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51-B.		Favor	Abigail Greydanus	I support fee deferment and eventual waiver for homeowners who lost their homes in the Eaton Fire and who are rebuilding.
			Alexandra Carter	Our budget to rebuild, like so many families in Altadena, is incredibly tight, and we've already eaten significantly into it with the permitting fees we've paid. Having that money refunded and waived in the future would go a long way in helping us rebuild. Please help our community.
			Alma R Apodaca	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, Alma Apodaca, to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Alma Apodaca</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Ana M Medina-Whirlledge	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I am Ana Medina-Whirlledge, and I am compelled to write to you today in earnest support of Item 51-B, the motion regarding the deferral of plan check and permitting fees for residents impacted by the Eaton Canyon fire. This is a matter of profound urgency for our community.</p> <p>The devastation wrought upon Altadena is comprehensive. We have witnessed the loss of residences, personal histories, and the very fabric of our community. As survivors, we are now confronted with the formidable task of reconstruction. The prevailing sentiment among residents is one of significant apprehension regarding the cumulative financial burden, particularly the inclusion of permitting fees. For many, these expenses, when compounded by insufficient insurance coverage, new regulatory mandates, and the escalating costs within the current construction market, represent a substantial impediment to the process of restoring their homes and achieving complete recovery.</p> <p>The County possesses a critical opportunity through this motion to unequivocally demonstrate its commitment to its residents during this pivotal recovery period. While a deferment offers a measure of temporary respite, we respectfully urge you to consider a more comprehensive solution. We advocate not only for the passage of this vital motion but also for proactive measures to secure the requisite funding to convert this deferment into a full waiver of these associated fees. This action is indispensable for upholding fairness, advancing equity, and cultivating the enduring resilience that our community requires.</p> <p>Providing this essential support in a time of such critical need will significantly alleviate the pressures confronting those directly affected. Your decisive leadership on this issue will serve as a clear affirmation that Los Angeles County stands in solidarity with its residents, prioritizing their capacity to rebuild and flourish.</p> <p>Thank you for your thorough consideration and for your unwavering dedication to the recovery of our community.</p> <p>Sincerely, Ana Medina-Whirlledge</p>



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			<p>Andy Deer</p>



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51-B.		Favor	<p>Name</p> <p>Annika Buxman</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, [Your Name Here], to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Annika Buxman</p>
			<p>April Hicks</p> <p>We've suffered enough. SoCal Edison should be paying them but WE definitely should NOT be paying the fees.</p>



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51-B.		Favor	<p>Name</p> <p>Ari Kennedy</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Ari</p>
			<p>Audrey Nakache</p> <p>I am in favor of this motion to waive fees for the residents directly impacted by the Eaton fire and trying to rebuild. Corporate developers can pay for higher permit fees! They do not need to make money from our disaster</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Aurys S Hernandez	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, Aurys Hernandez, to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Aurys Hernandez</p>
			Ben Marti	<p>We did not ask to be building homes, We are recovering from a disaster. Waiving permits fees would help many of us close the gap between insurance coverage and rebuilding costs.</p>



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51-B.		Favor	<p>The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:</p> <p>Name</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>Bert Newton</p> <p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Homes and memories are gone. Now, as people try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p>
			Blair Miller
			Blake Mullins
			Bridget S Fonger
			Bruce T Hennig



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51-B.		Favor	Bryanna Lumsden	<p>My name is Bryanna Lumsden, and I am an Altadena resident and homeowner and lost my home in the Eaton Fire in January.</p> <p>I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion, and expect that you will find the funding to make this deferment a waiver of fees - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>We want to be a part of building Altadena back stronger than ever, and need your support.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Bryanna Lumsden</p>
			Carl Pytlinski	



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51-B.		Favor	Carmen Balas	<p>My name is Carmen Balas. Please include me among those who are strongly in favor of Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial.</p> <p>Altadena has been shattered by this cataclysmic event. I lost not only my home, but a lifetime's worth personal possessions, photos, memorabilia - it's almost too much to bear. Now, as I try to negotiate how to reconstruct my life, I find that the financial burden is a heavy lift indeed. I am underinsured. Compliance with new building codes increases the cost, as does higher construction costs, which have increased from \$300/sf last Fall to anywhere between \$450 to \$1,000/sf now. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The County has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. In addition to passing this motion, please secure the funding to make it a full waiver. Your action now would promote fairness. Further, it increases the likelihood that our community can truly recover from this life-shattering event. Providing this support will serve to ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. To put it bluntly, we need your help.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p>
			Caroline Paules	Permitting fees for a single family home in California can be \$10,000 to \$20,000, 10 times more than in other states. This is an undue burden on Altadenans and should be eliminated!
			Cheryl Rooke	Our insurer, State Farm, is making it difficult to obtain full rebuilding costs for our home in spite of adequate coverage. We are in our late seventies, and taking money from our retirement savings for permitting in addition to what State Farm may not pay for construction makes our financial future uncertain. Many of our senior neighbors are in similar situations.



