UP ALONGSIDE HER BROTHER ERIC. SHE ATTENDED SAINT  
23 MADELEINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND LATER GRADUATED FROM POMONA  
24 COLLEGE FOLLOWED BY CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY. MARY  
25 DEDICATED HER CAREER TO EDUCATION. SHE BEGAN AS AN ELEMENTARY



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1 TEACHER AT DECKER ELEMENTARY IN POMONA, THEN SERVED AS A  
2 SECRETARY AT THE STONE CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S BOOKS AT  
3 CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY. MOST RECENTLY, SHE WORKED AS AN  
4 ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN AT THE BURBANK PUBLIC LIBRARY. MARY WILL  
5 BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE'S PRECEDED IN  
6 DEATH BY HER HUSBAND OF 29 YEARS, D. PATRICK FALLIS, AND IS  
7 SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER ERIC AND HIS WIFE JULIE.

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9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROGER  
10 HICKOK, AN ALTADENA RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE WAS  
11 BORN IN INDIANA IN 1942 AND SPENT HIS EARLY CHILDHOOD IN RURAL  
12 ELSTON WITH HIS OLDER BROTHER, ALAN. HIS FATHER WORKED IN  
13 AGRICULTURE, A PROFESSION THAT KEPT THE FAMILY MOVING ACROSS  
14 THE UNITED STATES. WHEN ROGER WAS 14, THEY RELOCATED TO LOS  
15 ANGELES, AND IN 1960, HE GRADUATED FROM NORTH HOLLYWOOD HIGH  
16 SCHOOL. IN 1966, HE EARNED HIS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED  
17 MATHEMATICS FROM CAL POLY, SAN LUIS OBISPO. IN 1972, ROGER  
18 BEGAN WHAT WOULD BECOME A REMARKABLE 32 YEAR CAREER AT THE JET  
19 PROPULSION LABORATORY. HE CONTRIBUTED MANY OF NASA'S MOST  
20 SIGNIFICANT MISSIONS AND INSTRUMENTS INCLUDING VOYAGER ONE AND  
21 TWO, THE SPACE TELESCOPE WIDE FIELD CAMERA, DEEP SPACE NETWORK  
22 TRACKING, AIRBORNE VISIBLE AND INFRARED IMAGING SPECTROMETER,  
23 AND THE GALILEO NEAR INFRARED MAPPING SPECTROMETER. HE WAS A  
24 DEVOTED FATHER AND GRANDFATHER REMEMBERED FOR HIS STEADFAST  
25 SUPPORT, GENTLE HUMOR, AND THE DEEP AFFECTION HE HELD FOR HIS





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1 FAMILY. ROGER IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO DAUGHTERS, JANE CAROLINE,  
2 AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN WHO CARRY FORWARD HIS LEGACY OF EARN  
3 EARNEST AND PERSEVERANCE AND, BEST OF ALL, CURIOSITY. THANK  
4 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU TO OUR  
7 MEMBERS. WE'LL TAKE ALL THE MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO  
8 OBJECTION TO THE UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.  
9 EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

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11 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
12 BOARD, FOLLOWING THE ADJOURNMENT OF TODAY'S MEETING,  
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE FOOD  
14 CART GIVEAWAY. IT'LL BE PLAYED DURING, ON THE BROADCAST.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING.  
17 MEMBERS, THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE A PUBLIC  
18 HEARING MEETING HELD ON 07/28/2026 AT 09:30AM. THANK YOU. WE  
19 ARE ADJOURNED.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** SO WE'RE HERE TODAY  
22 AT CENTRO MARAVILLA AT THE EAST L.A. ENTREPRENEUR CENTER, AND  
23 WE'RE UNVEILING OUR SEVEN VENDOR CARTS THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE  
24 PUTTING OUT IN THE STREET THAT INDIVIDUALS HAVE APPLIED FOR.  
25 THEY'VE GONE THROUGH THE PERMIT PROCESS, GOTTEN TECHNICAL



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1 ASSISTANCE, AND TAKEN WEEKS OF TRAINING UNDERSTANDING OF HOW  
2 THEY CAN ELEVATE TO NOW HAVING A CERTIFIED UNIT VENDING CART  
3 THAT SATISFIES CODE CODES BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, BUT  
4 ALSO THE STATE, AND ALSO ANY OTHER REGULATIONS THAT THEY NEED  
5 AND LICENSING.

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7 **SERGIO [VIDEO RECORDING]:** HI. MY NAME IS SERGIO. THIS IS MY  
8 SON HENDRIX. WE'RE FROM H AND J STREET FIGHTS. WE ARE STREET  
9 VENDING HOT DOGS AND BACON DOGS. I WAS ACTUALLY ON INSTAGRAM,  
10 AND I CAME UP ON THE EO PAGE WHERE THEY WERE PROMOTING THIS  
11 PROGRAM, WHICH LED ME DOWN TO THE APPLICATION ON THE WEBSITE.  
12 I FILLED IT OUT. A FEW MONTHS LATER, I GOT A RESPONSE. AND  
13 THEN AFTER THAT IS THEY GAVE ME THE LIST OF TO DOS, WHICH IS,  
14 YOU KNOW, GRAB YOUR BUSINESS LICENSE, YOUR DBA CERTIFICATE,  
15 AND THEN CREATE YOUR MENUS AND YOUR PROCESSES. THAT'S A  
16 BLESSING. IT'S A BLESSING.

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18 **KIM [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I'M KIM, AND THEN I OWN AFTER HOURS  
19 EAST. THIS IS BRANDON. WE DO GOURMET SMASH BURGERS. WE LOOK  
20 FORWARD TO IT LIKE A KID ON CHRISTMAS. I THINK IT'S GOING TO  
21 BE ABSOLUTELY A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR BUSINESS.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THERE'S STILL ROOM  
24 FOR PEOPLE TO COME IN AND APPLY, BUT IT IS A PROCESS, AND THEY  
25 DO HAVE TO GET TECHNICAL TRAINING BY THE DEO STAFF. SO I'M



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1 VERY HAPPY HERE TODAY TO SEE THIS FINALLY AFTER SO MANY YEARS  
2 OF WORKING SO HARD ON THIS ISSUE.

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