



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS  
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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
Public Comment		Favor	Anonymous Anonymous	<p>Metro Ambassadors</p> <p>The Ambassador Program (Security Personnel) on Metro is a wonderful program - however small kiosks with cameras and chairs for Ambassadors are missing - even the narrow platforms have enough space for individual chairs so Ambassadors can rotate between walking, standing and sitting - Los Angeles is a Labor Rights friendly city!!!!</p>
			Barbara Kappos	
			Cleotilde Urbina	Muy buena informacion.
			Sofia Ufret-Rivera	<p>Hello, my name is Sofia Ufret-Rivera and I am a volunteer case worker with Project Hep C Connect.</p> <p>Today, I am here to urge the Board to move forward with a supplemental budget request to expand the LA County Department of Public Health's Hepatitis C budget by \$441,000 to fund 2 full-time staff positions focused on linkage-to-cure.</p> <p>Presently, 2 out of 3 LA County residents with active Hepatitis C remain untreated even though treatment to cure exists. If left untreated by medication, individuals may develop liver disease, cirrhosis, and even liver cancer. Hepatitis C is not only a personal health issue, but it is also a public health concern. People living with Hep C can unknowingly transmit the virus to others, including family members, partners, and emergency responders.</p> <p>Many individuals I have worked with have had no idea they were positive for Hepatitis C or for how long they have had it and are scared by the complications they may develop. Most are more than willing, proactive, and grateful for the linkage-to-cure assistance our program provides, but our volunteer program cannot do it without more support.</p> <p>The Board must act immediately by requesting a supplemental budget to fund two full-time staff to focus on linkage to cure. Together, we can build community coalitions, save lives, and combat this pressing public health issue in our LA County.</p>



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Public Comment		Favor	Sylvia Silver	<p>Good morning!</p> <p>My name is Sylvia Silver, and I'm a volunteer caseworker with Project HepC Connect.</p> <p>I'm here today to ask the Board to approve an additional \$441,000 in funding for the LA County Department of Public Health's Hepatitis C program. Hepatitis C is curable, but despite that, most people in LA County who have it still aren't getting treated. This isn't just about individual cases. It's a public health issue that puts families, first responders, and whole communities at risk.</p> <p>I've been volunteering for over a year, and even though every case is different, the challenges we hear are the same: no insurance, housing instability, substance use. Many people don't even realize they have Hep C until we call them, sometimes years after they were first diagnosed. And even when they do know, they often can't access care or don't know where to start. There are programs out there that offer affordable treatment, but they're hard to find, and people need help getting connected to them. That's why adding full-time staff is so important. It takes consistent, hands-on support to help someone start and finish treatment. Without that, people just keep slipping through the cracks, and Hep C keeps spreading.</p> <p>I really appreciate the Board for taking a big step by passing the June 2024 motion to expand staffing. Now we just need to fund it. We have a cure for Hepatitis C. But without enough staff, we're not reaching the people who need it most.</p> <p>Thank you for listening, and for your time.</p>
		Oppose	diana tellez	<p>How are you allowing work at 8201 Santa Fe Ave. Huntington Park/Los Angeles, CA 90255 without permits- again!?</p> <p>Hold U-Haul impacting Florence- Firestone and Walnut Park community members accountable!</p> <p>Your lack of action tells our communities that industries can come into our neighborhoods and violate regulations/zoning laws, contaminate the land, and avoid accountability while community members continue to be impacted. The Board of Supervisors needs to prioritize the health of their constituents by applying the Green Zones Ordinance to this harmful project!</p>



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			Billy Freeman	When will address the anti black discrimination from latinos in this city. In housing , jobs , schools, public transportation etc. we have to address this or there will be lawsuits filed left and right. Blacks being pushed out of historically black neighborhoods! Stop the dicrimination!!
			Daisy Loya	How are you allowing work at 8201 Santa Fe Ave. Huntington Park/Los Angeles, CA 90255 without permits- again!?
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			Daphnee N Rodriguez	
			Denzel Martinez	How are you allowing work at 8201 Santa Fe Ave. Huntington Park/Los Angeles, CA 90255 without permits- again!?
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			Faith Kim	<p>Hello, my name is Faith Kim and I am a volunteer case worker with Project Hep C Connect.</p> <p>Today, I am here to urge the Board to move forward with a supplemental budget request to expand the LA County Department of Public Health's Hepatitis C budget by \$441,000 to fund 2 full-time staff positions focused on linkage-to-cure.</p> <p>Presently, 2 out of 3 LA County residents with active Hepatitis C remain untreated even though treatment to cure exists. If left untreated by medication, individuals may develop liver disease, cirrhosis, and even liver cancer. Hepatitis C is not only a personal health issue, but it is also a public health concern. People living with Hep C can unknowingly transmit the virus to others, including family members, partners, and emergency responders.</p> <p>Many individuals I have worked with have had no idea they were positive for Hepatitis C or for how long they have had it and are scared by the complications they may develop. Most are more than willing, proactive, and grateful for the linkage-to-cure assistance our program provides, but our volunteer program cannot do it alone.</p> <p>The Board must act immediately by requesting a supplemental budget to fund two full-time staff to focus on linkage to cure. Together, we can build community coalitions, save lives, and combat this pressing public health issue in our LA County.</p>
			Gissela Chavez	<p>Hold U-Haul in SD2 Florence- Firestone accountable. How are you allowing redevelopment without permits- again!</p> <p>What this tells our communities is clear: industries can come into our communities, violate regulations and land conditions, contaminate the land, and avoid accountability while community members continue to be the ones impacted.</p>

