



**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
5.		Favor	Christina Hui	I don't want ICE here at all.
			Erika Cervantes	
			Janine Roach	Get ICE out of Los Angeles. Start with ICE-Free Zones. Then rapidly expand this ICE-Free Zone to the entire county. Do not allow the LA County Sheriff to assist in any of their operations. Do not allow them to terrorize the people of our county. This is not what we stand for. This is not what Los Angeles is about. ICE does not follow basic laws, due process, or respect humanity and should not be allowed in our county. We are better than this.

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5.		Oppose	paul burt	Supervisor Horvath's motion to create so-called "ICE-Free Zones" across Los Angeles County - complete with new ordinances, mandatory signage, locked gates, permit requirements for federal agents, property inventories, and reporting procedures - is an outrageous, ideologically driven smack in the face to, and waste of taxpayer dollars at a time when this County is teetering on the edge of financial ruin! LA County is facing multi-hundred-million-dollar deficits, billions spent on homelessness with streets more dangerous than ever, wildfire recovery costs still mounting, and now the very real threat of federal funding cuts under the new Administration's justifiable crackdown on ridiculous sanctuary policies. Yet Supervisor Horvath wants to spend scarce resources - County Counsel time, Internal Services staff, department heads' efforts—provoking a direct confrontation with federal immigration enforcement, all while claiming it's about "protecting communities." - Absurd doesn't convey the half of it! This isn't protection; it's political theater that jeopardizes billions in vital federal aid for public safety, health services, disaster relief, transportation, and more. Taxpayers foot the bill for signage declaring County property off-limits to ICE, for bureaucratic permit schemes, for employee snitch lines to report federal agents doing their jobs; and for what? To shield illegal immigrants from civil enforcement while our own citizens suffer skyrocketing crime, overburdened services, and encampments everywhere? This Board has already declared a "local emergency" over immigration actions and pushed mask bans on federal agents - now this? Enough already! These symbolic gestures don't make anyone safer; they invite lawsuits, funding losses, and further strain on a budget already slashed for homeless outreach and prevention. Supervisor Horvath, because you and this Board don't personally pay these bills, it's easy to grandstand. But LA County taxpayers do - and we're sick of funding defiance that risks everything for skewed ideology. Reject this motion outright. Stop wasting our money on bureaucracy that obstructs federal law and prioritizes non-citizens over the law-abiding residents drowning in this County's failures and corruption! Focus on real emergencies: clearing streets, balancing the budget, protecting citizens. No more taxpayer-funded rebellion.
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**Subject: Creating ICE-Free Zones in Los Angeles County**

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of [Alliance for a Better Community \(ABC\)](#), I am writing in strong support of Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath's [motion](#) to create **ICE-Free Zones in Los Angeles County**. The motion strengthens protections to ensure County property is not used as a staging area, processing location, or operations base for unauthorized civil law enforcement actions, including civil immigration enforcement by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Federal immigration enforcement actions have had a devastating and lasting impact on Latina/o communities throughout Los Angeles. Over the past seven months, Angelenos have witnessed nearly a dozen documented incidents in which ICE operations resulted in death or serious injury. In addition, reports from community organizations, local media, and County officials show repeated instances of ICE using or positioning near County-owned and County-controlled property, including parks, parking lots, and facilities, as staging areas or locations to detain individuals. These practices have deepened fear, eroded trust in public institutions, and created a chilling effect that keeps residents from accessing parks, libraries, schools, health services, and other essential County resources as intended.

The use of public property for civil immigration enforcement has far-reaching consequences beyond individual arrests. When ICE operates in or around County spaces, families avoid these locations out of fear of surveillance, detention, or collateral harm, particularly in Latina/o and mixed-status households. This pattern undermines the County's ability to deliver services, discourages civic participation, and heightens the risk of unlawful detention of U.S. citizens and due process violations, while retraumatizing communities already impacted by family separation and aggressive



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enforcement tactics.

This motion takes a necessary and measured step to protect County property, staff, and residents. By prohibiting the use of County-owned or controlled property for unauthorized civil immigration enforcement staging, processing, or operations, Los Angeles County affirms that public spaces exist to serve the public good, not to facilitate actions that undermine community safety and constitutional rights.

ABC strongly supports the County's leadership in establishing clear boundaries that uphold civil rights, protect public access to County spaces, and reduce the risk of harm to residents and staff. Creating ICE-Free Zones is not only a legal and operational safeguard, it is a moral commitment to ensuring that all Angelenos, regardless of immigration status, can access public spaces without fear.

For more than 25 years, ABC has worked to advance social, economic, and racial equity and justice for the Latina/o community in Los Angeles. We know how essential safe, trustworthy, and accessible public institutions are to community wellbeing. This motion is an important step to safeguard those institutions in this moment of heightened fear and uncertainty.

We urge the Board of Supervisors to adopt this motion and continue advancing policies that prioritize safety, dignity, and equity for the communities that call Los Angeles County home.

Sincerely,

Vanessa Aramayo  
President and CEO  
Alliance for a Better Community