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51-B.		Favor	Chris Gibbons	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, Chris Gibbons, to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Chris Gibbons</p>
			Christian Lopez	<p>This removal of the burden of County permit fees should be available for anyone who is rebuilding or repairing any structure lost in the Eaton Fire regardless of any individual's age, income level or floor plan.</p>
			Christina Mitchell	<p>I support a waiver of fees for all fire victims who are rebuilding, whether or not they are rebuilding like for like. None of the fire victims are rebuilding by choice and the county should not profit off these unexpected fees. More, the fees are massive and will prevent community members from rebuilding if not waived.</p>
			Colleen J Butler	
			Cynthia L Mitchel	<p>I support the fee deferment and fee waiver for homeowners who lost their homes in the Eaton Fire and who are rebuilding. Thank you for acknowledging and recognizing this burden on Altadena residents. We all appreciate the support that will allow us to begin the journey of rebuilding.</p>
			Danielle Christen	



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			David Berry	I am one of the thousands who lost a home in the Eaton Fire and one of the impediments to rebuilding are the permitting fees. Please remove this burden so we can build Altadena back!
			David Mike Bradley	Can we please get our planning/Building permit fees waived like The Palisades. We are all in Los Angeles County.What's the difference?
			Deborah C Paul	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, I'm writing to you today, to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder. The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely Deborah Chumi Paul</p> <p>3357 Villa Grove Dr Altadena, CA 91001</p>



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			Diana Aghili	
			Diana Treister	WAIVE THE FEES COMPLETELY. NOT DEFERRED!!!!!! Also, I've already paid out \$1429.00, what do I do about getting that back?



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			Ellen Snortland	<p>Please provide this basic relief to the people who have suffered enough. Please give us this grace.</p>
			Eric Williams M Williams	
			Erica Belleza	
			Eugene Rooke	<p>Please waive all permitting fees and reimburse all fees paid for rebuilding homes and structures destroyed by the Eaton Fire. The choice is simple. Altadena's health and future as a community depends upon rebuilding. The faster residents can rebuild, the faster Altadena's neighborhoods, schools, services, and tax base can recover and revitalize. Otherwise, the Eaton Fire will leave Altadena an abandoned wasteland. It's past time for you to act. You have the power to lead and help by making rebuilding cheaper and faster. Please waive and reimburse all permitting fees.</p>

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			Fiona Burgos	We should be removing every obstacle possible, to help keep our community members here and rebuilding in every case possible. These are not optional home additions or new builds people are choosing to undertake. We are homeowners rebuilding our existing residences, simply trying to get back to the home we had. This is not development, it is disaster recovery.
			George W Henderson	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>My name is [George W. Henderson], and I am reaching out with a heartfelt plea for your support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors. Our community is in deep need.</p> <p>Altadena has suffered an unimaginable blow. The fire took not just houses, but the very essence of our lives and community. As we face the daunting task of rebuilding, the financial strain is a constant worry for many. The costs of permitting, coupled with the challenges of underinsurance, new building requirements, and the escalating price of construction, are creating a significant barrier to recovery. It's truly making the journey home feel overwhelming for many.</p> <p>This motion is a vital opportunity for the County to stand in solidarity with its residents during this incredibly difficult time. While a deferment would offer some welcome relief, we implore you to take it a step further. We respectfully ask that you not only pass this crucial motion but also work tirelessly to secure the necessary funds to transform this deferment into a full waiver of these fees. This is about more than just money; it's about ensuring equity, fostering resilience, and showing genuine care for our neighbors.</p> <p>Offering this support now will lighten the burden on those who have lost so much. Your decisive action on this matter will be a powerful affirmation that Los Angeles County truly prioritizes its residents' ability to heal and rebuild.</p> <p>Thank you for your compassionate consideration and for your unwavering dedication to our community's healing process.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>George W. Henderson</p>
			Guillermo Gutierrez	
			Holly Harriman	Please help us get back home.