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Public Comment		Other	Heather Lopez	<p>Hello, my name is Heather Lopez and I am a volunteer case worker with Project Hep C Connect.</p> <p>Today, I am here to urge the Board to move forward with a supplemental budget request to expand the LA County Department of Public Health's Hepatitis C budget by \$441,000 to fund 2 full-time staff positions focused on linkage-to-cure.</p> <p>Presently, 2 out of 3 LA County residents with active Hepatitis C remain untreated even though treatment to cure exists. If left untreated by medication, individuals may develop liver disease, cirrhosis, and even liver cancer. Hepatitis C is not only a personal health issue, but it is also a public health concern. People living with Hep C can unknowingly transmit the virus to others, including family members, partners, and emergency responders.</p> <p>Many individuals I have worked with have had no idea they were positive for Hepatitis C or for how long they have had it and are scared by the complications they may develop. Most are more than willing, proactive, and grateful for the linkage-to-cure assistance our program provides, but our volunteer program cannot do it alone.</p> <p>The Board must act immediately by requesting a supplemental budget to fund two full-time staff to focus on linkage to cure. Together, we can build community coalitions, save lives, and combat this pressing public health issue in our LA County.</p>
			Madison Ward	<p>Hello, my name is Madison Ward, and I'm a Case Manager with Project HCV Connect. I respectfully request the Board to increase the LA County Department of Public Health's Hepatitis C budget by \$441,000 to fund two full-time linkage-to-cure staff.</p> <p>Currently, two out of three LA County residents with active hepatitis C are untreated. At Project HCV Connect, we work to inform residents of their status, educate them on treatment options, and connect them to care. Hepatitis C is both a personal and public health issue—it can lead to liver failure or death and can be unknowingly transmitted to others. With more dedicated staff, we can respond to the 10+ new HCV cases reported daily, improve treatment access, and help more residents reach a cure. Your support can save lives and strengthen public health across LA County.</p>



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			Miriam E Merida	
			Ozzie Orozco	How are you allowing work at 8201 Santa Fe Ave. Huntington Park/Los Angeles, CA 90255 without permits- again!?  Hold U-Haul impacting Florence- Firestone and Walnut Park community members accountable! Your lack of action tells our communities that industries can come into our neighborhoods and violate regulations/zoning laws, contaminate the land, and avoid accountability while community members continue to be impacted. The Board of Supervisors needs to prioritize the health of their constituents by applying the Green Zones Ordinance to this harmful project!
			Priscilla Perez	How are you allowing work at 8201 Santa Fe Ave. Huntington Park/Los Angeles, CA 90255 without permits- again!?  Hold U-Haul impacting Florence- Firestone and Walnut Park community members accountable! Your lack of action tells our communities that industries can come into our neighborhoods and violate regulations/zoning laws, contaminate the land, and avoid accountability while community members continue to be impacted. The Board of Supervisors needs to prioritize the health of their constituents by applying the Green Zones Ordinance to this harmful project!
			Sonia Salgado	How are you allowing work at 8201 Santa Fe Ave. Huntington Park/Los Angeles, CA 90255 without permits- again!?  Hold U-Haul impacting Florence- Firestone and Walnut Park community members accountable! Your lack of action tells our communities that industries can come into our neighborhoods and violate regulations/zoning laws, contaminate the land, and avoid accountability while community members continue to be impacted. The Board of Supervisors needs to prioritize the health of their constituents by applying the Green Zones Ordinance to this harmful project!
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**Hello, my name is Daphnee, and I am a USC Keck medical student and also a volunteer caseworker with Project HCV Connect.**

I'm writing to urge your continued support in addressing the public health crisis that is hepatitis C. Each year, tens of thousands of people in the U.S. die from hepatitis C—a disease that is fully curable when diagnosed and treated early. These deaths are not due to a lack of medical innovation, but rather to broken systems that fail to educate, link, and support individuals through treatment.

As a Keck USC medical student, I volunteer my time to do this work through Project HCV Connect. Despite the dedication of our volunteer team, we are still trying to reach people who tested positive more than a year ago. We simply do not have the staffing or infrastructure to provide timely follow-up and connection to care. We need full-time, paid case managers and a system that can proactively track and support patients through treatment.

One patient I spoke to had lived with hepatitis C for so long that by the time I reached him, he had told me he was diagnosed with stage IV liver cancer, which is terminal. This is completely preventable and we should be making a stronger effort to reach people.

Today, I am here to urge the Board to move forward with a supplemental budget request to expand the LA County Department of Public Health's Hepatitis C budget by \$441,000 to fund 2 full-time staff positions focused on linkage-to-cure. I also urge broader support for expanded treatment assistance and care resources for all residents living with hepatitis C in LA County.

We have the tools to cure hepatitis C. Now we need the systems and staff to make that cure accessible to all.

Thank you,  
Daphnee Rodriguez

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daphnee Rodriguez', with a stylized, flowing script.