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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
9.		Favor	Bruce C Smith Jr	<p>Proposal: Supporting Workers Affected by the Phillips 66 Closure in Wilmington, CA</p> <p>Prepared by: Bruce C. Smith Jr, Assistant Chief Engineer. Los Angeles County Internal Services Department</p> <p>- Introduction:</p> <p>The recent announcement of the Phillips 66 facility closure in Wilmington, CA, presents a significant challenge to workers who have been directly affected by job loss. Los Angeles County recognizes the critical need to support these workers in transitioning to new employment opportunities while strengthening the regional workforce.</p> <p>- Objective:</p> <p>To provide sustainable opportunities for displaced workers through training, reemployment, and collaboration with industry partners.</p> <p>Proposed Initiatives:</p> <p>- Job Placement and Career Counseling Services:</p> <p>*Partner with local workforce development agencies to offer personalized career counseling. *Create a database of affected workers' skills and match them with current job openings in related industries.</p> <p>- Skills Development and Certification Programs:</p> <p>*Offer subsidized training programs in high-demand sectors such as renewable energy, manufacturing, and infrastructure. *Leverage Los Angeles County's educational resources to provide certifications such as HVAC, electrical systems, and boiler operations, aligning with roles in the Internal Services Department and other county agencies.</p> <p>- Collaboration with Employers and Unions:</p> <p>*Work with unions, including those active at Phillips 66, to ensure that displaced workers retain access to benefits and training. *Facilitate partnerships with regional employers to create job pipelines.</p> <p>- Apprenticeship and Internship Opportunities:</p>

				<p>*Develop apprenticeship opportunities within Los Angeles County departments, emphasizing roles in facilities maintenance, engineering, and renewable energy.</p> <p>*Offer temporary internship roles to workers to bridge employment gaps.</p> <p>-Economic Development Support:</p> <p>*Advocate for county and state funding to attract new industries to Wilmington, creating long-term employment opportunities.</p> <p>*Work with local businesses to explore contracts and projects that could absorb the displaced workforce.</p> <p>- Implementation Plan:</p> <p>*Convene a task force of stakeholders, including representatives from Phillips 66, labor unions, local government, and workforce development agencies.</p> <p>*Establish a timeline for program rollout, prioritizing immediate assistance for affected workers.</p> <p>*Monitor program effectiveness through regular reporting and adapt strategies based on feedback.</p> <p>- Conclusion:</p> <p>By investing in comprehensive support for workers displaced by the Phillips 66 closure, Los Angeles County will not only address immediate employment challenges but also enhance its workforce and regional economic resilience. The Internal Services Department is committed to leading these efforts and fostering a sustainable future for Wilmington and its surrounding communities.</p> <p>- Next Steps:</p> <p>We propose scheduling a meeting with key stakeholders to finalize action plans and identify resource allocations.</p>
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