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51-B.		Favor	Ivana Lin	<p>My name is Ivana Lin, and I am the Neighborhood Captain of Zone 49 in the Altgether Community Organization. I am in direct contact with a network of over 30 households around the block where I lived before the Eaton Fire ravaged our community.</p> <p>I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion, and expect that you will find the funding to make this deferment a waiver of fees - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Ivana Lin Zone 49 Neighborhood Captain, Altgether Community Organization</p>
			Jaime Rodriguez	<p>My name is Jaime Rodriguez, and I am the Neighborhood Co-Captain of Zone #20 in the Altgether Community Organization. I am in direct contact with a network of over 50 households around the block where I live/lived.</p> <p>I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to waive plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Jaime Rodriguez Zone 20 Co-Captain, Altgether Community Organization</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Jaime Vallejo	Please we need eliminate this fees
			Janet Melendez	
			Jason Parker	
			Jason Quintero	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>My name is Jason Quintero, and I am reaching out with a heartfelt plea for your support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors. Our community is in deep need.</p> <p>Altadena has suffered an unimaginable blow. The fire took not just houses, but the very essence of our lives and community. As we face the daunting task of rebuilding, the financial strain is a constant worry for many. The costs of permitting, coupled with the challenges of underinsurance, new building requirements, and the escalating price of construction, are creating a significant barrier to recovery. It's truly making the journey home feel overwhelming for many.</p> <p>This motion is a vital opportunity for the County to stand in solidarity with its residents during this incredibly difficult time. While a deferment would offer some welcome relief, we implore you to take it a step further. We respectfully ask that you not only pass this crucial motion but also work tirelessly to secure the necessary funds to transform this deferment into a full waiver of these fees. This is about more than just money; it's about ensuring equity, fostering resilience, and showing genuine care for our neighbors.</p> <p>Offering this support now will lighten the burden on those who have lost so much. Your decisive action on this matter will be a powerful affirmation that Los Angeles County truly prioritizes its residents' ability to heal and rebuild.</p> <p>Thank you for your compassionate consideration and for your unwavering dedication to our community's healing process.</p> <p>- Sincerely, Jason Quintero</p>
			Jeff Hall	I support fee deferment and eventual waiver for homeowners who lost their homes in the Eaton Fire and who are rebuilding.
			Jennifer Salazar	I support fee deferment and eventual waiver for homeowners who lost their homes in the Eaton Fire and who are rebuilding. The economic hardship for even those with insurance would be lessened.



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51-B.		Favor	Jonathan Talbot	We could greatly use the added help of having the permitting fees removed. Thank you for your support on this, Jonathan Talbot
			Kaori Chertkow	
			Kasia Pandyra Pandyra	Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, I'm writing to you today, to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step. The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder. The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild. Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents. Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery. Sincerely, Kasia
			Kate Ludwick	It's hard enough to rebuild, can we not throw up more roadblocks--or at least make them needs based.
			Katherine S Woodhouse	We need full fee waivers in Altadena for all people who are rebuilding, including those who are not rebuilding like for like. This should apply to all individuals, regardless of age or income level.
			Kathleen Cady	My family and I lost our home in the Eaton fire. I am in full support of Supervisor Barger's motion and ask all supervisors to support this motion.



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51-B.		Favor	Kelly M Fluker	These fees should be waived for both like for like and if fire victims decide to not do like for like. We did not choose for this to happen and should have the freedom to improve on our lots for everything that we have lost and the lack of support we have had during and after the fire . Fee waivers!!!!
			Kelsey Unger	I'm in strong support of helping ease the financial burden for all Altadenans and to remove any barriers from rebuilding. I understand it's a big cost to the county and a lot of work to be done, but even a standard smaller one time fee would be better than nothing. Please consider fee waivers just as the city of LA has done.
			Kelsey E E Brown	In favor of waiving fees, not deferment.
			KENNETH E GRUBERMAN	Losing our home and everything in it at this stage of our lives — our mid-70s — is traumatic enough. Adding in the endless bureaucratic nightmares we've had to endure makes our lives even worse. On top of that, we have the constant worry that our insurance settlements will not be enough to cover the costs of rebuilding, and you get a perfect storm of calamity on top of calamity. Here's the thing: WE BELIEVE IN ALTADENA. We love it there. We want to rebuild responsibly and return to what is left of our lives. Passing this act will help us to do that, and it is the right thing to do.



