



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
26.		Favor	Alex D Dobbs	My name is Alex Dobbs and I am a resident of East LA. I support the motion to move towards establishing municipal advisory councils or town councils in unincorporated East LA. As I talk with neighbors, there is a strong desire for East LA to have more local representation and for there to be an organizing body that represents the concerns, desires and dreams of the community. Thank you Supervisor Solis for sponsoring this to move forward. I hope that the community engagement this motion would sponsor would provide a good sense of what the community is desiring and provide clarity on how a town council could serve the needs of East LA residents. I ask the other supervisors to support this motion.
			Carlos M Montes	I support doing extensive community outreach, listening sessions and surveys with the goal of establishing a Municipal Advisory Board for East Los Angeles.
			Diana Diaz	Hello, my name is Diana Diaz and I am with The Goddess Mercado & The Queer Mercado, also longtime resident and business owner of East LA. I want to thank Supervisor Solis for all of her work representing East Los Angeles for the last ten years. That includes hundreds of millions of dollars in investments, as well as community improvements and critical services. As the largest unincorporated area in California, East LA depends on the County for vital services. And the CEO's report is clear – the financial reality shows that East LA is not viable as an independent city or special district. The motion being considered today follows through with the report's recommendation to retain a consultant to conduct outreach to the community about the report. This will include community engagement in a multilingual, culturally competent manner, to ensure impacted residents are educated on the report's contents. And it will further assess the creation of Municipal Advisory Committees or Town Councils to reflect East LA's diverse voices. I want to thank Supervisor Solis for continuing to champion the residents of East Los Angeles with this motion, and ask that the Board support her in these efforts.
		Other	Mike J	This Advisory Council for Unincorporated East Los Angeles should have been established a long time ago. This should have been the standard throughout ALL unincorporated cities within the County umbrella. The residents of East L.A have requested first district representatives to meet with us for years but we get avoided by the county's field representatives. We need to work together to talk about the REAL issues in Unincorporated East L.A. There is a lot of misinformation and missing information on the 50 page Financial Report. The financial report only provides summaries and estimated costs of

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our financial health. Again, this report was NOT requested for "INCORPORATION." The county is selling it this way so that many go against it. This report is specifically to see our city budget just as many other cities provide for their residents each year on a timely manner.

Some of the discrepancies are the following.

1. Sheriff Services - The report states \$36 Million annually is estimated for law enforcement in East L.A. However, the East L.A. sheriff station contracts out to City of Commerce, Maywood and Cudahy. The report does not state if these \$36 Million include the cost to service these additional three cities. Those should Absolutely not be included in the budget cost. On a flyer distributed by Hilda Solis' office, it states Sheriff's annual cost is \$54 Million. So which one is it? \$36 Million or \$54 Million??

2. \$500 Million "invested" into East L.A. in the last 10 years according to Solis' flyer. There was NO itemized list of infrastructure projects or list of community services attached with a cost per project or community service. We need an itemized list. Solis' flyer states there has been \$150 Million invested infrastructure annually which means in 10 years there should have been a total of \$1.5 BILLION, with a B, in East L.A. We absolutely do not see that investment in our community. This is absolutely not true.

3. Parks & Recs budget. Report states \$6.4 Million, Flyer states \$30 Million annually in operating cost. Which one is it???

4. Sales Tax - Report states \$5.6 Million or \$473k per month in sales tax. This seems way too low for a city with 120,000 residents. Compared to surrounding cities like Monterey Park who have reported \$11.6 Million in sales tax with only 57,000 residents. City of Rosemead \$7.3 Million in sales tax with only \$49,000 residents. The point here is that we strongly believe the sales tax reported by the county of \$5.6 Million is way too low and exaggerated for 2022-2023. If this is the real number then the County should be directly working with the community to bring in new businesses to generate more sales tax. Bring new businesses in our main corridors like Whittier Blvd., Olympic Blvd., Atlantic Ave., Telegraph Rd. etc. without all the red tape. The county does not want to work with community groups for this.

6. There are more issues with this report I can't list. We request true and meaningful meetings with the community so we can review the Financial Report together with ITEMIZED items for TRUE TRANSPARENCY.

Lastly, the County needs to STOP bringing in new housing in our city. We are completely over populated already. The County continues to build without community outreach and this is UNACCEPTABLE!

The county needs TRUE community outreach, intense community outreach. We will not let off until the county works directly with the community. We will not let this go until East L.A stops getting neglected and have TRUE LEADERS who are proactive to better our community.

				On a different note. Diana Diaz with The Goddess Mercado & The Queer Mercado only agrees with Hilda Solis because she receives money from Solis for Diana's Non- Profit organization. SPECIAL INTEREST.  Thank you.
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