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51-B.		Favor	Kim Janssen	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Kim Janssen</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Kimberly Berry	<p>I am the Neighborhood Captain of Zone 8 in the Altatgether Community Organization. I am in direct contact with a network of over 40 households around the block where I live/lived.</p> <p>I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to waive plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighbors have expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Zone 8 Captain, Altatgether Community Organization</p>
			Lark Farnum	<p>Palisades Fire Victims have been relieved of the burden of these fees. Eaton Fire Victims should be given the same treatment, especially given we are financially a demographic with great need. Thank you</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Lauren Rewers	<p>My name is Lauren, and I am reaching out with a heartfelt plea for your support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors. Our community is in deep need.</p> <p>Altadena has suffered an unimaginable blow. The fire took not just houses, but the very essence of our lives and community. As we face the daunting task of rebuilding, the financial strain is a constant worry for many. The costs of permitting, coupled with the challenges of underinsurance, new building requirements, and the escalating price of construction, are creating a significant barrier to recovery. It's truly making the journey home feel overwhelming for many.</p> <p>This motion is a vital opportunity for the County to stand in solidarity with its residents during this incredibly difficult time. While a deferment would offer some welcome relief, we implore you to take it a step further. We respectfully ask that you not only pass this crucial motion but also work tirelessly to secure the necessary funds to transform this deferment into a full waiver of these fees. This is about more than just money; it's about ensuring equity, fostering resilience, and showing genuine care for our neighbors.</p> <p>Offering this support now will lighten the burden on those who have lost so much. Your decisive action on this matter will be a powerful affirmation that Los Angeles County truly prioritizes its residents' ability to heal and rebuild.</p> <p>Thank you for your compassionate consideration and for your unwavering dedication to our community's healing process.</p> <p>Sincerely, Lauren Rewers</p>
			LaVonne M McCarthy	<p>These families have been and are continuing to go thru unimaginable hardship. Please show them your support by waiving permit fees in order to make their return to the community easier.</p>
			Leonor Duran-Mullis	<p>I have provided a link to the supervisor showing we have almost 4000 signatures of residents requesting the fees be waived. Palisades had them waived and Altadena residents deserve the same. chng.it/8HFB5TzHcW</p>
			Linda Hammond	<p>Please vote to support the rebuilders in Altadena by removing the burden of building fees.</p>
			Loraine Labet	<p>I am a fire survivor and being underinsured means that these fees will be redirected to our building costs.</p>



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51-B.		Favor	machiko yasuda	My home burned down in the Eaton Fire. Removing the permit fees will help us decide whether to rebuild or not. Many of us already feel abandoned by various County departments, especially County Fire. Making us pay for exorbitant permit fees on top of this trauma will only prolong it. Repair this broken trust and broken relationship with us by removing permit fees, so we can not only rebuild our homes but also rebuild our trust with the County. Thank you.
			marcie habell	Yes! Altadena has been through enough. The permit fees for rebuilding should be waived so that we can all get back to our community sooner rather than later.
			Margaret S Davis	I support removing the burden of County permit fees for homeowners (including my husband and me, both in our 70s and longtime residents of Altadena) who will be rebuilding our much-loved homes we lost in the Eaton Fire.
			Marisol Talbot	Please pass this! We need this help from our County towards rebuilding our home in Altadena.
			Mary A Brown	The waiving, reduction, deferral of permit fees is critical to the rebuilding of Altadena. We urge the Board to pass this proposal. Thank you.
			Melissa Dowd Figueroa	We didn't ask to be in this position to be rebuilding our homes. It is going to be so expensive and unaffordable. Please waive the fees to help ease the burden we now face.



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51-B.		Favor	Michael Allen	<p>Version 1: Direct and Practical Advocate</p> <p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, [Your Name Here], to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Michael</p>
			Michael Hruska	<p>My house burned down in the fires. Permit fees should be waived in this extreme case to assist in rebuilding our vibrant community</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Michael H Tuccillo	<p>My name is Michael Tuccillo, and I am the Neighborhood Captain of Zone 17 in the Altgether Community Organization. I am in direct contact with a network of over 70 households around the block where I lived before the Eaton Fire ravaged our community.</p> <p>I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to waive plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Michael Tuccillo Zone 17 Neighborhood Captain, Altgether Community Organization</p>
			Michele A Hanisee	<p>I am a resident of Altadena who lost their home, as did most of my neighbors. Sadly, even for those of us with good insurance, the insurance coverage will not fully cover the costs to rebuild at current market costs. The county, and Supervisors, Supervisor Barger in particular, whose district this is, have been so supportive. This measure would show continued support for the victims of the Eaton fire by reducing what can be a significant financial barrier to rebuilding. And it's important for residents to know that there are not barriers to getting permits. The main question I get asked is whether it is going to be difficult to get permits. That is everyone's fear. If residents think they can't get permits, they will just leave and sell to developers. If that happens, the quality of the community will change forever. Residents have to know that they can get permits and afford permits.</p> <p>Thank you for supporting this motion.</p>
			Moir Morel	<p>As a resident of Altadena who lost our home, this order would be a huge help to myself and my family to be able to rebuild not only our home but our community as a whole. Please help ease this burden from the already tremendous task of rebuilding, its the least you can do to help our community, which was so completely devastated and destroyed by the Eaton Canyon fire.</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Morgan Z Whirlledge	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I am Morgan Z Whirlledge, and I am compelled to write to you today in earnest support of Item 51-B, the motion regarding the deferral of plan check and permitting fees for residents impacted by the Eaton Canyon fire. This is a matter of profound urgency for our community.</p> <p>The devastation wrought upon Altadena is comprehensive. We have witnessed the loss of residences, personal histories, and the very fabric of our community. As survivors, we are now confronted with the formidable task of reconstruction. The prevailing sentiment among residents is one of significant apprehension regarding the cumulative financial burden, particularly the inclusion of permitting fees. For many, these expenses, when compounded by insufficient insurance coverage, new regulatory mandates, and the escalating costs within the current construction market, represent a substantial impediment to the process of restoring their homes and achieving complete recovery.</p> <p>The County possesses a critical opportunity through this motion to unequivocally demonstrate its commitment to its residents during this pivotal recovery period. While a deferment offers a measure of temporary respite, we respectfully urge you to consider a more comprehensive solution. We advocate not only for the passage of this vital motion but also for proactive measures to secure the requisite funding to convert this deferment into a full waiver of these associated fees. This action is indispensable for upholding fairness, advancing equity, and cultivating the enduring resilience that our community requires.</p> <p>Providing this essential support in a time of such critical need will significantly alleviate the pressures confronting those directly affected. Your decisive leadership on this issue will serve as a clear affirmation that Los Angeles County stands in solidarity with its residents, prioritizing their capacity to rebuild and flourish.</p> <p>Thank you for your thorough consideration and for your unwavering dedication to the recovery of our community.</p> <p>Sincerely, Morgan Z Whirlledge</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Naoki Mitsuse	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>My name is Naoki Mitsuse, and I am reaching out with a heartfelt plea for your support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors. Our community is in deep need.</p> <p>Altadena has suffered an unimaginable blow. The fire took not just houses, but the very essence of our lives and community. As we face the daunting task of rebuilding, the financial strain is a constant worry for many. The costs of permitting, coupled with the challenges of underinsurance, new building requirements, and the escalating price of construction, are creating a significant barrier to recovery. It's truly making the journey home feel overwhelming for many.</p> <p>This motion is a vital opportunity for the County to stand in solidarity with its residents during this incredibly difficult time. While a deferment would offer some welcome relief, we implore you to take it a step further. We respectfully ask that you not only pass this crucial motion but also work tirelessly to secure the necessary funds to transform this deferment into a full waiver of these fees. This is about more than just money; it's about ensuring equity, fostering resilience, and showing genuine care for our neighbors.</p> <p>Offering this support now will lighten the burden on those who have lost so much. Your decisive action on this matter will be a powerful affirmation that Los Angeles County truly prioritizes its residents' ability to heal and rebuild.</p> <p>Thank you for your compassionate consideration and for your unwavering dedication to our community's healing process.</p> <p>Sincerely, Naoki Mitsuse</p>
			Neal Henderson	<p>Every little bit will help us rebuild in Altadena as we are already on a very limited budget. Permitting fees have already added up to thousands of dollars that we'd much rather put towards the house.</p>



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51-B.		Favor	<p>Name</p> <p>Nicole Wirth</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>My name is Nicole Wirth, and I am the Neighborhood Captain of Zone 24 in the Altatgether Community Organization. I am in direct contact with a network of over 40 households around the block where I lived before the Eaton Fire ravaged our community.</p> <p>I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion, and expect that you will find the funding to make this deferment a waiver of fees - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Nicole Wirth Zone 24 Neighborhood Captain Altatgether Community Organization</p>
			<p>Noah Malmstadt</p> <p>I support fee deferment and eventual waiver for homeowners who lost their homes in the Eaton Fire and who are rebuilding.</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Pablo Huffsteter	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, Pablo Huffsteter, to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Many of our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Pablo Huffsteter</p>
			Rachel Badillo	<p>How is your office coordinating w the Altadena Diaster Recovery Center re: frequency & liaison to update on issues, permit approvals, what is working & what needs need to be addressed- especially outreach & community engagement</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Rachel Fort	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>My name is Rachel Fort, and I am reaching out with a heartfelt plea for your support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors. Our community is in deep need.</p> <p>Altadena has suffered an unimaginable blow. The fire took not just houses, but the very essence of our lives and community. As we face the daunting task of rebuilding, the financial strain is a constant worry for many. The costs of permitting, coupled with the challenges of underinsurance, new building requirements, and the escalating price of construction, are creating a significant barrier to recovery. It's truly making the journey home feel overwhelming for many.</p> <p>This motion is a vital opportunity for the County to stand in solidarity with its residents during this incredibly difficult time. While a deferment would offer some welcome relief, we implore you to take it a step further. We respectfully ask that you not only pass this crucial motion but also work tirelessly to secure the necessary funds to transform this deferment into a full waiver of these fees. This is about more than just money; it's about ensuring equity, fostering resilience, and showing genuine care for our neighbors.</p> <p>Offering this support now will lighten the burden on those who have lost so much. Your decisive action on this matter will be a powerful affirmation that Los Angeles County truly prioritizes its residents' ability to heal and rebuild.</p> <p>Thank you for your compassionate consideration and for your unwavering dedication to our community's healing process.</p> <p>Sincerely, Rachel Fort</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Rebeca A Ovalle	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, Rebeca Ovalle , to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, [Rebeca Ovalle</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Rebecca Mitsuse	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I, Rebecca Mitsuse, would like to express my support item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors. This is needed in order for all of our community members to have the opportunity to rebuild their homes and re-establish their lives in Altadena.</p> <p>As we face the daunting task of rebuilding, the financial strain and uncertainty is a constant worry for many. The costs of permitting along with the challenges of under-insurance, new building requirements, and escalating construction costs are creating a significant barrier to recovery. It is undoubtedly making an already stressful situation even more overwhelming.</p> <p>This motion is an opportunity for the County to stand in solidarity with its residents and provide needed support during this incredibly difficult time. While a deferment would offer some relief, we respectfully ask you to please take the extra step of securing the necessary funds to transform this deferment into a full waiver of these fees. This will help to ensure that rebuilding will be equitable and promote a sense of collaboration between the County and the fire victims.</p> <p>Offering this support now will lighten the burden on those who have lost so much. Your decisive action on this matter will be a powerful affirmation that Los Angeles County truly cares for its residents and prioritizes their ability to heal and rebuild.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for your unwavering dedication to our community's healing process.</p> <p>Sincerely, Rebecca Mitsuse</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Reiner G De Los Santos	<p>My name is Reiner De Los Santos and I am the Neighborhood Captain of Zone #58 in the Altgether Community Organization. I am in direct contact with a network of over 100 households around the block where I lived before the Eaton Fire ravaged our community.</p> <p>I am writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item-they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion, and expect that you will find the funding to make this deferment a waiver of fees - its a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Reiner De Los Santos Zone #58 Neighborhood Captain, Altgether Community Organization</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Renee Renner Henderson	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, [Renee Renner Henderson], to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Renee Renner Henderson</p>
			Rosemary Brandenburg	Please see attached letter in favor of removing the burden of county permit fees for rebuilding after the Eaton Fire



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51-B.		Favor	Ryan Swerdloff	<p>My name is Ryan Swerdloff, and I am a member of the Altatgether Community Organization. I am in direct contact with a network of over 100 households around the block where I lived before the Eaton Fire ravaged our community.</p> <p>I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.</p> <p>We urge you to pass this motion, and expect that you will find the funding to make this deferment a waiver of fees - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Ryan Swerdloff Zone [33], Altatgether Community Organization</p>
			Sarah Hicks	
			Sarah Parker	<p>I am the owner of a property whose home burned in the Eaton fire. We as altadenans already feel that the county has managed our situation with far less care and attention relative to the City's handling of the Palisades. From evacuation orders, to security and looter prevention, to now the permitting fees - the people of Altadena have continued to be given less attention, less support, and to suffer more as a consequence. Please approve this motion, but also please do not just defer our fees - please cover them outright and retrieve the cost from the inevitable settlement the county will receive from SCE.. we will remember how we have been treated by the county, and we do have options yo consider to move our taxes to other recipients (eg, incorporate, annex to Pasadena city) if we cannot get what we need in support and resources and simply fair treatment relative to our neighbors to the West who are benefiting from being under the LA city umbrella. We need to know we have representation from you all. Please prove it in this time of our need.</p>
			Seth Gold	<p>Please find a way to waive, not defer, permitting fees for homeowners who are rebuilding, after suffering a loss from the Eaton Fire.</p>
			Shannon Kearney	



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			Comments
			Sofia Vidal
			I support removing the burden of county permit fees. We need to rebuild and the fees are a financial burden. Our house burnt because there was not enough water and fireman gave up on us. We shouldn't have to pay these fees as it was not our fault our community could not be saved.
			Stephanie H Pinto
			I know as a Neighborhood Captain that opposing this could be the burden that is the deciding factor for whether some residents can afford their rebuild or not. If our city is truly behind us and compassionate, they will not hesitate to vote in favor of this.
			Susan J Lee
			I am an Altadena home and business property owner and Los Angeles voter. I strongly support Item 51-B, the motion to waive plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire. Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery. We urge you to pass this motion - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience. Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery. Sincerely, Susan Lee Altadena Homeowner and Altadena Business Owner



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51-B.		Favor	Susana Verduzco	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today, Susana Verduzco , to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Susana Verduzco</p>
			Terrie L Osier	
			Timothy Hammond	Please vote to remove the burden of building fees for the Eaton Fire rebuilders.
			tom purnell	as I go thru the process of rebuilding I'm finding many unknown expenses well over \$1,000,000 to bring a 1200sqft home back on my property. we are both retired and have no way to earn more money. Removing Fees will help in getting back on our property. We vote YES on Agenda item 51-B.



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51-B.		Favor	Troy Simpson	<p>Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm writing to you today to strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is crucial, and frankly, a necessary step.</p> <p>The Altadena community has been through a devastating loss. Our homes and memories are gone. Now, as we try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many residents, myself included, are already struggling with underinsurance, new building codes, and today's high construction costs. Adding permitting fees on top of that makes getting back home even harder.</p> <p>The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a full waiver. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about fairness and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.</p> <p>Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.</p> <p>Sincerely, Troy Simpson</p>
			Vandana Desai	<p>I support fee deferment and eventual waiver for homeowners who lost their homes in the Eaton Fire and who are rebuilding.</p>
			Vilma Martinez	<p>I am in favor of Removing the Permit fees from the Altadena homes that burned down and need to be rebuilt.</p> <p>This fire was due to NO FAULT of our own, and we should get them waved just like Palisades (a city of wealthy people) did. The people of Altadena deserve the same courtesy!</p> <p>Deferring the fees is not good enough!!!</p> <p>I respectfully request that you fight for what is right for Altadena.</p>
			Wendy K Hammond	<p>The community of Altadena respectfully requests that the Board approve this motion to remove the burden of county permit fees for rebuilding after the 2025 LA County Fires.</p>



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51-B.		Favor	Yumi Taylor	
		Other	Jessica Trejo	<p>Dear Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I'm Jessica Trejo, and I'm writing to urge your support for Item 51-B, the motion to defer plan check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors. Our community is in urgent need.</p> <p>Altadena has faced immense loss; the fire destroyed not just homes, but the heart of our community. As we begin to rebuild, financial concerns loom large. The costs of permitting, along with underinsurance, new building codes, and rising construction expenses, are overwhelming for many.</p> <p>This motion represents a crucial chance for the County to stand with its residents in this tough time. While deferring fees would provide some relief, we ask that you also work toward securing funds to entirely waive these costs. This isn't just about financial aid; it's about equity and showing genuine care for our neighbors.</p> <p>Your support will ease the burden for those who have suffered greatly. Taking action now will demonstrate that Los Angeles County is committed to helping its residents heal and rebuild.</p> <p>Thank you for your compassion and dedication to our community.</p> <p>Sincerely, Jessica Trejo</p>
			Justin Smith	<p>You promised to waive fees for Eaton Fire rebuilds. Deferrals are balloon payments at the end of the process, which is worse than pay-go.</p> <p>Honor your promise to us and waive the fees, please.</p> <p>We have enough to worry about already.</p>
			Rachel Badillo	<p>Please explain. I am in favor of Remove & wave permit fees rather defer. It seems more just to do away w this extra cost & burden rather to pay it pack down the road when there still so much uncertainty re: cost of rebuilding & insurance pay outs.</p> <p>Plz don't put us more in a hole- wave those fees now!</p> <p>Rachel Badillo E. Poppyfields Dr. Altadena Homeowner & primary bread winner of a family of 4</p>
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Dear Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

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The county has a real chance here to show it supports its residents. While deferring these fees offers some immediate relief, we need you to go further. Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to make it a **full waiver**. This isn't just about temporary help; it's about **fairness** and ensuring our community can truly recover and rebuild.

Providing this support now will significantly ease the pressure on those of us directly affected. Your leadership on this will send a clear message: Los Angeles County stands with its residents.

Thank you for your consideration and for focusing on our community's recovery.

Sincerely

Deborah Chumi Paul

3357 Villa Grove Dr
Altadena, CA 91001

June 16,2025
Altadena, CA

To the Esteemed Members of the Los Angeles County
Board of Supervisors,

I strongly advocate for Item 51-B. This motion to defer plan
check and permitting fees for Eaton Canyon fire survivors is
a crucial step forward.

The Altadena community has experienced a devastating
loss. So many homes and memories are gone. Now, as we
try to rebuild, the financial burden is immense. Many
residents are struggling with underinsurance, new building
codes, and high construction costs. Permitting fees on top of
that makes getting back home even harder.

The county has a chance to show it supports Altadena
residents. While deferring these fees would offer immediate
relief, we need you to go further.

Please don't just pass this motion; secure the funding to
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about ensuring our community can actually recover and
rebuild.

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**Support for Altadena Eaton Fire Survivors:
The Case for Permit Fee Waivers
June 16, 2025**

The disparity in recovery assistance between fire-affected communities in Los Angeles County represents a fundamental inequity that demands immediate correction. While Pacific Palisades fire survivors have received the crucial relief of waived building permit fees, Altadena residents—who suffered equally devastating losses in the Eaton Fire—continue to face prohibitive rebuilding costs that could reach \$50,000 per household in permit fees alone.

The Scale of Devastation

The Eaton Fire destroyed an estimated 9,400 structures in the Altadena area, wiping out entire neighborhoods and displacing thousands of families. These numbers reflect not just property loss, but the destruction of a community's foundation—homes that families intended to pass down to their children, businesses that served as neighborhood anchors, and the social fabric that binds communities together.

The Financial Reality

For many Altadena residents, the mathematics of rebuilding simply don't work without permit fee relief. Families already grappling with insurance shortfalls—where payouts of \$600,000 meet rebuilding costs of \$1.2 million—cannot absorb additional tens of thousands in permit fees. These fees represent the difference between rebuilding and being permanently displaced from their community.

The Equity Imperative

The most compelling argument for Altadena permit fee waivers lies in basic fairness. When Mayor Karen Bass announced that building permit fees would be waived for Pacific Palisades residents, she established a precedent that disaster recovery should not be hampered by bureaucratic costs. This relief was not charity—it was recognition that communities devastated by wildfire deserve every possible support in their efforts to rebuild.

Altadena residents deserve the same consideration. The trauma of losing one's home is universal, regardless of zip code. The financial strain of rebuilding affects working families in Altadena just as acutely—if not more so—than residents of wealthier areas. To provide relief to one fire-affected community while denying it to another creates a

two-tiered system of disaster recovery that undermines the principle of equal treatment under law.

The Community Impact

Permit fee waivers represent more than financial relief—they provide hope. For elderly residents on fixed incomes, families already stretched by displacement costs, and longtime community members contemplating whether to rebuild or relocate, fee waivers signal that the county values their return and recognizes their struggle.

Without this support, Altadena risks losing the diversity and character that have defined the community for generations. Families who have lived there for decades may be forced to sell to developers, accelerating gentrification and displacing the very residents who built the community's identity.

Moving Forward

The solution is straightforward: Los Angeles County must extend the same permit fee waivers granted to Pacific Palisades residents to all Altadena Eaton Fire survivors. This is not about preferential treatment—it's about equal treatment. It's about recognizing that every family deserves the opportunity to rebuild their life and community after disaster strikes.

The county has already demonstrated its ability to provide this relief through executive action. The infrastructure exists, the precedent is established, and the need is clear. What remains is the political will to ensure that disaster recovery assistance is distributed equitably across all affected communities.

Altadena residents have waited long enough. They have shown remarkable resilience in the face of devastating loss, organizing themselves, advocating for their community, and beginning the long process of rebuilding. They deserve the same support that has been extended to their neighbors. The time for permit fee waivers is now.

Thank you for your action on this matter,

Kelsey Brown

Eaton Fire Survivor

Total Loss Resident of Altadena

Rebuild in Process

Bridget Fonger
3587 Glenrose Avenue Altadena CA 91001

My name is Bridget Fonger. I am a Altadena property owner and Los Angeles voter.

I'm writing today in strong support of Item 51-B, the motion to waive plan check and permitting fees for those rebuilding after the Eaton Canyon fire.

Our neighborhood has expressed deep and consistent concern about the financial burden these fees place on fire survivors. For many, these costs are not just a line item—they are a major obstacle to coming home and rebuilding their lives. The County has an opportunity with this motion to demonstrate that it stands with residents during the long, often difficult road to recovery.

We urge you to pass this motion - it's a matter of fairness, equity, and community resilience.

Thank you for your leadership and for supporting our recovery.

Sincerely,

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Altadena Property Owner